

No.

9 Sept

Term, 1891

Petition for the taking of  
Bridge across Desquichana River  
Versus  
Greenwood Township

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MILES SPENCER,  
& COOLBROTH,  
HENRY KERNS,  
A. J. SMITH,  
LEVI BLOOM,  
VIEWERS.

Nov. October. 13, 1891  
Service accepted as  
this notice.

Wm. J. Thompson  
U.S. Secretary  
Office of the  
Communities  
of the people

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of bridge across the  
Sauguehanna River  
at the residence of  
Kudaka on P. M. St.  
over a country bridge

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this notice

John O. Stoughton  
Horn & Co. Stoughton  
W. J. M. Stoughton  
E. J. Stoughton  
Horn & Co. Stoughton  
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In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield County.

To the Honorable D. Krebs Judge of said Court;

The petition of the undersigned, being more than twenty residents and tax payers of the County of Clearfield, Penna, respectfully represent,

That they are all residents and tax payers of said county and that there has been erected across the Susquehanna River at or near the residence of the late Dr. John P. Hoyt in Ironwood Township, Clearfield County a public road, leading from a point on the "River Road" (from Lumber City to Mahaffey, midway between Lumber City and John M. Bell's) to Kenners, by a corporation known as the "Susquehanna and Clearfield County Bridge Company"; that said corporation is authorized to charge and take toll for the use and crossing of said bridge; and further your petitioners respectfully represent that said bridge is necessary to the accommodation of public travel and that the payment of toll over such bridge is burdensome to the traveling public.

And they therefore pray your Honorable Court that the said bridge shall be taken as a county bridge and that it appoint six disinterested persons to view said bridge and assess the damages, if any, which such corporation or company, or the owners of said bridge, may sustain by such taking of the same and make report to the next term of Court.

And they will ever

May, 1874.

See view of the location of said bridge  
attached to this petition.

D. M. W. Kelly

W. B. Kile

Isaac Wolfe

A. C. Read

D. H. Warts

Henry E. Rooses

P. E. Harrington

John Moler

E. W. Ferguson

Jos. A. Passmore

L. E. Thurston

J. H. De Kase

George Stearns

G. N. Rosser

F. E. Stearns

Chas. S. Schubb

Bert Read

G. R. Reed

Henry Owens

Josiah Henry

E. E. Owens

Emerson Lead

George Ross

John Moore

A. W. Ryance

J. E. Rorabaugh

J. H. Kile

W. M. Farwell

D. B. Hine

H. M. Cardon

Anthony Mile

James Mitchell

Geo. Hilton

A. E. Patton

C. Russell

Nathan Watts

Jefferson Strawn

A. J. Barrett

T. S. Montgomery

Samuel McFadden

H. G. Barrett

John Gillen

E. D. Shafer

T. H. Lewis

C. J. Shoff

John D. Strawn

Perry Strawn

James E. Redden

L. B. Kile

H. C. Bloom

A. Y. Strawn

Geo. Townsend

Chas. Adams

Jeff. M. Bracken

R. G. Cracker

D. W. De Haas

J. S. M. Curns

James Wiley

David Wiley

J. W. Bell

A. P. Bonsall  
Wm Schuette  
Andrew Murphy  
F. D. Guppy  
S. Watts  
Jas. J. Hile  
Eli Hile  
J. M. Ross  
Jas Kirk  
W. S. Worts  
A. T. Worts  
E. H. Wise

C. P. Barretto  
Jas Straub  
Samuel Young  
James A. Boulter  
James Young  
W. J. Wiley  
W. E. Passmore  
Geo. McFadon  
Geo. H. Wiley  
Daniel H. Wiley  
H. H. Hamilton  
J. W. Ross  
J. W. Looker  
J. A. Passmore  
Hiram Passmore  
George C. Hultman

John A. Kervin  
Frank Rogers  
Robert McMaster  
William Wood  
Ellis J. Wood  
Wm Kelso  
Denise Gardner  
John McBracken

J. E. Johnson  
David Mitchell  
Glyde Mitchell  
C. A. Thorp  
Wm. J. Thorp  
Wm. J. Diehl  
H. J. Derrick  
Jno H. Derrick  
B. H. Diehl  
J. Sam. McKenney  
L. Bell  
James Arthur  
James Selory  
Isaac Kearney  
G. W. Bell  
Wm. Smith  
Wm. H. Hess  
D. F. Mcracken  
E. L. Passmore  
Wm. P. Johnson  
Isaac Walburn  
H. C. Gden  
J. W. Coors  
C. Cleaver  
Grier Bell  
George Kittlingers

Hyatt  
Daniel Faust  
Sam. Arnold  
H. W. Spencer  
L. W. Spencer  
James Kerr



Clearfield County S.S.

