

Record of proceedings in the matter of the Ditch Improvement petitioned for by Thomas Bales and located in Somerford Township, Madison County, Ohio.

Ditch Petition.

Filed August 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

London, Ohio, August 25<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1899. Petition for location<sup>and</sup> construction of a Ditch To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio: The undersigned owners of lots and lands which will be drained or benefited by the improvement herein prayed for, hereby make application to your honorable body, and now file with the Auditor of said County, this, their petition and now and hereby pray for the location and construction of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the improvement so prayed for is that it will drain and reclaim the lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, and will promote the public health, convenience and welfare.

The following is the beginning, route and termini of said proposed improvement, to wit:

Commencing on the land of Oleta Breamer at the outlet of several tile ditches; Thence following an open ditch or as near thereto as practical, through the lands of said Breamer, Thomas Bales, Rolla Mitchell, Samuel W. Allerton and Thurman land in a general south easterly and north-easterly direction to Little Darby Creek.

A distance in all of about 2 miles.

Your petitioners pray that said ditch may be tiled from the beginning point named above as far as the Commissioners deem practical and be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet to said tile.

Your petitioners also ask for the location and tiling of all necessary laterals to the ditch described above.

The names of all persons and corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioner are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows:

- |                  |                   |                  |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Thomas Bales     | Harry Mitchell    | Chas. F. Sanford |
| Saml W. Allerton | Lewis Breamer     | Ira J. Breamer   |
| Rolla Mitchell   | Henry A. Lamson   | Ray Breamer      |
|                  | — Mantle, Tenant. |                  |

Thos. Bales } Petitioner.

Petitioner's Bond.

Filed August 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Know all men by these Presents,

That Thomas Bales as principal and R. W. Boyd, and H. J. Booth as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Two Hundred Dollars, good and lawful money, for which we bind ourselves, and our heirs executors and administrators.

Signed and dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1899.

The condition of the above obligation, is such, nevertheless, that, whereas, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1899, the above bounden Thomas Bales made application to the Commissioners of Madison County, and on said day filed with the Auditor of said County, his petition for the location and construction of a ditch, in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, on the following route and termini to-wit: Commencing on the land of Elleta Creamer at the outlet of several tile ditches; thence following an open ditch or as near thereto as practical; through the lands of said Creamer, Thomas Bales, Rolla Mitchell, Samuel W. Allerton and the Thurman land, in a general south easterly and north easterly direction to Little Darby Creek on said Thurman land. A distance in all of about 2 miles.

Your petitioner prays that said ditch may be tiled from the beginning point named above as far as the Commissioners may deem practical and be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet to said tile. Your petitioner also asks for the location and tiling of all necessary laterals to the ditch described above.

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Now if the above bounden Thomas Bales, shall pay all costs if the prayer of said petition be not granted, or if for any other cause the same shall be dismissed, then this obligation shall be void.

The above bond and sureties  
thereon are approved by me this  
25<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1899.

Thomas Bales  
R. H. Boyd.  
W. J. Booth

Geo. W. Clark, Deputy County Auditor.

Notice to Commissioners of Petition Filed and Time for Hearing.

Office of Auditor of Madison County, Ohio, August 26<sup>th</sup> 1899.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of said County; Gentlemen: You are hereby notified that a petition and bond for a Ditch Improvement has been filed in this office on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1899, a copy of which petition is attached below; and as required by law, I have fixed the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch described in said petition for your hearing of said matter. W. D. Wilson, Auditor. per B.

Copy of Ditch Petition.

London, Ohio, August 25<sup>th</sup> 1899. Petition for location and construction of a ditch.  
To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Madison Co. Ohio:  
The undersigned owners of lots and lands which will be drained or benefited by the improvement herein prayed for, hereby make application to your honorable body, and now file with the Auditor of said County, this,

their petition, and now and hereby pray for the location and construction of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the improvement so prayed for is that it will drain and reclaim the lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, and will promote the public health, convenience and welfare.

The following is the beginning, route and termini of said proposed improvement, to-wit:

Commencing on the land of Electa Breamer at the outlet of several tile ditches; Thence following an open ditch or as near thereto as is practicable, through the lands of said Breamer, Thomas Bales, Rolla Mitchell, Samuel St. Allerton and the Thurman land a general south easterly or north easterly direction to Little Darby Creek. A distance in all of about 12 miles.

Your petitioner prays that said ditch may be tiled from the beginning point named above as far as the Commissioners deem practical and be made open ditch far enough to good a good and sufficient outlet to said tile.

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Your petitioners also ask for the location and tiling of all necessary laterals to the ditch described above.

The names of all persons and corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioner are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows:

- |                     |                 |                   |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Thomas Bales        | Harry Mitchell  | Chas. F. Sanford  |
| Samuel St. Allerton | Lewis Breamer   | Roy Breamer       |
| Rolla Mitchell      | Henry A. Lamson | - Mantle, Tenant. |

Thomas Bales } Petitioner

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Ditch Petition filed in my office on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1899.  
H. D. Wilson, County Auditor. per B.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, August 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

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Board of Commissioners met today in Special Session.  
Members present; James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson<sup>2nd</sup> and Chas. G. Markley.  
In the matter of the }  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Notice of filing of petition<sup>2nd</sup> time fixed for view.  
for by Thomas Bales. }

The County Auditor having delivered to this board a certified copy of a petition filed with him on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August A. D. 1899, signed by Thomas Bales, praying for

the location and construction of a county ditch, between the termini and along the route stated below, to wit: Commencing on the land of Electa Creamer at the outlet of several tile ditches; thence following an open ditch or as near thereto as practical, through the lands of said Creamer, Thomas Bales, Rolla Mitchell, Samuel H. Allerton and the Thurman land in a general south easterly and north easterly direction to Little Darby creek. A distance in all of about 2 miles.

The petitioners pray that said ditch may be tiled from the beginning point named above as far as the Commissioners deem practical, and be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet to said tile. The petitioner asks for the location and tiling of all necessary laterals to the ditch described above.

And it further appearing that said petitioner has given bond as required by law, which has been approved by said Auditor, and said Auditor having fixed the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1899, as the day for hearing said petition, it is ordered that this board meet on said day at the place of beginning of said ditch as described in said petition, to hear proof offered by any of the parties affected by the said improvement, and others competent to testify, and to determine as to the necessity of said improvement.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entry and order relating to said petition and ditch, Withrow, Anderson and Markley voted "Aye."

James Withrow }  
 Jas. B. Anderson } Commissioners  
 Chas. G. Markley. } of  
 Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.  
 August. 26<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the }  
 Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Notice to Lot or Land Owners.  
 for by Thomas Bales. }

To the Lot or Land Owners and to the Corporations, either Public or Private, affected by said Improvement: You, and each of you are hereby notified that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1899, Thomas Bales filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the construction, location and tiling of a ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus, to wit: Commencing on the land of Electa Creamer at the outlet of several tile ditches; thence following an open ditch or as near thereto as practical, through the lands of said Creamer, Thomas Bales, Rolla Mitchell,

Samuel W. Allerton, and the Thurman land in a general south easterly and north easterly direction to Little Darby creek. A distance in all of about 2 miles.

Your petitioner prays that said ditch may be tiled from the beginning point named above, as far as the Commissioners deem practical and be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet to said tile. Your petitioner also as prays for the location and construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to the ditch described above.

You are also notified that the following time and place have been fixed when and where the Commissioners of said County will meet for the hearing of said petition, to wit: Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the beginning of said proposed improvement, for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said ditch improvement, whether the said ditch will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare; and whether the route described is the best route, and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

Any application for compensation or damage, or for any change of route, must be in writing, and filed with the Commissioners on or before the day set for hearing.

