

No. 4 *208 1/2* term, 187

Public Road

West
4
Knox & Co.

original road

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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 16 day of October, A. D. 1874, before the Judges of the said Court, upon the petition of sundry inhabitants of the township of Knox, in said county, setting forth that they labor under great inconvenience for the want of a road or highway, leading from the Road leading from New Millport to Big Clear Creek at or near the end of Sam Reas lane to intersect the public road leading from Millport to Madera at a point about 40 Rods north west of line of Alex Bloom

Report as to Damages &c

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

John L. Cuttle, Reuben Caldwell & John May

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 road; and if any two of them agree that there is occasion for such 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 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 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.

Alb. Tate
Clock Quarter Sessions.

No. 14, 1871

Order to View and
lay out public Road
in Knox Township

1/25 Paid to Murray & Gordon
4 Nov 1871

Attest
J. S. Smith

Received
~~of the~~ James Appomattox
James M. Allen Esq
J. E. Caldwell
Don Annap
By the Court

Filed 11 Jan, 1875
Conformed to Jan 1875
22 1/2 to be opened 33
feet wide except side
cutting to be 16 feet
by the County
Conformed to 11 Nov 1875
1/25 PM & 1/2 by the Court

Public Road

Wagon Lane

Samuel Wray

N 21° 30' E
35.6

N 30° 15' E
37.4

John Messanson

N 54° 0' E
42.5

Emma Root

N 30° 0' E
35.6

N 33° 0' E
36.1

Glynn

Barny Jensen

N 20° 0' E
30.0

N 15° 0' E
25.0

Patrick

Glynn

N 20° 0' E
30.0

N 20° 0' E
30.0

E. A.

Irwin

N 75° 0' E
90.0

N 75° 0' E
90.0

Public Road

Viewers Bill

Reuben Caldwell One day 7.5 Miles

John Mays One day

S. J. McClosky Two days 10 Miles

To the Hon. Judges within named

We, the undersigned persons appointed by the within Order of Court to view and lay out the Road therein mentioned, respectfully report, that having given notice, of the time and place of meeting, ^{according to the act of assembly} and being all present at the view of the ground proposed for the said road. And being all sworn or affirmed in pursuance of the said Order: we have viewed, and laid out, and do return the following Road viz. Beginning at the Public Road about forty perches north west of Alexander Blooms line. Thence through land of E. A. Givin north seven and a half degrees East, ninety perches. Thence through Elyms land north twenty degrees west fifty six perches. north seven and a half degrees East fifty one perches to the line of Elyms & Barnard Terren. Thence on their line north thirty seven degrees west forty eight perches. Thence through Land of Humant Root north fifty three degrees East fifteen perches, north thirty seven degrees west thirty one perches to the line of Root & John Merriman. Thence on the line between them north fifty four East Eighty two and five tenth perches. Thence through Merrimans land north forty eight degrees west twenty eight perches. Thence north twenty one and a half degrees East, twenty five and six tenths perches to the line of Samuel Wray. Thence between him and John Merriman north thirty seven degrees west, ten perches, to the Public Road at Samuel Wray's Lane. A Plot on Draft whereof is hereunto annexed, which said Road as aforesaid laid out, we are of opinion is necessary for a Public Road, And we further agree in the opinion that no parties through whose land the said Road passes, are entitled to any damage.

Witness our Hands the 6th Day of January A. D. 1875

S. J. M. Clouty
R. Caldwell
John Mayo } Viewers

the Rule of the Directors is that
Children living in that portion of
the district must attend that school
Some of the Children - are not ~~keeping the~~
Rules but attending other schools
I have no interest in this school
except - as a tax payer my children
go to the May hill School the
Children have no means of getting
to the Oak Ridge School with
brevling through private property
I never went over the proposed route
of this Road to see what it would
cost to make it - I think it would
be expensive to make through my
property an act of the Green
timber Mrs Private has no public
Road leading from her farm she at
present time uses private property
I don't ~~think~~ the present location is the
most central for the Schoolhouse
I have no notices that I know of
now posted up I know of the Review
before it was held I got my information
from my Brother-in-law personally this
Road runs through his place

