

*Journal of the Proceedings of the Committee while investigating the affairs of the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Company.*

“Ordered, That the Committee on Internal Improvement be directed to enquire into the affairs, and report to this house, the condition of the Baltimore and Ohio, and the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Companies; and that the committee be authorised to send for persons and papers, and to sit during the ensuing week in the city of Baltimore, if in their opinion it will facilitate their labors.”

[Passed Feb. 15th, 1839.]

BALTIMORE, Feb. 18th, 1839.

The committee met, in pursuance of an order of the House of Delegates, (directing the committee to enquire into the affairs of the Baltimore and Ohio, and Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Companies) at the office of the Susquehanna Rail Road Company, and proceeded to the discharge of the duty assigned them. Present, Messrs. Wootton, Comegys, Blocher and Handy.

The committee examined some of the papers of the company, and then adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, Feb. 19th, 1839.

The committee met. Present, Messrs. Wootton, Causin, Handy, Comegys, Maulsby and Blocher. The following gentlemen, Messrs. Wallace, Seidenstricker and Metzgar, of the 1st Branch, Messrs. Jones, Frazier and Wight, of the 2d Branch of the City Council, attended for the purpose of uniting with the committee in their examination of the affairs of the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Company.

Mr. Wallace, on the part of the City Council, presented the report and action of the council in relation to the company, a printed copy of which was furnished the committee.

The president, Mr. Howard, was then examined in relation to the situation and affairs generally of the company.

Mr. Causin propounded to the president the following interrogatories, to be answered in writing at the next meeting.

1. Under what authority did the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Company loan a portion of its funds to the York and Wrightsville Rail Road Company?

2. What was the amount in the aggregate of the loans so made?

3. What has been the receipts per annum from the Susquehanna Rail Road Company up to 1839—and what the receipts since its completion to York—and what the expenditures of the company for the same period?