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that he  
will say  
the laws  
before the  
Assembly  
of Virginia

letter of the 30<sup>th</sup> August last, accompanied by Copies of two Resolutions passed at the late session of your Legislature, providing for running the boundary lines between the States of Maryland and Virginia; and beg leave to assure you that this acknowledgment would have been made at an earlier date, but for my absence from the seat of government.

It will afford me pleasure to say these Resolutions before the Legislature at its meeting in November next, and send what aid I can in furtherance of the important object sought to be attained thereby.

The action of the Virginia Legislature shall be promptly communicated to you.

With sentiments of high regard  
I am, Sir, Very Respectfully  
Your Obedt. Servant  
J. Johnson

Office Ches. & Ohio Canal Co.  
Washington Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> 1852

Partial  
Report of  
the Ches. &  
Ohio Canal  
Co. furnish-  
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mation to the  
Governor for  
his Annual  
Message.

Dear Sir  
Your letter of the 13<sup>th</sup> Inst addressed to the President of the Company was received on yesterday, and in his absence, in answer to your inquiries respecting the Canal, I respectfully make the following communication for the information of the Governor.  
Copies of the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Report made to the Stockholders on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June last were transmitted to the Governor immediately after its publication - This report exhibited in detail the affairs of the Company for the fiscal year ending the 31<sup>st</sup> of May last.

The navigation of the Canal was at that time suspended in consequence of injuries sustained by the heavy floods of April preceding, and the repairs then in progress were not completed, so as to admit the water into the Canal, and the resumption of the navigation until near the end of July - Two or three breaches in the Canal occurred during Augt. & Sept., by which the navigation was further interrupted for one month - Since that time, the navigation has been maintained with a full supply of water; and the Canal is believed to be, comparatively, in good condition - The repairs recently made, were intended to protect the Canal as far as practicable, against a freshet as high as that of April, and it is confidently believed, that in the event of a similar disaster, much less injury would be sustained, both as to the cost of repairs, and the time required to make them - The actual cost of securing the Canal from the injuries sustained in April last, will amount to about \$100,000, to which must be added the loss of revenue during the suspension