

To the Honorable the Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for the County of Cambria,

The Petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the Townships of Clearfield and Dean in the said County, respectfully sheweth, that a bridge is much wanted over Clearfield Creek at the place where the Public Highway crosses the said Creek, in the Townships aforesaid, the ford there being frequently rendered impassable by reason of ice and high waters; And that the expense of erecting said bridge would be too heavy and burdensome upon the inhabitants of said Townships; Your petitioners therefore Pray your Honor to appoint proper persons to view the Premises and to take such order on the subject as is required and directed by the Act of the General Assembly in such Cases made and provided: And they will ever Pray &c

Thos. Dunphy

Frank Koff

Jos. J. Donahoe

John Swires

Mr. G. McCully

Jos. Sutton

J. A. Adam

David Brown

Thos. Brown

Wm. J. Smith

Michael Farrell

Patt. Madden

Jos. Beringer

W. G. Wise

J. B. Wise

James Dick

Silas Swires

Charles McMillan

Dennis Sawley

James Swires

James H. Brown

J. Getting

J. J. Rhoads

No. 3 June Term 1857
Petition of citizens of
Clearfield and Deane
Townships for the appoint-
ment of viewers to view
the site for a Bridge
over Clearfield ~~Township~~^{Creek}
at the place where the
public highway crosses
said creek between said
Townships.

And now June 6th, 1857
read and
J. A. Shoemaker,
Henry Mellon and
Joseph Hoagren
appointed viewers
By the Court

Filed June 6. 1857.

Kittell.

Cambria County N.Y.

At a Court of Quarter Sessions
of the Peace held at Elmburgh
in and for the County of Cam-
bria on Monday the Fifth day
of March A.D. 1858 before the
Hon. R. D. Johnston President Judge the petition
of the Commissioners of Cambria County was
presented setting forth "That it having appeared
to the Court, Grand Jury and Commissioners of said
County that a bridge of the Clearfield Creek at Dean
Station between Clearfield and Dean Townships was
necessary and that it would be too expensive for
the Townships aforesaid to erect said bridge and the
same having been entered of record: Your petitioners
procured an estimate to be made as nearly as might
be of the expense of the same amounting to \$1552⁵⁵ ^{cts}
and procured to have said bridge erected by entering
into contract with the Mearns Bridge Company for
the building of the same. The said bridge being now
completed your petitioners therefore pray your Honor
to appoint six fit persons to inspect said bridge and
the workmanship thereof agreeably to law and make
report thereof to said Court. Whereupon the Court
appointed Thomas Murphy, Dennis Cowley,
Joseph Van Orner, David M. Kruger, D. Gally and
H. G. Kline, Inspectors.

By the Court.

H. A. Shaenahan
Prothy.

No. 3 June Term 1887;
R.S.

Order over Clearfield
tract between Clear-
field and Dean Town-
ships

Inspectors,
Thomas Dunphy,
Lemuel Carver,
Joseph Van Orner
Louis M. Krager
D. G. Myer
W. G. Kiser

and now April 2nd, 1888, the
within report read and
approved.

By the Court

Wm. Shaemaker

Filed Apr. 2, 1888.

Kittel

State of Pennsylvania)
County of Cambria) ss

We the undersigned viewers appointed
by the Court of said County as viewers
to inspect a certain bridge at Near Station
across the Clearfield Creek this 30th day of
March 1888 being duly sworn according to
Law certify that we have inspected
said bridge that we have decided and
do certify that in our best judgement
the said bridge was built of good
material and in a workmanlike manner
and that the Commissioners of said County
should except the same and discharge
the Contractors

Sworn to & subscribed
this 30th day of March
1888

W. H. Krize

J. P.

W. M. Kratzer not Present

W. G. Meyers

W. G. Krize

Joseph Van Orman

Dennis Lawley

Thomas Dunphy

G. W. Johnson

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Return ^{views} of inspection
of Hamilton Bridge

To the Honourable R. L. Johnston, President Judge of the Court
of Quarter Sessions of Cambria County Penna.

The petition of the Commissioners of Cambria County
respectfully represents:

That it having appeared to the Court, to the Grand
jury and to the Commissioners of said County that a
bridge over the Clearfield Creek at Dean Station between
Clearfield and Dean townships was necessary, and
that it would be too expensive for the townships of
Clearfield and Dean to erect said bridge, and the
same having been entered of record, your petitioners
procured an estimate to be made as nearly
as might be, of the expense of the same amounting
to \$152⁰⁰, and did proceed to have said bridge
erected by entering into contract with The Morse
Bridge Company for the building of the same.

