

*To the President of the legislative committee of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, at Annapolis, Md.*

*Clearspring, February 2d, 1839.*

GENTLEMEN,—Being in possession of some news which I think is of considerable importance to your committee and to the State of Maryland, I have thought proper to write to you to inform you that William State, who is now an engineer in the employment of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company should be summoned before your honorable body to bear testimony, which I think is of importance to your committee. Should you think proper upon this notice to have him summoned, I would see that it is done by your furnishing me with the proper authority. I have every reason to believe that his testimony would somewhat surprise you, and perhaps show defalcations in departments which your honorable body is not aware of.

With feelings of respect,

I subscribe myself your humble serv't,  
CEPHAS BUTTLES.

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*Letter from Mr. Ingle.*

*Canal Office, Washington, February 23d, 1839.*

Col. WILLIAM WOOTTEN,

Chairman of Committee on Internal Improvements:

SIR,—I hand you my answer to the interrogatory propounded to me at Baltimore yesterday, and at the suggestion of Mr. Handy address it to you at Annapolis.

In answer to your question in relation to the time of Mr. Cruger's service with the canal company, and the amount of money paid to him, I state—

That Mr. Cruger entered the service of the company on the 1st of November, 1828, at a compensation of \$1,460 per annum.—On the 15th of November, 1829, his salary was raised to \$2,000 per annum. On the 1st July, 1832, it was increased to \$2,500 per annum, and continued at that rate until the 30th of April, 1834, when he resigned his appointment and left the service.—The whole amount paid to him was \$11,060.33.

No formal interrogatory was propounded on this subject. I therefore communicate the information in this form.

I am very respectfully,

Your ob't servant,

JOHN P. INGLE.

P. S. By the mail of Wednesday next, I shall enclose to you the statement of money paid for lands in Allegany, Washington, and Frederick counties, and if possible in Montgomery also.

J. P. INGLE.