No. 3.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company,

To Joseph J. Merrick, Dr.

April 8th, 1838.—To services rendered to you under special contract as agent, counsellor and solicitor, in the years 1836, 1837 and 1838,

\$10,000

Passed by order, May the 9th, 1838, payable by acceptance at 90 days, out of the contingent fund, say ten thousand dollars.

JOHN P. INGLE, Ck. C. & O. C. C.

I do hereby certify that the sum mentioned in the above account is due to Joseph J. Merrick, Esq., from the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, for services rendered by him in acquiring additional means from the State of Maryland, conformably to an agreement which, on the 7th day of March, 1836, I made with him for compensation, contingent on the attainment of that object, under authority conferred on me, "to employ such person or persons as in my judgment would be likely to render effective assistance."

JAMES W. McCULLOH.

Received May 10th, 1838, of the clerk of the C. & O. C. C. the acceptances of the said company upon my drafts, payable 90 days after date, to my own order, viz:

 Two drafts for \$3,000 each,
 \$6,000

 One do for
 2,000

 Two do for
 2,000

\$10,000 JOSEPH J. MERRICK.

No. 4.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company,

To Joseph J. Merrick, Dr.

To professional services rendered in the year 1835, exclusive of acquisitions of land,

\$3,000

In the month of December, 1834, I was applied to at Annapolis and Baltimore, by Judge Nisbet, President of the Susquehanna rail road company, to attend the approaching session of the Legislature of Maryland, as solicitor on behalf of that company, with an assurance of liberal compensation in the event of success. I took time to answer, and after returning home and finding my family in delicate health, wrote to Judge Nisbet, declining the employment. He again wrote pressing my acceptance of the engagement, and offering to me specifically one hundred dollars in hand, and a contingent fee of two thousand dollars, which offer I again without hesitation rejected. Upon the meeting of the Legislature I received from Mr. McCulloh, a letter recapitulating that offer, enclosing also his memorial on behalf of the Chesapeake