

If the present legislature should pass an available act for the completion of the canal, and the work should be resumed on the line between Dam No. 6 and Cumberland, the additional expense, according to the report of the Chief Engineer, which is hereunto appended, marked G, would be

For engineers, superintendents, and expenses of the engineer department, - - -	-\$18,000 00
To which may be added, for pay of Commissioner, additional clerk in the office of the com- pany, and other expenses, - - -	4,000 00
Total additional expense, per annum,	<u><u>\$22,000 00</u></u>

During the last year the cost for repairs on the canal, ordinary and extraordinary, was \$65,860.

The year 1843, however, was distinguished for the number and magnitude of its freshets, and according to all reasonable calculations, another such may not occur for the next half century. From the past experience of the canal since it was first opened, and taking the year 1842 as a fair criterion, the expenses for *repairs*, ordinary and extraordinary, is estimated by the Chief Engineer at about \$200 per mile per annum, which would make the estimated cost for *repairs* from the eastern terminus of the canal to Dam No. 6, amount yearly to the sum of \$26,900 00. In the year 1842, the the actual cost for repairs between those points was \$26,750 00.

In the Engineer's report, hereunto appended, the cost for repairs during the current year is estimated at \$31,000, the reasons for which will be seen by reference to said report.

From the preceding statements, and those referred to in the appendix, therefore, it will appear that if the work be *not* resumed on the unfinished portion of the canal between Dam No. 6 and Cumberland, the probable accruing expenses of the current year, will be as follows:

For salaries of officers and agents, - - -	-\$18,641 00
Office rent, stationery, blank forms for collectors, fuel, &c. &c. - - -	650 00
Cost for repairs, ordinary and extraordinary, - - -	31,000 00
Total,	<u><u>\$50,291 00</u></u>

If the work be resumed, an additional expense will be incurred from the date of its commencement, at the rate of \$22,000 per annum.

I have now presented the information required by the order of the House, as fully as it was practicable for the respective officers of the company to furnish it to me, in the brief interval which has transpired since the date of the order. As regards the compensation paid to the State agents, on account of their attendance in the