

No. 1 Sept. SESSIONS, 1912.

COMMONWEALTH

VERSUS

Public Bridges  
on line between  
Grand & Cowgion  
Townships

Charge

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JAMES H. KELLEY,  
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 22nd, day of May, A. D. 1892, before Judge of said Court, upon a petition of sundry inhabitants of the townships of Girard and Covington in said County, setting forth that a public road running from Goudley or Frenchville Station in Girard Township to the village of Frenchville in Covington Township, crosses a stream of water known as Deer Creek at the line between the said Townships. That the present wooden bridge over said creek at said point is worn out and rotten and it is necessary to construct a new bridge, that the span of said bridge is forty five feet and your petitioners believe that the new structure should be built of concrete or other permanent material and expense will be greater than the Townships of Girard and Covington should bear, and that said bridge should be built as a County bridge or that such aid should be extended by the County that the construction of said bridge will not become a burden upon said Townships.

and therefore praying the Court to appoint proper persons to view and lay out the same according to law,

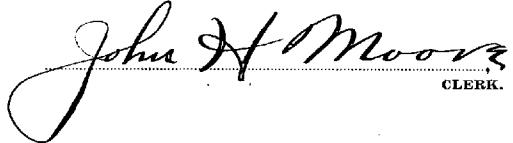
whereupon the Court upon due consideration had of the premises, do order and appoint

Harry Byers, H. A. Reese and Adam Gould

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.

  
John H. Moore  
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 ensealing 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

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## 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 0

To \_\_\_\_\_ the sum of \_\_\_\_\_

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

To the Honorable Allison C. Smith President  
Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clear  
field County Pa. We the undersigned, viewers  
appointed by the aforesaid order from among  
the board of permanent viewers for Clearfield  
County to view the bridge therein mentioned  
respectfully report. That we gave notice of  
said view and sub-agreeable thereto on the  
3<sup>rd</sup> day of July A.D. 1912, all being present  
and having been severally sworn or affirmed  
we viewed the said bridge being at the mouth of  
Deer Creek, and find that for the safety of the  
traveling public the <sup>said</sup> ~~same~~ bridge, which is a wooden structure  
was built about 1801 without cover and built of old tim-  
ber should be replaced by a new bridge on the pres-  
ent abutments which are of concrete. We find that the  
cost of erecting the said bridge is more than it is  
reasonable that said Township of Girard and Covington  
should bear and report that the county of Clearfield pay  
one half the cost and the Town of Girard one ~~fourth~~ and  
Township of Covington one fourth. We further recommend  
that said bridge be built of re-enforced concrete a flat  
span of skew shown on plan, forty-one feet in clear  
between abutments, width 16 feet and height of present  
bridge to wit  $17\frac{1}{2}$  feet above low water. A plot or  
~~draught~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~same~~ as hereto attached, we further re-  
commend that the bridge be built promptly. All the six  
supervisors of Covington, Girard and Twp were present at  
view also other citizens of said Townships.

Witness our hands this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D.  
1912

Harry Byers  
H. A. Reese  
A. Gould

Now Dec. 5th, 1912, after due hearing  
the bridge as recommended by the within  
report of viewers is approved by the  
Grand Jury, who also recommend that  
said bridge be built as provided in  
said report.

H. C. Larunner

Foreman

S. M. Liss

Secretary

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NOTE.—Viewers will carefully note the number of days  
employed, and set the amount out at the foot of their return.  
Original viewers cannot interfere with damages assessed by the  
changed by the reviewers, except so far as the location may be  
to damages, taking into consideration the advantages as  
well as the disadvantages of the bridge, they will report to  
that effect.

Public Bridge over

Deer Creek between

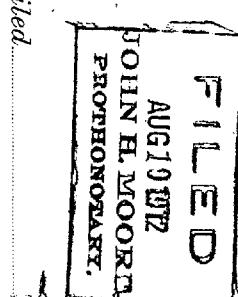
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Girard and Covington

Townships

ORDER TO VIEW.

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Attorney.

September Sessions 1912  
written report confirmed  
to be said cause to be  
presented to Grand Jury  
at December Sessions 1912

By the Court  
John J. Muth

December Sessions 1912  
written and forwarded report of  
Viewers and the Commissioner of  
the Grand Jury are hereto annexed  
and respectfully referred to by County  
Commissioners for their action in  
any hearing before the same is presented  
to the Grand Jury.

John Q. Smith

# BRIDGE VIEWERS' NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Viewers, appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, to view a Bridge at line between Covington and Girard Township, where road from Condey to Frenchville crosses Deer Creek

in Girard & Covington Township, in the county aforesaid, will meet at said place on Wednesday, the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, A. D. 19<sup>12</sup>, at 11 o'clock A. M., to attend to the duty assigned them, of which time and place aforesaid all parties interested will please take notice.