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I dont know whether these
men want over the Road or
not tha told me tha want
over it all Roads drift
more or less in this County
in the winter time it is about
a mile to go the proposed Road
from the Sydors house to
the Cliver house I dont
think it is over one and a half mile
from the Sydors house to the Stone
Corner

John E. Withrow

This 25th day of March
A.D. 1884 Affirmed
and Subscribed before me
One of the Justices of the
Peace in and for said County
Isaac H. Brown

Isaac H. Brown

ansanville pa March 28th of 1888
affidavit of John E. Withrow of Knox
Twp Chesterfield County in and to Court
of Court of Commonwealth of said County
dated March 18th 1888

Personally appeared
John E. Withrow aged 36 years a
Resident of Knox Township after he
swore and depose and say
in Relation to the above Cause
as follows I am acquainted with
the Road in question & lie one and a half
mile west of this Road I do not
consider the Road a necessity the
Rolls Road at the east end of
the Road in question is used very
little travelers preferring the Bent Ridge
Road and for this Reason I don't
think this Road would be much
used if opened it would be an
unnecessary expense and Burden
to the tax payers I am acquainted
with the location of Oak Ridge School
house I consider the location of this
School house incommenst and the
School house would be more convenient
to all the people in the District

if placed at Baery Ferrons Stone
Corner it might not be more convenient
for Samuel C Snyder at the Stone
Corner this Road runs through the
north East Side of my farm. I think
it would be an expensive Road to make
and divides the most valuable part
of my farm. my opinion would be
that during winter season this Road
would be drifted and shut up between
Snyders and the School house I signed
a petition asking that this Road be
vacated and the majority of the people
desire it to be vacated if they
vacate the Road I will give the
ground for this Schoolhouse but
if they open it I will not it is about
one hundred Rods from this Schoolhouse to Stone Corner

Cross E & By W A Hegarty
Atty for E & Captant to Reiman
the proposed short of this Road runs
through my land I bought my land
in 1846 I object to this Road on account
of it going through my place I don't
mind whether I knew of this having
been made before I bought or not
there is no public Road leading
to this School house at the present
time

Ans on hill pa March 25th A D 1889
affidavit of Reuben Caudwell of kno T P
Cherfield County^{pa} in ans to Rule of
Court of Common Pleas of said County
dated March 18th 1889

personally appeared
Reuben Caudwell before the Subscribes
a Justice of the Peace in and for said
County after being lawfully
doth depose and say in Relation to
the above Cause as follows

I live in Knot Township
Cherfield Co pa aged

I did not consider the Road
a need Settity Except it might
be to Mr Snyder I cannot think
of any one else to whom this
Road is a need Settity there
are many Township Roads in
that vicinity now and I
believe the opening of this Road
would be a useless expense
and burden some to the tax
payers if Mr Snyder was not
trying to open this Road I dont
think there would be any demand
for it -

I was one of the original runners
in 1874 and this Road has
hardly reopened since that
time because there was no
public demand for the
mail route in the district
to day are opposed to the
opening of this Road

Crossed Ex By Mr B + ^{att}

I presume that the same man
exists to day for a Road at
this point that did in 1874
the same Roads were there
then that are now I know
of opening orders being granted

Reuben Caldwell

Andersonville Ga March 25th A D 1889
affidavit of Mrs Ellen Pratt
Resident of Knox Paged

Charfield County Ga
in ans to Rule of Court of Common Pleas
of Said County dated March 18th 1889
Personally appeared Mrs Ellen
Pratt after being duly sworn
to the depose and say as follows
aged about 49. I live in the
T & P. line of Truman Pratt near D. & C.
I have lived there 24 years the Road
in question runs through my land
I bought this land 24 years ago and
there was no Road there at that
time I do not desire the opening of
this Road on account of the damage
to my farm I have no trouble in
getting to and from the Township
Road my land is about one hundred
feet from the T & P. Road I don't think
with the Road opened that this was a
convenient place nor do I think so now
I think the opening of this Road is a
useless expense it cuts my farm
up badly and endures my orchard
if the Road is opened it would not

add to the value of the land

Cross Ex By W B Hegarty
I did not see or hear of,
any notices being put up from
the time of meeting of names to
survey this Road my husband
Freeman Road got out the
petition to mine and lay out
this Road there is no public
Road leading to the Scherathouse
at present time I am appraised
to this ^{road} going through my place
on account of the damage I
think it - very favorable location
but a great many people want
it - moved I don't know anything
about building what it would
cost to build this Road