M. M. Duon

Publisher of the Naffman Journal  
a weekly newspaper published  
weekly at Clearfield Pa. the county seat  
of Clearfield County Pa. being duly sworn  
says that a notice of the intended applica-  
tion, see notice attached, for appointment of  
viewers to assess the damages sustained by  
the taking the bridge across the Susquehanna  
River at the residence of Dr. J. P. Hoyt, Clearfield  
Greenwood Township Clearfield Co. was pub-  
lished at least three weeks prior to the first Mon-  
day of September 1891.

Sworn & subscribed before me  
this 7th day of September 1891.

M. M. Duon

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May 25th 1891  
In the Court of Quarter  
Sessions of Clearfield  
County.

Petition for the taking  
of the bridge across the  
Susquehanna river at  
Dr. J. P. Hoyt's in Green-  
wood Township said  
County, for a county  
bridge.

Now 7 Sept. 1891 petition  
presented, read and con-  
sidered and the court in ac-  
cordance with the act of the  
Legislature of the 11th of May, A. D., 1876, and its  
supplements, viz.,  
that a petition of more than  
twenty residents and tax-payers of said county will  
be presented to said court at September Sessions, A.  
D. 1891, praying that the toll bridge erected over the  
Susquehanna river at the late residence of Dr. John  
P. Hoyt, in Greenwood township, said county, by the  
Susquehanna and Clearfield County Bridge Company,  
shall be taken as a county bridge, and asking for the  
appointment of six persons to view the said bridge  
and assess the damages, if any, which said bridge com-  
pany may sustain by the taking of the same as pro-  
vided by the act of the 11th of May, A. D., 1876, and  
its supplements.

Graph Kirk Miles Spencer, Esq.  
C. Coolbroth Henry Kern, Esq.  
Smith Geo Bloom, Notice of  
time for view to be given to the  
Co. Commission at least 10 days  
before view.  
By the Court  
Oscar Mitchell, Atty for the Petitioners.

### Application For Assessment of Damages.

In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield county. In the matter of the taking of the bridge across the Susquehanna river at the late residence of Dr. J. P. Hoyt, in Greenwood township, Clearfield county, Pa., as a County bridge.

Aug. 12 '91, if.

OSCAR MITCHELL,  
Att'y for the Petitioners.

OFFICE OF

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,



OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

GEO. I. THOMPSON,  
E. G. GEARHART,  
JOHN McGAUGHEY, } Commissioners.

GEO. E. OWENS, Clerk.  
A. O. SMITH, Solicitor.

Clearfield, Pa., Feb. 12/1892.

The Board of Commissioners  
of Clearfield County, Pa.  
Sirs: —

The undersigned Supervisor  
of Greenwood Tp. hereby certify that  
they are willing to accept the  
Hoyt bridge as the property of the  
said Tp. in accordance with the  
order of the Court, provided the purchase  
money is paid by the County; and  
desire the County Commissioners to make  
said payment to the Atty. for the Bridge  
owners.

G. W. Miles Sup  
Emmanuel Geise...

In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield County..

Clearfield County S. S.

At a Court of the Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for the County of Clearfield, on the seventeenth day of September A. D. 1891, before the Judge of the said Court upon the petition of more than twenty residents and taxpayers of Clearfield County setting forth; that they are all residents and taxpayers of said County, and that <sup>h</sup>ere has been erected across the Susquehanna River at or near the residence of the late John P. Hoyt in Greenwood Township, Clearfield County, on public road, leading from a point on the "River Road" (from Lumber City to MaKaffey, mid-way between Lumber City and John W. Bell's) to Kerrmoor, by a corporation known as the "Susquehanna and Clearfield County Bridge Company"; that said corporation is authorized to charge and take toll for the use and crossing of said bridge, and further you petitioner respectfully represent that said bridge is necessary to the accomodation of the public travel, and that the payment of toll over said bridge is burdensome to the traveling public.