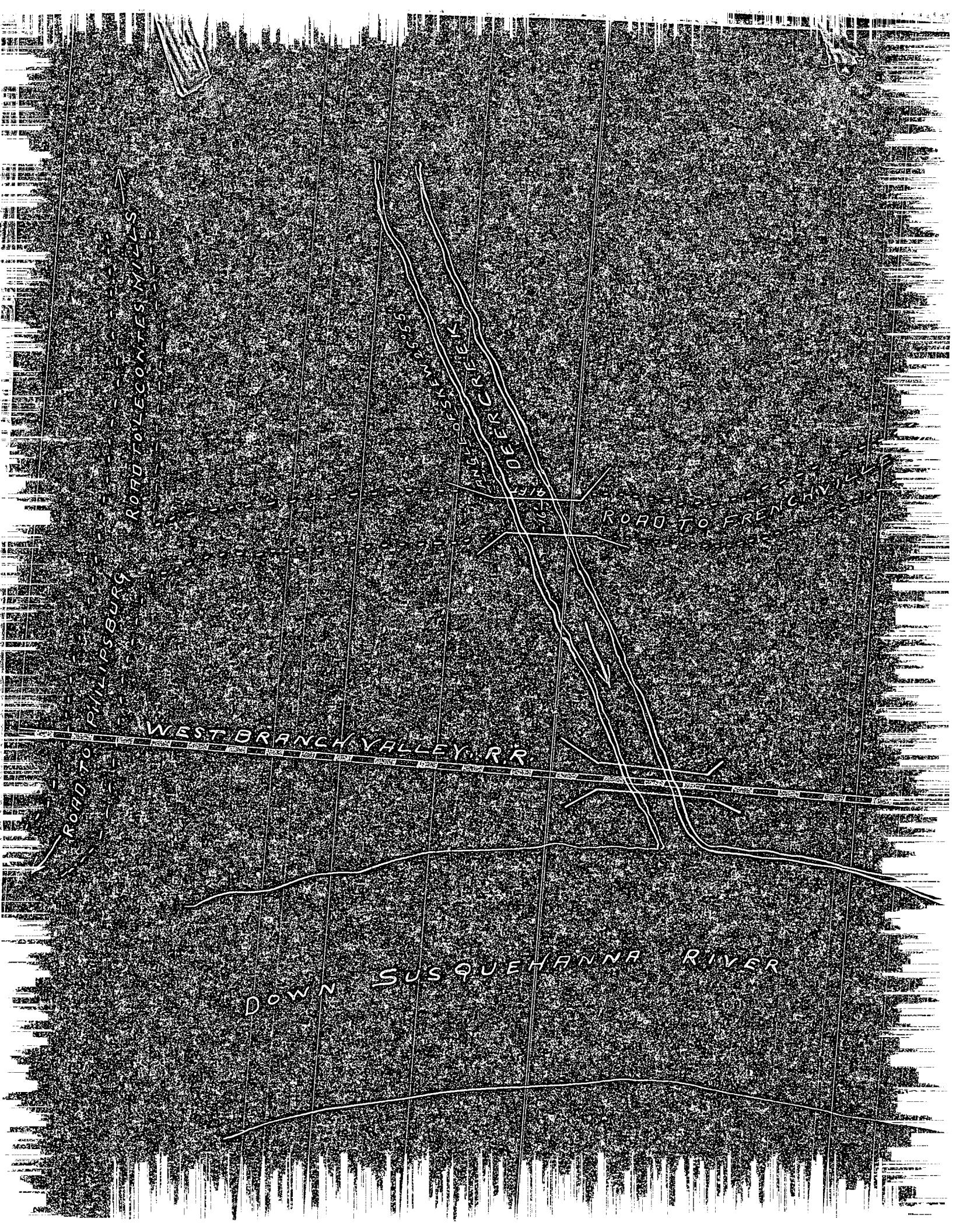
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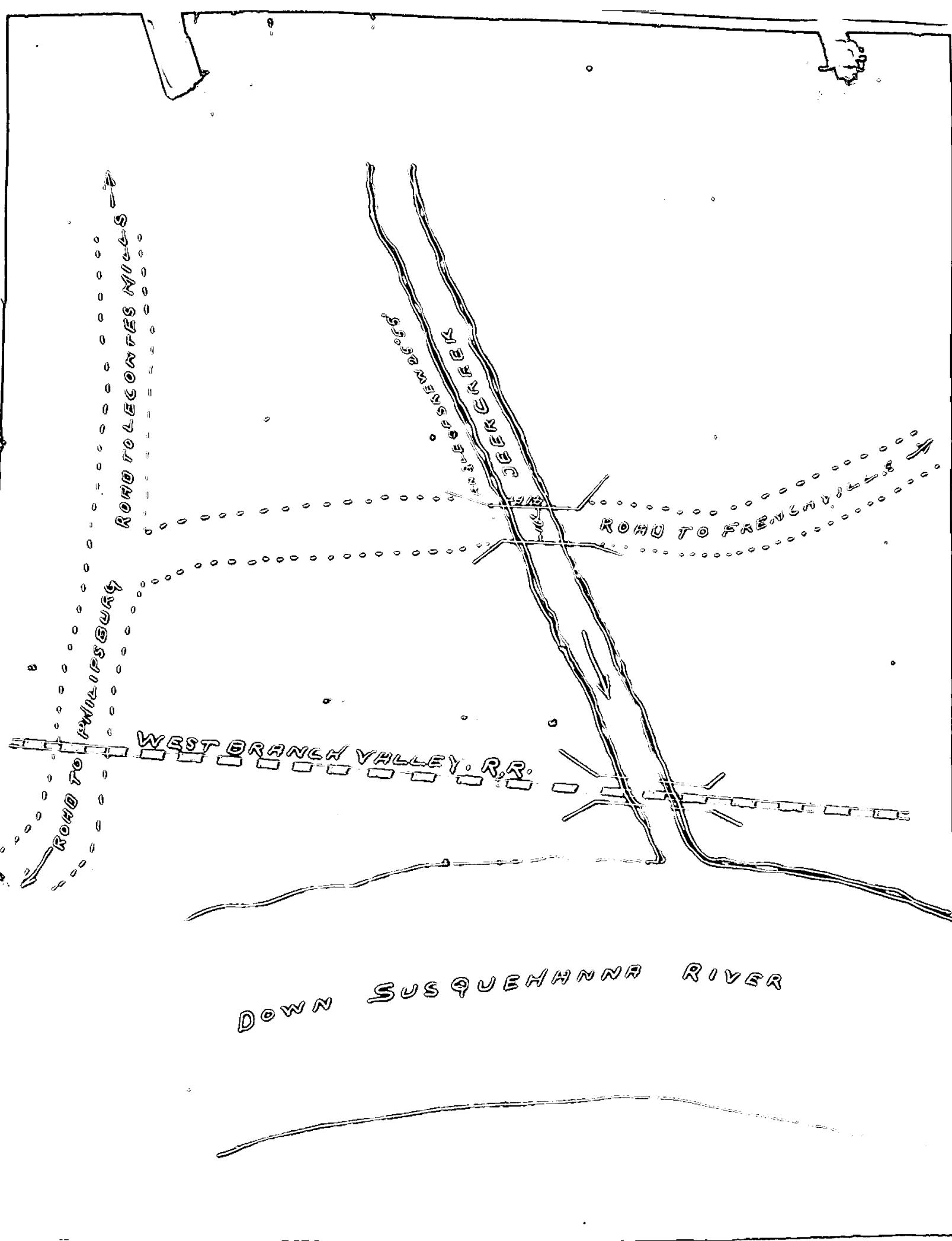
Adam Gould

