

Record of Proceedings in the matter of the Bennett Ditch Improvement, petitioned for by Henry Bennett and G. R. D. Bennett, and located in Fairfield Township, Madison County, Ohio.

Petition.

London, Ohio, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1899, Petition for location, construction, and tiling of a ditch.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners Madison County, Ohio.

The undersigned owners of lots and land 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, construction and tiling 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 in the East line of Cora Bayley and on the north side of the London and Georgesville pike. Thence along said pike in an easterly direction about 120 rods to a point near the tenant house on the land of Thomas Gorby; Thence through lands of Thomas Gorby and Louis Reibel to a large open ditch, and terminating thereat. A distance in all of about 220 rods.

Your petitioners pray for the tiling of said ditch and the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

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

G. R. D. Bennett

Henry Bennett

Cora Bayley

Thomas Gorby

Louis Reibel

John Fogle

Jacob Fogle heirs

William Kipple

Jacob Gierich

John Gierich

Lewis Gierich

Thomas M. Farland

Benj. Price

Madison County

John Durbin

Chris. Hanson

Mary Fogle

Louisa Fogle

Daniel Fogle

Jacob Fogle

Leo Fogle

Stacie Fogle

} Renters.

Henry Bennett } Petitioners.  
G. R. D. Bennett }

## Petitioner's Bond.

Know All Men by these Presents, That G. R. D. Bennett as principal and Dwyer Bros. 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 by us and dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, A. D. 1899.

The condition of the above obligation is such, nevertheless that, whereas, on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, A. D. 1899, the above bounden G. R. D. Bennett made application to the commissioners of Madison County, and on said day filed with the Auditor of said County he petitioned for location, construction and tiling of a ditch in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided on the following route and termini, to wit: Commencing in the East line of Cora Bayley and on the North side of the Loudon and Georgesville pike, Thence along said pike in an easterly direction about 120 rods to a point near the tenant house on the land of Thomas Gorby; Thence through the lands of Thomas Gorby and Louis Reibel to a large open ditch and terminating thereat.

A distance in all of about 220 rods. Your petitioners pray for the tiling of said ditch and the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals of said ditch.

Now if the above bounden G. R. D. Bennett 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.

(Stamp)

Henry Bennett  
G. R. D. Bennett  
Dwyer Bros.

The above bond and the sureties thereon, are approved by me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, A. D. 1899.

Geo. H. Clark,

Deputy County Auditor.

Com. 6.

Notice to Commissioners  
Of Petition Filed <sup>and</sup> Time for Hearing.

Office of Auditor of Madison County, Ohio, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1899.  
To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of said County:  
Gentlemen: You are hereby notified that a petition <sup>and</sup> bond for a Ditch improvement has been filed in this office on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1899, a copy of which petition is attached below; and as required by law I have fixed the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 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.

H. D. Wilson, Auditor.

Copy of Ditch Petition.

London, Ohio, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1899, Petition for location, construction, and tiling of a Ditch.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners Madison County, Ohio:  
The undersigned owners of lots and land 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, construction <sup>and</sup> tiling of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the improvements 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; in the east line of Cora Bayley and on the north side of the London and Georgesville pike; Thence along said pike in an easterly direction about 120 rods to a point near the tenant house on the land of Thomas Gorby; Thence through the lands of Thomas Gorby and Louis Reibel to a large open ditch and terminating thereat.

A distance in all of about 220 rods.

Your petitioners pray for the tiling of said ditch and the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

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

- |                  |                   |            |                               |
|------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| G. R. D. Bennett | John Gierich      | Mary Fogle | } Heirs<br>of<br>Jacob Fogle. |
| Henry Bennett    | Lewis Gierich     | Louisa "   |                               |
| Cora Bayley      | Thomas W. Farland | Daniel "   |                               |
| Thomas Gorby     | Benjamin Price    | Jacob "    |                               |
| Louis Reibel     | Madison County    | Leo "      |                               |
| John Fogle       |                   | Natie "    |                               |
| William Kipple   |                   |            |                               |

Henry Bennett } Petitioners.  
G. R. D. Bennett }  
I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Ditch Petition filed in my office on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1899.  
H. D. Wilson, County Auditor.

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Commissioners Office, Madison County.

London, Ohio, April 4<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Board of Commissioners met today in Regular Session.

Members Present. James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley.

In the matter of  
The Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by Henry Bennett, et. al.

} Notice of filing of petition and time fixed for view.

The County Auditor having given due notice to this board of the filing of a petition on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1899, signed by Henry Bennett and G. R. D. Bennett, praying for the location, construction and tiling of a ditch along the following described route, to wit:

Beginning in the east line of Cora Bayley and on the north side of the London and Georgesville pike; Thence along said pike in an easterly direction about 120 rods to a point near the tenant house on the lands of Thomas Corby; Thence through the lands of Thomas Corby and Louis Reibel to a large open ditch and terminating thereat.

A distance in all of about 220 rods.

The petitioners pray for the tiling of said ditch and the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

And it appearing that said petitioners have given bond as required by law, which has been duly approved by the Auditor, and the Auditor having fixed the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1899, at 10 o'clock A.M. as the time for hearing said petition.

It is therefore ordered that said board meet on said day at the beginning of said proposed ditch improvement, to hear proof offered by any of the parties affected by said proposed ditch improvement and to determine as to the necessity of said improvement.

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

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

Givers.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

April 4<sup>th</sup>, A. D. 1899.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement }  
 Petitioned for by Henry Bennett & R. D. Bennett } Notice to Lot or Land Owners.

