Whereas, Said corporation is seeking to renew its charter and obtain from Congress the right to condemn the property of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company and to place a bridge over the Canal in such form as would prevent the use of the Canal for a railroad as well as a waterway, which would tend to greatly depreciate the value of the property of the Canal Company and be a grievous wrong to the people of Maryland; therefore

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Senators from this State be instructed and the Representatives in Congress be requested to prevent the extension of the charter of the Washington and Western Maryland Railroad Company, unless it shall be amended so as to prevent said railroad company from occupying, using or acquiring the property of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company

And be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Senators and Representatives from Maryland in the Congress of the United

States.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Requiring that the Attorney General of Maryland be instructed to enjoin all persons from occupying and using the property of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company; and also to bring to the attention of the Circuit Court for Washington county the action of the trustees now in charge of said property, and to pray said court to pass an order on said trustees directing them to prevent the misuse of said Canal Company.

Whereas, The Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, the controlling interest of which is owned by the State of Maryland, has been by a decree of the Circuit Court for Washington county placed in the hands of the trustees of the bondholders of 1844 for a

term of years; and

Whereas, Said trustees are simply the representatives of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company; and

Whereas, The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company is engaged in constructing a railroad along the banks of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal in the District of Columbia, and have taken possession without