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COMMUNICATION

FROM THE
PRESIDENT OF THE EASTERN SHORE RAIL ROAD
COMPANY.

Poplar Grove, near Centreville, January 28th, 1840.

To the Hon. JOHN THOMSON MASON,
Chairman of Com. on Int. Imp.

Dear Sir,

I had the honor to receive your letter, conveying certain resolutions of the honorable House of Delegates, which were adopted on the 20th instant, to the following purport and effect:

1st. The number of officers employed since the first day of January 1835, and the number of the officers in the employ of said company, with tables annexed of the salaries of said officers, for the several years of 1835, 1836, 1837, 1838 and 1839.

2d. What officers of said companies have received extra allowances, and what amount has been paid or stipulated to be paid, and to what individuals; and asking me to forward you replies to them so far as they relate to the Eastern Shore Rail Road.

The work on the Eastern Shore Rail Road being at present suspended, and my residence being about eighty miles from where the books of the company are kept, at the office in Princess Anne, I shall not be able to answer the interrogatories with the minuteness I desire, but will tax my memory to give you the statement as well as I can recollect it, and hope it will be found sufficiently near the truth to answer all the important purposes of your committee:

First, 1835. The Eastern Shore Rail Road Company was not then in being.

1836. The stock of the company was subscribed, and in December of this year the stockholders met and elected, as well as I recollect, John P. Gale, John N. Dennis, Thomas Emory, Marcellus Jones, Littleton D. Teackle and John Sanders, directors for the ensuing year, no salaries received this year.

1837. In February of this year, a President was elected, Thos. Emory, salary fixed at \$2000 00
A Secretary also, L. D. Teackle, salary 1000 00
A Treasurer also, J. Sanders, salary 500 00