No further notice of any proceedings in this matter will be given. W. D. Wilson, Auditor, Madison County.

Proof of Notice.

State of Ohio }  
Madison County ss. }

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, A. D. 1899, personally appeared before the undersigned authority E. S. Gordin, who being first duly sworn, deposed and says that he served the annexed and above notice on the respective parties herein named, by delivering to each a true copy thereof, except such as have waived service thereof, by placing their signature hereto.

Name of Person Served.	How Served.	When Served.
Thomas Bales	Personally	Aug. 30 <sup>th</sup> 1899.
Rolla Mitchell	"	" 29 <sup>th</sup> "
Harry Mitchell	"	" 29 <sup>th</sup> "
Chas. F. Sanford	"	" 30 <sup>th</sup> "
George Mantle	"	" 29 <sup>th</sup> "
James Akhalen, Agent } for Saml. Allerton }	"	" 30 <sup>th</sup> "

And further this deponent saith not.

E. S. Gordin.

Sworn to by E. S. Gordin before me and by him subscribed in my presence this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, A. D. 1899.

Geo. H. Clark,  
Deputy Auditor.

## Ditch Notice.

In the matter of the  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by Thomas Bales.

Notice by Publication.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> 1899.

To the Non-Resident Land Owners:

Notice is hereby given to non-resident lot and land owners affected by the improvement designated herein, that a petition signed by Thomas Bales has been filed with the Auditor of said county, and is now pending before the Commissioners of said County, praying for the location and construction of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth, and will be for hearing at the beginning of said improvement on Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> 1899, at 10 o'clock A.M.

Said petition sets forth that the necessity for the improvement is that it will drain and reclaim the lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, and will promote the public health, convenience and welfare.

That said ditch commences on the land of Electa Dreamer, at the outlet of several tile ditches; thence following an open ditch, or as near thereto as practical, through the lands of said Dreamer, Thomas Bales, Rolla Mitchell, Samuel W. Allen, and Therman land, in a general south easterly and north easterly direction to Little Darby Creek.

A distance in all of about 2 miles.

The petitioner prays that said ditch may be tiled from the beginning point named above, as far as the Commissioners deem practical, and be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet for said tile.

The petitioner also asks for the location and tiling of all necessary laterals to the ditch described above.

At the above place and date the Commissioners will consider whether the route described is the best route and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

W. D. Wilson, Auditor, Madison County.

## Proof of Publication.

The State of Ohio, Madison County, ss.

Adolphus H. Lewis, being duly sworn says he is the Representative of "The London Times", a weekly newspaper printed and in general circulation, in said county, and that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, was published in said newspaper for at least two consecutive weeks, prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1899.

Adolphus H. Lewis.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1899.

Printer's Fees. \$4.<sup>50</sup>

Geo. W. Clark,

Deputy Auditor.

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Commissioners met today in Regular Session.

Members present: James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson<sup>2nd</sup> & Chas. G. Markley.  
In the matter of the }  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Meeting to View.  
for by Thomas Bales.

The board having proceeded on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1899, to the place of beginning of said improvement as prayed for in said petition and having then and there heard proof of parties affected by said improvement and others competent to testify, in accordance with the former orders of this board, as to said matter, and having duly considered the matter, do find and determine that said improvement is necessary, and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and will be a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, by furnishing drainage thereto; and that the best route therefor is as follows: Commencing on the lands of Elleta Creamer at the outlet of several till ditches; thence following an old open ditch or as near thereto as practical, through the lands of said Creamer, Thomas Bales, Rolla Mitchell, Samuel W. Allerton, and the Thurman land, in a general south easterly and north easterly direction to Little Darby Creek.

A distance in all of about 2 miles.

It is therefore ordered that said improvement be granted and the same be known as "The Bales Ditch Improvement".

Order to County Surveyor.

It is therefore ordered that J. H. Asher, County Surveyor, go upon the line of said improvement and survey and level the same and set a stake at every hundred feet numbering down stream, note the intersection of lines and boundaries of lands, township and County lines, land marks, bench marks, and road and railway crossings, and make a report and profile and plat of the same, and estimate the number of cubic yards of earth and other substance to be removed, and the cost per cubic yard for each working section, and each section of one hundred feet.

It is also ordered that said engineer make and return a schedule of all lots and lands, and public and corporate roads and railroads, that will be benefited by said improvement, and an apportionment of the cost of location and construction in money to each lot and tract of land, road and railroad and municipal corporation, according to the benefits which will result to each from the said improvement and a specification of the manner in which the improvement shall be made and completed. the number of flood gates, waterways, farm crossings and bridges necessary, including kinds and

dimensions thereof, and all county and township lines and railway crossings; the amount and size of tile necessary and the estimated cost of the same:

It is also ordered that the following laterals be located and constructed:

Lateral No. 1 - Beginning about 33 ft. west of Raleigh Mitchell's west line on land of Thomas Bales; thence in a south-easterly direction through the land of Raleigh Mitchell entering main ditch at station 40+30.

Lateral No. 2 - Beginning at line between Calvin Bales and Electa Creamer, 1466 ft. from station 0 to center of Agreement road; thence in a south easterly direction through the lands of Electa Creamer, and Cassandra Mitchell, crossing Agreement road, at 4960 feet; thence through Samuel W. Allerton, in a south easterly direction, entering main Ditch at Station 53+66.

Said engineer is also ordered to make and file with his report and itemized bill of all costs made by him in the proper discharge of his duties under this order, and to file his report with the Auditor of said County, in his office therein, on or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1899.

It is further ordered that the time and place last above mentioned is hereby fixed for the hearing of applications for damages arising from said proposed improvement, and of claims for compensation for land taken for the construction thereof, to which time and place the proceedings herein now stand adjourned.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the above matter relating to said petition and ditch, Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. H. Markley and H. C. Bradley voted "Aye".

James Withrow }  
Jas. B. Anderson } Commissioners  
Chas. H. Markley. } of  
Madison County.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> 1899.

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Board of Commissioners meet today in Special Session.  
Members present: Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. H. Markley<sup>2nd</sup> and H. C. Bradley.  
In the matter of }  
The Bales Ditch } Adjourned Hearing on Engineers Report.  
Improvement. }

This being the day fixed by the board for the hearing of the engineer's report in the above matter, and the board having found it necessary to extend the survey of said ditch beyond the point first determined by the board, in order to obtain the outlet required, - and that by providing such outlet certain persons were effected or benefited who

had no notice of the proceedings in said matter. It is ordered that said parties be notified of the pendency substance and prayer of the petition for said improvement and the further consideration of said matter be adjourned to Wednesday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 1899, at 10 o'clock A.M., and the board will meet on the line of said improvement to view the premises of parties not heretofore notified on November, 4<sup>th</sup> 1899, at 10 o'clock A.M.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the above orders relating to said petition and ditch, all members voted "aye". Motion carried.

Jas. B. Anderson, }  
 Chas. S. Markley } Commissioners  
 H. E. Bradley. } of  
 Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,  
 Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of }  
 The Ditch Impf. Petition } Additional Notice to Lot or Land Owners.  
 ed for by Thomas Bales. }

To the lot or Land Owners and to the Corporations, either public or private, affected by said Improvement;

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1899, Thomas Bales filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the location and construction of a ditch, on the following starting point, route and terminus, to wit:

Commencing on the lands of Bleta Creamer at the outlet of several till ditches, thence following an open ditch or as near thereto as practical, through the lands of said Creamer, Thomas Bales and Rolla Mitchell, Samuel W. Allerton and Thurman land in a general south easterly and north easterly direction to Little Darby creek. A distance in all of about 2 miles. The petitioners pray that said ditch may be tiled from the beginning point named above as far as the Commissioners deem practical, and be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet to said tile.

