

No. 5, Dec. Sessions, 1901

COMMONWEALTH

versus

Public Bridge  
in  
Cooper Township  
Moshannon Creek

Charge

WILLIAM I. SWOOPE,  
District Attorney.

Clearfield County, ss:

At a Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the county of Clearfield, Pennsylvania, held at Clearfield, in and for said county on the

9<sup>th</sup> day of September, A. D. 1901, before Judge of said Court, upon a petition of sundry inhabitants of the township of Cooper in said

County, setting forth that a Bridge is much wanted over Moshannon Creek at a place where a road crosses said Creek into Centre County, at or near the New York Central Depot at Winburne in said County Pa. the ford there being frequently rendered impassable by reason of high water etc and that the expense of erecting said Bridge would be too great and burdensome upon the inhabitants of said Township.

and therefore praying the Court to appoint proper persons to view and lay out the same according to law, and report to next term of Court whereupon the Court upon due consideration had of the premises, do order and appoint Harry Byers, A. C. Dale and Henry Kins

who after being respectively sworn or affirmed to perform their duties impartially and to the best of their judgment, are to view the place proposed for the said bridge, and if they or any two of them, view the same, and any two of the actual viewers agree that there is occasion for such a bridge, and that the erecting of the said bridge would require more expense than it would be reasonable the said townships should bear, they are to make report accordingly;

and a map or plot thereof to be made, which shall accompany said report; the report aforesaid to be made to the next term of the Court of Quarter Sessions to be held for the said county of Clearfield.

BY THE COURT.

Grant A. Thompson  
CLERK.

RELEASE OF DAMAGES.

Know All Men by These Presents, That we, the undersigned owners of lands upon which the bridge is located by the viewers, under the annexed order, passes for and in consideration of the sum of ONE DOLLAR to us respectively paid by the..... at and before the en sealing and delivery hereof, have remised, released and forever quit-claimed; and do hereby remise, release and forever quit-claim to the said..... all damages that may arise to us respectively by reason of the location or building of said bridge, so that neither we nor any of us, nor any person claiming under us, can or may hereafter ask, sue for, demand, have or receive any damages for injuries arising or growing out of the location or building of said bridge.

Witness our hands and seals this..... day of.....  
A. D. 189.....

Seal

Seal

Seal

Seal

ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGES.

The following persons, having refused to release the damages to which they respectively may be entitled by reason of the location and building of said bridge in the annexed return described, we, the undersigned viewers, under oath in pursuance of our duty, under the Act of Assembly, do assess their damages and make report thereof as follows:

To..... the sum of.....

To..... the sum of.....

To..... the sum of.....

Witness our hands this..... day of..... A. D. 189.....



# Road Viewers' Notice.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned Viewers, appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, to view Bridge on **Road leading from** into Centre County where said road crosses Moshannon Creek being at or near the New York Central Depot at Winburne.

in Cooper **Township, to**

in Cooper **Township, in the county** **aforsaid, will meet at the house of** Wm. Boyse

(Hotel), in Cooper

**Township, on** Monday, the twenty-first

**day of** October, **A. D. 190** 1, at 11 o'clock

**A. M., to attend to the duty assigned them, of which time and place aforsaid all parties interested will please take notice.**

<u>Harry Byers.</u>	
<u>A. C. Dale.</u>	
<u>Henry Kerns.</u>	

Viewers.

Clearfield, Pa., October 9th, **190** 1 .

Served on me this  
Friday October  
A.D. 1901

Edw. J. D. 13  
J. D. D. 13

BRIDGE

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**day of** October, A. D. 1901, at 11 o'clock

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**of which time and place aforsaid all parties**  
**interested will please take notice.**

Harry Evers.

A.C. Dale.

Henry Kerns.

**Viewers.**

Clearfield, Pa., Oct. 9, 1901.

