

names of those proposed to be retained to the board, with the compensation to be allowed to each.

*January 22nd, 1840.*

The President asked the attention of the board, to the subject of a reduction of the number and rate of compensation of the officers of the company, but the consideration of that subject was postponed until Friday morning next, at 11 o'clock, and it was ordered that the board will meet at that time for that purpose.

*January 24th, 1840.*

The Chief Engineer, under the order of the board of the 4th inst. made a report on the further reduction of the corps of engineers of the company.

The report having been read, it was ordered, that the line of the canal between dam No. 6, and Cumberland, be divided, for the purpose of its construction, into two divisions, the first extending from the said dam to the upper end of section No. 316, and the second, from the lower end of section No. 317 to Cumberland. That Ellwood Norris act as principal assistant engineer of the first division, and Joshua Gore as principal assistant engineer of the second division; that Israel Dickinson, Henry M. Dungan, Samuel H. Williams and Thomas L. Patterson, be continued as assistant engineers; That Benjamin F. Brannan, James R. Young and Fenton M. Henderson be continued as rodmen; that A. B. McFarland be continued as superintendent of masonry, at the rate of compensation now paid to assist superintendents of masonry, and in the event that he shall decline the place, then Duncan Grant shall be continued as a superintendent of masonry, and Joseph Knode, Morgan Snively, Thomas Snyder, James M. Cashing and George Young be continued as superintendents of sections.

It was further ordered, that from and after the first day of March next, the services of the following named officers shall be dispensed with, viz: John A. Byers and Charles H. Randolph, as principal assistant engineers, Thomas Gore, as Rodman, Wm. Hurd as an assistant superintendent of masonry, A. B. McFarland as Superintendent of masonry, unless he shall accept the rate of compensation this day determined upon, in which event the services of Duncan Grant as assistant superintendent of masonry shall be dispensed with, and William T. Windsor and James Thompson as superintendents of sections. Also that the services of Fitzhugh Coyle, as rodman, be dispensed with, as soon as the business in which he is now engaged, shall be completed.

It was further ordered, that Richard S. McCulloch be appointed a rodman, and D. Logan a superintendent of Masonry from the first day of April next, and that when circumstances may require the services of axe-men, a number not exceeding four of them, may be appointed.