The petitioner also asks for the location and tiling of all necessary laterals to the ditch described above.

You are also notified that the following time and place have been fixed when and where the Commissioners of said county will meet for the hearing of said petition, to wit: Saturday Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1899, at 10 o'clock A.M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch improvement, for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said ditch improvement, whether the said ditch will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and whether the route described is the best route, and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

Any application for compensation or damage, must be

in writing and filed with the Commissioners on or before the time set for hearing. No further notice of any proceedings in this matter will be given.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor of Madison County,  
Per Geo. W. Blank, Deputy.

Proof of Notice.

State of Ohio, }  
Madison County ss. }

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. D. 1899, personally appeared before the undersigned authority, E. S. Gordin, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he served the annexed and above notice on the respective parties herein named, by delivering to each a true copy thereof, except such as have waived service thereof, by placing their signature thereto.

Name of Person Served.	How Served	When Served.
Howard Lewis	Residence	Oct. 18 <sup>th</sup> 1899.
Chas. Bales	"	" " "
Julia Bales	Personal	" " "
Minerva Bales	"	" " "
Walter A. Dun	Residence	" " "
Alice Mitchell Fawer.	Personal	" " "

And further this deponent saith not.

E. S. Gordin

Sworn to by E. S. Gordin before me and by him subscribed in my presence this 20<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. A. D. 1899.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor.

In the matter of }  
the Ditch Imp. Pe }  
titioned for by Chas. Bales. }

Exceptions of S. W. Allerton.

Now comes S. W. Allerton and excepts to the order granting said ditch improvement, on the grounds following, to wit:

1" - Said ditch will not be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare.

2" - Said ditch improvement is not necessary and will not in any manner reclaim any lands on said route.

He further excepts to said apportionment for the reason that the said apportionment is unfair, unjust, and not in proportion to the benefits to be received from the same.

S. W. Allerton,

By M. S. Murray,  
his atty.

Filed Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 1899 at 11 o'clock a.m. B. A. Taylor, Aud. (B)  
Withdrawn, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,  
Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1899.

In the matter of the }  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned }  
for by Thomas Bales. }

Report and Schedules of Engineer.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Madison County Ohio:  
The undersigned Engineer in obedience to the direction of your Honorable Body, made on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1899, has proceeded in the above matter, and has made a level and survey of the line of said proposed ditch improvement, and set a stake at every hundred feet numbering down stream; I have made a note of the intersection of lines and boundaries of land, township and county lines, land marks, bench marks, and road and railroad crossings; and I herewith make report of the same, with profile and flat and an estimate of the number of cubic yards of earth or other substance to be removed, and the cost per cubic yard for each working section on said report indicated and of each section of one hundred feet.

I have also made, and return herewith, a schedule of all the lots and lands, and public and corporate roads and railroads, together with the name of the owners of such railroad companies, and the names of the lessees operating the same, that will be benefited by said improvement; and an apportionment of the cost of location and construction, in money, to each lot and tract of land, road and railroad, according the benefit which will result to each from the said improvement, and a specifications of the manner in which the improvement shall be made and completed; the number of flood gates, water ways, farm crossings<sup>and</sup> bridges, including kinds and dimensions thereof; and such other matters as the undersigned deems important.

The said survey, level and report and schedules are herewith attached and made a part thereof.

The following is an itemized cost bill, made by me, in the proper discharge of my duty, under your order.

J. H. Asher,	Engineer,	70 days,	@ \$4.00	\$40.00
H. B. Mc. Cafferty,	"	6 "	" \$4.00	\$24.00
Byers Adair,	Chairman,	3 "	" \$1.25	\$ 3.75
Geo. Plowman,	"	3 "	" \$1.25	\$ 3.75
Jesse Paine,	Rodman,	3 "	" \$1.25	\$ 3.75
Wm. Ballenger,	Assman,	1 "	" \$1.25	\$ 1.25
James Whitmer,	"	1 "	" \$1.25	\$ 1.25
Blyde Asher,	Rodman,	1 "	" \$1.25	\$ 1.25
Elsie Boyd,	Helper,	1/2 "	" \$1.25	\$ .63
Other Expenses:				
E. R. Florence,	450 stakes,			\$ 6.75
F. Gardner,	Team Hauling Stakes,			\$ 7.50
				<u>\$ 93.88</u>

J. H. Asher, Engineer.

# 400 Ditch Improvement Record,

Report of Engineer

Bales

Schedule "A"

Ditch.

Stake every 100 ft. numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from Station 0	Entire Depth	Course and Distance	
					Main Ditch.	
0	100.00	96.50		3.50	S. 81° E. 200'	Begins on the lands of the Creamer heirs 520' feet north west from Thomas Bales line. 520' = farm line between Creamer heirs and Thos. Bales.
1	99.85	96.08	.42	3.77		
2	99.05	95.66	.84	3.39	S. 63° 30' E. 600'	
3	99.10	95.24	1.26	3.86		
4	98.65	94.82	1.68	3.83		
5	98.15	94.40	2.10	3.75		
6	97.93	93.98	2.52	3.95		
7	97.53	93.56	2.94	3.97		
8	97.23	93.14	3.36	4.09	N. 87° 30' E. 300'	
B.	99.39					
9	96.88	92.72	3.78	4.16		
10	95.78	92.30	4.20	3.48		
1	95.73	91.88	4.62	3.85	S. 75° 30' E. 700'	
2	95.31	91.46	5.04	3.85		
3	94.81	91.04	5.46	3.77		
4	94.21	90.71	5.79	3.50		
5	94.13	90.38	6.12	3.75		
6	93.61	90.05	6.45	3.56		
7	93.19	89.72	6.78	3.47		
8	93.00	89.40	7.10	3.60	S. 55° E. 70'	
+ 70	92.61	89.17	7.33	3.44	S. 37° E. 279'	
9	92.53	89.08	7.42	3.45		
20	92.29	88.75	7.75	3.54		
1	91.94	88.42	8.08	3.52		
+ 49	91.36	88.26	8.24	3.10	S. 65° E. 581'	
+ 60		88.22	8.28			
2	91.42	- 2.08				
3	91.39					
B	94.67					Dead tree Left.
4	90.69					
5	90.92					
6	90.17					
7	89.39					
+ 30	89.69				N. 57° E. 200'	
8	89.19					
9	88.74					
+ 30	88.59				N. 72° 30' E. 70'	
30	88.29				N. 75° 15' E. 240'	
1	87.99					
2	87.34					

# Ditch Improvement Record,

Bales

Ditch. 401

Report of Engineer

Schedule "A"