The said bridge being now completed, your
petitioners therefore pray your Honor to appoint
six fit persons to inspect said bridge and the
workmanship thereof, agreeably to law and
to make report thereof to said Court.

And they will, etc

John Kirby (Commissioner)
J. C. Boyd } of Cambria
County.

No 3 June Term 1887,
R. D.

Petition of County Commissioners
for appointment of inspectors
to inspect the workmanship
of a bridge over Clearfield
Creek at Dear Station
between Clearfield and Dear
Townships.

And now March 7th 1888
read and the Court appoint
the following persons
inspectors.

Thomas Dunphy

Dennis Cawley

Joseph Van Orner

David M. Kratzer

D. G. Myers

W. G. Krise

By the Court

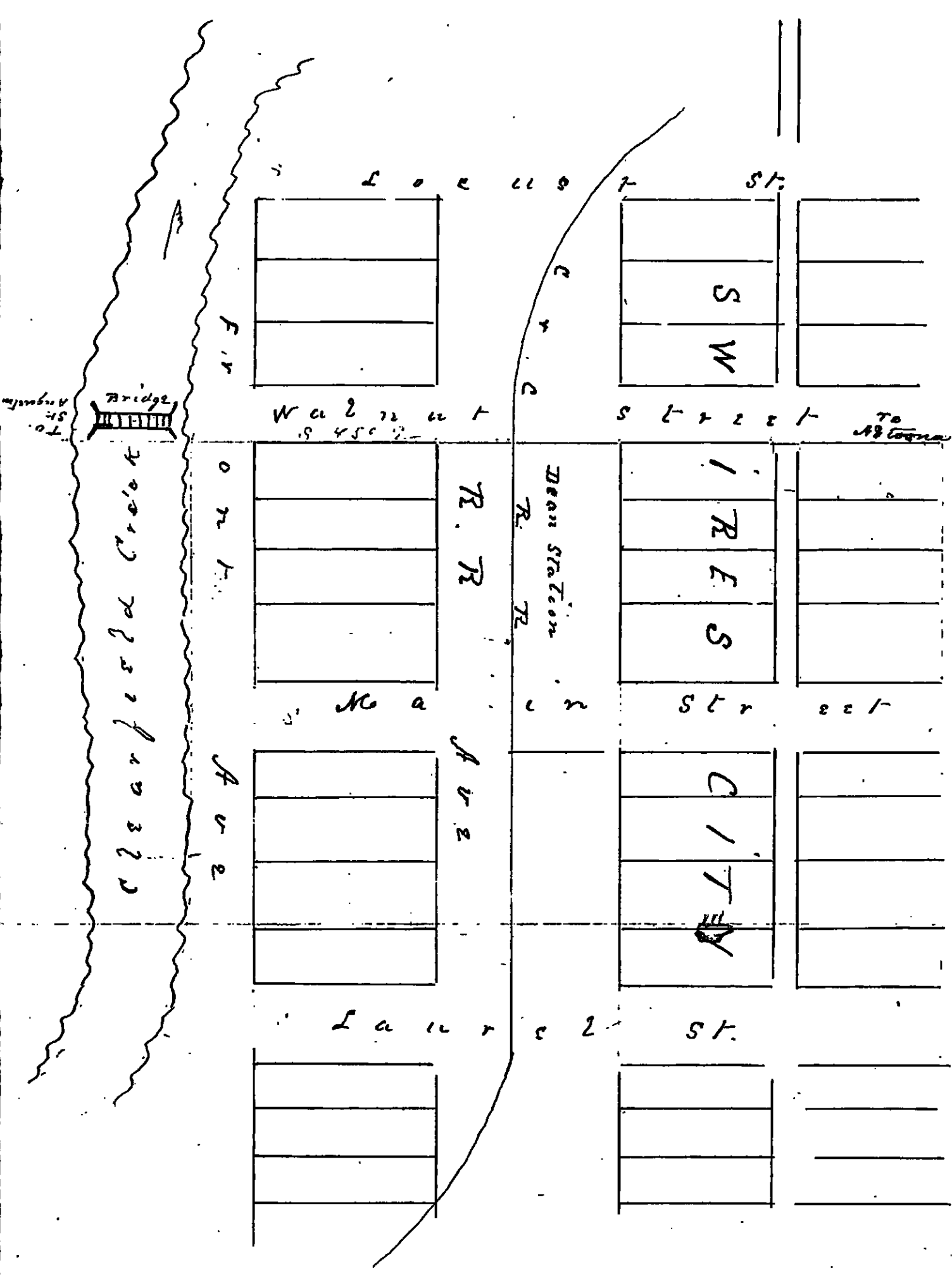
To The Honorable, Judge of The Court
of Quarter sessions of the Peace, in and
for The County of Cambria.