Mrs Ellen Root
Sworn and subscribed
before the subscribers one of
the Justices of the Peace
in said said Community
this 24th day of March 1888
Isaac Y. Blum
J. J.
L.

this 25th day of March A D 1888
personally appeared J W Johnston
in ans to Rule of Court of
Common Pleas of Charfield
County Penna

I live in Jordan
Pa about 50 years of age
I know the location of
the Road in question I own
a piece of land & share through
^{which} that Road runs I would suppose
it would cost two Dols and $\frac{50}{100}$
per Rod me ~~to~~ bring there
I dont know the necessity
if it goes through our land
we want some damage

J W Johnston

Jessie Hoffman Sworn
I lifted the order for the removal of
this Road no notices were put
up I served some other
notices no Comras or Chain
was used to locate the Route
of the Road at time of Remo.

The above affidavits Sworn before this
25th day of March A D 1888
Isaac H. Bloome

Ansamville pa March 25th A D 1888
Affidavit of John Rea of Knox T D
Charfield County in and to Sub of Court
of Commonwealth of Said County
dated March 18th 1888

personally appeared
John Rea before the Subscriber
a Justice of the Peace in and for
Said County after being duly sworn
doth depose and say
in Relation to the above Cause as
follows I live in Knox T D aged 34
years I live one fourth of a mile north
of this Road in question have lived
there fourteen years it would cost
about six hundred dollars and would
be a difficult and expensive Road
to make I do not consider the Road
a necessity the opening of the Road
would be a useless expense and
burden some to the tax payers I
have four or five children attending
the Oak Ridge School is not
as convenient for me and my children
as it would be at the Stone
Corners it is inconvenient for
the majority of the people of the

district and would be more
convenient at the Stone Corner
excepting Mr Samuel Snyder
the majority of the people in the
district oppose the opening of this Road
as a useless expense during winter
season the Road will be drifted
and blocked up I judge it would
be about one fourth mile from the Oak
Bridge Schoolhouse I think the Road
would be little used if opened
I signed the petition for this Road

Cross Ex By W A Hegarty
I never went over this Road to estimate
the cost of building I am not
a Road Builder by trade and have
not built Roads to and to
switch in my opinion I think it would
be better to have the School
house at the Stone Corner I don't
know whether this Road would
drift but I think it will drift more
than the Rankin Road I fix my
opinion by Judging the
cost of travel over it -

there is no public Road at present
Running to this School house
I don't think that the damage
due to the land by Road
is offset by advantage derived
from Road and School house
I don't recollect of seeing any notices
posted up fixing the time of Removal
J M Rea

Deposition of witnesses. Produced sworn and
affirmed and examined by me at my
office in the Borough of Coalport on the
8th day of Feb 1889 before the Honor
of 9 oc am and 9 oc pm in abiden
ce to a rule of court and Notice was
to attached to be read in a cause
Pending in the court of common
Pleas of Cleaveland County in
manner exception to report of views
to vacate a road in Knox Township
Cleaveland County

No 12 May Term 1888

Daniel Bloom Produced and affirmed
I live Knox Township and am 46 years
of age. I live within a short distance
from the road leading from the line
of abx Blooms Land and through
lands of Evan Flynn and root it
being the same road of which a
Review was granted by the court
at May Term 1888.

I was satisfied by Jas. A. Hoffman
A short time before May of 1888. that
A petition would be presented to the court
at May Term 1888. To view and vacate
the above described Road I signed that
said petition at that time.

