

No. 1 June Term 1873

Bridge

at

Curwensville.

Contents,

X

To the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the  
County of Clevefield composing a Court of Quarter sessions  
of the Peace for said County.

The petition of the subscribers  
respectfully sheweth That a Bridge is much wanted  
over the Susquehanna River at Camarville, in the  
Public Highway from Luthersburg to Glen Hope, said  
Road being the main thoroughfare through the breadth  
of the County and largely travelled by the People.  
And that the erection of said Bridge will require  
more expense than is reasonable the adjoining town-  
ships and Borough should bear.

They therefore Pray the Court to authorize the Commis-  
sioners of Clevefield County to make such appropriation  
as they may deem necessary to aid in the Construction  
of said Bridge.

Simon Carrieth

L. J. Ford

T. H. Sprenkel

Eli Bloom

A. W. Potkin

W. C. Tuttle

James Gannely

James Hodge

E. A. Leary

Saml. Moore

J. Hart Horn

Samuel Jenkins

Cason M. Ewen

Abraham T. Bloom

Samuel Wierman

Wm. Bennett

E. R. Rose

Thos. Struach

A. M. Bloom

John R. Jenkins

John Russell

James Anthony

Alex. Whitaker

Wm. H. Grumbine

John T. Joy

Wm. Caldwell

Richard M. Elder

Frederick Henry

G. F. Musser

A. J. Thompson

Jonas Snyder

John G. Snyder

Augustus Boyl

Samuel S. Hoover

Jonathan Bauman

Frederick Bloom

John A. Head

Harvey Bloom

Wm. K. Curry

Milton H. Miller

Herbert A. Sharp

John Norris

P. S. Dale

James Stirk

Chas. Miller

John Gault

~~John Gault~~

Henry Brown

P. R. Caldwell

Conrad Schepfer

John A. Gregory

Robert Moore

E. J. Paprow

Wm. Stark

Isaac Rappaport

Henry Postley

John M. Caldwell

J. W. Shauver

Dorsey Williams

James D. Bloom

John H. Harley

Frank Dinning

H. R. Reed

F. C. Bell

George Luck

D. K. Houle

Andrew Spencer

J. W. Hancock

B. F. Horn

D. A. Hoover

Samuel Kullback

E. J. Holder

E. P. Caldwell

E. Adm

James A. Bloom

H. Kibe

H. J. D. J. D.

A. J. J. J.

A. J. J. J.

A. J. J. J.

Albert L. Segele

Carl Paul

Geo. W. Smith

J. J. Smith

Wm. H. Waggoner

George Hartman

D. H. Fairbank

B. F. Baird

R. K. Spindel

E. R. Dill

Spencer Whipple

Thomas Wall

To the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the  
County of Cleburne comprising a Court of Quarter session  
of the Peace for said County

The petition of the subscribers  
respectfully sheweth: That a Bridge is much wanted  
over the Susquehanna River at Conowingo, on the  
Public Highway from Luthersburg to Glen Hope, said  
Road being the main thoroughfare through the breadth  
of the County and largely travelled by its Citizens  
and that the erection of said Bridge will require  
more expense than is reasonable the adjoining town-  
ships and Borough should bear

They therefore Pray the Court to authorize the Com-  
missioners of Cleburne County to make such appropria-  
tion as they may deem necessary to aid in the Con-  
struction of said Bridge.

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| George H. Hellenberg  | A. V. Drucker   |
| Elisha Arslany        | J. H. Sharp     |
| Wm. R. Alexander M.D. | Alfred L. Wilby |
| Geo. R. Inow          | Wm. Golden      |
| James A. Mayall M.D.  | J. Mac          |
| J. J. M. Blum         | L. Garrison     |
| John Fouts            | Philip M. Eger  |
| Harvey Fouts          | John J. Fouts   |
| E. A. Hipple          | B. L. Brown     |
| Abm. Staddon          | E. B. Patton    |
| Abram Thomas          | M. D. Chambers  |
| David Faust           | D. S. Fletcher  |
| E. Gordon             | David Drucker   |
| Pat. Kearns           | W. C. Case      |
| James D. Ogden        | Chas. J. Brown  |
| N. E. Arnold          |                 |
| Arnold H. H. H.       |                 |