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 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, A. D. 1899.

Henry Bennett and others, filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the location, construction and tiling of a Ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus, to wit:

Commencing, in the east line of Cora Bayley and on the north side of the London and Georgesville pike; Thence along said pike in an easterly direction about 120 rods to a point near the tenant house on the land of Thomas Gorby; Thence through the lands of Thomas Gorby and Louis Reibel to a large open ditch and terminating thereat.

A distance in all of about 220 rods.

The petitioners pray for the tiling of said ditch and the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

You are also notified that the following time <sup>and</sup> place have been fixed when and where the Commissioners of said County will meet for the hearing of said petition, to wit: Tuesday, April, 25<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 <sup>and</sup> 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.

H. D. Wilson, Auditor of Madison County.

Proof Of Notice.

The State of Ohio, Madison County, ss:

On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 1899, personally appeared before the undersigned authority Henry Bennett 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 the service thereof by placing their signature hereto.

Name of Person Served	How Served	When Served	Acknowledgment of Service
Christ. Hensel	Personal	Apr. 7 <sup>th</sup> 1899	Christ. Hensel
John Durben	"	" "	John B. Durben
John Eggel	"	" "	John Eggel
John Thomas	"	" "	John Thomas.
Lewis Gerich	"	" "	
John Gerich	Residence	" "	
Cora Baily	"	" "	
Benjamin Price	Personal	" "	Benj. Price
Thomas Gorby	"	" "	
Jacob Eggel	"	" "	Jacob Eggel
Mary Eggel	"	" "	Mary Eggel
Louisa Eggel	"	" "	Louise Eggel
Leo Eggel	"	" "	
Katie Eggel	"	" "	
Daniel Eggel	"	" "	
William Kippel	"	" "	William Kippel
Jacob Gerich	Residence	" "	Jacob F. Gerich
Alias Carpenter	"	" "	
William Thomas	"	" "	
Robert Louers	"	" "	
George Butler	"	" "	
Reason King	Personal	" "	Reason <sup>his</sup> King mark
George Clark	Residence	" "	
Henry Baily	"	" "	
William Chaffin	"	" "	
G.R.D. Bennett	Personal	" "	G.R.D. Bennett
William Sarver	"	Apr. 8 <sup>th</sup> 1899	William <sup>his</sup> Sarver mark

And further this deponent saith not.

Henry Bennett.

Sworn to by Henry Bennett before me and by him subscribed in my presence this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 1899.

Geo. H. Clark,

Deputy Auditor.

The State of Ohio } ss:  
Madison County. }

## Proof of Publication.

Mr. H. Wallace, being duly sworn, says he is the Business Manager of The London Semi-Weekly Enterprise, a 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 2 consecutive weeks prior to the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1899.

H. H. Wallace,

Sworn to and subscribed by said Mr. H. Wallace this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1899.

Geo. H. Clark, Dep. Auditor.

## Ditch Notice.

In the matter of the ditch petitioned for by Henry <sup>and</sup> G. R. D. Bennett,  
Auditors Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1899.

To the Non-Resident Land Owners:

Notice is hereby given to the non-resident lot and land owners affected by the improvement designated herein, that a petition signed by Henry Bennett and G. R. D. Bennett, has been filed with the Auditor of said county, and is now pending before the Commissioners of said County, praying for the location, construction and tiling of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth, and will be for hearing at the beginning of said improvement on the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 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 in the east line of Cora Bayley and on the north side of the London and Georgesville pike, thence along said pike in an easterly direction about 120 rods to a point near the tenant house on the land of Thomas Gorby; thence through the lands of Thomas Gorby and Louis Reibel to a large open ditch and terminating thereat; a distance in all of about 220 rods.

The petitioners pray for the tiling of said ditch, and the location, constructing and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

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.

H. D. Wilson,

Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

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Commissioners Office, Madison County.  
London, Ohio, May 2<sup>d</sup>, 1899.

Commissioners met today in Regular Session.  
Members present, James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley.  
In the matter of The }  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned }  
for by Henry Bennett, et. al. } Adjourned Meeting on View.

The board having proceeded on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 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, adjourned the further view of said ditch improvement to Wednesday, May 3<sup>d</sup>, 1899.

It is therefore ordered that said board meet on the line of said ditch on the 3<sup>d</sup> day of May, 1899, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Motion for the approval of the above matter, each member voted "Aye."

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

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In the matter of  
The Ditch Improvement  
Petitioned for Henry Bennett, et. al.

Meeting to View.

The board having proceeded on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 1899, to the place of beginning of said improvement as prayed for in said petition and having there and there (and at adjourned meeting therefor) 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, <sup>and</sup> will be a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof, by furnishing drainage thereto, and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and that the best route therefor is as follows, to wit:

Commencing on the land of the Jacob Vogel heirs at the end of a tile ditch and on the north side of the London and Georgesville pike; thence with the north line of said pike through the land of said Vogel heirs, Thomas Gorby and G. R. D. <sup>and</sup> H. Bennett and terminating in an open ditch near a culvert in said pike.

A distance in all of about 200 rods.

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

Order to County Surveyor.

It is therefore ordered that H. L. McCafferty, 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 or other substance to be removed, and the cost per cubic yard for each working section, and of 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 <sup>and</sup> corporate roads, municipal corporations 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 <sup>and</sup> railroad <sup>and</sup> 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, water ways, farm crossings and bridges necessary; the amount and size of tile necessary and the estimated cost of the same.

