

of the "statement," to be forwarded to Frederick, in such way as you may direct.

The reports of the principal Assistants of November 1839, furnished mostly, all the details of the general estimate, but, as intimated yesterday, such corrections and alterations, deductions and additions, were made in transferring the details from the principal Assistant's reports to the general estimate, as were deemed necessary by me. The reason for such changes I can give when time shall permit it—which being done, the reports of the principal Assistants can, with propriety, be passed from my hands; but for the purpose in view, as stated in your letter, the general estimate will, probably, be found all sufficient.

In reference to the plans of work and other papers in my possession at the time of my dismissal and not left at Cumberland—I shall select such as are perfect and complete and properly belong to the company—to be placed in the Canal Office; and those plans, papers, &c. that are not complete and perfect, I shall endeavor to make so, that they also may be placed in the Canal Office, so soon as time and leisure and the information, within my reach, shall enable me so to do.

My professional character and reputation demand the course I have adopted, and in this I am sustained by the usage and the practice of the profession; and it gives me pleasure to add that the interests of individuals and of the company, so far as I am concerned, and under the circumstances, could in no other way be better promoted.

Yours, very respectfully,

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Copy of Thomas Turner's Letter to Charles B. Fisk, Dec. 26th, 1840.

CANAL OFFICE,
Frederick, Dec. 26, 1840. }

*Dear Sir:—*Your of the 22nd inst. is received—in reply permit me to express the hope that you will forward immediately, to my address, all the papers spoken of. They are much needed, as no communication can be made to the Legislature, or application for funds, until Mr. Morris has made his report, which he cannot do until he has received the papers now in your possession; as they will, no doubt, form too large a package for the mail, I would suggest their being put up safely and sent by the stage.

I am directed to ask of you all papers belonging to the Company