

Q. You say that without legislation you thought the stock would be of no value? A. That is the inference to be drawn from our action.

Q. You draw that inference? A. Yes.

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Q. Have you changed your mind? A. Have I changed my mind?

Q. Yes? A. I believe that without ——

Q. Have you changed your mind? A. I will answer the question if you will allow me.

Q. At the time this arrangement was made you thought that without legislation the stock would be of no value, and now I ask you if you have changed your mind in that particular? A. I will answer it if you will allow me—without some legislation or the filing of some bill in Chancery I don't think the stock ever will be of any value.

Q. What kind of a bill is wanted to make it valuable? A. A bill to show that the management of the road is extravagant, and that it can be managed more economically than it is.

Q. The same old bill? A. No.

Q. Not quite so strong? A. No, not in the same direction.

Q. You are going to hit the same man? A. Yes.

Q. But not in the same place? A. Yes.

Q. You think, without proof, by hitting him in another place, that the management of the board is extravagant and not economical, and not as good as C. J. Campbell could do it?—that the stock won't be of any value? A. It is very doubtful.

Q. There never has been a period during the whole time of this holding in trust, and for years, that you have thought the stock would be of value without legislation, or without a bill either in this Court or in the High Court? A. I have been led to suppose it would be of value.

Q. Without legislation? A. But I had not much hope in it.

Q. You recollect, after you secured this arrangement by which you possessed yourself of this valuable property for nothing you proceeded to carry on a sort of war, as far as I can understand? A. Yes.

Q. What war is this that is referred to in the letters?—the Seven Years' war? A. There was a constant contention going on about the prospects of the stock and the making it valuable.