Served on us this

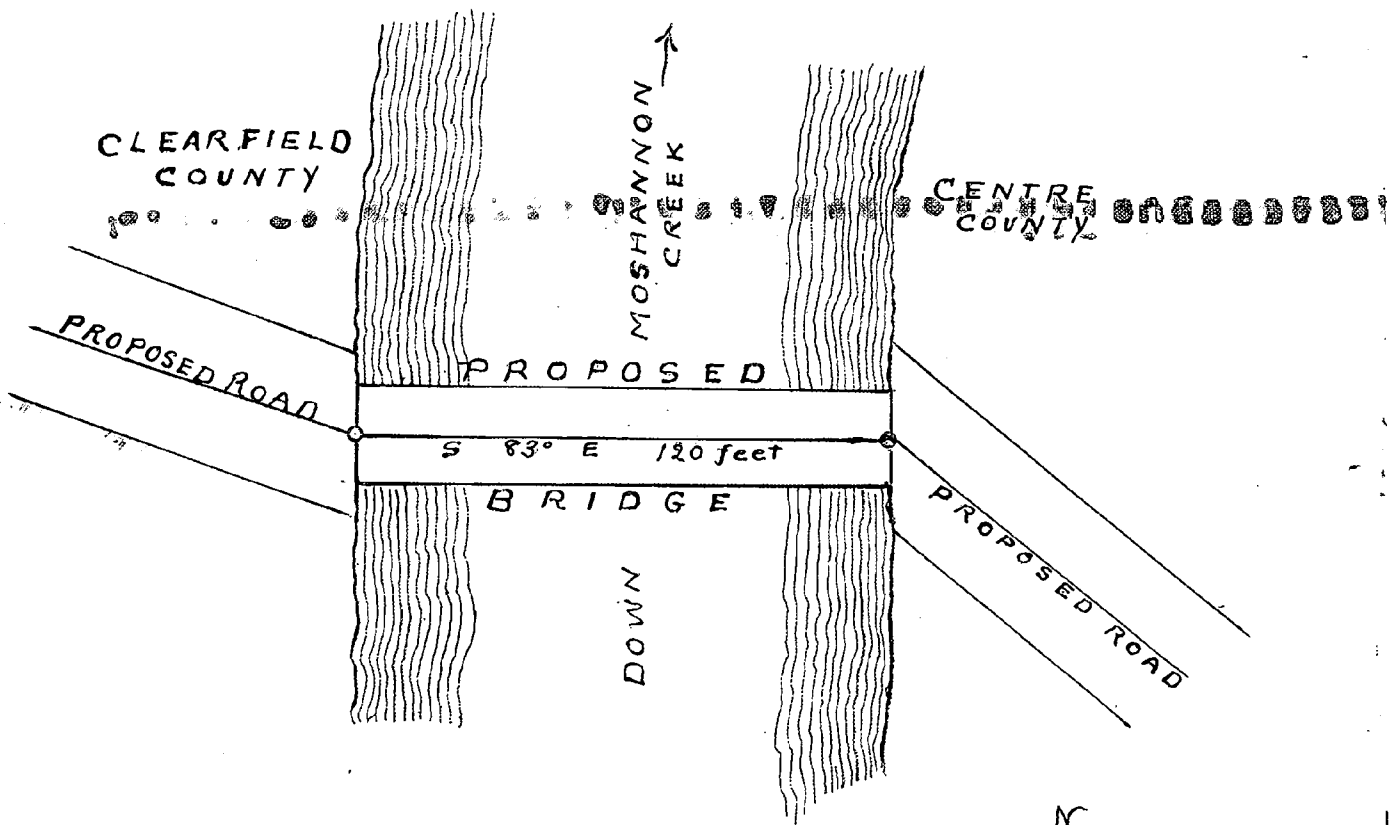
12<sup>th</sup> day of October

Ad 1901

Superior

Salmon Route

18  
Carpenter / Dr. Dr. Stewart



No. 5, DECEMBER 55, 1901

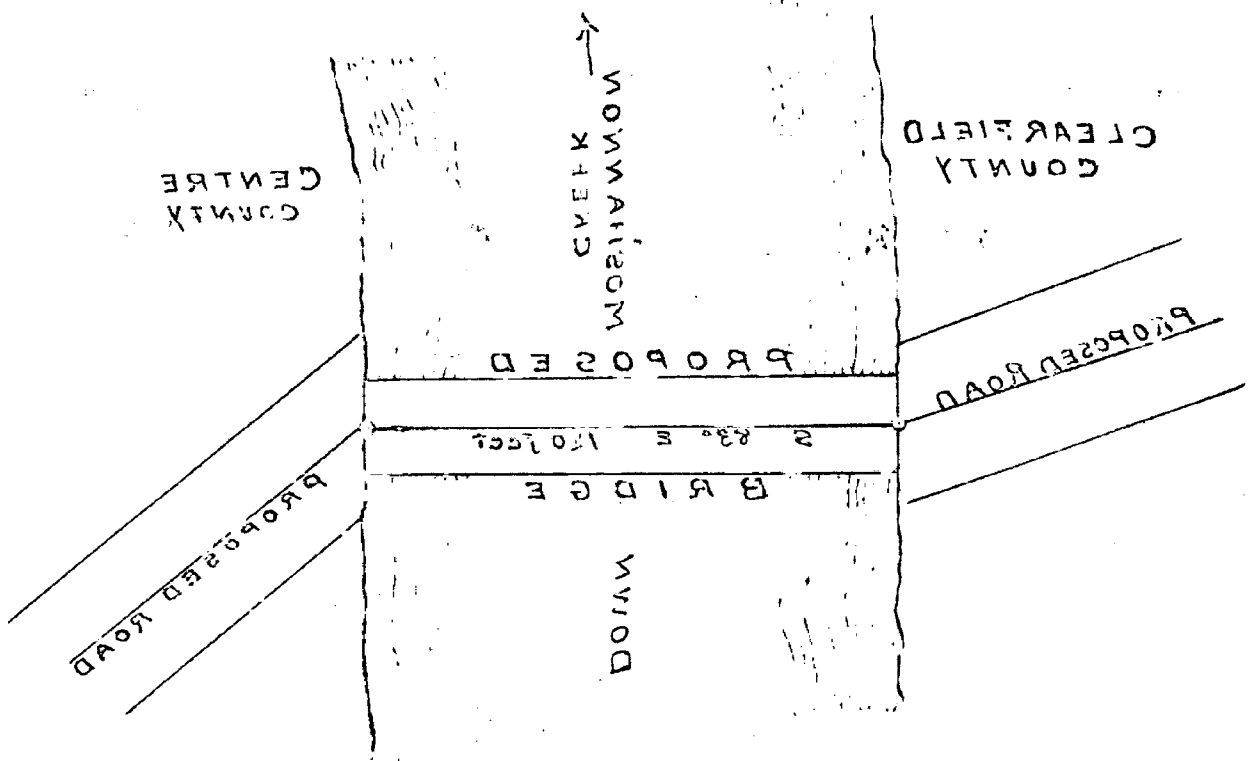
PUBLIC BRIDGE, COOPER TWR

CLEARFIELD COUNTY, Pa.

Viewers { Harry Byers.  
A.C. Dale.  
Henry Kerns

Scale, 40 ft. = 1"





Scale 40 ft = 1"  
 Viewers { Henry Kerns  
 A. C. Dole  
 Harry Byers  
 CLEARFIELD COUNTY, Pa.  
 PUBLIC BRIDGE, COOPER TWP.  
 No 2, DECEMBER 22, 1901

To the Honorable Cyrus Gordon President Judge  
of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield County Pa we  
the undersigned jurors appointed by the within order  
of court and jurors having been appointed by a similar  
order of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Centre County  
to view the bridge for the bridge therein mentioned  
respectfully report that having been present together  
with E R Chambers J C Warfel and J N Schoonover  
also appointed as aforesaid and all having been  
separately sworn or affirmed according  
to law, we have viewed the premises and are of  
opinion that a bridge over Moshamon Creek at a  
place where a road crosses said creek into Centre  
County at or near the New York Central Depot at  
Warburne is needed and that its <sup>cost of</sup> erection is more  
than it is reasonable said Townships of Cooper and  
Rush should bear. We would recommend that the  
span be made one hundred and twenty feet in length and  
fifteen feet in the clear above low water mark.  
Witness our hands this 21st day of October AD  
1901

{ Harry Byers  
H. E. Byers  
A. C. Dale

NOTE.—Viewers will carefully note the number of days employed, and set the amount out at the foot of their return. Reviewers cannot interfere with damages assessed by the original viewers, except so far as the location may be changed by the reviewers.