It is also ordered that laterals to said ditch be located as

follows:

Lateral No. 1:-

Commencing on the lands of William Kipple at the end of a tile ditch and on the south side of the said London<sup>and</sup> Georgesville pike; thence across said pike a distance of about 3 rods; and intersecting a 10 inch tile ditch; thence with said tile ditch on the north side of said pike about 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  rods to Station 0 of main ditch.

Lateral 1 of 1-

Commencing at an open ditch on the south side of the London and Georgesville pike, on the lands of William Kipple and about 33 feet from the corner of a school lot; thence with the south side of said pike 28 rods to Station 0 of Lateral 1.

Lateral No. 2.-

Commencing at the end of a tile ditch on the south side of the London and Georgesville pike and on the land of the Vogel heirs; thence crossing said pike a distance of about 3 rods and terminating at Station 0+46 of main ditch.

Lateral 2 of 1-

Commencing on the land of the Vogel heirs on the south side of the London<sup>and</sup> Georgesville pike; thence across said pike a distance of about 3 rods and intersecting a 10 inch tile ditch at Station 7 of Lateral 1.

Lateral No. 3-

Commencing on the lands of the Vogel heirs and Thomas Gorby; thence in a north easterly direction across the lands of Thomas Gorby and crossing said London and Georgesville pike about 30 rods and intersecting main ditch at Station 14+70.

Lateral No. 4-

Commencing on the south side of the London and Georgesville pike and in an easterly direction along said pike about 14 rods to the end of a tile ditch; thence across said pike and intersecting main ditch at Station 19+73.

Said Engineer is ordered to file his report with the Auditor of Madison County in his office therein, on or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 1899.

Upon motion for the approval of the foregoing orders and findings relating to said petition and ditch, the roll being called, Hithrow, Anderson and Markley voted Aye.

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

## Engineer's Report.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1899.

On the matter of the Ditch Improvement:

Petitioned for by G. R. D. <sup>and</sup> H. Bennett, et al.

To the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

The undersigned Engineer in obedience to your order has made a survey and level of the line of said ditch improvement and set a stake at every 100 ft. numbering downstream and I have made a note of the intersection of lines and boundaries of lands, land marks, and road crossings and I herewith make report of the same with profile and plat and an estimate of the number of rods for making tile ditch as specified in said report.

I have also made and return herewith a schedule of all lots and lands and public roads together with the names of the owner or owners of such lots and lands that will be benefitted by said improvement and an apportionment of the cost of location and construction in money to each lot and tract of land and road according to the benefit that will result to each from the said improvement and a specification of the manner in which the improvement shall be made and completed and such other matters as I deem important and worthy of record.

The said survey and level, report, plat, profile, schedule, estimate and apportionment are hereunto attached and made a part hereof.

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

H. D. McCafferty, Engineer	7 days @ \$4. <sup>00</sup>	\$28.00
Jesse Paine, Rodman	1 " " 1. <sup>25</sup>	1.25
Henry Smith, Chairman	1 " " 1. <sup>25</sup>	1.25
E. R. Florence	160 stakes @ 1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> <sup>t</sup>	2.20
Ben Judy, team <sup>ing</sup> wagon hauling stakes		1.50
		<u>\$34.20</u>

Report of Engineer.										Slope	Schedule A.
Stake every 100 feet numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total Fall from Station 0	Entire Depth	Cut	Width on Bottom	Width on Top	Cubic Yards	Course and Distance	Remarks.	
B.	98.68									Downst. So. Side Rd.	
0	96.63	94.00		2.63					S. 86° E. 2400 feet	Beginning on the Lands of Jas. Vogel & Co. and on the North side of the Loudon Georgetown Pike at the mouth of a tile ditch. Distance on Vogel 934 feet. " " " Gorby 1300 " " " " Bennett 1020 "	
+46		<u>93.54</u>		3.87							
1	96.87	93.00	1.00	3.87							
2	95.61	92.00	2.00	3.61							
3	94.94	91.00	3.00	3.94							
4	94.49	90.00	4.00	4.49							
5	93.63	89.37 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	4.62	4.26							
6	92.18	88.75	5.25	3.43							
7	91.78	88.12	5.88	3.66							
8	91.39	87.50	6.50	3.89							
9	90.99	86.87	7.13	4.12							
10	90.70	86.25	7.75	4.45							
11	90.13	85.62	8.38	4.51							
12	88.61	85.00	9.00	3.61							
13	87.99	<u>84.00</u>	10.00	3.99							
14	87.26	83.00	11.00	4.26							
+70	86.22	<u>82.70</u>	11.30	3.52							
15	86.38	82.60	11.40	3.78							
16	85.73	82.20	11.80	3.53							
17	85.54	81.80	12.20	3.74							
18	85.54	81.40	12.60	4.14							
19	85.07	81.00	13.00	4.07							
20	83.98	80.60	13.40	3.38							
21	84.43	80.20	13.80	4.23							
22	83.81	79.80	14.20	4.01							
23	84.00	79.40	14.60	4.60							
24	82.53	79.00	15.00	3.53							
25	82.25	<u>78.50</u>	15.50	3.75							
26	81.06	78.00	16.00	3.06							
27	80.67	77.50	16.50	3.17							
28	80.24	77.00	17.00	3.24							
29	79.67	76.50	17.50	3.17							
30	79.18	76.00	18.00	3.18							
31	78.76	<u>75.00</u>	19.00	3.76							
+60	77.56	74.00	20.00	3.56							
32	76.54	73.00	21.00	3.54							
+84	73.81	72.00	22.00	1.81							
B	75.49								S. 81° E. 100 feet S. 78° E. 660 feet		
									S. 80° E. 124 feet.	Clear 50 L.	