Stake every 100 ft. numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from Station 0	Entire Depth	Ditch	Width on Bottom	Width on Top	Cubic Yards	Course and Distance
+40	87.19								N. 32° 30' E. 185'
33	86.94								
4	86.59								
+25	86.54								N. 18° W. 525'
5	86.39								
6	86.14	82.73 -1.40	13.77	3.41					
7	85.04	81.33 -.20	15.17	3.71	2.71				
8	85.86	81.13	15.37	4.73	2.61				
9	85.54	80.93	15.57	4.61	2.41				
+50	85.04	80.83	15.67	4.21					N. 27° 30' E. 80'
40	84.89	80.73	15.77	4.16	2.36				
+30	84.64	80.67	15.83	3.97					N. 70° E. 370'
1	84.44	80.53	15.97	3.91	2.32				
2	84.19	80.33	16.17	3.86	2.21				
3	84.44	80.13	16.37	4.31	2.31				
4	84.40	79.93	16.57	4.47	2.59				N. 41° E. 966'
5	85.35	79.73	16.77	5.62	2.79				
B.	85.61								
6	84.77	79.53	16.97	5.24					
+45	84.67	79.44	17.06	5.23	2.98				
7	84.72	79.33	17.17	5.39	2.89				
8	84.52	79.13	17.37	5.39	2.99				
9	84.57	78.93	17.57	5.64	2.79				
50	84.74	78.73	17.77	6.01	2.89				
1	84.34	78.53	17.97	5.81	2.81				
2	84.44	78.33	18.17	6.11	2.81				
3	84.24	78.13	18.37	6.11	2.91				
		78.00	18.50	6.61	2.50				
+66	84.61	77.50 +.10	19.00	7.11	3.00	2.00	23.33		N. 70° E. 334'
4	84.86	77.47	19.03	7.39	3.50	"	24.17	70	
5	85.16	77.37	19.13	7.79	3.10	"	25.37	215	
6	83.71	77.27	19.23	6.44	2.95	"	21.32	168	
7	83.84	77.17	19.33	6.67	2.90	"	22.01	127	N. 33° E. 730'
8	84.16	77.07	19.43	7.09	2.90	"	23.27	127	
9	83.98	76.97	19.53	7.01	2.70	"	23.03	120	
60	83.88	76.87	19.63	7.01	2.50	"	23.03	120	
1	83.78	76.77	19.73	7.01	2.65	"	23.03	102	
2	83.25	76.67	19.83	6.58	2.80	"	21.74	102	
3	83.38	76.57	19.93	6.81	2.45	"	22.43	86	
4	83.25	76.47	20.03	6.78	2.10	"	22.34	86	
+30	82.98	76.44	20.06	6.54	2.15	"	21.62		N. 6° W. 150'
5	83.13	76.37	20.13	6.76	2.20	"	22.28	71	

Cottonwood Right  
45+88 = center of  
agreement road  
and farm line between  
Thomas Bales  
and S. W. Allerton

End of Tile  
Beginning of Open Ditch.

Ditch Improvement Record,

Bales Schedule "a" Ditch.

Report of Engineer.

Stake every 100 ft. numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station	Curve Depth	Cut	Width on Bottom	Width on Slope	Cubic Yards	Course and Distance
+80	8313	7629	20.21	6.84	2.25	2.00	22.52		N. 35° E. 4740'
66	8323	7627	20.23	6.96	2.25	"	22.88	71	
7	8203	7617	20.33	5.86	2.30	"	19.58	67	
8	8233	7607	20.43	6.26	2.35	"	20.78	67	
9	8243	7597	20.53	6.46	2.40	"	21.38	69	
70	8175	7587	20.63	5.88	2.40	"	19.64	69	
1	8228	7577	20.73	6.51	2.35	"	21.53	69	
2	83.23	7567	20.83	7.56	2.35	"	24.68	69	
3	82.75	7557	20.93	7.18	2.50	"	23.54	64	
4	82.25	7547	21.03	7.68	2.65	"	22.34	53	
5	8148	7537	21.13	6.11	2.45	"	20.33	52	
6	8173	7527	21.23	6.46	2.20	"	21.38	56	
7	8273	7517	21.33	7.56	2.20	"	24.68	48	
8	8215	7507	21.43	7.08	2.25	"	23.24	49	
9	7893	7497	21.53	3.96	2.00	"	12.88	45	
13	7993								Willow Stump Right
80	7995	7487	21.63	5.08	1.80	"	17.24	46	
1	8105	7477	21.73	6.28	1.50	"	20.84	35	
2	8113	7467	21.83	6.46	1.25	"	21.38	24	
3	8073	7457	21.93	6.16	1.40	"	20.48	23	
4	8053	7447	22.03	6.06	1.50	"	20.18	23	
5	8063	7437	22.13	6.26	1.50	"	20.84	26	
6	7988	7427	22.23	5.61	1.55	"	18.83	28	
7	7953	7417	22.33	5.36	1.55	"	18.08	27	
8	7987	7407	22.43	5.80	1.55	"	19.40	28	
9	7942	7397	22.53	5.45	1.75	"	18.35	34	
90	7997	7387	22.63	6.10	1.85	"	20.30	35	
1	7982	7377	22.73	6.05	1.95	"	20.15	42	
2	7987	7367	22.83	6.20	2.05	"	20.60	39	
3	7912	7357	22.93	5.55	2.15	"	18.65	41	
4	8102	7347	23.03	7.55	2.00	"	24.65	40	
5	7972	7337	23.13	6.35	1.85	"	21.05	37	
6	7932	7327	23.23	6.05	1.75	"	20.15	36	
7	7926	7317	23.33	6.09	1.60	"	20.27	31	
8	7874	7307	23.43	5.67	1.60	"	19.01	32	
9	7954	7297	23.53	6.57	1.60	"	21.71	30	
100	7996	7287	23.63	7.09	1.50	"	23.27	29	
1	7992	7277	23.73	7.15	1.40	"	23.45	30	
2	7914	7267	23.83	6.47	1.30	"	21.41	26	
3	78.64	7257	23.93	6.07	1.25	"	20.21	25	

# Ditch Improvement Record,

Bales

Report of Engineer

Schedule "A"

Stake every 100 ft. numbering downstream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station 0	Entire Depth	Out	Width on Bottom	Width on Top	Cubic Yards	Course and Distance
104	7849	7247	2403	6.02	1.40	2.00	20.06	24	
5	7804	7237	2413	5.67	1.60	"	19.01	28	
6	7891	7227	2423	6.64	1.80	"	21.92	34	
7	7764	7217	2433	5.47	1.50	"	18.41	33	
8	7749	7207	2443	5.42	1.25	"	18.26	26	
9	7589	7197	2453	3.91	1.15	"	13.73	21	
110	7709	7187	2463	5.22	1.10	"	17.66	19	
1	7714	7177	2473	5.37	1.20	"	18.11	21	
2	7674	7167	2483	5.07	1.35	"	17.21	21	
3	7446	7157	2493	2.89	1.50	"	10.67	21	
+20	7658	7155	2495	5.03	1.30	"	17.09		Nr. 25° N. 280'
4	7705	7147	2503	5.58	1.10	"	18.74	22	
5	7594	7137	2513	4.57	.95	"	15.71	18	
6	7489	7127	2523	3.62	.75	"	12.86	13	Nr. 9° 15' E. 200'
7	7504	7117	2533	3.87	.80	"	13.61	13	
8	7632	7107	2543	5.25	.95	"	17.75	15	Nr. 31° 45' N. 50'
9	7627	7097	2553	5.30	1.15	"	17.90	17	S. 83° 30' N. 110'
+60	7442	7091	2559	3.51	.75	"	12.53		Nr. 26° N. 200'
120	7485	7087	2563	3.98	1.20	"	13.94	19	
1	7536	7077	2573	4.59	.77	"	15.77	18	
+60	7444	7071	2579	3.73	.23	"	13.19	6	
B.	73.97								Corner of 1st step S.E. abutments of Iron Bridge
Lateral No. 1 at Station 40.30 Left.									
0	8494	8194		3.00	3.00				S. 71° 30' E. 200'
1	8519	8144	.50	3.75	2.30				
2	8469	8094	1.00	3.75	2.50				

Ditch Improvement Record,

Bales Schedule "A" Ditch.

