

were progressing with great spirit, as also at the deep cut at Oldtown, and at the tunnel. The engineer is satisfied that the latter work can be finished at as early a day as some other portions of the line. With adequate means at command the force would be increased, and this last division of the work be pressed forward with all possible despatch.

In the last spring a breach occurred at the Catoctin Aqueduct, on the line below Harper's Ferry, which occasioned but short interruption to the trade, being temporarily repaired. About the 1st December last, another breach took place at one of the high walls below the Great Falls; a very unfortunate occurrence, not only as regarded the cost of repair, but also the interruption to the trade, at a time when there was a large accumulation of produce on the canal ready for transportation; and although the tolls of the last considerably exceed those of the preceding year, yet the amount has been much diminished by this circumstance. The permanent repair of both these breaches are now in rapid progress, and will be completed in the ensuing month, when the entire line of 135 miles, from the Rock Creek Basin to the Cacapon river, will be opened for navigation. Including five miles of slack water created by Dam No. 6, the distance may be estimated at 140 miles. This increased line of canal cannot fail to add very considerably to the amount of tolls during the present year.

Referring for further information to the accompanying report and estimate of the engineer, and to the tabular statements of the treasurer and clerk, showing the present condition of the company,

I have the honor to be,

With high respect,

Your ob't servant,

G. C. WASHINGTON,
Pres. Ches. & Ohio Canal Co.

Questions to the Clerk of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company and answers to the same.

Question.—Who are the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company? How are they elected? What amount of stock has each in the company? and how much is paid on the stock of the President and of each Director?

Answer.—George C. Washington, of Montgomery county, Maryland, is President—and John J. Abert, of Washington city, William Gunton, of Washington city, Richard H. Henderson, of Leesburg, Va., John Hoyer, of Cumberland, Md., Phineas Janney, of Alexandria, D. C., and Walter Smith, of Georgetown, D. C., are the Directors.

The President and Directors of the company are elected annually at the general meeting of the stockholders, which commences on the first Monday in June, by a majority of the votes then giv-