Report of Engineer.										Slope		Schedule "A."	
Stake count 100 feet numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total Fall from Station 0	Entire Depth	cut	Width on Bottom	Width on Top	cubic yards	Course and Distance	Remarks			
Lateral No. 1. At Sta. 0 of Main Ditch.												Little Elm Roff Sta. 2.	
B.	100.00										Beginning on the South		
0	100.27	97.20		3.07					N. 36° E. 55 feet		side of the L. & G. Pike on		
+55	100.55	96.80	.40	3.75					S. 84° 30' E. 245 "		the land of William Ripple		
1	100.33										crossing said Pike from		
2	100.71										Sta 0 to +55. Thence along		
3	99.93								S. 86° 30' E. 945 "		the South side of said Road		
4	98.89										along the lands of Louis		
5	99.05										Gierich & Vogel and		
6	97.86										terminating at 0 of Main		
7	98.50										Distance on Gierich 843 feet		
8	97.57										" " Vogel 402 "		
9	97.54												
10	97.59												
11	99.07												
12	97.67												
+45	96.67	94.05	3.15	2.63									
B.	98.68										Locust So. side Rd.		
Lateral No. 1 of 1. At Sta. 0 of No. 1.												Little Elm So. Side	
B.	100.00	98.85		3.95					S. 83° E. 461 feet		Rd. opp Sta 2 of No. 1.		
0	102.80												
1	101.44	98.55	.30	2.89							Beginning on the S. side of		
2	101.04	98.25	.60	2.79							the L. & G. Pike on the land		
3	99.65	97.95	.90	1.70							of W. Ripple at the head of		
4	100.53	97.65	1.20	2.88							a tile Ditch following along		
+61	100.27	97.45	1.40	2.82							said Pike to its terminus		
Lateral No. 2 of No. 1. At Sta. 1												+61 = all out kipple.	
0	97.92	95.55		2.37					N. 35° 30' E. 53 feet		Beg. on the S. side of L & G. Pike		
+53	98.50	94.85	.30	3.65							on the land of Vogel crossing		
												said Pike to its terminus	
												a distance in all of 53	
												feet	
Lateral No. 2 of Main Ditch No. 0 + 46.												Locust So. side Rd.	
B.	98.68										Beg. on S. side of L & G. Pike		
0	95.75	93.50		2.25					N. 32° E. 50 feet		on Vogel's land & crossing said		
+50	96.20	93.25		2.95							Pike a dist. in all of 50 feet.		

Report of Engineer - Slope										Schedule 'A'
Stake every 100 feet numbered across stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total Fall from Station 0	Entire Depth	cut	Width on Bottom	Width on Top	cubic Yards	Course and Distance	Remarks.
Lateral No. 3. At Sta. 14+70 of Main										Beg. on the land of Gogel 14 feet from the line between Gogel & Gorby, thence through the land of Gorby & crossing the L. & G. Pike to its termi- -nated. 14 = Gogel. 386 = Gorby 71 = L. & G. Pike
0	89.51	86.40 .85		3.11					N. 69° E. 471 feet	
1	88.52	85.55	.85	2.97						
2	88.27	84.70	1.70	3.57						
3	87.89	83.85	2.55	4.04						
4	87.34	83.00	3.40	4.34						
+71	86.21	82.40	4.00	3.81						
Lateral No. 4. At Sta. 19+73 of Main.										Beg. on the side of the L. & G. Pike on the land of Gorby, thence along said Pike to Sta. 19+25 from there crossing said Pike to its terminus.
0	86.17	83.00 .75		3.17					S. 85° E. 2.25 feet	
1	85.50	82.25	.75	3.25						
2	84.79	81.50 .25	1.50	3.29						
+25	84.89	81.25	1.75	3.64					N. 30° E. 48 feet	
+73	82.83	80.72	2.28	3.08						

## Specifications.

The Main Ditch and Laterals must be cut fully 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 made a tile ditch as follows from Sta. 0 to Station 14+70 to be tiled with 10" tile and from Sta 14+70 to Station 32+84 to be tiled with 12" tile.

Lateral No. 1. is to be tiled with 6" tile.

Lateral No. 1 of 1. is to be tiled with 5" tile.

Lateral No. 2. 1 is to be tiled with 5" tile.

Lateral No. 2 is to be tiled with 5" tile.

Lateral No. 3 is to be tiled with 8" tile.

Lateral No. 4 from Sta. 0 to Sta. 2+25 is to be tiled with 4" tile and from Sta. 2+25 to 2+73 with 6" tile.

All tile to be first class cylindrical drain tile and the estimated cost thereof includes the furnishing of the tile along the line of the ditch and all necessary exps.

Any failure to deliver the tile at the proper time or any improper delivery of the same causing delay, damage or extra work to be done by the person cutting the trenches will be cause for the engineer to deduct the amount for delay, damage, or extra work, from the tile contract in favor of person cutting the trenches.

The tile shall be carefully laid in the trenches prepared as above specified and jointed to within  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an inch. Care should be taken in turning curves of the ditch to have the joints well patched.

The cost of the cutting of the trench and laying of the tile includes the putting in place of all necessary exps.

