pointed to survey the left Bank of the Potomac, between Harper's Ferry and Cumberland," in reference to the time and manner of their reports, to be made in the prosecution of their duty, and I now inclose a copy of the instructions which have accordingly been given to this Board. [See letter 23.]

The stipulation that each company will severally bear the expenses incurred by its respective officers and agents, employed

in the service, is agreed to by this Board.

I am, Sir, &c.

Signed,

JOHN P. INGLE. Cl'k C. and O. C. C.

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(No. 23)

Office of the Ches. and Ohio Canal Company, Washington, March 10th, 1830.

Messis. Jonathan Knight, and Nathan S. Roberts, Commissioners appointed by the chancellor of Maryland, to make certain surveys, &c.

GENTLEMEN—In addition to the letter of instructions communicated to you on the 24th February last, it has been agreed by the parties, to give you in charge the following advice:

"That the commissioners appointed by the chancellor of Maryland, in the prosecution of their duty, shall, on arriving at Harper's Ferry, report to the presidents and directors of the two companies, on the practicability of constructing the rail road and canal between the "Point of Rocks" and that place, stating the breadth of the ground to be occupied by each, their respective cost, and the additional expense which each may in cur from its collision with the other, and on arriving at a point one hundred miles above Georgetown, or at the next feeder above Williamsport, that they shall also report the same particulars in the same manner, relative to the part of the line be tween Harper's Ferry and such point, so as to enable the two companies to decide whether so far, a compromise of the dispute now subsisting between them be practicable consistently with their mutual interest."

I am, gentlemen, with respect, Your ob'dt servant,

Signed, C. F. MERCER, Pres't C. & O. C.C. Correct copy,

Test, John P. Ingle, Ck. C. & O. C. Com.