

ses, which will be the same to him, whether at home or abroad, should remain undiminished:

(Signed)

H. W. EVANS, Chairman.  
JOHN McKIM, Jr.  
WILLIAM COOKE,  
JOHN I. DONALDSON,  
J. SWAN.

*Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company's office, 3d July, 1839.*

Mr. Hoffman moved that the report be accepted, which motion was carried. After discussion, Mr. J. I. Donaldson moved to reconsider Mr. Hoffman's motion, and divide it into three parts.

1st. The part appointing the agent, which, on motion of Mr. J. I. Donaldson, was adopted unanimously.

2d. The sale of the State stock. Mr. White moved for the limit to be fixed at 90 per cent.—and called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows: Yeas Messrs. Ely, Hooper, Scott and White. Nays, Messrs. Cooke, J. I. Donaldson, S. I. Donaldson, Evans, George, Hoffman, Hammond, Lucas, McKim, Moore, McPherson, Nicholas, Swan and Wilkins. The motion was consequently lost, and that part of the report adopted.

3d. The compensation of the agent, which on motion was adopted unanimously.

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy.

J. I. ATKINSON, Secretary.

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**No. 6.**

NEW YORK, January 28th, 1840.

*Gentlemen:*

I have already had the pleasure, in one interview in this city, to express my acknowledgments of the kind and handsome manner, in which the Directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Company have elected me to the office of President; and I beg leave, on this occasion, to convey them to your colleagues in the board.

Regarding the enterprise, with which the Directors have been pleased to connect me, as one of the most important of our National works, deeply interesting to the States with which it is immediately connected, and especially, essential to the prosperity of Maryland and the city of Baltimore, I should feel a pride in being associated with its future progress and completion.

The step for this purpose, however, would have to be reconciled, in point of time, to the interests which might be affected by separating from my present connections; and it was moreover, necessary, that I should be made acquainted with the grounds justifying a reasonable prospect of my being able to realise the expectations of the directors, and of the practicability of completing, by our joint exertions, the great work they had in hand.

The explanations of the committee upon the first point being