All necessary and deadening of all trees, bushes etc. nearer than 20 ft. and the filling in of all earth removed in the cutting of the trenches but the tile must be left uncovered until they have been examined by the engineer.

All necessary grubbing and clearing are to be done by the land owner at his expense and in the event he refuse or fail to do so at the proper time will be cause for the engineer to have the same done at his expense.

Estimates of 75% will be given on completed sections only.

H. L. McCafferty, per J. Renick.

Estimate.

Main Ditch. Av. Depth 2.38			
Sect. 1. Sta 0 to Sta 14+70 -	89.08 rods	exc. @ 30¢	\$ 26.72
" 0 " " 14+70 -	89.08 "	10" tile @ 1.10	97.99
			\$ 124.71
Sect. 2. Sta 14+70 to Sta. 32+84 -	109.93 "	exc. @ 35¢	\$ 38.48
" 14+70 " 32+84 -	109.93 "	12" tile @ 1.40	153.92
			\$ 192.40
Total Main Ditch			\$ 317.11

Laterals.

Lat. No. 1 at Sta 0 of Main.

Sect. 3 Sta 0 to sta. 0+55.	3.33 rods	exc. @ 75¢	\$ 2.50
" 0 " " 0+55'	3.33 "	6" tile 45¢	1.50
			\$ 4.00

Lat. No. 1 of 1. at Sta. 0 of 1.

Sect. 4 Sta. 0 to Sta. 4+61	27.91 rods	exc. @ 20¢	\$ 5.58
" 0 " " 4+61	27.91 "	5" tile 35¢	9.77
			\$ 15.35

Lat. No. 2 of 1 at Sta. 7 of 1.

Sect. 5, Sta. 0 to Sta. 0+53	3.21 rods	exc. @ 75¢	\$ 2.41
" 0 " " 0+53	3.21 "	5" tile @ 35¢	1.12
			3.53

Lat. No. 2 at Sta. 0+46. Main

Sect. 6, Sta. 0 to Sta. 0+50	3.03 rods	exc. @ 75¢	\$ 2.27
" 0 to Sta. 0+50	3.03 "	5" tile @ 35¢	1.06
			3.33

Lat. No. 3 at Sta. 14+70 Main

Sect. 7. Sta. 0 to Sta. 4+71	28.54 rods	exc. @ 40¢	\$ 11.42
" 0 " " 4+71	28.54 "	8" tile @ 75¢	21.41
			32.83

Lat. No. 4 at Sta. 19+73 Main.

Sect. 8. Sta. 0 to Sta 2+73	17.76 rods	exc. @ 35¢	\$ 6.12
" 0 to " 2+25	13.63 "	4" tile @ 25¢	3.41
" 2.25 " 2+73	2.91 "	6" " " 45¢	1.31
			10.84
Total Laterals.			\$ 69.88
Total Main Ditch			317.11
Total			\$ 386.99

Recapitulation.

Cost Cutting Main Ditch	\$ 65.20	Cost Tile in Main	\$ 251.91
" " Laterals	\$ 30.30	" " " Laterals	39.58
Total	\$ 95.50	Total	\$ 291.49

Sta. Marking Section	Report of Engineer			Schedule B					
	Owner's Name as found On Duplicate	Original Survey Number	Township	Acres Owned	Acres Drained	Estimated Cost of	Estimated Cost of	Location	Total Cost Appropriated
	Price Benjamin	5280	Fairfield	3.92	1	4 00	35	4 35	
	M <sup>r</sup> . Farland Thos.	5280	"	.50	.50	3 00	25	2 25	
	Bailey Henry	5280	"	.25	.25	1 50	13	1 63	
	" Cora E.	5280	"	.25	.25	1 50	13	1 63	
	Geirich John C.	5280	"	14.8	6.	8.	70	8 70	
	" Jacob	Lots 3-4	in Geirich's Add.	.75	.75	5.	45	5 45	
	" Lewis	7.	"	1.75	1.75	10.	90	10 90	
	"	5280	Fairfield	25.15	24.	32	2 88	34 88	
	"	70.75	"	38.15	2.	4	35	4 35	
	Ripple William	5280	"	49.77	35.	47	4 20	51 20	
	Gogel Jacob Heirs of	6570	"	56.37	28.	37	2 40	39 40	
	"	7075	"	27.25	27.	36	2 35	38 35	
	Gorby Thos.	6570	"	90.	10.	35.50	2 30	37 80	
	Bennett G.R.D. & H.	6205	"	128.63	3.	42.61	3 80	46 41	
	Madison Co. Easement					50 00	4 50	54 50	
			Lateral No. 1.						
	Geirich Lewis					1 25	15	1 40	
	Ripple Wm					1 00	13	1 13	
	Gogel Heirs					.25	3	.28	
	Madison Co.					1 50	18	1 68	
			Lateral No. 1 of 1.						
	Geirich Lewis					7 00	85	7 85	
	" Jacob					1 00	12	1 12	
	Ripple William					4 00	48	4 48	
	Madison Co.					3 35	40	3 75	
			Lateral No. 2 of 1.						
	Gogel Heirs.					1 00	12	1 12	
	Madison Co.					2 53	30	2 83	
			Lateral No. 2.						
	Gogel Heirs					1 33	15	1 48	
	Madison County					2 00	25	2 25	
			Lateral No. 3.						
	Geirich Lewis					3.	35	3 35	
	Ripple Wm					3.	35	3 35	
	Gogel Jacob Heirs of					5.	60	5 60	
	Gorby Thomas					17.	187	2 04	
	Madison County					4.83	60	5 43	
			Lateral No. 4.						
	Bennett G.R.D. & H.					2 00	35	3 35	
	Gorby Thomas					4 00	48	4 48	
	Madison County					5 84	70	6 54	

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Engineer's Report. Filed—

May 23<sup>rd</sup>. 1899 at 10 o'clock A. M.

