

The speed at which passenger boats may run, must depend entirely upon the amount of injury they do to the banks of the canal, and they must always be subject to any general rules or regulations, which may from time to time be adopted by this company.

[Signed,] Your obedient servant,
C. NEWBOLD, Jr., President.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26, 1843.

C. NEWBOLD, Jr.,

President Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company.

SIR: We have received your letter of December 20, 1843, informing us that your *tolls* for the privilege merely of carrying passengers through your canal, will be one half of the price charged for conveying passengers between Philadelphia and Baltimore, by the way of the Frenchtown and Newcastle Railroad; and that charge being now three dollars, your tolls will be one dollar and fifty cents per passenger. This is obviously a prohibitory enactment, the result as your letter would seem to imply, of an agreement with the proprietors of the aforesaid Railroad company.

We should be glad to be informed, if the terms mentioned, are the most favorable that may be expected for permission to convey passengers over your canal; or if your agreement with the Newcastle and Frenchtown Railroad company, is such as will probably continue to compel you to exclude travelling from the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal.

[Signed,]

{ STOCKTON & FALLS,
{ HUTCHINSON & WEART.

REPLY.

CHESAPEAKE & DEL. CANAL OFFICE, }
PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 2, 1844, }

GENTLEMEN: Your letter of the 26th ult. has been received, and in reply I have to observe, that this company believing they will be benefitted by the toll they have fixed on for passengers going through the canal, expect to continue the same for the present year.

We are not compelled by any engagement to exclude travelling from the canal, but, on the contrary, are anxious to increase it. The toll is not prohibitory, we having had a large business in passengers during the past season, nor is it too high, considering the cost of our canal.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,

[Signed,] C. NEWBOLD, Jr. President.

To Messrs. Stockton & Falls and Hutchinson and Weart, Baltimore.