

from being carried at all on the canal; that more than one-half of the remainder should be deducted for that portion of the freight carried by the railroads when the canals were closed, and that of the very small remainder, a very large proportion was local freight, which could not bear the expense of land transportation to the canals; and finally, that the railroads brought a very large amount of business to the canals, far exceeding the amount of all the legitimate canal freight which they carried to market.

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