H. D. Wilson,

Auditor. per B.

The within Report approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May. 1899.

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

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In the matter of  
The Bennett Ditch  
Improvement.

} Hearing on Engineer's Report.

H. L. McCafferty, the Engineer heretofore appointed in this matter, having filed his report, including the apportionment by him of the costs of said improvement, and this being the day fixed for hearing said report and matter, the board after proper examination do find that due notice, has been given for the length of time required by law to all lot and land owners and to the authorities of all municipal and private corporations affected by said improvement, notifying them of the substance, pendency and prayer of the petition for said improvement.

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 benefits derived from the said improvement by the owner of each lot and tract of land.

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

The board fix the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1899 at 10 o'clock A. M. on the line of said ditch, as the time and place for the sale of the labor of construction and the furnishing of all necessary material for said improvement at public outcry in sections of not less than one hundred feet (100) nor more than twenty five hundred (2500) feet in length.

The County Surveyor is hereby directed to attend at time and place of sale specified above to superintend & 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 motion for the approval of the above matter, the roll being called, each member voted "Aye". (Carried).

Board Adjourned.

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

Applications to Pay Assessments  
in Cash.

London, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1899.

To the Auditor of Madison County, Ohio.

We the undersigned ask that we be allowed to pay our assessments on the Bennett Ditch Improvement in cash.

Henry <sup>and</sup> G. R. D. Bennett.

London, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1899.

To the Auditor of Madison Co. Ohio.

I hereby accept the assessment of \$3.<sup>26</sup> as assessed on me for the Bennett Ditch in Fairfield Township and request that the entire amount be added to my December 1899. Taxes.

Wm H. <sup>and</sup> C. E. Bailey.

London, Ohio, June 8<sup>th</sup> 1899.

In the matter of }  
The Bennett Ditch }  
Improvement.

I hereby make application to pay my entire assessment in cash on the above mentioned ditch.

Respectfully,

Louis Gierich.

## Ditch Sale.

## Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that I will sell at public outcry, on  
Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1899.

at ten o'clock a.m., the furnishing of all necessary material and  
the work of constructing the V. R. D. & Henry Bennett Ditch Corp.

Located in Fairfield Township, near the Village of Lilly Chapel.

Said work will be sold in sections, as follows:

## Main Ditch.

Section No. 1. Station 0 to Station 14.70, 89.09 rods excavation.

Station 0 to Station 14.70, 89.09 rods 10 inch tile.

Section No. 2. Station 14.70 to Station 32.84, 109.93 rods excavation.

Station 14.70 to Station 32.84, 109.93 rods 12 inch tile.

## Laterals.

Section No. 3. Lateral 1. Station 0 to Station 0.55, 2.33 rods excavation.

Station 0 to Station 0.55, 2.33 rods 6 inch tile.

Section No. 4. Lateral No. 1 of 1, Sta. 0 to Station 4.61, 27.91 rods excavation.

Sta. 0 to Station 4.61, 27.91 rods 5 inch tile.

Section No. 5. Lateral 2. Station 0 to Station 0.50, 3.03 rods excavation.

Station 0 to Station 0.50, 3.03 rods 5 inch tile.

Section No. 7. Lateral 3. Station 0 to Station 4.71, 28.54 rods excavation.

Station 0 to Station 4.71, 28.54 rods 8 inch tile.

Section No. 8. Lateral 4. Station 0 to Station 2.73, 17.76 rods excavation.

Station 0 to Station 2.25, 13.63 rods 4 inch tile.

Station 2.25 to Station 2.73, 2.91 rods 6 inch tile.

Bidders to meet near the residence of Jacob Geirich at  
said hour and day. All persons desiring to bid are  
requested to go over the line of the ditch prior to the time  
of sale.

No bid will be entertained until \$25.00 cash has been  
deposited to insure good faith. Bond must be given  
within 5 days after day of sale.

H. L. McCafferty,  
Engineer.

H. D. Wilson, Auditor.

Auditor's Office.

Loudon, Ohio, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1899.

Report of Sale.

To the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

I have this day sold the contract for furnishing the tile on the Bennett Ditch Improvement to Thomas A. Horn. Estimated at \$290.33. Sold for \$285.00.

Not being able to get a bid on the excavation of Main Ditch at or below the estimate I declared no part of the excavation sold and ask your honorable body for authority to re-estimate the same.

H. L. McCafferty.

Per, Renick, Engineer.

Re Estimate of the cutting of G.R.D. <sup>and</sup> No. Bennett Ditch Improvement.

