

of both works on conjoint locations, but constructed independently,	-	-	-	-	\$28,097.60
Upper Point of Rocks.	Do.	-	-	-	16,204.43
Miller's Narrows.	Do.	-	-	-	9,333.90
Harper's Ferry Narrows.	Do.	-	-	-	3,026.20

Amounting to, 56,662.13

Lower Point of Rocks.—Estimated increase of cost of both works on conjoint locations, and constructed conjointly at the same time, - - - \$9,524.97

Upper Point of Rocks.—Under the same conditions, an increase of - - - - - 5,039.48

Increase for the two "Points of Rocks." 14,564.45

Miller's Narrows.—Under the same conditions, a decrease of, - - - 1,435.10

Harper's Ferry Narrows.—Under similar conditions, a decrease of - - - 503.80

1,938.90

Total increase of cost to the two companies in consequence of conjoint locations, in case the two works are constructed conjointly and at the same time, - - - - - 12,625.55

Which, being deducted from the amount of the increased cost on these locations if the two works are constructed independently, as above, - - - 56,662.13

The difference of the amounts of the two modes and in favor of conjoint operations in the construction will be, - - - - - 44,036.58

Nor do we think the disadvantage would be less than is here estimated, under any other plan or manner of carrying on the construction of the two works than that of *conjoint construction*.

It is easy to imagine, that, if either of the works shall be constructed antecedently to the other, the proper economy in the arrangement and allotment of materials could not possibly take place—and it would be next to impossible to carry on the two works at the same time, under separate contractors, the one for the Canal, and the other for the Rail Road. Serious collisions could not be prevented, nor could a due and proper economical division, and distribution of the materials be well enforced.