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**C O M M U N I C A T I O N**

FROM THE

**President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company,**

IN ANSWER TO

**I N T E R R O G A T O R I E S**

PROPOUNDED BY ORDER OF THE HOUSE OF THE NINETEENTH  
FEBRUARY.

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## INTERROGATORIES.

Ordered, That the President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, be required to communicate to this House at the earliest practicable period,

1st. The names of all such individuals, if any, as have been employed or authorised to be employed by said company, together with the amount of compensation paid to, allowed or claimed by such individuals during December sessions 1841, 1842 and 1843, of the General Assembly, together with the services stipulated to be rendered by such individuals during the said several sessions of the General Assembly.

2nd. Whether the said company have employed or intend employing any individual, whether an officer, or agent of the company, or counsel, to attend the present session of the General Assembly, and if so, the names of such persons, the services stipulated for, and the amount of compensation offered or demanded.

## COMMUNICATION.

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ANNAPOLIS, February 19th. 1844.

To the *Honorable*,

*The Speaker of the House of Delegates :*

SIR:—I have just received a copy of the orders of the House of Delegates, of this date, in regard to the employment of agents to attend the sessions of the Legislature, and have the honor to state, that the information called for, so far as respects the sessions of 1841 and 1842—3, will be found in document S, of the last session of the General Assembly, to which I beg leave respectfully to refer as answer to the first interrogatory now propounded.

In reply to the second, I have only to say, in the language of the enquiry, that the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, has neither “employed nor intends to employ any individual, whether an officer or agent of the company, or counsel, to attend the present session of the General Assembly.”

With a view however of *promptly* furnishing such information as might be desired by the Legislature or any of the members thereof, in reference to the subject of completing the canal, the President and two of the Directors of the company, together with the Chief Engineer, have been in attendance at the seat of government, during the greater part of the present session, and are still in this city. They came merely as officers of the company, for the purpose mentioned, and without expecting any compensation whatever, for their services in this behalf. It is presumed, however, that, as has been customary on similar occasions, the *actual expenses* of the Directors will be refunded to them by the company.

With great respect,

Your ob't. servant,

J. M. COALE.

*President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company.*



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COMMUNICATIONS

FROM

G. L. THOMPSON, Esq.

ENGINEER IN CHIEF U. S. NAVY.

RELATIVE TO

The Quantity and Quality of Coal most likely to be required

AT THE

NAVY YARDS, AND BY THE WAR STEAMERS OF  
THE UNITED STATES.

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