N. B.—If the viewers believe the parties are not entitled to damages, taking into consideration the advantages as well as the disadvantages of the bridge, they will report to that effect.

No. 5 Dec. 1901

Public Bridge

in

Cooper Township

ORDER TO VIEW.

We do find that the within Bridge is necessary as a County Bridge, and that same is too expensive for the Township of Cooper to build.

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Fees \$1.25, paid by Township

order B. F. Cooper

Attorney.

NOV 20 1901

Grant H. Thompson, Prothonotary.

22 1/2 Days 1  
 Harry Byers Miles 21 610

Days 1  
 A. C. Dale Miles 17 310

Days 1  
 Henry Kune Miles 28 480

Days  
 Miles

Days  
 Miles

Dec 1901 approved and ordered to be built by the Court By the Court

TO THE HONORABLE CYRUS GORDON, PRESIDENT JUDGE OF  
THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

By virtue of a commission given the      day of November A.D. 1903, appointing J.E.Heading, C.B.Alexander, and Berten Merritt of Clearfield County Inspectors to view in conjunction with Inspectors from Centre County the bridge at Winburn, Pa. recently built and constructed by the afore mentioned Counties of Clearfield and Centre across Moshannon Creek the division line of said Counties, and to report whether said bridge has been properly constructed and if same should be paid for as per contract, we the above named Inspectors being duly sworn or affirmed do respectfully report:

That we the said three Inspectors representing Clearfield County met P.E.Wommelsdorff, B.J.Laporte, and H.C.Warfel Inspectors representing Centre County at said bridge on Nov. 27, 1903, made examination and took measurements of said bridge and found same to the best of our knowledge to measure up to the requirements, to have the required strength, and to be placed as per contract. All the parts of the bridge seem to be complete and properly fitted.

Your Inspectors would therefore recommend that the bridge be accepted and paid for as contracted.

Witness our hands this 1st. day of December, A.D.1903

*Dec. 3/1903 this  
report is approved.  
By the Court  
Cyrus Gordon  
PJ*

INSPECTORS.

*C. B. Alexander.  
Berten Merritt  
J. E. Heading*

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bridge has been properly constructed and if same should be  
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only sworn or affirmed do respectfully report:

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Your Inspectors would therefore recommend that the  
bridge be accepted and paid for as contracted.  
Witness our hands this 1st day of December, A.D. 1903

INSPECTORS.

*C. B. Alexander*  
*B. J. Laporte*  
*H. C. Warfel*

*Dec. 31 1903*  
*for*

# EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

C.B.Alexander,

J.E.Harding,

J.E.Harding,

Berten Merritt

Days.

Amount.

2½ (2598) \$10.00  
25 miles \$12.50

2 \$4.60  
6 miles

2 \$4.00

No. 5 Dec. 4. 1901

Report of Bridge  
Inspection  
Winborne Bridge



Petition for the Erection of a County Bridge.

TO THE HONORABLE CYRUS CORDON PRESIDENT JUDGE OF THE  
COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF THE PEACE IN AND FOR THE COUNTY  
OF CLEARFIELD.

The petition of the inhabitants of the township of cooper,  
in said county, respectfully sheweth, that a bridge is much  
wanted over the Moshannon Creek, at a place where a road  
crosses said Creek into Centre County, at or near the New York  
Central Depot, at Winburne in said County., Pa. the ford  
there being frequently rendered impassable, by reason of high  
waters, etc. and that the expence of erecting said bridge  
would be too heavy and burthensome upon the inhabitants of  
said township.

