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Office of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canul Company, Washington, Feb. 26th, 1830.

PHILIP E. THOMAS, Esq. President of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company.

SIR—By order of the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, I enclose to you a copy of their instructions to Messrs. Jonathan Knight and Nathan S. Roberts, the commissioners appointed by an order of the chancellor of Maryland, of the 18th January last, in the case of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, vs. the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, for the purpose of making certain surveys, &c. on the left bank of the river Potomac, between the "Point of Rocks and Cumberland."

As Mr. Roberts' time and services are entirely appropriated to the execution of this commission, he will proceed to Baltimore on Monday, to make arrangements with Mr. Knight for an early commencement of their duties under the order referred to.

With great respect, I am sir, your obed't serv't.

JOHN P. INGLE, Clk. C. & O. C. C.

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Office of the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal Company, Washington, 24th Feb. 1830.

To Messrs. Nathan S. Roberts, and Jonathan Knight:

Gentlemen—As you are about to proceed to the execution of an order made by the chancellor of Maryland, of the 18th January last, in the case of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, vs. the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and the chancellor having in and by that order directed, that, in addition to what he has specifically required, you should make such surveys, drawings, maps and profiles, along and near the left bank of the river Potomac, from a place below the Point of Rocks, to the town of Cumberland, as may be required by either of the parties to the before mentioned suit: The Chesapeake and Ohio canāl company having never sought the surveys, &c which the order calls for, but having, on the contrary, always opposed them, as unnecessary and irrelevant to the question of