

To the Honorable R. S. Johnston
President Judge of the Court of Quar-
ter Sessions in and for Columbia
County.

The petition of the undersigned,
inhabitants of the township of Sus-
quehanna, in the said county, re-
spectfully sheweth, that a bridge is
much wanted ^{over} Susquehanna Creek,
or river, at Garman's Mills when
the public highway and mail route
to Grant, Indiana County crosses the
said river, in the township aforesaid,
the ford being frequently impassable,
particularly in winter, and the
bridge over said stream recently ta-
ken away by the high water having
been a county bridge, and the expense
of erecting said bridge which must
be from 80 to 90 ft. in length would
be too heavy and burdensome upon
the inhabitants of said township.

Your petitioners therefore pray
your Honor to appoint proper per-
sons to view the premises and to
take such order on the subject as
is required and directed by the
Act of Assembly in such cases

made and provided, and they
will ever pray to,

Charles H. Ballou

John Mammie

Jacob Byrne

Luke Byrne

Augustine Miller

Chas. Miller

Alex. Long

Henry Mearns

D. S. Mearns

George K. Gorman

Frank Gutter

D. A. Gorman

William Woodside

Samuel Gray

Wm. Trout

J. Somerville

E. Somerville

J. Plouffe

J. H. Myers

Michael Weakens

Benjamin White

No. 11 Sept. Term 1882

Petition of citizens
of Susquehanna
Township for
the erection of a
County Bridge at
German Mills,
Cambria County

Now Oct. 17/1882

John N. Souvenir
Lawrence Weiland and
Simon Leathy
Appointed bridge view-
ers — By the Court

Filed Oct. 1. 1882

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
County of Cambria } SS.

At a court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County of Cambria
held at Chesley in the said County, on the First day of
October A. D. 1887, before the Honorable the Judges of the same
court: Upon the petition of divers inhabitants of the township of Suzquehanna
in the said county, setting forth that they labor under inconvenience for want of a
road which is much needed over road or highway, to lead from
Suzquehanna creek or river at Tamaus Mills where the pub-
lic highway and mail route to Grant, Indiana County
crosses the said river in the Township of said the ford being
frequently impassable particularly in winter and the bridge
over said stream recently taken away by the high water
having been a County bridge and the expense of erecting
said bridge which must be from 80 to 90 ft in length would
be too heavy and burdensome upon the inhabitants of said
township.

and therefore praying the court to appoint proper persons to — view and lay out the
same according to law. The Court upon due consideration had of the premises, do
order and appoint, John H. Somerville SURVEYOR,
and Lawrence Weiland & Ernest Simon Lutz

VIEWERS, to view the ^{sit} ~~ground~~ proposed for said
^{Bridge} ~~road~~, and if they view the same, and shall agree that there is occasion for such
^{Bridge} ~~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, 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:

H. H. [Signature]

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. 11
Sept. Sessions 1889
R. L.

Order to — view a road site for
a bridge over the Lygon-
Linnar River at Linnar
Hills in Magnolia
Township.

Viewers:
John H. Starnwell
Lawrence Neiland
Amos Lamb
Now I certify that H. Starnwell
and L. Neiland for Linnar
as a road over and under
the trench.
By the Court

Subscribed 1889
6. March 1889.
Approved by the
Gladstone Jury
McDermott Freeman
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paid here
Embly

Bridge Notice!

Notice is hereby given that the Jurors appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions to view the site for a bridge over the Susquehanna River at Gammas Mills in Susquehanna Township will meet at the house of Simon P. Sartory in the Township of Susquehanna aforesaid on Monday 18th day of February A.D. 1889 at 10 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of viewing said

Bridge site
February 3rd 1889

John H. Souerville
Lawrence Wyland
Amy Seulan

To the Honorable R. S. Johnston Esquire
President Judge of Court of Quarter Sessions
and for the Peace at March Term A. D. 1889

We the undersigned
appointed Jurors do report first that we gave
due and timely notice by three written notices posted
in three public places adjacent to view of proposed
Bridge over Susquehanna River at Gorman Mills
in Susquehanna Township of true and place of
view a copy of said notice is hereto attached
And we do further report that having met at
time and place designated by said notice viz
where the road from Cherry Tree to Corralstown crosses
the Susquehanna river at Gorman Mills we viewed
the place where the present County Bridge is and
the ground adjacent and are of the opinion
that where the present bridge is located is the
best site for a Bridge we are also of the
opinion that a bridge at that point is highly
necessary to accommodate the public travel and
that the burden of erecting said bridge would
be more than the Township of Susquehanna
is able to bear View of Bridge Beginning at
a Post on West bank of said river three North
thirty five and one half degrees East Eighty nine
feet Post on East bank of said river butments
to be nine feet in height with wing walls up

and down the river so as to strengthen
the buttments

The present buttments have been
rocked and in a dangerous condition one of
the sleepers of present bridge being broken in
all the present bridge is unsafe and in a
dangerous condition

And further we would
recommend the new bridge to be constructed of
iron being cheaper and more lasting

Witness our hands this 18th February 1889
Henry Scullan
Governor Wyland
John H. Somerville

Time

Henry Seablaw Surveyor	2 days	10 miles direct
John H Souverille Receiver	1 "	8 " "
Lawrence Myland	1 "	4 " "

