

the river, and 9 brigs and 43 schooners and sloops used the track, made by the Relief, in passing up, and 1 ship, 4 brigs and 10 schooners and sloops, in passing down the river, making in all 135 vessels, which could not otherwise have arrived or departed from this port, during the twenty one days, the river was closed.

Very, respectfully.

Your obedt. servant,

CHAS. W. KARTHAUS,

President B. and C. S. T. Co.

MEMORIAL OF THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF
THE BALTIMORE AND CHESAPEAKE STEAM TOW-
ING COMPANY.

To the Honorable

The General Assembly of Maryland:

The memorial of the President and Directors of the Baltimore and Chesapeake Steam Towing company, and of sundry other citizens, respectfully states, that an act of the Legislature was passed, in the year 1832, Incorporating a company for the purpose of building a boat of such dimensions and power, to be propelled by steam, as would, during the interruption of our navigation by ice, be able to keep a track open so as to allow a free passage for all vessels, inward or outward bound; that, in pursuance of this act the said company was formed, and a boat built, at a cost exceeding the whole amount of the stock. An application was then made to the corporation of the city of Baltimore, who very liberally, gave such assistance as enabled the company to pay off its debts. Thus freed from debt, the boat went into full operation, and is daily engaged in keeping the harbour open for the access and departure of sea vessels, bay craft, steam boats, and soforth.

In order to enable this boat to render as extensive and beneficial service to the public as she is capable