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Now, taken in connection with that case, Mr. McCallum, in order to show that his charge is made out, that other men, as he says, while less deserving than Mossip were receiving employment every day, he singles out the name of William Daly, drummer Daly, as a man receiving favors, who should not, he says, be employed upon the canal one day longer. The honorable gentleman has spent a great deal of his time, and the time of the commission in investigating the conduct of this man Daly, and I think you must come to the conclusion by this time, that, if ever there was a charge which had failed, it is that as regards establishing the fact that Daly was an improper man to be employed upon the canal. It is shown Mr. Daly at times gets intoxicated; but there is one thing, beyond all question, which is proved in this enquiry, that during the time he is at work he is not a man of that character. Mr. Read has sworn that upon one or two occasions he was a little intoxicated. When asked by you to give an explanation about the word "drunk" or "intoxicated," he could not do it; but he goes on to say, "I did not discharge him, although I knew I ought to discharge him if he were drunk; I did not consider he was so much intoxicated and incapable of discharging his duties that I ought to discharge him." But when we come to examine into the matter a little further we have the overwhelming testimony of a lot of gentlemen, persons who have worked with him, who all bear testimony to the uniform good conduct of the man while upon the work, although it may be his misfortune, while off the work, to be sometimes intoxicated; but, sir, I think you will give credence to the testimony of these different gentlemen who have been called upon this enquiry, who state that he was an efficient man, that he was a man who could take his hand with the rest of the men upon the work, a man who could keep up his end with the other men working on the canal. John Murrel, one of the foremen, testified to his good character and good conduct, and desire to work, and willingness to do every thing asked of him; and also the fact that whatever he was asked to do he did efficiently; and was a sober, industrious, and hard-working man, and that he had never seen him drunk on duty. Mr. Leith speaks well of him; and also Mr. Demare. It has been attempted to be made out, and I shall allude to it shortly—that he was one of Demare's pets, and, as such, was employed upon the canal. I think you will have no hesitation in coming to the conclusion that, so far as Daly is concerned, he was a man who efficiently discharged his duty, and stood very high in comparison with Mr. Mossip. I mentioned William Daly because he singled him