And they therefore pray your Honorable Court that the said bridge shall be taken as a county bridge, and that it appoint six disinterested persons to view said bridge and assess the damages, if any, which such corporation or company, or the owners of said bridge may sustain, by such taking of the same, and make report to the next term of Court.

And notice of said application by petition having been duly published in the Raftsmans Journal, a weekley news paper published at Clearfield, Pa., at least three weeks before the presentation of said petition of the said Court, for the appointment of viewers in this case, thereupon the Court upon due consideration had of the premises, ordered and appointed, Asalph Kirk, Miles Spencer, E. L.

Coolbroth, Henry Kerns, A. J. Smith and Levi Bloom, as viewers to view said bridge, and assess the damages, if any, said owners of said bridge sustain by the taking of said bridge as County bridge and report their proceedings to December Session of said Court, in accordance with the Act of Assembly, approved the 8th day of May A. D. 1876, and its supplements, who after being severally sworn or affirmed to perform the duties of their appointment with impartiality and fidelity, did on the 27th day of October, A. D. 1891, according to public notices given in compliance Act of Assembly, authorizing said appointment and view, and in accordance with the Order of the Court, made as <sup>to</sup> notices to the County Commissioners in this case met at said bridge across the Susquehanna River, at or near the residence of the late Dr. J. P. Hoyt in Greenwood Township, said County, to wit: Asalph Kirk, Miles Spencer, E. L. Coolbroth, H. Henry Kerns, A. J. Smith and Levi Bloom, at the time and place fixed in the notices, to view and examine said bridge, and to assess the damages which Susquehanna and Clearfield County Bridge Company, sustained by the County taking the same as a county bridge, and placing the same under the control of the County of Clearfield; by the Commissioners of the same to do, care for, and control, as they are authorized by the Act of Assembly approved the 8th day of May A. D. 1886, and as we the undersigned viewers were commanded in the order issued by the Court, and directed to report.

FIRST: who were present at the view, *Second* whether they were severally sworn or affirmed. Third; whether a bridge be necessary as a free bridge for the public accommodation, and the payments of tolls on the is an unjust burden on the traveling public, and the people of the Township or Townships where the bridge is located; Fourth the amount of damages, if any, sustained by the Susquehanna and Clearfield County Bridge Company, respectfully submits the following report.

To the Honorable the Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace, sitting and in said County of Clearfield Pennsylvania at Clearfield on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1891. The viewers appointed by Your Honorable Court as in the annexed order, and for the purpose therein set forth, do respectfully represent, and report That in persuance of said order, the said Asalph Kirk, Miles Spencer E. L. Coolbroth, Henry Kerns, A. J. Smith and Levi Bloom, all of the viewers named in said order, all of whom were present and went upon the premises at said bridge across the Susquehanna River, at or near the residence of the late Dr. J. P. Hoyt in Greenwood Township Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, on the 27th day of October A. D. 1891, at 10 O'clock A. M. after having given due and legal notice, by advertisements, of the time and place of meeting as required by law, and by the order of the Court to the Commissioners of Clearfield County Pennsylvania, and that the viewers were all severally *affirmed according to law* before entering upon their duties, and do unanimously report that said bridge across the Susquehanna River, at or near the residence of the late Dr. John P. Hoyt, in Greenwood Township, Clearfield County on public road leading from a point on the "River Road" (from Lumber City to Mahaffey mid-way between Lumber City and John M. Bell's) to Kerrmoore is necessary as free bridge for public accommodation, and the payment of tolls on the same is an unjust burden on the traveling public, and to the people in the Townships where said bridge is located, and the amount of damages sustained by the Susquehanna and Clearfield County Bridge Company or the owners of the said bridge by reason of the taking of said bridge and County bridge is the sum of *Four Hundred* dollars, and to be paid to the said Susquehanna and Clearfield County Bridge Company or those representing the same who may be authorized by law to receive and receipt for the same.

