

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

Record of proceedings in the matter of The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement, located in Jefferson Township, Madison County, Ohio, and petitioned for by Henry B. Wilson and others.

Ditch Petition. Filed February 3^d 1902. B. A. Taylor, County Auditor London, Ohio, Feb. 11th A. D. 1902. Petition for the location, construction, deepening, widening 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, deepening and widening 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 at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry B. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike; thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Lester Bidwell Ditch across the land of the said Henry B. Wilson to the Morgan Pike; a distance of about 150 rods. Your petitioners ask and pray that said ditch be made a tile ditch from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands, a distance of about 50 rods, and constructed as an open ditch thence to the said Morgan Pike. Your petitioners further ask and pray for the location and construction of all necessary laterals and especially that of a large one on the west side of said ditch about 50 rods below where the tile is to terminate.

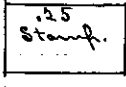
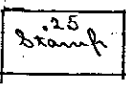
The names of all persons and corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioners are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows:

Monroe Bidwell, Marion Bidwell, Webster Bidwell Heirs (John Penny Guardian), Elijah Bell, Lester Bidwell, Willis Glover, O. R. King, J. W. King, Jas. + Sarah Stanton, Anthony + Eliz. Paulus, H. B. Wilson, Board of Education Jefferson Township, Madison County, Edward Braithwaite, Abner Johnson, Isaac Braithwaite, David Patton, Henry Betts, Middle Pike and Madison County, H. B. Wilson.

Petitioners } A. Paulus, Henry B. Wilson, Henry Betts, T. B. Fellows and Edward B. Braithwaite.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

Petitioner's Bond. Filed Feby. 3rd 1902. B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.
 Know all men by these presents, That Henry W. Wilson as principal, and Henry Betts and Edward W. Braithwaite 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 1st day of February, A.D. 1902. The condition of the above obligation is such, nevertheless, that whereas, on the 1st day of February A.D. 1902, the above bounden Henry W. Wilson made application to the Commissioners of Madison County, and on said day filed with the Auditor of said County, a petition for the location, constructing, tiling, deepening and widening of a ditch in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, on the following route and termini to wit: Commencing at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry W. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike, thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell and the Dexter Bidwell Ditch across the lands of the said Henry W. Wilson to the Morgan pike, a distance of about 150 rods. Your petitioners ask and pray that said ditch be made a tile ditch from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands, a distance of about 50 rods, and constructed as an open ditch thence to the said Morgan Pike. Your petitioners further ask and pray for the location and construction of all necessary laterals, and especially that of a large one on the west side of said ditch about 50 rods below where the tile is to terminate. Now if the above bounden Henry W. Wilson 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  Henry W. Wilson
 thereon, are approved by me  Henry Betts
 this 3rd day of February, A.D. 1902. Edward W. Braithwaite,
 B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.

Notice to Commissioners of Petition filed and Time for Hearing.
 Office of Auditor of Madison County, Ohio, Feby. 3rd A.D. 1902.
 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 3rd day of February, 1902, a copy of which petition is attached below: and as required

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

by law, I have fixed the 28th day of February, 1902, at 10 o'clock, A.M., at the beginning of said proposed ditch described in said petition, for your hearing of said matter. B. A. Taylor, Auditor.

Copy of Ditch Petition.

London, Ohio, Feb'y 1st A. D. 1902, Petition for the location, construction and tiling, deepening and widening of a Ditch. To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of said County, Gentlemen: 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, construction and tiling, deepening and widening 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 at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry W. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike, thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Lester Bidwell Ditch across the lands of the said Henry W. Wilson to the Morgan Pike, a distance of about 150 rods. Your petitioners ask and pray that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands, a distance of about 50 rods, and constructed as an open ditch thence to the said Morgan pike; Your petitioners further ask and pray for the location and construction of all necessary laterals and especially that of a large one on the west side of said ditch about 50 rods below where the tile is to terminate.

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: Monroe Bidwell, Webster Bidwell Heirs, John Penny, Guardian, Marion Bidwell, Elijah Bell, Lester Bidwell, Willis Glover, O. R. King, J. W. King, Jas. and Sarah Stanton, Anthony, Eliz. Paulus, H. W. Wilson, Board Education Jefferson Township, Madison County, Edward Braithwaite, Abner Johnson, Isaac Braithwaite, David Cotton, Henry Betts, Middle Pike-Madison County, H. W. Wilson. Petitioners J. A. Paulus, Henry W. Wilson, Henry Betts, F. B. Fellows, and Edward W. Braithwaite.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Ditch Petition filed in my office on the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1902. B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

Commissioners
Journal Vol. 7
Page 441

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, February, 3rd A. D. 1902.

