

The calculation will then stand thus:—

Entire consideration in bonds, - - - - -	\$1,625,000
Deduct cash to be advanced to the company, \$100,000	
Interest to be paid on the bonds, 90,000	
	190,000

Leaving the amount in bonds given to the contractors for the completion of the canal to Cumberland, - - - - - \$1,435,000

The general estimate of the entire cost of constructing the fifty miles of canal between Dam No. 6, and Cumberland, which was made out in December, 1838, amounted to \$4,440,657. After considerable progress had been made in the execution of the work, a revised estimate of the cost of the whole, embracing the work *done and to be done* between the points mentioned, was made out in December, 1839, and it amounted to the *same sum*. In a communication addressed to Governor Grason, under date of 10th February, 1840. Governor Thomas, then President of this company, at a time, when the sum of \$2,030,128 had been expended on the work, embraced in the estimates above mentioned, used the following language in reference to them: "The estimates have been carefully and skilfully prepared, and authorise me to state that the fifty miles of canal to be constructed between Dam No. 6, and Cumberland will have cost, when completed, \$4,440,350," (\$4,440,657.) * * * "The estimates of the probable cost of the canal are made out most carefully. To insure accuracy the Chief Engineer has been requested to revise them again and again. *The Board believe they may be fully confided in. Experience thus far justifies the opinion.*"

Now the whole amount of the work done between Dam No. 6 and Cumberland up to the date of the present contract, according to a statement from the Chief Engineer, has cost the company \$2,892,000, which being deducted from the general estimates above mentioned, leaves \$1,548,657, as the amount necessary to finish the Canal to Cumberland, *according to said estimates*, and the plans on which they were based.

In July 1841. The Chief Engineer made another revised estimate of the work done and to be done between Dam No. 6 and Cumberland. In this estimate the entire cost of completing the whole fifty miles between Dam No. 6 and Cumberland, amounted to \$4,537,000, which exceeds the two preceding estimates by the sum of \$96,343. This increase in the estimated cost was made by reason of the abandonment of the work, and had been previously predicted as the necessary consequence of the suspension of operations, as will appear by reference to the annual report made to the stockholders by the Board of President and Directors, on the 2nd of June, 1840. In the same estimate (July 1841) the remaining cost of completing the canal on the original plan was estimated at \$1,691,136, and, for satisfactory reasons given, the