Engineer's Report

Stake every 100 ft. numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station 0	Cut	Course and Distance	
B.M. 121.97						Elm R.
0	120.18	115.43		4.75	2.42	S. 58 1/2° E. 300'
1	119.80	114.93	.50	4.87	3.12	
2	120.20	114.83	1.00	5.77	3.32	
3	119.45	113.93	1.50	5.22		S. 34° E. 500'
4	119.13	113.43	2.00	5.70	3.78	
5	119.03	112.93	2.50	6.10		
6	118.03	112.43	3.00	5.60	3.90	
7	118.03	111.93	3.50	6.10		
8	117.28	111.43	4.00	5.85	4.10	N. 71° E. 100' ✓
9	116.63	110.93	4.50	5.70		N. 53° E. 140' ✓
10	115.93	110.43	5.00	5.50	3.40	N. 89° E. 60' ✓
+40	114.58	110.13	5.30	5.45		
1	114.88	109.68	5.75	5.20		S. 60° E. 300' ✓
2	114.21	108.93	6.50	5.28	3.00	
3	112.91	108.18	7.25	4.73		
4	112.48	107.43	8.00	5.05		S. 69° E. 330' ✓
5	112.19	106.68	8.75	5.51	3.03	
6	111.41	105.93	9.50	5.48		
7	111.16	105.18	10.25	5.98	3.83	S. 35° E. 420' ✓
+30	100.81	104.96	10.47	5.85		
8	110.73	104.43	11.00	6.30		
9	109.46	103.68	11.75	5.78	3.78	
20	108.56	102.93	12.50	5.63		
1	107.76	102.18	13.25	5.58	4.53	N. 84° E. 100' ✓
+50	107.73	101.80	13.63	5.93		
22	107.11	101.43	14.00	5.68		S. 81 1/4° E. 210' ✓
+50	106.71	101.05	14.38	5.66		
3	106.11	100.68	14.75	5.43	4.71	
4	106.14	99.98	15.45	6.16		S. 66° E. 340' ✓
+60	105.84	99.56	15.87	6.28		
5	105.24	99.28	16.15	5.96	4.71	
6	104.56	98.58	16.85	5.98		
7	103.79	97.88	17.55	5.91	4.51	
8	104.22	97.18	18.25	7.04		N. 87 1/2° E. 346' ✓
9	101.40	96.48	18.95	4.92	2.71	
30	100.04	95.78	19.55	4.26		
1	100.74	95.08	20.35	5.66	3.16	S. 47 1/2° E. 240' ✓
+46	98.69	94.73	20.70	3.96		
B.M.	100.87					Oak Run

# Ditch Improvement Record,

Report of Engineer

Bales

Schedule "A"

Ditch.

Stake every 100 ft. number of down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from starting	Entire Deflect	Ditch	Course and Distance
32	98.29	94.28	21.05	3.91	3.41	
3	99.31	93.68	21.75	5.63		S. 88° E. 414'
+86	99.39	93.08	22.35	6.31		
4	99.04	92.98	22.45	6.06	3.11	
5	97.49	92.28	23.15	5.21		
6	97.04	91.58	23.85	5.46		
7	94.59	90.88	24.55	3.71		
8	93.99	90.18	25.25	3.81	2.46	S. 67° 25' E. 600'
9	94.44	89.48	25.95	4.96		
+40	93.22	88.78	26.65	4.44		
1	92.24	88.08	27.35	4.16		
2	91.64	87.38	28.05	4.26		
3	91.44	86.68	28.75	4.76		
B.M.	93.38					
4	90.26	85.93	29.50	4.33		S. 63° 25' E. 475'
5	89.34	85.18	30.25	4.16		
6	88.56	84.43	31.00	4.13		
7	88.66	83.66	31.77	5.00		
8	87.76	83.10	32.33	4.66		N. 80° E. 539'
+75	87.71	82.95	32.48	4.86		+9+60 = center of road and farm line between S. W. Allerton and Creamer Heirs.
9	87.71	82.90	32.53	4.81		
center of Road	89.71					
50	87.34	82.70	32.73	4.64		
1	86.75	82.50	32.93	4.25		
2	87.00	82.30	33.13	4.70		
3	86.32	82.10	33.33	4.22		
B.M.	91.44					
4	87.90	81.90	33.53	6.00		S. 50° 30' E. 329'
+14	86.37	81.88	33.55	4.49		
15	89.57	81.70	33.73	7.87		
6	89.00	81.50	33.93	7.50	4.72	
7	86.61	81.30	34.13	5.37		N. 82° 5' E. 191'
+43	88.82	81.20	34.23	7.62		
8	89.09	81.10	34.33	7.99	4.59	
9	88.72	80.90	34.53	7.82		S. 68° 50' E. 1411'
+34	88.69	80.76	34.67	7.93		
60	88.92	80.70	34.73	8.22	4.49	
1	88.54	80.50	34.93	8.04		
2	87.87	80.30	35.13	7.57	4.09	
63	88.00	80.10	35.33	7.90		

between  
center  
set  
ad.

Oak L.

+9+60 = center of road and farm line between S. W. Allerton and Creamer Heirs.

Double Oak L.

Ditch Improvement Record,

Bales

Ditch.

Report of Engineer

Schedule "A"

Stake every 100 ft. numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station	Entire Depth	Out.	Course and Distance
64	87.74	79.90	35.53	7.84	3.81	
5	87.24	79.70	35.73	7.54		
6	85.61	79.50	35.93	6.11	3.76	
7	86.16	79.30	36.13	6.86		
8	86.58	79.10	36.33	7.48	3.91	
9	85.93	78.90	36.53	7.03		
70	85.00	78.70	36.73	6.30	2.96	
1	85.08	78.50	36.93	6.58	3.06	
2	85.06	78.30	37.13	6.76		
73	83.36	78.10	37.33	5.26		
+45	84.61	78.00	37.43	6.61	2.55	

Terminates on the lands of S. W. Allerton about 780 ft. north of the Agreement road.

For Plat see Plat Record Page

Report of Engineer

Schedule "B"

Owner's Name as Found or Duplicate	Original Survey Number	Township.	Acre Owned	Acre Drained	Total Acre of Construction	Total Acre of Location	Total Acre of Location	Apportioned
Thos. Bales	9839	Somerford	92					
"	10619	"	153.02	207	578.39	22	79	591
"	12144	"	9.45					
"	12145	"	17.21					
"	7833	"	21.2					
"	12172	"	182	340	905	97	38	28
"	12144	"	140.89					
Electa Breaner	9879	"	70.50	50	63	50	2	70
Cassandra Mitchell	10619	"	140.89	50	63	50	2	70
Alice J. Fawer	12144	"	140.89	50	63	50	2	70
Mary C. Mitchell, Dover	"	Deer Creek	70.50	50	63	50	2	70
Harry Mitchell	"	Somerford	140.89	50	63	50	2	70
S. W. Allerton	7833	"	1052.46					
"	12172	"	391	500	506	33	18	27
"	7404	Somerford	27.37					
"	9839	"	400					
"	10618	"	47.55	175	215	90	9	14
Calvin Bales	6350	"	58.19					
"	7404	"	9.75					
"	10953	"						
"	11031	"						
Madison County		Easement						17.05

Estimates		Main Ditch.	
Section No. 1 -	Station 0 to 21+60 = 131 rods.		
	131 " exc. @ 60¢ =	\$78.60	
	125 " 10" tile @ 1.25 =	156.25	
			\$234.85
Section No. 2 -	Station 36 to 53+66. = 107 rods.		
	107 " exc. @ 50¢ =	\$53.50	
	20 " 10" tile @ 1.25 =	25.00	
	35.20 " 12" " " 1.60 =	56.32	
	45.20 " 15" " " 2.25 =	124.30	
			\$259.12
Section No. 3 -	Station 53+66 to 78 (ofew ditch) 2197 cu. yds. @ 15¢ =	\$329.55	
Section No. 4 -	" 78 " 103 ( " " ) 812 " " @ 15¢ =	\$121.80	
Section No. 5 -	" 103 " 121+60 ( " " ) 389 " " @ 15¢ =	\$58.35	
Total Estimated Cost of Main Ditch		=	\$1003.67

## Lateral No. 1.

Section No. 6, -	Station 0 to 2 = 12 rods		
	12 " exc. @ 40¢ =	\$4.80	
	12 " 8" tile @ 75¢ =	9.00	
			\$13.80

## Lateral No. 2.

Section No. 7, -	Station 0 to 25, = 151.51 rods.		
	151.51 " exc. @ 75¢ =	\$113.63	
	151.51 " 12" tile @ 1.60 =	\$242.42	
			\$356.05
Section No. 8 -	Station 25 to 50 = 151.51 rods.		
	151.51 " exc. @ 85¢ =	\$128.78	
	96.99 " 12" tile @ 1.60 =	155.18	
	54.52 " 15" " " 2.25 =	149.93	
			\$433.89

Section No. 9 -	Station 50 to 73+45 = 141.98 rods.		
	141.98 " exc. @ 90¢ =	\$127.78	
	141.98 " 15" tile @ 2.25 =	390.45	
			\$518.23

## Specifications.

The main Ditch and all Laterals must be cut down to the grade line at all points and must be made to conform to the gradients shown in this report and on the profile filed herewith.

