

COMMUNICATION.

OFFICE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL CO.

Frederick, Feb. 7th, 1843.

To the Hon. WM. V. BUSKIRK,

*Chairman of the Committee of Internal Improvement
of the House of Delegates, Md.*

Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 23rd ult., on yesterday, enclosing a series of resolutions adopted by the House of Delegates on the 16th same month, embracing certain inquiries, which you request me “to answer so far as concerns the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company.”

In reply, I beg leave to state, that the information called for by the first, second, and fifth orders, so far as relates to this company, down to Dec. 1, 1839, will be found in two reports from the Committee of Internal Improvements to the House of Delegates—the one being Document KK. and the other LL.—of December session 1839. Since that period no agent has been employed, or authorised to be employed to render service to the company by attending during the past sessions—nor has this company employed any such to attend this present session of the General Assembly.

During the last winter two members of the Board of Directors, at the request of the Board, attended at Annapolis for several weeks, to furnish such information as might be needed to mature a Bill for the completion of the Canal; and their necessary expenses were paid therefor, to the amount of one hundred dollars each; but no extra compensation was asked or allowed them. I believe, though I have no official information on the subject, that a like request was made this year of some of the Directors by the Board, that, if they could conveniently do so, they would attend at Annapolis, for a few days, for a similar purpose; it being understood that their necessary expenses should be paid by this company.