

A P P E N D I X .

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Extracts referred to in answer to 2d interrogatory, and intended to be part of that answer.

August 28, 1839.

“Whereas in the present state of the finances of the canal company it may be necessary to suspend some of the works now under contract on the line of the canal, or to reduce the force employed thereon: Therefore it was ordered, that the chief engineer be directed to be present at the meeting of the board, on the 4th day of September next, to communicate such information to the board in relation to the books now in progress as may then be asked of him.”

Sept. 25, 1839.

“A memorial was received from certain contractors complaining of the conduct of certain engineers of the company, in making incorrect estimates upon the work. Letters of explanation were also received from John B. Mann and Thomas M. McCubbin, two of the contractors who had signed the said memorial. The memorial and letters were referred to the chief engineer for a report thereon.

“A letter was received from F. C. R. Mans, complaining of having been dismissed from the service of the company by the engineer. The letter was referred to the chief engineer for a report thereon.

“A letter was received from D. Blocher in relation to the moral character of James Ellis, employed as a superintendant of masonry on the line of the canal. The letter was referred to the chief engineer for a report thereon.”

Oct. 14, 1839.

The meeting took up the report of the chief engineer, laid on the table on the 25th inst., on the subject of reducing the force employed on the line of canal above dam No. 6, and it was referred to the President with authority to proceed to the