The main Ditch is to be tiled from Station 0 to Station 53+66. To be tiled with the sizes as shown in the estimates which is a part of this report; from 0 to 1 the tile are to be taken up, cleaned and relaid on the grade given.

From Station 14 to 21+60 the 8 inch tile are to be taken up, and laid out of the way of the ditch, and are to be replaced in ditch with 10 inch tile.

From 21+60 to 37 the 10 inch tile now in are to remain, Lateral No. 1 is to be laid with 8 inch tile, Lateral No. 2 is to be laid with 12 inch tile and 15 inch tile as shown in estimate of same.

The estimated cost of construction includes the putting in of all Ys for new laterals and the connecting of all old laterals.

The tile are to be carefully laid in the trench prepared as above stated and closely jointed up.

All tile must be first class, cylindrical drain tile or second class ring sewer, (2ft. length).

The estimated cost of the tile includes the furnishing of all necessary Ys to the extent of the tile contract.

Any loss or damage to contractor or land owners caused by the failure to deliver the tile in time, or by any improper delivery will be estimated and deducted from tile contract.

The Main Ditch from Station 53+60 to Station 121+60 is to be made an open ditch, two feet wide in bottom with banks sloped at an angle of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 1.

All earth to be removed at least ten feet from the bank of ditch and to be spread nicely from the ten foot line back from ditch.

All grubbing or removal of obstructions within the area used in constructing this improvement, is to be done by the land owners and if he fails to do it, the same will be done at his expense.

All at outlet to be made of good heavy boulders and of such dimensions as in the opinion of the engineer, will protect the tile from damage.

Approved, Nov. 15" 1899.

Jas. B. Anderson } Commissioners  
Chas. G. Markley } of  
H. C. Bradley } Madison County

London, Ohio, November, 24" 1899.

In the matter of }  
The Bales Ditch } Application to pay assessment in cash.  
Improvement. }

In the above matter I hereby make application to pay my entire assessment in cash.

Thomas Bales.

Filed November 24" 1899.

B. A. Taylor,  
Auditor.

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, November 15<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Commissioners met today in special session.  
Members present, Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. G. Markley and H. C. Bradley.  
In the matter of }  
The Bales Ditch } Hearing on Engineer's Report.  
Improvement. }

This being the day to which the above styled matter was adjourned and the engineer heretofore appointed in this matter having filed his report, including the apportionment made by him of the costs of said improvement, the board resumed the further consideration of the same; and, on examination, the board finds that due notice has been given as to said petition, to all persons and authorities entitled thereto, according to law.

The board having heard the evidence and examined said report and apportionment of the engineer, do find that said report and apportionment are in all respects fair and just, according to the benefit derived from the said improvement, by the owner of each lot and tract of land, and by municipal and private corporations and rail road companies.

It is therefore ordered that said report and apportionment be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.

The board fix the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1899, at 10 o'clock a.m., on the line of said ditch, as the time and place for the sale of the construction of said improvement, at public outcry, in sections of not less than one hundred (100) feet, nor more than twenty five hundred (2500) feet in length.

J. H. Asher, County Surveyor, is hereby directed to attend at the time and place of sale to superintend and conduct the same.

The County Auditor is hereby directed to cause notice of the time and place of said sale to be given by posters.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the foregoing entry, relating to said petition and ditch, Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. G. Markley and H. C. Bradley voted "Aye".

Jas. B. Anderson, } Commissioners  
Chas. G. Markley } of  
H. C. Bradley. } Madison County

### Ditch Sale.

#### Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that I will sell at public outcry, on Saturday, November, 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899, at 10 o'clock a.m., to the lowest responsible bidder therefor, the work of furnishing the tile, and constructing The Bales Ditch Improvement, located in Somerford Township, Madison County, Ohio.

Said work will be sold as follows:

Section 1 - Station 0 to 21.60 - 131 rods tile cutting,  
125 rods 10 inch tile

Section 2 - Station 36 to Station 53.66 - 107 rods tile cutting,  
20 rods 10 inch tile  
35.2 rods 12 inch tile  
45.2 rods 15 inch tile

#### Open Ditch

Section 3 - Station 53.66 to Station 78, 2197 cubic yards.  
" 4 - " 78 " " 103, 812 cubic yards.  
" 5 - " 103 " " 121.60, 389 cubic yards.

#### Laterals.

Section 6 - Lateral No. 1 - 12 rods tile cutting,  
12 rods 8 inch tile

Section 7 - Station 0 to Station 25, 151.51 rods tile cutting,  
151.51 rods 12 inch tile.

Section 8 - Station 25 to Station 50, 151.51 rods tile cutting,  
96.99 rods 12 inch tile  
54.52 rods 15 inch tile.

Section 9 - Station 50 to Station 73.45, 141.98 rods tile cutting,  
141.98 rods 15 inch tile.

Section 10 - Stone wall at outlet of tile.

Dimensions given on day of sale.

Working sections will be sold in reverse order.

Bidders desiring to view the line of ditch should do so prior to time of sale.

Bidders to meet at the point where said ditch crosses the agreement road, about one half mile north of the residence on Thomas Bales farm.

A cash deposit of Twenty Five (\$25) Dollars will be required as a guarantee of good faith before any bid will be entertained.

Bond must be given within five days from date of sale. Work to begin at once and to be completed on or before March 1<sup>st</sup> 1900.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

By order of County Commissioners.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer.

B. A. Taylor,  
Auditor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,  
Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1899.

In the matter of the }  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Report of Sale of the Labor of Construction,  
for by Thomas Bales }  
To the Honorable Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio:  
Gentlemen: In obedience to your direction and also in pursuance of the notice, duly given by the Auditor, of the sale of the construction of the above styled improvement, at the time and place therein specified, I offered the several working sections for sale; to the lowest responsible bidder, at public outcry, and sold the same to the persons hereinafter named, at the prices herein stated, and took their contracts and bonds respectively, conditioned according to law, and return the same herewith for your approval.

No. of Working Section.	To Whom Sold	Amount for which it sold	Amount for which it was estimated	When to be Completed.
1	K. E. Boyd	57 64	78 60	
2	" " "	53 50	53 50	
3	James Whalen	263 64	329 55	
4	" "	97 44	121 80	
5	" "	46 68	58 35	
6	K. E. Boyd.	4 80	4 80	
7	L. H. Creamer	92 42	113 63	March 1 <sup>st</sup> 1900.
8	Thos. Deveraux	106 07	128 78	
9	James Whalen	127 78	127 78	
10	James Whalen	25 00	25 00	
Tile	J. N. Grant.	1220 00	1220 28	
	Thos. Bales had on the ground 52 rods 12+10 will use 12 rods 8 inch to be taken out of old ditch.	81 32	81 32	Total estimated cost of tile \$1308.87 Sold for 1206.59 \$ 102.28 Total estimated cost of construction \$1041.79 Sold for 874.97 \$ 166.82

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the }  
Ditch Impv. Petitioned } Contract for Labor of Construction.  
for by Thos. Bales.