|                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
|                 | B. B. Drucker      |
|                 | T. Jeff. Brown     |
| Jacob           | Wm. H. H. H.       |
| M. B. and       | (William) Thompson |
| Samuel Addelman | J. B. Ligne        |
| George R. Fouts | Wm. H. H.          |
| Edw. Livingston | Wm. Taylor         |
| O. B. Welch     | Henry Hildt        |
| E. B. Kearns    | J. L. Campbell     |
| A. L. Bilger    | J. M. Harris       |
| Jacob Bilger    | Geo. Kerry         |
| D. H. Hancock   | Harvey Smith       |
| William Conder  | J. H. Campbell     |
| Thomas Meadman  | H. Kerry           |
| John F. Bard    | Forre Clark        |
| N. Bard         | C. A. Shaper       |
| Edward J. J. J. | Albison Taylor     |
| B. J. J.        | J. H. H. H.        |
| J. J. J.        | Wm. H. H.          |
| Wm. H. H.       | Samuel Schae       |
| Frank Averell   | P. G. Brown        |
| Jacob Georhart  | Wm. Caldwell       |
| Theodore Blum   | Wm. H. H.          |
| John H. H.      | J. B. Smith        |
| Thomas Hill     | J. H. H.           |
| R. G. H. H.     | R. H. H.           |
| J. M. Welch     |                    |
| C. L. H. H.     |                    |

To the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the  
County of Clearfield composing a Court of Quarter, 2000  
ines of the Year for said County.

The Petition of the subscribers  
respectfully sheweth: That a Bridge is much wanted  
over the Susquehanna River at Conowingo, on the  
Public Highway from Luthersburg to Glen Hope, said  
Road being the main Thoroughfare through the breadth  
of the County and largely travelled by its Citizens  
And that the erection of said Bridge will require  
more expense than is reasonable the adjoining town-  
ships and Borough should bear.

They therefore pray the Court to authorize the Com-  
missioners of Clearfield County to make such approp-  
riation as they may deem necessary to aid in the  
Construction of said Bridge

Elisha Jertter  
Saml. Arnold  
Benajah Armstrong  
A. A. Sewitt  
James H. Rush  
Darius M. Smith  
Agar Bloom  
Josiah Coans  
J. Alexander  
Stephen Craft  
Abraham Gutes  
Abraham Spencer  
Wm. Arnold



No. 1, June 1873.  
Petition for Appoint-  
ment to

Commissioner of  
Bridges.

June Session 1873.

Filed June 5<sup>th</sup> 1873.

June 5<sup>th</sup> 1873.  
Petitioners named  
S. W. M. E. Loring  
Isaac Caldwell  
& John Allen Sr.  
are appointed to  
viewers

By the Court  
C. A. 1873  
C. J.

To the Hon Judges within named

We the persons appointed by the within Order of Court to view the site for a Bridge across the Susquehanna River at Curwensville where the Road from Luthersburg to Glen Hope crosses the said River. Respectfully report that being all present at the time of the view of the site proposed for the said Bridge, and being all sworn in pursuance of the said Order, we have examined the Abutments of the old Bridge and find them to be Twenty two feet wide, fifteen feet high, with wing walls, on the South side, thirty feet long and on the North side twenty four feet long. The abutments as far as we can see are substantial, from the Bottom to the offset on "Screw back" viz about 10 feet from the offset or "Screw Back" to the top viz five feet; we are of the opinion that it will be necessary to remove, and rebuild the space between the abutments is ninety one feet, (91) We are also of opinion that the new Bridge should be built, from two to four feet higher than the old one was.

