

8th. Four local engineers on reconstruction, salaries \$3,640 per annum, dispensed with.

9th. The department of machinery has passed into the hands of the principal assistant engineer, and the principal machinist salary has been reduced \$200 per annum.

By these changes, you will observe, the aggregate annual expenditure of the company has been lessened \$18,200.

(Signed) J. J. ATKINSON, *Secretary.*

I certify that the within is a true copy.

J. J. ATKINSON, *Secretary of
the Balt. and Ohio Rail Road Company.*

15th February, 1843.

Copy of the letter to the Chairman of the Committee on Internal Improvement, 24th January, 1843.

OFFICE OF THE BALT. & OHIO RAIL ROAD CO.

January 24th, 1843.

TO W. V. BUSKIRK, ESQ. *Chairman of the committee
of Internal Improvement of the House of Delegates.*

SIR,—I received on the 20th your letter of the 19th instant, transmitting a copy of an order passed by the House of Delegates on the 16th instant, in the following words:

“Ordered that the committee on Internal Improvement, inquire of the president, and if necessary other officers of the said companies of this State:

First—The name of all such individuals as have been employed, or authorised to be employed, by the said companies, the amount of compensation paid to, allowed or claimed by such persons for services rendered during the past sessions of the General Assembly of this State, together with the services stipulated to be rendered, by such persons during the past sessions.

Second—Whether any of the said companies have employed or intend employing any individuals to attend the present General Assembly, and if so, their names, the services stipulated for the amount of compensation offered or demanded.

Third—What amount of free tickets have been authorised or issued by the president, directors, or other officers of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company.

Fourth—Whether the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company have not paid out in the State of Maryland, the money of other States at its par value, and afterwards refused to receive such monies for transportation of passengers, produce or minerals, except at a discount.

Fifth—The names of all such persons as have been employed by the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, and the Ches-