

courage to rebroate what is wrong whenever the occasion calls for it.

My friends may or may not have complained that I was superceded—I know nothing of it, but can aver that neither they nor any one else, ever heard me intimate a complaint or utter a groan on the occasion. It is however the first time that I have heard assigned as a reason for the change, that I was not a courteous treasurer—and I fear that it is an excuse which will not be found on either the “list of removals of officers and the causes therefore” laid before the committee, or the journal of proceedings of the President and Directors.

22d. Are you not irritated against the President and Directors of the canal company, on account of their change in the office of treasurer?

23d. Are you not irritated against the President and Directors, on account of their refusal to pay you a sum of money in addition to your regular salary?

*Answer.* These interrogatories convey imputations of feelings and actions so utterly unworthy of me that I might dismiss them by giving to them as I now do, my broadest and most unequivocal negation. But as reference is made to the refusal to pay me a sum of money, &c., I think it due to myself and to this committee that they should be apprized of the matter referred to; and this I shall make known to them in my answers to

24th. What is the amount you have received from former presidents and directors of the company, over and above the amount of your surplus salary! and

25th. What was the aggregate amount of your salary as treasurer, and what was the annual amount?

*Answer.* I find by the document LL of 20th March 1840, that from the period commencing 16th August 1828, (up to which term I was employed in the service of the Potomac company,) I received as per the subjoined table.