

that has been surveyed; the comparisons of the different surveys being yet incomplete. Enough, however, has been accurately ascertained, fully to corroborate the opinion heretofore expressed, that *the distance from Baltimore to the Ohio River can be passed over by locomotive engines and their trains without the use of stationary power or the occurrence of inclined planes.* With the improvements that are daily being made in rail roads and their machinery, it is quite within bounds to anticipate, that upon the route from Baltimore to Wheeling, it will be possible to perform the journey, with the passenger trains, in the space of twenty-four hours. The proximity of Baltimore to the western waters, gives to her advantages as the Commercial Emporium of Maryland, for intercourse with the vast country lying beyond the mountains, which cannot be enjoyed by any other of the Atlantic Cities to the same degree; advantages of which the liberal and enlightened policy of the States, as shown by the Internal Improvement Act of the Extra Session, 1836, proves that she is fully aware and of which she is now determined to avail herself

Since the last Annual Statement to the Governor and Council, the viaduct across the Potomac at Harper's Ferry, has been so far completed, that in the course of a few days it will be passable, when a perfect connexion will be established with the Winchester and Potomac Rail Road

The President and Directors accompany their present communication with a copy of the Tenth Annual Report made to the Stockholders, in which will be found in detail, all the information respecting the condition of the road, which is here but generally alluded to.

Since the passage of the Internal Improvement Act of the extra session of May last, this company has complied with all the conditions precedent to the subscription by the State which was authorized by that act, and the subscription of \$3,000,000 to its capital stock, has accordingly been made by the Treasurer of the Western Shore. The Commissioners under the act to settle all matters of difference that might arise in the course of its execution between this company and the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, have been appointed, and have commenced the discharge of their duties by adjusting the amount to