Sect. 1	Sta. 0 to 14+70	89.09 rods exp. @ 50¢	\$ 44.55
" 2	" 14+70 to 32+84	109.93 " " 50¢	54.96
Lateral No. 1, Sec. 3, Sta. 0 to 55			
		3.23 " " 1.00	3.23
Lateral No. 1 of 1, Sec. 4, " 0 to 4+61			
		27.91 " " .20	5.58
Lateral No. 2.			
Sect. 5 0 to 50			
		3.03 " " 1.00	3.03
Lateral No. 2 of 1.			
Sect. 6, Sta. 0 to 53			
		3.21 " " 1.00	3.21
Lateral No. 3.			
Sect. 7, Sta. 0 to 4+71			
		28.54 " " .40	11.42
Lateral No. 4.			
Sect. 8, Sta. 0 to 2.73			
		17.76 " " .35	6.12
			<u>132.20</u>

## Ditch Sale.

## Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that I will sell at public outcry on  
Monday, July 3<sup>d</sup>, 1899.

at 10 o'clock a.m., the furnishing of all necessary material  
and the work of constructing the

G. R. D. and Henry Bennett Ditch Improvement,  
located in Fairfield Township, near the Village of Lilly Chapel.  
Said work will be sold in sections as follows:

## Main Ditch.

Section No. 1. Station 0 to Station 14.70, 89.09 rods excavation.

Section No. 2. Station 14.70 to Station 32.84, 109.93 rods excavation.

## Laterals.

Section No. 3. Lateral 1. Station 0 to Station 0.55, 3.33 rods excavation.

Section No. 4. Lateral 1 of 1. Sta 0 to Station 4.61, 27.91 rods excavation.

Section No. 5. Lateral 2. Station 0 to Station 0.50, 3.03 rods excavation.

Section No. 7. Lateral 3. Station 0 to Station 4.71, 28.54 rods excavation.

Section No. 8. Lateral 4. Station 0 to Station 2.73, 17.76 rods excavation.

Bidders to meet near the residence of Jacob Geirich at said  
hour and day.

All persons desiring to bid are requested to go over  
the line of ditch prior to the time of sale.

No bid will be entertained until \$25.00 cash has been  
deposited to insure good faith.

Bond must be given within five days after day of sale.

H. L. McCafferty, Engineer.

H. D. Wilson, Auditor.

## Report of Sale.

Auditor's Office, Madison Co. Ohio.

7/3/99.

To the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

I have this day, sold the construction of the  
G. R. D. and H. Bennett Ditch Improvement according to the  
reestimate of same as follows:

The whole to G. R. D. and H. Bennett for \$120.00  
Amount for which it was estimated \$132.00

H. L. McCafferty, Co. Sur.

Per J. Renick.

Auditor's Office,  
London, Madison County, Ohio.

July 3<sup>rd</sup>, A.D. 1899.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement } Contract for Labor of  
Petitioned for by G.R.D. & H. Bennett. } Construction.

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered, and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of working sections Nos. 1-2-3-4-5-6-7 and 8 feet allotted to several owners of the following described land, viz: and sold by the duly appointed Engineer, on the third day of July, A.D. 1899, to the undersigned for One Hundred and thirty Dollars pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whosoever 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 September, A.D. 1899, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

H. L. McCafferty, Engineer.

Henry Bennett, Contractor.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement } Contractor's Bond.  
Petitioned for by G.R.D. & H. Bennett. }

Know all Men by these Presents, That G. R. D. Bennett and H. Bennett as principals and John B. Durban & G. R. D. Bennett as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Two Hundred and sixty Dollars, good and lawful money signed and dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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 sections Nos. 1-2-3-4-5-6-7 & 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 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 Sept. A.D. 1899. Now if the said G.R.D. Bennett & H. Bennett shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract and complete the same within the time fixed by said contract & 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.

(Stamp) Henry Bennett, John B. Durban, G.R.D. Bennett.

This Contract and Bond & Sureties on said Bond approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, A.D. 1899.

H. L. McCafferty,  
Engineer.

James Hithrow,  
President of Board of Comrs.

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County.  
London, Ohio, July 10<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Commissioners met today in Regular Session.  
Members present, James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley.  
In the matter of } Approval of Contractor's Bond.  
The Bennett Ditch }  
Improvement.

Henry Bennett to whom was awarded the contract for the labor of construction of The Bennett Ditch Improvement, having presented his bond in the sum of Two Hundred and Sixty (\$260.<sup>00</sup>) Dollars for the faithful performance of his said contract, with himself as principal and John B. Durban and G. R. D. Bennett as sureties thereon, which bond is sufficient in form and according to law, it is moved that the same be approved and the sureties thereon accepted.

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

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County.  
London, Ohio, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1899.

Commissioners met today in Regular Session.  
Members present, James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley.  
In the matter of the Issue } Order of Issue and Sale of Bonds.  
and Sale of County Bonds }  
for The Bennett Ditch Imp.

This day the Board had under consideration the matter of issuing and selling County Bonds to meet the expense of the Bennett Ditch Imp. It was moved by Jas. B. Anderson and seconded by Chas. G. Markley, that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay for the expense of the Bennett Ditch Improvement and in pursuance of the authority granted by Secs. 4479, 4481 and 4482, of the Revised Statutes of Ohio, and the laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, that Bonds of the County be issued for The Bennett Ditch Improvement, as follows, to wit:

The Bennett Ditch Improvement.

- One Bond for \$40. due March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900.
- One Bond for \$40. due Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900.
- One Bond for \$40. due March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1901.
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- One Bond for \$40. due March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904.
- One Bond for \$40. due Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904.

Total Amount of said Bonds: Four Hundred Dollars. (\$400.<sup>00</sup>)

Total Amount of Interest; Sixty six Dollars (\$66.<sup>00</sup>).

Total Amount of Bonds and Interest; Four Hundred and Sixty-six Dollars. (\$466.<sup>00</sup>).

