

PETITION.

To the Speaker and Members of the General Assembly of Maryland:

GENTLEMEN:

WHEREAS, the Chestnut Ridge Iron Oar Mining Company of Pennsylvania, have petitioned to your honored intelligence, to grant them a charter to build a railroad from some point in Pennsylvania, to extend into the State of Maryland as far as their Iron Oar Mines, and perhaps as far as the city of Westminster in said State, and thus run parallel with the line of railroad, in the same valley of land, for a distance of eight or ten miles, that the Parkton and Manchester R. R. Co. is now building, and for which said Company has obtained the chartered right to construct from the present General Assembly of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the completion of the said Iron Oar Mining Railroad would produce a serious injury in the way of trade to the Parkton and Manchester Railroad enterprise, as well as a detriment to the citizens of that portion of Maryland, and the city of Baltimore, by inducting a heavy trade of iron oar, and other articles into Pennsylvania that would otherwise be carried to Baltimore and other portions of the Eastern part of Western Maryland.

We, the undersigned, stockholders of the Parkton and Manchester Railroad enterprise, and others from Baltimore and Carroll counties, do pray that the General Assembly of Maryland, will refrain from granting a legal and chartered right to any company from Pennsylvania or any other sister State, to consummate an enterprise that will deteriorate the interest of so large a portion of the citizens of the Commonwealth of Maryland.

NAMES.

Jacob Shamberger, Daniel Beckley, George Everheart, Jacob Hoshall, Christian Roger, Jr., Henry F. Miller, Geo. H. Hart, Lewis C. Myerly, Thomas E. Enser, John Carrill, George Bull, William Freeland, Nathen Ensor, James A. Brown, Wm. Kidd, J. B. Kidd, James McGeekin, Jr., James McGupin, Sr., Geo. T. Shower, Jr., Charles Kidd, James Quinn, Edward Kelley, Jr., Edward Kelley, Sr., Wm. Devlin, Loveless Martin, James Bell, James P. Fugait, J. B. Heaton, Wm. Diffendal, Martin Grady, Thos. Sore, Cornelius Burns, Singleton Wilson, D. McLachlan, James Lynch, Thomas Wien, James Jones, William Inon, E. C. Kidd, F. P. Flym, A. B. Boyle, W. R. Dixon, John Krantz, Danl. Breen, William Duff, John Mallon; William Wood, John Riordan, John Newbern, Jas. Brooks, Michael Keough, Patrick Higgings, Henry Devlin, Patrick Hassan, Alexander Campbell, John Dugan, James Rompley, B. B. Kirkwood, Stephen Freeland, Elias Nelson, Jno. C. Little, Daniel K. Leitner, Thos. Hacketts, Frank Murphy, Tarry Raferty, Edward McCearry, Michal