Viewers.

Clearfield Pa July 16, 19<sup>12</sup> .

July 19-1912  
I enclose application for  
County Commissioners  
of Mrs. S. S. Morris  
Dear





In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield County, Pa.  
To the Hon. Allison O. Smith, President Judge of said  
Court.

The petition of the undersigned, the Road Supervisors of  
the Townships of Girard and Covington, in the County of Clear-  
field, respectfully represents:

That a public road running from Coudley or Frenchville  
Station in Girard Township to the village of Frenchville in  
Covington Township, crosses a stream of water known as Deer  
Creek at the line between said townships. That the present  
wooden bridge over said creek, at said point, is worn out and  
rotten and it is necessary to construct a new bridge. That  
the span of said bridge is forty five feet, and your petition-  
ers believe that the new structure should be built of concrete  
or other permanent material, the expense of which will be great-  
er than the townships of Girard and Covington should bear, and  
that said bridge should be rebuilt as a county bridge, or that  
such aid should be extended by the county that the construction  
of said bridge will not become a burden upon said townships.

They therefore pray that viewers be appointed to view the  
premises, determine the necessity for rebuilding said bridge,  
the materials of which it should be constructed, whether it  
shall be rebuilt as a county bridge, or if not, then what pro-  
portion of the expense of construction shall be born by the  
county, and report to the next term of Court.

J. B. Garrison  
\_\_\_\_\_  
John B. Rangert

Supervisors of Girard Township.

John O. Leonard  
John F. August  
Isaac Gordon  
Supervisors of Covington Township

BOND.

We the undersigned are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the sum of Fifty Dollars conditioned for the payment of all costs that may be imposed upon the petitioners in this case.

Chas. S. Vincent (Seal)

Charles Berthot (Seal)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Seal)

Now April 22 1912, I accept service of notice of the presentation of the above petition on May 6th. 1912 for the County Commissioners,

L. L. Morris  
- Clerk

No. 1 ~~Sept~~ sessions 1912.

Petition for Bridge over Deer Creek on line between Girard and Covington Townships.

Mo. May 16 1912 within  
Petition presented regard-  
ing and concurred and made  
upon George Rogers H. A.  
Reese and Edwin Gould  
are appointed Commissioners  
to view said premises  
and report at next Term  
By the Court.

Alvin C. Math

FILED	
MAY 16 1912	
JOHN H. MOORE	
CLERK.	