WITNESS our hands and seals the 27th day of October A. D. 1891.

\$2.18 6 miles & one day Asaph Kirk (Seal)  
 \$2.18 6 miles " " Miss Spencer (Seal)  
 18 " " " E. C. Coolbroth (Seal)  
 18 " " " H. Kerns (Seal)  
 12 " " " A. J. Smith (Seal)  
 12 " " " Levi Bloom (Seal)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (Seal)

signed & sworn to on me  
 as above dated Oct 27<sup>th</sup> 1891

Geo. C. McGowan J.C.

### Bill of Duress

(Cut # 1018)  
 Asaph Kirk 1 day 6 mile \$2.60  
 Miss Spencer 1 " 6 " 2.60  
 E. C. Coolbroth 1 " 18 " 3.80  
 Henry Kerns 1 " 18 " 3.80  
 A. J. Smith 1 " 12 " 3.20  
 Levi Bloom 1 " 12 " 3.20

Now 10<sup>th</sup> December A.D. 1891 the a-  
 bove report is hereby approved by the  
 Grand Jury of Clearfield Co.

Geo. C. McGowan

And now 12 Dec 1891 I concur in the return of the Grand  
 Jury as to the amount of money to be paid to make said  
 Bridge a free bridge. The repairs to floors and in approach and  
 in other respects to be made at the expense of the respective town-  
 ships in which it unites, But not to be a county <sup>bridge</sup> by the Court  
 Doro L. Krebs  
 J.

Recd. this 16<sup>th</sup>. Jan'y. 1892 of County  
Commissioners of Clearfield Co. Order  
#5338 for \$400.00 in accordance with  
the finding of the Grand Inquest, the order of  
the Honorable Court and the agreement  
of the Supervisors of Greenwood Sp.  
Oscar Mitchell  
Atty. for Petitioner.

1 State of Pennsylvania  
2 County of Clearfield JS

3 At a Court of Quarter  
4 Session of Clearfield County Pa held at Clearfield in  
5 said County on the 7th September 1891 Before  
6 Hon David L. Kerbs Presiding Judge of said Court  
7 upon the petition of inhabitants and residents  
8 of Greenwood Township said County Respectfully  
9 represent that there has been erected across the  
10 Susquehanna River at or near the residence of  
11 the late Dr John P. Hoyt said Township on public  
12 road leading from a point on the river road  
13 from Lewis City to Mahaffey midway between Lewis  
14 City and John W. Bell's to Keokuk by a Corporation  
15 known as the Susquehanna & Clearfield County Bridge  
16 Company. That said Corporation known as the  
17 Susquehanna & Clearfield Bridge Co is authorized  
18 to charge toll for the use and crossing of said  
19 bridge and further that said bridge is necessary  
20 to the accommodation of public travel and  
21 that the payment of toll over such bridge  
22 is burdensome to the traveling public And  
23 that three disinterested persons be appointed to  
24 view said bridge and assess the damages if  
25 any which said Corporation or Company  
26 or the owners of said bridge may sustain by such  
27 taking of the same & make report to the next term  
28 of Court and they will ever pray &c

29 Now 7th Sept 1891 Petition presented read  
30 Considered and thereupon the following two  
31 disinterested persons are appointed to view  
32 said bridge and assess the damages if



1 any of said owners of said bridge may sustain  
2 by taking of said bridge for a County bridge and  
3 report their proceedings to December Term 1871  
4 in accordance with the act of Assembly approved  
5 the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1876 and its Supplement  
6 & appoint as Viewers Asaph Kirk & Miles Spencer  
7 E. C. Coolbroth Henry Sears & Smith and  
8 Levi Bloom notice of time for View to be given  
9 to County Commissioners at least 10 days before  
10 said View



By the Court  
Certified from the record at  
Albany this 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
Oct A.D. 1871

A. M. Bloom  
Clerk

Wm J. DeBrimmond 1871

Order to New Bridge  
across the Dingwathana  
River at Dr. W. H. H. to  
be constructed at the  
State County for a County  
Bridge

Miss 1871

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