We the undersigned viewers appointed
by your Honor in the annexed order,
do report - that legal notice of the
time and place of meeting having been
given, We met according to appointment,
and having been duly sworn - viewed the
site for proposed bridge. And finding
a bridge a public necessity, at this point
we recommend the erection of a bridge
seventy five feet long and twelve ft
high above water surface. The same
to be erected by the County, the expense
being too great and burdensome for
the townships to bear and the prayer
of the petitioners be granted.

Witness our hands this 16th day of
August A.D, 1887

Time		
J. A. Shoemaker	2	54
Jos Hogue	1	44
Henry Mellon	1	20

J. A. Shoemaker
Joseph Hogue
Henry Mellon
appeared and the
County to bear one third
of the actual cost of bridge
James H. [Signature]



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
County of Cambria } SS.

At a court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County of Cambria
held at Ebensburg in the said County, on the 6th day of
June A. D. 1887, before the Honorable the Judges of the same
court: Upon the petition of divers inhabitants of the township of Clearfield^{2nd} Dean
in the said county, setting forth that they labor under inconvenience for want of a
Bridge ~~road or highway, to lead from~~
over Clearfield Creek at the place where
the public highway crosses said creek
between said townships

and therefore praying the court to appoint proper persons to ^{the site for} view ~~and lay out the~~
same according to law. The Court upon due consideration had of the premises, do
order and appoint, J. A. Shoemaker SURVEYOR,
and Henry Mellon^{3rd} John Hogue

VIEWERS, to view the ^{site} ~~ground~~ proposed for said
~~road~~ ^{bridge}, and if they view the same, and shall agree that there is occasion for such
~~road~~ ^{bridge}, they shall proceed to lay out the same, ~~having respect to the shortest distance~~
~~and the best ground for a road, and in such manner as shall do the least injury to~~
~~private property, and also be, as far as practicable, agreeable to the desire of the~~
~~petitioners~~, and that they make a report of their proceedings to the next Court
of Quarter Sessions to be held for said county, 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, and references to the improvements through~~
~~which it may pass.~~

BY THE COURT.

Attest:

N. A. Shoemaker
Clerk.

NOTE.—“It shall be the duty of all persons appointed in the several counties of this Commonwealth to view and review any public or private road or bridge, if they shall decide in favor of locating said road or bridge, to endeavor to procure from the persons over whose land such location may be made releases from all claims for damages that might arise from the opening of such road or the building of such bridge; and in every case where said viewers shall fail to procure such releases, and it shall appear to them that any damages will be sustained, it shall be their duty to assess the damages and make report thereof signed by a majority of their number, and return the same, together with all releases obtained, to the Court of Quarter Sessions, and the damages so assessed shall be conclusive, or may be subject to appeal, review or modification, as may be provided by existing laws in the different counties of this Commonwealth.”

“The persons appointed as aforesaid shall view such ground, and if they shall agree that there is occasion for a road, they shall proceed to lay out the same, having respect to the shortest distance, and the best ground for a road, and in such manner as shall do the least injury to private property, and also be, as far as practicable, agreeable to the desire of the petitioners.”

“The viewers, as aforesaid, shall make report, at the next term of said Court, and in the said report shall state particularly: first, who of them were present at the view; second, whether they were severally sworn or affirmed; third, whether the road desired be necessary for a public or private road; they shall also annex and return to the Court a plot or draft thereof, stating the courses and distances, and noting briefly the improvements, through which it may pass; and whenever practicable, the viewers shall lay out the said roads at an elevation not exceeding five degrees, (except at the crossing of ravines and streams) where, by moderate filling and bridging, the declination of the road may be preserved within that limit.”

No. 3
June Session 1887

Order to view a road site
for a bridge over
Holeasfield Creek
where the public road
crosses said Creek
between Holeasfield and
Dean Townships

Viewers
J. A. Shomaker
Henry Mellon
John Wayne

Filed 5 Sept 8 1887
24 Sept 1887 Approved
By the Court

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Kittell