Your petitioners therefore pray your Honor to take such order  
in the premises, as in your wisdom shall seem meet and con-  
sistant with the Act of General Assembly in such case made  
and provided. And they will ever pray,

Harry S. Jones

O. L. Hughes

Geo. Hiffa

Wilbur Hoover

Henry Hoover

Lyman H. Hoover

Chas. C. Houz

Asa McBath

W. B. Diney

Wm Moyer

Halter Stewart

Leb Shaver

J. E. Harshbarger

F. H. Jones

George McBath

Samuel Northamer

Robert B. B. B.

M. H. Lewis

John J. Hinkle

M. R. Lewis

P. L. Eisenhauer

W. M. Mors

Joseph Eisenhauer



Geo H Gillberg	Frank Gustavson
W. Heidau	Ed Williams
Chas Ruden	Jas Snyder
J. Reid	George Schewe
Gust Alberg	George Warner
Chas Johnson	L. L. Olson
Frank W. Davis	John Whitcomb
Wm Boyce	J. F. Hartle
Albert Merritt	Wm Whitcomb
Thos Page	Albert Schwartz
J. W. Nym	L. R. Glatt
R. E. Best	A. W. Raymond
C. E. Ordrey	John Swartz
J. L. Meinkrecher	W. N. Tolman
H. Pearce	William Schmitt
Harry Pearce	L. R. Hartle
Geo. W. Snyder	Samuel Page
J. P. Hoover	C. A. Johnson
Jas Pearce	David Pottes
Warner Dale	
J. H. Balston	Ray Johnson

17  
40  
64  
81

Charles Jeffries  
Edd Raymond  
W L Taylor  
David Steel  
Mick Hemmings  
F.A. Wissey  
Ory Rader  
Joe. F. Little  
J. G. Linsky  
Dick Schuller  
Gerge Shullman  
Matt Schorr  
~~Ray Jones~~  
J. F. Murrill  
O. H. Conway  
Jackson Hoover  
M. M. Dillon

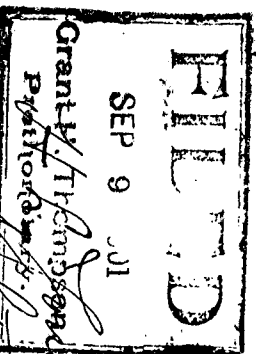
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petition for the  
erection of a bridge

over the "muchman"  
creek at a place where  
an railroad crosses  
and creek with bridge  
spanning Pa. shore near  
New York Bridge Report  
at W. Lawrence Pa.

New Sept. 9, 1901 Henry  
Bayer, A. E. Dale and  
others have an  
appointed men and  
decided to report at  
next June.

By the Court  
Eugene Gordon



W. Lawrence Pa.

To the Honorable Cyrus Gordon, President Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

The undersigned petitioners, the Commissioners of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, would respectfully represent:

That a County bridge has been erected by the joint action of Clearfield County and Centre County, where the public road leading from Cooper Township, Clearfield County, into Centre County, crosses Moshannon Creek, at or near the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad depot at Winburne, in Cooper Township, which said bridge has been fully completed.

That it is necessary to have said bridge inspected and accepted for the County by a committee appointed by your Honorable Court, and we therefore respectfully request that a committee of three competent persons be appointed to inspect said bridge, and make a report thereof to said Court.

S. R. Hamilton

W. P. Bowles

B. F. Wilhelm  
COMMISSIONERS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

ORDER OF COURT.

Now the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 1903, the within petition presented, and thereupon C. B. Alexander, J. E. Hedding and H. C. Warfel Burton Meritt be appointed under the Act of Assembly to view the said bridge with the contracts and specifications therefore placed in their hands, and to examine carefully into the character of the work done and material furnished, and make report whether or not the contract has been complied with, and if not, in what respects it is deficient.

By the Court.  
Cyrus Gordon.  
P.R.

#5 Dec 7 1901

Public Bridge

in

Cooper Twp.