Whereas, the above styled improvement has been duly ordered, and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of Working Section Nos. 1, 2 and 6 of 4125 feet allotted to land owners of the following described land, viz; per report of Engineer; and sold by the duly appointed Engineer on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899, to the undersigned for One Hundred and fifteen - 7/100 Dollars, (\$115.<sup>24</sup>) pursuant to said order and notice.

Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the specifications for constructing the same, as shown in the record of the proceedings thereof, the same to be completed on or before the first day of February, A. D. 1900, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer.

K. E. Boyd,  
Contractor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the }  
Ditch Impv. Petitioned } Contractor's Bond.  
for by Thomas Bales.

Know all men by these Presents, That K. E. Boyd as principal, and George Martle and Thomas Bales as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Two Hundred and Thirty One Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899.  
The condition of the above obligation, is such, however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor, has bid off the labor of construction of working sections Nos. 1, 2 and 6, has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement in accordance with the plans and specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings, on or before the first day of February, A. D. 1900.

Now, if the said K. E. Boyd, shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract, and

complete the same within the time fixed by said contract, and pay all damages which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

Stamp  
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A. E. Boyd.  
George Mantle  
Thomas Bales.

This contract and bond and sureties on said bond approved this 27<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. a. d. 1899.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer.

Jas. B. Anderson,  
Chas. G. Markley  
H. E. Bradley. } Commissioners  
of  
Madison County.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by Thomas Bales.

} Contract for Labor of Construction.

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered, and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of Working Section Nos. 3, 4, 5 = 3388 cubic yards and Sec. 9, 2345 feet or 141.98 rods at 90¢ per rod and Section 10 and Stone wall at \$25.00 allotted to land owners of the following described land, viz: per report of engineer, and sold by the duly appointed Engineer, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899, to the undersigned for Five Hundred and Sixty and 5/100 Dollars. (\$560.5/100) pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the specifications for constructing the same, as shown in the record of the proceeding thereof, open ditch of the same to be completed on or before the first day of February, A. D. 1900, and tile on or before Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> 1899, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer.

James Whalen,  
Contractor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1899.

In the matter of the  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by Thomas Bales.

} Contractors Bond.

Know all men by these Presents, That James Whalen as principal and E. A. Blaugher and J. H. Grant as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal

sum of Eleven Hundred and Thirty Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899.

The condition of the above obligation is such, however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor has bid off the labor of constructing said portion of said improvement, has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all the labor of constructing said portion of said improvement in accordance with the plans and specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings, on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February A. D. 1900.

Now, if the said James Whalen shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract, and complete the same within the time fixed by said contract, and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

James Whalen

E. A. Blaughter,

J. N. Grant.

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This contract and bond and sureties on said bond approved this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer

Jas. B. Anderson, } Commissioners  
Chas. G. Markley } of  
H. E. Bradley. } Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the }  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Contract for Labor of Construction  
for by Thomas Bales }

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered and advertised for sale according to law and the construction of Working Section No. 7 of 2500 feet allotted to land owners of the following described land, viz: per report of the engineer, and sold by the duly appointed engineer on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899, to the undersigned for Ninety Two and  $\frac{2}{100}$  Dollars pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises it is agreed by me to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the specifications for constructing the same, as shown in the record of the proceedings thereof, the same to be completed on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1900,

provided this contract shall be of no force and effect, until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher, Engineer.  
L. H. Creamer, Contractor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the  
Ditch Impf. Petitioned  
for by Thomas Bales.

Contractor's Bond.

Know all men by these Presents, That L. H. Creamer as principal and S. M. Creamer and J. Henry Ally, as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of One Hundred and Eighty Five Dollars, good and lawful money, pursuant to said order and notice. Signed and dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899.

The condition of the above obligation is such, however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor has bid off the labor of constructing working section No. 7, has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the plans and specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1900.

Now, if the said L. H. Creamer shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract and complete the same within the time fixed by said contract, and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

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L. H. Creamer,  
S. M. Creamer  
J. Henry Ally.

This contract and bond and sureties on said bond approved this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December A. D. 1899.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer

Jas. B. Anderson,  
Chas. G. Markley,  
H. C. Bradley } Commissioners  
of  
Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by Thomas Bales.

} Contract for Labor of Construction.

Whereas, the above styled improvement has been duly ordered and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of working section No. 8 of 2500 feet allotted to land owners of the following described land, viz: per report of engineer, and sold by the duly appointed engineer, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899, to the undersigned for One Hundred and Six and  $\frac{6}{100}$  Dollars, pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the specifications for constructing the same, as shown in the record of the proceedings thereof, the same to be completed on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, A. D. 1900, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer.

Thomas Deveraux,  
Contractor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by Thomas Bales.

} Contractor's Bond.

Know all men by these Presents, That Thomas Deveraux as principal and Patrick A. Sanigan and James Whalen as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Two Hundred and Twelve and  $\frac{2}{100}$  Dollars, good and lawful money. Signed and dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899. The condition of the above obligation is such, however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor, has bid off the labor of constructing working section No. 8, has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the plans and specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings, on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, A. D. 1900.

Now, if the said Thomas Deveraux shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said con-

tract and complete the same within the time fixed by said contract, and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

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Thomas Deveraux  
Patrick A. Lanigan  
James Whalen

This Contract and Bond, and Sureties on said bond approved this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November A. D. 1899.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer

Jas. B. Anderson, } Commissioners  
Chas. K. Markley } of  
H. C. Bradley } Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the }  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned }  
for by Thomas Bales. }

Contract for Furnishing Tile.

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered and advertised for sale according to law, and the furnishing of Tile on the ground for all of main Ditch from Station 0 to Station 53+66 and its Laterals No. 2 entire, allotted to land owners benefitted thereby and sold by the duly appointed engineer on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. D. 1899, to the undersigned in the following lots and sizes: 241.7 rods 15 inch tile 248.15 rods 12 inch tile and 125 rods 10 inch tile, amounting to Twelve Hundred and Twenty Dollars, pursuant to said order and notice, Now, in consideration of the premises it is agreed by me to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will deliver said tile in dimensions and quantities, as per specifications for said improvement in parcels of 100 feet of tile upon each 100 feet of ditch and within 10 feet of the center line of the same where used.

All of the above tile to be delivered on or before the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 1900.

Provided this contract shall be of no force until approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and it is further expressly agreed that 75 per cent of said cost of tile shall be paid when delivered and accepted and the remaining 25 per cent when ditch is completed.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer,

J. N. Grant,  
Contractor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London Ohio, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of the  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by Thomas Bales.

Contractor's Bond.

Know all men by these Presents,

That J. N. Grant as principal and E. A. Blaugher and Frank Kaufman as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Twenty Four Hundred and Forty Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1899.

The condition of the above obligation, is such however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor, has bid off the labor of furnishing the tile in quantities and kinds and to be delivered as per above contract, and has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners and Engineer of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all of said labor of furnishing said tile, in accordance with the specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings, on or before the 10 day of January, 1900.

Now, if the said J. N. Grant shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract and complete the same within the time fixed therein, and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

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J. N. Grant  
E. A. Blaugher  
Frank Kaufman.

This Contract and Bond and Sureties on said Bond approved this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, A. D. 1899.

J. H. Asher,  
Engineer.

Jas. B. Anderson } Commissioners  
Chas. H. Markley } of  
H. E. Bradley } Madison County

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, November 27<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Board of Commissioners met today in Regular Session.  
Members Present: Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. H. Markley & H. E. Bradley.

