

REPORT

OF THE

Committee on Public Works and Corporations.

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The Committee appointed under the following order, to wit: By the Convention,

Ordered, That the Committee upon Public Works and Corporations be instructed to investigate such of the proceedings of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore as may be deemed necessary by said Committee, and particularly relative to the endorsement by the city of Baltimore of the Union Railroad Company's bonds, and to the building of a new City Hall; and that John H. Barnes, Outerbridge Horsey, and Fendall Marbury, members of said Committee, be a Sub-Committee to proceed to Baltimore and there make the investigation.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD, *Sec'y.*

Having discharged the duties imposed upon them under the foregoing order, beg leave to submit the following as the conclusion reached from the investigation, and ask leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject:

By an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed February 6th, 1866, chapter 119, the Union Railroad Company of Baltimore was incorporated with power to construct a road from the Relay House, on the Northern Central Railroad, to tidewater at Canton, with lateral roads to the city of Baltimore. By the Act of 1867 a change was made in the route, but in no other particular was the charter changed by that Act.

The charter makes the capital of the Company six hundred thousand dollars, represented by shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each, with a provision that so soon as fifteen hundred shares were subscribed, and one dollar paid on each, the stockholders were authorized to organize the Company and exercise the powers granted in the charter. The initial steps thus pointed out were observed, and subscription books opened, conformable to law, and sixteen hundred and four shares being subscribed, the Company, in due form of law, was organized.

The following is a list of the subscribers' names and the amount taken by each, and also the amount paid: