

monstration, that the coal trade alone would realise more than six per cent in the whole amount of stock.

*Resolved*, That we approve of the policy pursued by the State of New-York in the construction of her grand canal, by which her population, wealth and prosperity has been made to advance with such rapid and gigantic strides, and which has by its profits already nearly paid the debt contracted for its construction, and promises soon to relieve the state entirely from taxation.

*Resolved*, As the sense of this meeting that the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal possesses great advantages over that of New York, from the fact of its being several hundred miles shorter, that it will be unobstructed by ice for several months in the year longer, and from its passing for nearly one half of its entire distance through a region rich with inexhaustible mines of coal, iron, and other valuable minerals, sources of wealth and profit not enjoyed by the New York canal.

*Resolved*, Therefore that every consideration of sound and enlightened policy, if not of self preservation imperiously demands the prompt and decided action of the legislature on the subject.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a copy of these proceedings signed by its officers, be transmitted to the Legislature of Maryland.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the editors of newspapers throughout the state and others friendly to the cause, be requested to give these proceedings an insertion in their papers.

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