In the matter of  
The Bales Ditch  
Improvement.

Approval of Contractor's Bonds.

H. E. Boyd, to whom was awarded the contract for the labor of construction of working section, Nos. 1, 2 + 6 of "The Bales Ditch Improvement," having presented his bond in the sum of Two Hundred and Thirty One (\$231.00)

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Dollars, for the faithful performance of his said contract, with himself as principal and George Mantle and Thomas Bales as sureties thereon, which bond is sufficient in form and according to law, it is ordered that the same be approved and the sureties thereon accepted.

Thomas Deveraux, to whom was awarded the contract for the labor of construction of working section No. 8 of "The Bales Ditch Improvement," having presented his bond in the sum of Two Hundred and Twelve and 1/100 Dollars (\$212.<sup>12</sup>/<sub>100</sub>) for the faithful performance of his said contract, with himself as principal and Patrick A. Larigan and James Whalen as sureties thereon, which bond is sufficient in form and according to law, it is ordered that the same be approved and the sureties thereon accepted.

James Whalen, to whom was awarded the contract for the labor of construction of working sections Nos. 3, 4, 5 & 9 of The Bales Ditch Improvement, having presented his bond in the sum of Eleven Hundred and Thirty (<sup>1130.<sup>00</sup></sup>/<sub>100</sub>) Dollars, with himself as principal and E. A. Blaugher and J. N. Grant as sureties, which bond is sufficient in form and according to law it is ordered that the same be approved and the sureties thereon accepted.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the above orders relating to the above contracts, Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. B. Markley and H. E. Bradley voted "Aye."

Jas. B. Anderson } Commissioners  
Chas. B. Markley } of  
H. E. Bradley } Madison County.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, December, 4<sup>th</sup> 1899.

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Board of Commissioners met today in Regular Quarterly Session.  
Members Present: Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. B. Markley and H. E. Bradley.  
In the matter of }  
The Bales Ditch } Approval of Contractor's Bonds.  
Improvement. }

L. H. Creamer, to whom was awarded the contract for the labor of construction of working section No. 7 of "The Bales Ditch Improvement" having presented his bond in the sum of One hundred and eighty five dollars (\$185.<sup>00</sup>) for the faithful performance of his said contract, with himself as principal and S. M. Creamer and Henry Alley as sureties, which bond is sufficient in form and according to law, it is ordered that the same be approved and the sureties thereon accepted.

J. N. Grant, to whom was awarded the contract for the furnishing of tile for "The Bales Ditch Improvement," having presented his bond in the sum of Twenty Four Hun-

dred and Forty Dollars, (\$440.00) for the faithful performance of his said contract, with himself as principal and E. A. Blaugher and Frank Kaufman as sureties thereon, which bond is sufficient in form and according to law, it is ordered that the same be approved and the sureties thereon accepted. Upon call of roll for the approval of the above order, Anderson, Markley and Bradley voted "Aye"

Gas. B. Anderson } Commissioners  
 Chas. S. Markley } of  
 H. E. Bradley } Madison County

Commissioners Office, Madison County,  
 London, Ohio, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 1900.

Commissioners Board of Commissioners met today in regular session.  
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In the matter of the } Assessments.  
 assessments of the }  
 Bales Ditch Impv.

The Bales Ditch Improvement having been provided for according to law, and the Board of Commissioners having determined to sell Bonds of the County to raise money necessary to pay for the expense of the said improvement -

It is hereby ordered that assessments shall be made upon the lots and lands benefited, payable as follows: The Bales Ditch Improvement payable in five annual installments. That assessments for the year 1900, sufficient to pay the cost of location and the bonds and interest due, the first and claims for compensation allowed, be made in proportion to the estimates on the said improvement.

It is further ordered that the County Auditor is directed to make and furnish to the Treasurer of the County a special duplicate, for the year 1900, charging each of the lots and lands assessed for The Bales Ditch Improvement, 25 per centum of the gross assessment and that assessments shall be made annually thereafter sufficient to pay the Bonds and Interest due each year until paid.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the foregoing entry and orders relating to said improvement, Chas. S. Markley, H. E. Bradley and Gas. B. Anderson voted "aye"

B. A. Taylor,  
 Auditor and Clerk.

Chas. S. Markley } Commissioners  
 H. E. Bradley } of  
 Gas. B. Anderson } Madison County

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, November 19<sup>th</sup> 1900.

Board met today in regular session.  
Present: Chas. H. Markley, St. E. Bradley and Jas. B. Anderson.  
In the matter of }  
the Issue and Sale of } Order of Issue and Sale of Bonds.  
Road and Ditch Imp. Bonds. }

This day the Board considered the matter of issuing and selling bonds of the county to meet the expense of the Bales Ditch Improvement.

It was moved by St. E. Bradley and seconded by Jas. B. Anderson that for the purpose of raising money to pay for the expense of the said improvement, and in pursuance of the authority granted by sections 4479, 4481, 4482 and 4846 Revised Statutes of Ohio and the laws amendatory thereto and supplementary thereto, that Bonds of the County be issued for the Bales Ditch Improvement as follows:

Ten Bonds of \$200.00 each due July 1<sup>st</sup> 1901, and thereafter on January 1<sup>st</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Total amount of Bonds. \$2000.00  
Said Bonds to bear date of January 1<sup>st</sup> 1901 and to bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum represented by coupons payable as follows: First installment due July 1<sup>st</sup> 1901, and payable semi-annually thereafter and due July 1<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

Bids to be received for the entire issue or any part thereof; no bonds to be sold for less than their face value.

Bidders to be required to state the gross amount they will pay for any part or portion thereof.

Bonds and interest are payable at the County Treasurer's Office in London, Ohio, and said bonds will be delivered to the successful bidder or bidders at said Treasurer's Office, upon the payment of purchase price together with any accrued interest.

Each bidder will be required to deposit cash to an amount at least equaling 5 per cent of the bid to bind the purchase; the deposited check of unsuccessful bidders will be returned to the owner. Bids will be received at the County Treasurer's Office up to twelve o'clock, noon, (standard time) Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> 1900.

Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

The County Auditor is directed to cause legal notice of such proposed bond sale, to be published in The London Semi-Weekly Enterprise, a newspaper of general circulation in said Madison County.

Upon the approval of the foregoing entry as to said Bond Issue, the roll being called, Chas. H. Markley, St. E. Bradley and Jas. B. Anderson, voted "aye".

B. A. Taylor,  
Auditor and Clerk.

Chas. H. Markley, } Commissioners  
St. E. Bradley } of  
Jas. B. Anderson. } Madison County

Commissioners

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, November, 19<sup>th</sup> 1900.

Board of Commissioners met today in special session.

Members Present: Chas. B. Markley, H. C. Bradley,

In the matter of }  
the sale of Road and } Sale of Bonds.  
Ditch Impv. Bonds.)

This being the day fixed by the Board for the sale of The Bales Ditch Improvement Bonds, which bonds are specifically described in the order for the sale of the same dated Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> 1900, Page 181 of this volume of the proceedings of the Commissioners; and the Board being satisfied that said sale of bonds had been duly and legally advertised, proceeded to conduct said sale in accordance with the aforesaid order. After due consideration of all the bids it was moved by H. C. Bradley and seconded by Chas. B. Markley that the bid of the Mansfield Saving Bank be accepted.

Upon the adoption of the foregoing motion, the roll being called Chas. B. Markley and H. C. Bradley voted "Aye".

B. A. Taylor,

Auditor and Clerk.

Chas. B. Markley }  
H. C. Bradley } Commissioners  
of  
Madison County

Recorded December, 1899. B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.