

REPORT.

The President and Directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company in compliance with an order of the House of Delegates of Maryland, enclosed to them in a letter from the Chairman of the Committee of Internal Improvement of that body, under date of the fifth of January, eighteen hundred and thirty, respectfully submit the following Report:—

The order in question requires an account,

1st. "Of the present state of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, and the prospect of the early completion thereof."

2nd. "The durability, expense and extent of the Road already executed, the contracts under execution, the gross receipts from the portions already executed, the necessary and contingent expenses attending their execution, and carrying into operation."

3rd. "The difficulties, if any exist, to the completion of the Road; and such other general and specific information, as may be deemed important to a full understanding, on the part of the House of Delegates, of the actual state of the Road."

In addition to the above inquiries, on the part of the House of Delegates, the letter of the chairman of the Committee of Internal Improvements, inquires further.

"What difficulties to the completion of the said road now intervene, whether legal or natural," and "whether any action of the Legislature may remove such difficulties."

The desire of the House of Delegates, expressed by the Chairman of the Committee of Internal Improvements, "to collect such general and specific information, as may be deemed material to the prosperity of the works now patronized by the State, as well as to keep a general supervision over her investments therein, is, so far as the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company is interested, most fully reciprocated; and this company embraces, with much gratification,