I Have known Samuel Snyder for
Thirty years and now live near him
Snyder lives about one mile from
The oak ridge School House I do not
think it is over one mile and a half
from Samuel Snyder's place to our
School House The road in dispute
is from one to one and one half mile long
I consider this road a very hard road.
To make and in my opinion it could
not be opened fit for travel for less
than from four to five hundred dollars
if this road was ever opened it would be drifted
shut the greater part of the winter season I
think this School House could be moved
to the stone corner at Barney Johnsons
A distance of about one hundred rods
from where it now stands so that it
would be on a good Township road
and more convenient than it
now is to the people of the Township
I am now a school Director in
Knox Township My road tax is
now twenty mills There is a general com-
plaint in the Township about the heavy
road tax I have heard of no one in our
School District ^{except Samuel Snyder} or in that part of the
Township who opposes the vacating of this
road and the general sentiment of the people
is that this road would be a useless expense
and burden to the Tax payers
I am married and have three children that attend
the oak ridge School Daniel & Elwood

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I Isaac Roy Produced and affirmed
I live in Knox Township and 44
years of age the road leading from
above Bloomsburg and through land
of John Selyer and road runs through
A corner of one of my fields it being the
same road of which a review was granted
by the court of May Term 1888. I was
Present with the views when this road
was first laid out some ten or fifteen years
ago I was satisfied by Jas. A. Hoffman
Ten Day or there about he gave the views for
vacating this road was appointed that a
petition would be presented to the court
of May Term 1888, to view and vacate the
above described road. I signed the petition
at that time I have known Samuel
Snyder for about thirty years
and now live near him his
farm joining mine Snyder lives a
bout one mile from the Ash Ridge
School House and it is one
mile and $\frac{1}{2}$ from Samuel Snyder
place to the above School House I con-
sider this road is a very difficult one
to make and in my opinion it could
not be opened fit for travel for less
than six hundred Dollars if this

road was opened it would be drifted shut
by means of snow drifts and travel
impeded and the grade would be very heavy
I think this School House could be moved
to the stone corner at Barry McPhersons
A distance of about one hundred rods
from where it now stands so that it
would be on a good Township road
and more convenient ~~than~~ it now is to
the people of the Township I am a married ^{man}
have one child going to school at Oak
Ridge School my road tax is now 20 mills
and there is a general complaint by the citizens
in the Township about the heavy road tax I
have heard of no one in the school district or
in that part of the Township who opposes the
relocation of this road except Samuel Snyder
I think that this road would be a useless expense
and burden to the tax payers and the general
sentiment of the people is the same way
Isaac Rea

Snyder Bloom ~~Resided~~ and ~~affirmed~~
I live in Knox Township am 32
years of age. The road leading from
of Alex Blooms land and through land
of Sven Telym and it runs through
the farm on which I live. it being the
same road of which a review was granted
by the court at may term 1888. I was notified
by Jessy A. Hoffman Ten days or there about
before the view was appointed that a petition
would be presented to the court at may
Term 1888. To view and locate the above
described road I signed the petition at
that time I have known Samuel
Snyder for twenty or twenty five
years and now live near him Snyder
lives about one mile from the Oakridge
School House and it is about one
and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Samuel Snyders
place to the same School House I
consider this road is a very difficult
one to make and in my opinion it
could not be opened fit for travel
for less than six hundred Dollars if
this road was opened it would be
drifted shut by snow drifts and travel
impeded and at one end the grade would
be very heavy I think this School House could

be moved to the Stone corner at Boney
Grapesburg A distance of about one
Hundred rods from where it now
stands so that it would be an A
Good Township road and more con
venient than it now is to the people
of the township I am a married
man There is a general complaint
by the citizens of the Township about the
heavy road tax I have heard of no one
in the school district or in that
part of the Township who approve
the vacating of this road except Saml
Snyder I think that this road would
be a well expense and burden to
the tax payers and the general sentiment
of the people is the same way

Snyder Bloom

M H Bloom Produced and
Affirmed.