Witness our hands this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1873

S. H. M. Crosby }  
Isaac Caldwell } Viewers  
John Bloom Sr. }

Exceptions to this report and the action of the Court in regard to this appropriation of Bridge, filed Sep. 25/73  
1<sup>st</sup>. No absolute confirmation of this report can be made on this term, it can be, but a prima facie confirmation & it can neither go on record or any action be had upon it until January Term.

The Court of Quarter Sessions of Clarfuea county  
and the County Commissioners of Saia county hav-  
ing duly considered the written report agree that  
the county of Clarfuea should appropriate the sum  
of Six Thousand five hundred dollars towards the  
erection of Saia Bridge under the act of 16<sup>th</sup> of April  
1870, *and* a good substantial Iron Bridge.

J. J. Content  
J. D. Thompson  
G. S. Toler

Commissioners

W. H. H. H.  
John J. H. H.

Judges

Approved by the Grand Jury at the  
Sept. Court. 1873

Jacob Wilhelm  
Governor

Trainers Bill

8 1/2 M. G. L. 1 day.

Joac. Knechtels 1 day 2-2 Miles

John Bloom 1 day 2-4 miles

# Road Viewers' Report.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY, SS:

At a Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County of Clearfield, held at Clearfield, in and for said county, on the Fifth day of June, A. D. 1873, before the Judges of the said Court, upon the petition of sundry inhabitants of the township of Pike et al., in said county, setting forth that they labor under great inconvenience for the want of a ~~road or highway~~, leading from Bridge across the

Susquehanna River at Furwensville Pa,  
at the place or point where the Road  
leading from Luthersburg to Glen Hope  
crosses the River and to be aided by the  
County in the erection thereof

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

S. F. McCloskey, Isaac Waldwell and John Bloom, sr.,

who, after being respectively sworn or affirmed to perform the duties of their appointment with impartiality and fidelity, are to view the ground proposed for said <sup>Bridge</sup> ~~road~~; and if any two of them agree that there is occasion for such <sup>Bridge</sup> ~~road~~, they shall proceed to lay out the same, as agreeably to the desire of the petitioners as may be, having respect for the best ground for a <sup>Bridge</sup> ~~road~~, and the shortest distance, in such manner as to do the least injury to private property; and shall make

report thereof, stating particularly, whether they judge the same necessary for a public or private <sup>Bridge</sup> ~~road~~, together with a plot or draft thereof, and the courses and distances, with reference to the improvements through which it may pass, to the next Court of Quarter Sessions to be held for said county. In which report they shall state that they have been sworn or affirmed according to law.

BY THE COURT.

A. C. Tate  
Clerk Quarter Sessions.

No. 1. June 88, 1873

Order to View Bridge  
Site across the Suaguehanna  
River at Tyroneville,

8/25 Paid to A. D. Thompson  
1/4 of June 1873

A. D. Thompson  
1/4 of June 1873

Report filed 21 July 1873  
Exception filed 24 Sep 1873

Sept 26, 1873.

Exception and answer  
report of the Vander  
and all subsequent  
proceedings at  
Tyroneville -

By the Court

Barrett

2. The whole proceeding is defective and cannot be sustained because the petition does not pray for the erection of a bridge or the appointment of viewers in regard thereto, but asks solely for an appropriation of money.
3. The order is informal, defective and illegal.
4. The report cannot be sustained, because, <sup>it does</sup> not state that the bridge is necessary nor does it pass upon the question of whether the erecting of such a bridge will be attended with more expense than it is reasonable the township & Borough should bear.
5. The proceeding is illegal and cannot be sustained because neither the Court, the grand jury nor the Commissioners have certified that the bridge is necessary and would be too expensive for the township and Borough to erect.
6. The whole proceeding is illegal and no money can be drawn from the County treasury for any such purpose ~~as~~ is contemplated, the bridge ~~itself~~ must be a "County bridge" or no money can go to its erection.

Walter A. Building

for John D. Davis & others  
Taxpayers of  
Chaplin County

Sept. 25. 1873.