

REPORT.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

February 23, 1841.

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The select committee to whom was referred the memorial of the Annapolis and Elkridge Rail Road Company, beg leave to report:

That they have carefully examined all the accounts and expenditures of said Rail Road Company, and found that no money has been expended, for which an accompanying voucher was not exhibited. All the disbursements appear to have been faithfully and honestly made, and for no other purpose than for the construction of the road—the purchase of the locomotives and cars, and for the necessary buildings.

Three hundred thousand dollars has been subscribed and paid, on the part of the State,—the individual subscription amounted to fifty-two thousand,—of which forty-six thousand, thirty-one dollars and eighty-six cents has been paid, leaving a balance of five thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight dollars and fifteen cents still unpaid—four thousand three hundred ninety-seven dollars and eighty-eight cents, of which amount, is supposed to be available, making the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand, four hundred twenty-nine dollars and seventy-four cents actually paid in and available.

It appears that the actual cost of constructing the road, amounted to \$484,727 50—exceeding the amount for which the contracts were let, by the sum of \$26,819 54, the far greater part of which was owing to the non-compliance of two contractors on the line, who, it is believed, made every honest