Commissioners met today in regular session.
Present: H. E. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. H. Markley.
In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by Henry W. Wilson } Notice of Filing of Petition & Time fixed for View

The County Auditor having delivered to this Board a certified copy of a petition filed with him on the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1902, signed by Henry W. Wilson and others praying for the location, construction, deepening, widening and tiling of a ditch between the line and along the route stated below, to wit: Commencing at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry W. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike, thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Lester Bidwell Ditch across the lands of the said Henry W. Wilson to the Morgan Pike a distance of about 150 rods. The petitioners ask and pray that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands, a distance of about 50 rods, and continued as an open ditch thence to said Morgan Pike. The petitioners further ask and pray for the location and construction of all necessary laterals, and especially that of a large one on the west side of said ditch about 50 rods below where the tile is to terminate.

And it appearing that said petitioners have given bond as required by law, which has been approved by said Auditor, and said Auditor having fixed the Friday, February 28th 1902, at 10 o'clock, A. M. 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 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 entries and orders relating to said petition and ditch,

H. E. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. H. Markley,
B. A. Taylor, Auditor and Clerk. } Commissioners of Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
In the matter of the Ditch Imp. } Feby. 3rd A. D. 1902.
Petitioned for by Henry W. Wilson et al. } Notice to Lot or Land Owners.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

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 3rd day of February, A. D. 1902, Perry B. Wilson and others, filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the location, construction and tiling, deepening and widening of a ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus to-wit: Commencing at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry B. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike; thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Lester Bidwell Ditch across the lands of said Henry B. Wilson to the Morgan Pike, a distance of about 150 rods. The petitioners ask and pray that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands, a distance of about 50 rods and constructed as an open ditch thence to the Morgan Pike.

The petitioners further ask and pray for the location and construction of all necessary laterals and especially that of a large one, on the west side of said ditch about 50 rods below where the tile is to terminate.

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, Feby. 28th 1902, 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 proposed 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.

B. A. Paylor, Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

The State of Ohio, Madison County, ss.

Proof of Notice.

On this 10th day of February, A. D. 1902, personally

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

appeared before the undersigned authority, W.A. Wilson, 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.
Abner Johnson,	Personal	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Edward W. Braithwaite,	Personal	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Isaac Braithwaite,	Residence	Feby. 5 th 1902,
David Bolton,	Residence	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Harry Betts,	Residence	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Monroe Bidwell,	Personal,	Feby. 7 th 1902,
Marion Bidwell,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
John Penny, Guardian,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Sarah Penny,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Willis Glover,	Not in County.	
O. R. King,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
J. W. King,	Sent to Residence,	by O. R. King Feby 7 th 1902
James Stanton,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Sarah Stanton,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Anthony Paulus,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Elizabeth Paulus,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Board Education Jefferson Sp.,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Michael Brady,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
D. A. Fitzgerald,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Ada Bidwell,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Minnie Bidwell,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Bidwell,	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902,
Lester Bidwell.	Personal,	Feby. 5 th 1902.

We acknowledge service of the above notice.
February, 5th 1902. W. A. Wilson.

And further this deponent saith not.

W. A. Wilson, Sheriff.

Sworn to by W. A. Wilson before me and by him subscribed in my presence this 10th day of Feby. A. D. 1902.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor, Madison County.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,
In the matter of } February 3rd A. D. 1902.
the Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Copy of Notice to Lot or Land Owners
for by Henry W. Wilson } To the Lot or Land Owners and to
Corporations, either Public or Private, affected by said
Improvement:
You and each of you, are hereby notified that on the
3rd day of February, A. D. 1902, Henry W. Wilson and
others, filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement

County, the prayer of which is for the location, construction, tiling, deepening and widening of a ditch, on the following starting point, route and terminus, to wit: Commencing at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry B. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike, thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Bester Bidwell Ditch, across the lands of the said Henry B. Wilson to the Morgan Pike, a distance of about 150 rods; The petitioners ask and pray that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands, a distance of about 50 rods, and constructed as an open ditch thence to the Morgan Pike. The petitioners further ask and pray for the location and construction of all necessary laterals, and especially that of a large one on the west side of said ditch about 50 rods below where the tile is to terminate.