Said Bonds will bear date of September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1899, and will bear interest from date at the rate of six (6) per cent. per annum, represented by coupons, payable as follows:

First installment March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900 and payable semi-annually thereafter, and due March 1<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

That bids for the purchase of said bonds shall be filed with the Auditor of said County, up to twelve o'clock noon (standard time) on Friday, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899, on which date said bids will be opened and considered.

That said Bonds will not be sold for less than their face value.

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

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

That no bid will be considered or accepted unless accompanied by a certificate of the County Treasurer showing that at least 5 per cent. of such bid has been deposited in the Treasury, in good and lawful money of the United States, such deposit being required to bind the purchase, and will be refunded to any unsuccessful bidder upon the order of the County Auditor.

That the Board reserve the right to reject any or all bids. Upon call of roll for the approval of the foregoing motion.

James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley voted Aye. Motion Carried.

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

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Commissioners Office, Madison County.  
London, Ohio, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899.

Board of Commissioners met today in Special Session.  
Members Present, James Hithrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley.  
On the matter of the }  
Sale of Four Hundred } Sale of County Ditch Improvement Bonds.  
Dollars Ditch Imp. Bonds. }

This being the day fixed by the Board for the sale of County Bonds, which Bonds are specifically described in the order for the sale of the same, dated July 31<sup>st</sup> 1899, and described on pages 517, 518, 519 and 520 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. Bids were received and recorded as follows:

Name of Bidders.	
Madison National Bank,	London O.
First National Bank,	Circleville, O.
Briggs, Todd & Co.	Cincinnati, O.
Seasongood & Mayer	Cincinnati, O.
Feder, Holtzman	Cincinnati, O.
First National Bank,	Columbus, O.
Lamprecht Bros. & Co.,	Cleveland, O.
H. J. Hayes & Sons	Cleveland, O.
Central Bank	London, O.

After due consideration of all the bids it was moved by Chas. G. Markley and seconded by Jas. B. Anderson that the bid of First National Bank of Circleville, Ohio, be accepted. Upon adoption of the foregoing motion, the roll being called, James Hithrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley voted "Aye". Motion Carried.

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

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio. Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1899.

Board of Commissioners met today in Regular Session. (Quarterly)  
pursuant to adjournment of Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1899.

Members present, James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson<sup>and</sup> Chas. G. Markley.

In the matter of the }  
Assessment for The } Assessment.  
Bennett Ditch Improvement. }

The Bennett Ditch Improvement, having  
been provided for according to law, and the Board of Commission-  
-ers having determined to sell Bonds of the County to raise  
money necessary for the expense of said improvement.

It is hereby ordered that assessments shall be made upon  
the lots and lands benefited, payable as follows:

The Bennett Ditch Improvement, payable in five annual installments.

That assessments for the year 1899, sufficient to pay the costs  
of location, and the bonds and interest due, the first and all  
claims for compensation and damages allowed be made in  
proportion to the estimates made on the said improvement.

It is further ordered that the County Auditor be directed to  
make and furnish to the Treasurer of the County, a special  
duplicate for the year, 1899, charging each of the lots & lands  
assessed for.

The Bennett Ditch Improvement                      per centum of the  
gross assessment.

And that assessments shall be made annually hereafter  
sufficient to pay the bonds and interest due each year until  
paid.

Upon motion for the approval of the foregoing matter  
Messrs Withrow, Anderson<sup>and</sup> Markley voted "Aye".

"Motion Carried."

Board adjourned to meet in Regular Session, Monday, Sept.  
11<sup>th</sup> 1899 at 10 o'clock A. M.

} Commissioners  
  of  
} Madison County.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, July 13<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1899.

In the matter of  
The Ditch Impf. Petition -  
ed for by H. A. D. & H. Bennett.

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 32+84 and its laterals 1-1 of 1; 2 of 1-2-3 and 4 inclusive, allotted to lands benefited thereby and sold by the duly appointed Engineer on the sixth day of June, A. D. 1899, to the undersigned in the following lots and sizes; 0 to station 14+70, 8908 rods 10" tile  
Station 14+70 to Station 32+84 109.93 rods 12" tile.

Lateral No. 1	3.33	"	6"	"
" " 1 of 1	27.91	"	5"	"
" " 2 of 1	3.21	"	5"	"
" " 2	3.03	"	5"	"
" " 3	28.54	"	8"	"
" " 4	13.63	"	4"	"
" " 4	2.91	"	6"	"

amounting to Two Hundred and Eighty Five Dollars, (\$285.<sup>00</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 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 of the center line of the same where used.

All of the above tile to be delivered on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August A. D. 1899.

Provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, Ohio, and it is further expressly agreed that seventy five per cent. of said cost of tile shall be paid when delivered and the remaining twenty five per cent. when the Engineer has certified that the tile are delivered properly.

H. L. Mc Cafferty, Engineer, per Renick.

F. M. Horn,  
Contractor.

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

In the matter of  
The Ditch Impf. Petitioned  
for by H. A. D. & Henry Bennett

Contractor's Bond.

Know all men by These Presents, That Thomas A. Horn as principal, and F. M. Horn as surety, are firmly held<sup>nd</sup> bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Five Hundred and Seventy (\$570.) Dollars, good and lawful money. Signed and dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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 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 improvement on or before the first day of August, A. D. 1899.

Now if the said Thomas A. Storn 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.

Thomas A. Storn  
F. M. Storn

This Contract and Bond and sureties on said Bond approved this day of A. D. 1899.

H. L. Mc. Cafferty,  
Engineer

} Commissioners  
of  
Madison County