

different officers of the board when they are travelling on the business of the board can be regarded as extra allowance over their fixed salaries. This has been a usage of the board from its commencement to the present time. At the end of this year Mr. J. McD. Goldsborough resigned and left the service of the road, and Mr. Calahan was put in his place.

In this year, 1839, the officers of the board stand as they did the last year with the exception of L. D. Teakle, who was left out of the directory and Saml. W. Jones put in his place, and the salaries of its immediate officers the same, with the exception of Mr. Long the secretary, whose salary was advanced to \$750. This increase is paid by the use of a house belonging to the company and valued at \$250 a year, which the company were obliged to buy to enable it to obtain a proper site for a depot at Princess Anne. This house together with a portion of the land, it is the intention of the company to sell, as soon as it is fully paid for and the necessary quantity of land for a depot shall be ascertained.

In the winter of this year most of the important officers of this company were compelled to leave their appropriate official duties and repair to Annapolis under subpoenas from the House of Delegates. Some of them were obliged to remain the session out.

During this session of the legislature the principal assistant engineer was required to leave the Eastern Shore rail road, and assume his duties under the United States government, which he did, and about the end of the session, the chief engineer was required to leave also and visit the north western government posts, and was absent till about July of this year. Upon being himself ordered off, Col. Kearney obtained permission at Washington to allow the principal assistant to leave his duties on the Delaware for a time, in order that he might return to the road, to settle up all his accounts with the company and the corps which were in employ, and to execute his (Col. K's.) duties as far as might be necessary during the time. He did return for a short time, and after executing these duties, he finally left the company before the colonel's return. The company was in arrear to the engineer's department, at the end of the year 1838, and since then, the engineer's department has received from the company five or seven thousand dollars, I am not certain which.

When Mr. Duval stopped his work on the northern end of the road, the principal assistant was directed to adjust the accounts of the party at that end of the road as soon as he could, and then dismiss all that were not required, retaining only Mr. Calahan and Mr. Cutts, or so many as were necessary to complete the measurements and calculations of the work at that end, finish the maps and drawings of bridges. They were directed to make and keep possession of these and the other papers in the company's office, until it should be prepared to resume operations again. Also, in the then financial difficulties of the company to reduce the number at the southern end, to what might be barely necessary to superintend, measure and calculate the monthly work at that end. These