I Live in Knox Township and
40 years of age. I Live within a
Short distance from the road leading
from the line of ab Blooms Land and
through Land of Green Llyn and road
it being the same road of which a review
was Granted by the court may term
1888. I was satisfied by Jessy A Hoffman
Ten days before the review was appointed
that a petition^x to the court at may
Term 1888. To view and vacate the above
Discribed road I signed the petition at that^x
I have known Samuel Snyder
for about thirty years and now
Live near him Snyder Lives about one
mile from the oak Ridge School House. it
is about one mile and $\frac{1}{2}$ from Samuel
Snyders place to arno School House
I consider this road is a very difficult
one to make. and in any opinion it
could not be opened fit for travel for
much less than one thousand Dollars if this
road was opened it^x be drifted shut ~~the~~
and travel impeded by means of snow drifts
I think this School House could be moved to
the Staen corner at Bang McPherrons a distance

of about one Hundred rods from where it now
stands, so that it would be, on a good Township
road and more convenient than it now is to
the people of the Township. The distance from
my house to the stone corner and from Samuel
Snyder to the stone corner is about the same distance.
I am married have two children going to
school at Oak Ridge school house my road
tax is now twenty mills and there is a general
complaint by the citizens in the Township about
the heavy road tax. I have heard of no one
in the school district or in that part of
the Township who opposes the vacating of
this road except Samuel Snyder, and the
general sentiment of the people is that this
road would be a useless expense and burden
to the tax payers.

Martin H Bloom

James M. Heverly Produced and sworn
I live in Coalport Barrony 35 yrs
of age. A Notice was served on me about May
16th. by James Hoffman notifying me of
my appointment as a viewer to view
a road in Knox Township a short time
afterward in pursuance of that Notice I
went with J. M. Beers & J. D. Spangler
the other viewers. To the road in question
we met Isaac Roy then at that time he
stated that he was one of the original viewers
that he had been over the road and knew
its location from one end to the other
we started in at a point on the public road
at Samuel Roy's Lane we then went along
the line between lands of Roy and me
Hegeman about ten perches then struck off
through Hegeman's land about 63 Perches
then along the line between Root and me
Hegeman about 82 Perches thence through
land of Root about 46 Perches to the line
of Root & then along this line about 48
Perches then through the Flynn land
about 107 Perches and then through Iron
Land about 90 Perches to a point on
the public road about 40 Perches
North west of Alex. Bloomer's land I
consider the location of the road a poor
one because during the winter season

it would be drifted and blocked up
owing to its position, in my judgment
it would be difficult to make a good
Road between the point where we started
and where we came out, on to the
publick road. I believe it would take one
Thousand Dollars to make a good ^{road} out of
it. I dont think that the increase of value
on the farms by the opening of this road would
Equal the Damage to the property in my
Judgment it would be a hard road to
Build. one third the Distance would require
Grading. To my mind the opening of
the road is not a necessity it would
be a useless expense and burden to
the Tax payers of that Township.
I have worked some at opening new roads
I own no property in that vicinity
and have no interest in the road
either way I am no relation of J
H Hoffman or S, C, Snyder
J Mc Keeverly

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J. M. Beers Produced and affirmed
I live in Coalport Barrong
am 36 years old I was appointed
a viewer by the court to review
a road in Knox Township some
time in May in company with J. D.
Spangl and J. M. Hervey the other
viewers. we met Isaac Ray and Jesse H
affman on the Township road at
Samuel Rays Lane we then went
along the line the Ray and Meryman
Land then leaving the line we went
through Merymans Land to the line
between Meryman and Root a long
this line about 8 ^{or 9} miles struck off
through roots Land to the line of E
Lysen Land then along this line about
4 or 5 miles then through the Lysen
Land, and through Drovers to a point
on the publick west of Alex Bloom
Land. Mr Hoffman and Mr Ray
as Thosely perambule they say with
the line of this road. I would not say
this was a good location for a
publick road part of it is
hilly and would require much Grading
and other parts from the day of the
Ground would be much drifted during
the winter season

it would be hard to make a road between
these two points and it is now layed
out as well as it could be over
that ground to build the road
~~the road~~ to make it passable would require
an out lay of \$8.00, to \$10.00, I allow the
Damage to the land in my opinion would
be greater than the additional value to the
land caused by the opening of the road I
do not think the road is an necessity
and therefore the expense would be
unlless and burdison to the Tax
payers of Knox Township I own
no property in that vicinity and
have no interest in having this road
vacated Hoffman and Snyder are not
relatives of mine I am a contractor
J. H. Beers

J. D. Spengle Produced and affirmed
I live in Calport Borough and 43
years of age am a coal Dealer I was one
of the viewers appointed by the Court to review
and vacate a road layout in Knox
Township I went over the ground in company
with Isaac Ray and Jesse Hoffman and the
two other views Heavily & Burs in my
opinion as layout the road is poorly
located and would be an expensive one
road to make it would take one thousand
Dollars to make that road passable
and fit for travel it would require
grading about $\frac{1}{3}$ of the distance,
and for quite a distance the location
would probably cause it to be drifted
& blocked up during the winter season,
I consider that this road is the
best location that could be found between
those two points I have heard the affidavit
and the distance as described is the best that
we went over and as pointed out to us
by Mr. Ray and Mr. Hoffman the opening
of that road would be a needless expense
and Burden to the Tax payers of the
Township There seems to be sufficient
Township roads in that vicinity to
accommodate all traveling public

Due to Take deposition

No 12 May Term 1888

taken Feb 8th 1889

V. Stevens J.P. ^{Exd}

Justice fees \$3.50

It is no intent to me to have this road
vacated I am no property in that
vicinity if I owned property along the
line of this proposed road I think
the Damage to the Land would be greater
than the increase in value to the property
by the opening of the road

J. D. Spangle

Rule to Take Depositions.

Clearfield County, ss.

*View & Vacate
Public Road
in
Knop Twp*

In the Court of Common Pleas of
Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

No 13 May Term, 1888.

AND NOW, to wit, the *18th* day of *Mar*, in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-*nine*
the *Comptants* enter a Rule to take the
Depositions of ancient, infirm and going witnesses,
to be read in evidence on the *Argument* of
this case. Ex parte Rule of *Comptants* on
five days' notice.

Am Blown
Prothonotary.

To *H A Hayes* - , Esq.:
Atty for Comptants

You will please take notice that, in pursuance of the foregoing Rule,
depositions will be taken before *Isaac Blown*, or some other
person authorized to administer an oath or affirmation in Pennsylvania, in
and for the county of *Chesapeake*, at the office of *John J. Ames*
in the *Allegheny* of *Ashmun*, in the county of *Chesapeake*
and State of Pennsylvania, on the *25th* day of *March* A. D.
188*9*, between the hours of *9* o'clock A. M. and *4* o'clock P. M.,
when and where you may attend and cross-examine.

A P MacLeod
per *W B*
for Petitioners

Clearfield, Pa., *March 19*, 188*9*

Am accepted in the
Rule for Chesapeake
H A Hayes
March 19-1889

Rule to Take Depositions.

Clearfield County, ss.

In matter of
 exception to view
 of Road VERSUS
 Ruox Top.

In the Court of Common Pleas of
 Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

No. 12 May Term, 1888.

AND NOW, to wit, the 29 day of Jan'y, in the year of our
 Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine
 the Petitioner for Rel. enter a Rule to take the
 Depositions of ancient, infirm and going witnesses,
 to be read in evidence on the argument of
 this case. Ex parte Rule of Rel. on
 five days' notice.

Prothonotary.

To W. A. Hagerty, Esq.:
 Clearfield Pa.

You will please take notice that, in pursuance of the foregoing Rule,
 depositions will be taken before V. Stevens J. P., or some other
 person authorized to administer an oath or affirmation in Pennsylvania, in
 and for the county of Clearfield, at the office of V. Stevens
 in the town of Cowbport, in the county of Clearfield
 and State of Pennsylvania, on the 8 day of February, A. D.
 1889, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 9 o'clock P. M.,
 when and where you may attend and cross-examine.

Alouzo Macken
 Atty. for view

Clearfield, Pa.

Jan'y. 29 - 1889

A H
 Atty & appeared