

## RESOLUTIONS.

1844.

protection of the investments of this State in the loan of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Rail Road Company, and for settling the difficulties between said Rail Road Company and the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company;" AND WHEREAS, the said act is not made to depend in any manner on the assent or concurrence of the Legislature of Maryland, and is in its provisions, in the apprehension of this General Assembly, calculated to have an injurious effect upon the public interest, if accepted by the companies therein named, or any of them—Now, therefore,

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Attorney General of this State, be and he is hereby directed to examine all the various acts of the Legislatures of the several States of Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania, relating in any manner to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Rail Road Company, or to the New Castle and Frenchtown Turnpike and Rail Road Company, or to the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company; and also, to procure if in his power, copies of any convention or article of union between the said Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Rail Road Company, and the said New Castle and Frenchtown Turnpike and Rail Road Company, and if in his opinion the acceptance of said act of the Legislature of Delaware by said last named companies, or by either of them, would be in violation of the charters of the said companies or company so accepting said act, or if any act or acts be done by said companies, or either of them, under authority of said act, if accepted, which in his opinion, would be in violation of the charter or charters of any one of said companies respectively, he shall forthwith proceed in such court or courts, and in such manner as in his judgment, will be apt and effectual to restrain such acts, and to procure a forfeiture of charter or charters of such companies or company.

*And be it further resolved,* That the Attorney General, be requested to transmit to his Excellency the Governor, to be communicated to the next General Assembly, his opinion in writing upon the acts of Assembly, and convention or articles aforesaid, and more particularly to state his opinion as to the right of said canal company under its charter, to carry passengers through said canal; and also, to state whether it is in the power of the Legislature of Delaware, to alter, change, or modify in any respect, the charter of said company, without the assent of the Legislature of this State, and the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania.