

No.

20 Sept

Term, 1877

Review of Change of Discipline
Between

Gerard H. Covington

Contents :

To the Hon. Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield County.

September 23^d. 1877

The Petition of the undersigned Citizens of Covington Township comprising a majority of the voters thereof do most earnestly, remonstrate and protest against the change made in the line of their township at March Sessions 1874 so as to run township line straight from Dominic Bronvel's to the River a distance of some $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile. The anxiety of the Citizens of Girard the adjoining township to straighten this line which has long remained crooked, without seriously interfering with the peace and security of the Citizens of the respective townships arises not so much from a desire to have lines straightened, as to get clear of an expensive and burdensome road, and throw the same upon Covington Township, which already has too many bad roads within her own territory. This change encumbers Covington Township with great additional expense in the matter of roads and bridges, and is unnecessary and useless except for the purposes aforesaid, We therefore most respectfully Petition this Court to grant us a review on said lines and appoint a Commission to review the change and report upon the propriety of the alteration of the old lines,

And we will ever pray &c

Names

John Bower
Peter Bronvel
Wm Miller
David Mearly
Dominique Guenot
Simon Tremble
John Smith
Peter Smith
Frank Birge
Felix Koussey
John Rouger
Charles Schuch
Louis Raussey
Francois Genie
Peter Dumont
James Gormont
Gordon Royer
S. Pruessen
Frank Voinchar
Lewis Picard
Victor Patte d'Oie

Names

Names

John J. Picard
 Laurence Hood
 Michael Barrett
 Francis V. Nebel
 Robert Freeman
 Thos. Maurer
 Christian Brown
 Michael Croze
 Mrs. Gilliland
 John M. Foster
 J. Schmars
 Charles Brown
 Henry R. Thery
 W. H. Schnars
 Charles Gindel
 Alexander Gutz
 John Gother
 Wm. Schnars
 F. J. Schnars
 Joseph Gutz
 Reuben Reiter Sr.
 Charles Barthol
 A. Biglerman
 Emil Bolephier
 Felix Picard
 John Mulson
 Christ Riser
 August Barnoy
 Wm. Schiller
 Francis Gormont
 E. J. Baumgardner
 Emil Mignot
 C. Barnoy
 J. Maurer

Names

J. B. Vallimont
 Peter Kauger
 Louis Lescanto
 Francis Mignot
 James Trelli
 Jacques Trelli
 Mary Trelli
 Frank Rolley
 John Pearson
 James Hucan
 Henry Barthol
 Germain Boniat
 Alexandre Scharf
 M. H. Canaway
 J. J. Holt
 James Holt
 Reuben Holt
 H. J. Vallimont
 John Bergey
 Boniface Barthol
 S. A. Caudriest
 Louis Hamlet
 H. A. Bach
 Fortinrat Renaud
 Reuben Trelli
 John B. Picard
 Peter Peugeot
 Thomas Lambert
 James Hucan
 Peter Garnier
 M. & Canaway
 Julien Boas
 Lewis Leeder

And now June 18 1878 Acted of Brewe
Exceeded & they are allowed to report at
next term.

By the Court
J. H. O.

And now 28 March 1878 The order in this
case continued & Brewe to report at June
Term 1878

By the Court
J. H. O.

May 31 1878 Continued to Sept Term
1878

At 12:55 p.m. June 18 1878
Since 1871

No. 20. Sep. Term 1877

original in No 11. Mar 1875

Dorington Township
Resolves against
Change of the line
& Petition for re-
view

General Hovington

Andrews Act

1877

~~J. H. O.~~

John L. Little

Samuel Clarke

William Hughes

are appointed as

viewers

Book D. 18

Charfield, in Chatfield County,
Now it is in a dilapidated state
and entirely unproductive. It has
been known as the Larum prop-
erty. The property was productive
until a few years before the
panic. I never heard of any
desire to change the township
line until after the property
became unproductive. The
line proposed to be changed is
the original division line bet-
ween the townships. The reason
& the only reason I ever heard
urged for a change of the line was
the desire to get rid of an expen-
sive piece of road on the eastern
side of Deer Creek, and in the
path of the original track which
the proposed alteration would
throw into Covington township
and also the half of an expensive
Bridge at the mouth of Deer Creek.

There is a Bridge across the river
just above the mouth of Deer
Creek which was erected at the
expense of the County in part.
It is a free Bridge. That is
the only River Bridge between

Deposition of witnesses produced Sworn and examined by me, the 18th day of Feb, A.D. 1879 at the office of Murray & Gordon in the Borough of Charfield, between the hours of 8 o'clock A.M. and 12 o'clock P.M., by virtue of the annexed rule of Court of Common Pleas, and a notice hereto attached, for the examination of witnesses in a certain cause depending in said Court, In the Matter of Change of Township Line between Girard and Covington,

J. L. Cottle, - Sworn, and
deposeth as follows, -

I was one of the Commissioners appointed by the Court to consider the propriety to change the line between Girard and Covington Townships, - I have been a Surveyor for 40 years, and have been acquainted with the premises over thirty years, - When I first knew the property it was considered one of the best business points on the River below the town of

Charfield and Karthaus,

The Road which the proposed change is urged on account of is the only direct route for the people from the Karthaus, Frenchville & Curington region who may desire to reach this Bridge, - The stream of Deer Creek with all its improvements & advantages, consisting of a large Grist Mill & several other mills have been under the old division wholly in Girard Township and would so continue if the proposed change were made & apt that an old dilapidated & worthless Saw Mill & half the Creek Bridge would be, this change be thrown into Curington Township, Beside the above reason for opposing the change ~~was~~ I had one other which was that the whole of track 3647 which is the property or part of the property owned by L. M. Condrick who was the purchaser of the property known as the Larum property, and during the long experience I have had I have avoided the

division of any tract of land owned by one person, which by said division would throw the same into different townships.

The proposed division would throw two thirds of tract No. 3647 into Covington township of the most worthless part of the tract, and leave the improvements & one third of the said tract in Girard township, - I make the draft attached to the report in this case.

The advantage of the mouth of Deer Creek as a business point consists largely in the fact that it is the rafting ground & outlet for large bodies of timber on the upper part of Deer Creek Stream and its tributaries. The great bulk of which timber is in Girard Tp.

The principal part of the timber for Covington Tp. is Rafted in & Rafted at lower points on the River. - There is no special advantage in this property & location at the mouth of Deer Creek to the inhabitants of Covington Tp. other than an outlet to the River Bridge.

John L. Guttie.

I hereby Certify that the above witness
was duly qualified and examined at
the time and place stated in the
above Caption, and subscribed his
deposition in my presence,

Wm Macdonagh

Notary Public,

RULE TO TAKE DEPOSITIONS.

Clearfield County, ss:

In the matter of Change
of Sup Court
between
Guard and
Conington

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

NO. 11. March TERM, 1875.
and No. - - Review.

AND NOW, to wit, the 10 day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, the Sup of Conington enters 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 Conington Sup on five days' notice.

Eli. Bloom
Prothonotary.

To Wallace Krebs, Esq: Atty for

You will please take notice, that in pursuance of the foregoing rule, Depositions will be taken before Cyrus Gordon Esq, or some other person authorized to administer oath or affirmation in Pennsylvania, in and for the county of Clearfield, at the office of Murray Gordon, in the Borough of Clearfield, in the county of Clearfield, and State of Pennsylvania, on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1879, between the hours of 8 o'clock A. M., and 12 o'clock P. M., when and where you may attend and cross-examine.

Clearfield, Pa., Feby. 10th, 1879.

Murray Gordon
Atty for Conington Esq.

And now 10 Feby 1879 Service accepted for
Guard Township. Wallace Krebs

No 11. March 3. 1875

Gerald Zorn's hip
and
Corington's hip. change
of line.

Rule to depose

Mr. Baal's change, then \$ 1.50
of h. C. Little 1.00
2.50

No 85.

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the County of Clearfield.

The undersigned one of the Reviewers duly appointed by the order of Court hereto assigned to review & examine the lines of the townships of Covington and Girard.

Respectfully Reports.

That after due, timely, and legal notice of the time and place of meeting had been given by advertisements duly posted in said townships for more than five days before making the review, the commissioners met upon the ground, and having been first duly sworn according to law, proceeded to examine the lines of the township, and after a full examination your commissioner can not agree with his fellow commissioners in adopting the new line lately made for said townships for the following reasons:

- 1st The Tract No 3647, has been attached to Girard township ever since the erection of said Township.
- 2nd It is owned entirely by one person.
- 3rd The new line runs through the tract, throwing two thirds of the tract into Covington township, with the "saw mill" erected on said property.
- 4th The house & buildings by the new line will be thrown into Girard Township with about one third of the land, thus keeping all improvements in Girard, and a body of worthless land into Covington township.
- 5th That the change sought to be made is to avoid the expense of repairing the public road which runs through Tract No 3647, by Girard township.

All which is respectfully submitted

John L. Guttler.

A plot or draft of which is hereto attached,

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions
of the County of Clearfield.

The undersigned Reviewers duly appointed
by the order hereto annexed to review & examine the lines
of the townships of Covington and Girard townships in said
county, respectfully report,

That they gave due, legal and timely notice
of the time and place of meeting of the Commissioners, by advertise-
ments, duly posted for more than five days before making the review,
and having first been duly sworn or affirmed. Began at the south side
of John Brown's farm, on the old tract line running east & west,
and thence South from the corner of Tracts 1936 & 1939, through Tract
N^o 3647, Two hundred & sixty four perches to Deer Creek, and thence
down Deer Creek 551⁰⁰ & 26 perches to the West Branch of Susquehanna
being the same line made and adopted on the recent view,
And we hereby recommend that the said lines be confirmed by
the Court,

Samuel Clyde
W. Mcapes

Report of Commissioners on Township Line between
Girard and Covington Townships,
Clearfield County Pa.

At a Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County of Clearfield, held at Clearfield on the day of June AD 1878 before the Judges of the said Court, upon the petition of sundry inhabitants of the township of Covington in said county setting forth that the change lately made of the township line, between the townships of Covington & Girard, is, as they conceive unjust & burdensome, and praying the Court to appoint proper persons to review said new line of said townships, and the old line, and report upon the same

Whereupon the Court upon due consideration had of the premises do order and appoint John L. Buttle, Samuel Clyde & William Mapes who after being respectively sworn or affirmed, to perform the duties of their appointment with impartiality and fidelity, are to ^{re-}view the ground proposed for the change of line between the townships aforesaid, and if any two of them agree that there is occasion for such change, they shall proceed to lay out the same, as agreeable to the desire of the petitioners as may be and to the best interest of all the parties concerned, together with a plot or draft thereof, and the courses and distances, of the several lines which have or may hereafter be run, in establishing said Township Line, to the next Court of Quarter Sessions to be held for said county. In which report they shall state they have been sworn or affirmed according to law,

By the Court.

Eli Blom
" " Clerk
L. S.

So 20 September Sep. 1877
Order to view & change the
line between Girard & Covington
townships

Jan'y 17, 1879 could
until next term
By the Court
J. No O.

Filed 18 Sept 1878

Commissaries ^{day miles}
John L. Butler, 3-15
Samuel Clyde, 2-14
William Slopes, 2-14

Chambers day
Napoleon Sandwick 1
Dominick Bromast 1

Oct. 3, 1878 Read &

Confirmed in S.

By the Court
J. No O.

M. & G.

Sept. 26, 1879 Com-
firmation of the Report
refused.
By the Court
J. No O.