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, Feb'y, 28th 1902, 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, 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.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,

In the matter of the

Ditch Imp. Petitioned

for by Henry B. Wilson et al.

Feb'y. 3rd A. D. 1902.

Copy of notice to Non-Resident

Lot or Land Owners for Publication

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 3rd day of February, A. D. 1902, Henry B. Wilson

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
 The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement

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

Commencing at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry B. Wilson, about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike; thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Lester Bidwell Ditch across the lands of the said Henry B. Wilson to the Morgan Pike, a distance of about 150 rods. The petitioners ask and pray that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands, a distance of about 50 rods; and constructed as an open ditch thence to the said Morgan Pike.

The petitioners further pray and ask for the location and construction of all necessary laterals, and especially that of a large one on the west side said ditch about 50 rods below where the tile is to terminate.

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, Feby. 28th 1902, 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, 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.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor of Madison County, Ohio.

Proof of Publication

The State of Ohio, Madison County, S. D.
 W. D. Bacombe, being duly sworn, says he is the manager 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 2 consecutive weeks prior to the 28th day of February, 1902. W. D. Bacombe.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of February, 1902. B. A. Taylor, Auditor.

Commissioners Finding on Petition.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by Henry W. Wilson et al. }
 March 3rd A. D. 1902. }
 Commissioners Finding on Petition

This day the Commissioners of Madison County being in regular quarterly session, members present, H. C. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. B. Markley, and a copy of a petition for the location, construction, tiling, widening and deepening of a county ditch having been delivered to us by the County Auditor, and it appearing to us that the proper bond has been filed with the Auditor, and by him approved, conditioned for the payment of all costs if the prayer of the petition be not granted or be dismissed for any cause, we therefore, on the 28th day of February, 1902, the day filed by the Auditor for hearings, did meet at the place of beginning of said ditch, as described in the petition, and heard all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement and other persons competent to testify; and we went over and along the line of said improvement, and by actual view of the said ditch and the premises along and adjacent thereto, and to be drained or benefited thereby, determined the necessity thereof. And we do hereby find that said improvement is necessary and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof, by furnishing drainage thereto.

And we further find that the route described is the best, viz: Commencing at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry W. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike; thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Lester Bidwell Ditch across the lands of the said Henry W. Wilson to the Morgan Pike; a distance of about 150 rods; said main ditch to be tiled from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands; a distance of about 50 rods and constructed as an open ditch to the said Morgan Pike;

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

The following lateral was located by us, viz:
 Beginning on the lands of Abner Johnson about 3 rods

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

south of the line between the lands of said Abner Johnson, and Edward Braithwaite and 20 rods west of said Johnson's east line; running thence in a south easterly direction through the said Johnson's lands and the lands of Edward Braithwaite to the line between said Braithwaite and F. B. Fellows; thence along said line about 50 rods; thence across the lands of Henry Betts and F. B. Fellows; thence crossing the Middle Pike to and through the lands of Henry W. Wilson entering main Ditch about 50 rods from said Middle Pike. The tile in said lateral to be taken up, cleared and relaid to a proper grade from the beginning to a point near the line between said Edward Braithwaite and F. B. Fellows, and new tile to be placed in said lateral from the above mentioned point to the terminus.

And we do hereby order the Auditor to enter this, our finding, in writing, on the Commissioners' journal. And we do further authorize the Auditor to enter upon said journal and order directing the County Surveyor to go upon the line as described in the petition and survey and level the same and set a stake at every hundred feet numbering down stream, and to embody in said order direction to the said Surveyor to make and return a schedule of all lots or lands, and public or corporate roads or rail roads, that will be benefited, and an apportionment of the estimated cost of locating and constructing said improvement, in money, according to the benefits which will result to each, and to perform such other duties as are required in Sections 4454, 4455 & 4456 R. S., as now in force and effect, and to file his report with the County Auditor on or before the time hereinafter fixed for hearing the same.

It is further ordered that the 3rd day April 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the County Auditor's Office, is hereby fixed for the hearing of applications for any appropriation of land taken for said improvement, and damages said parties affected by said improvement, or any of them, may sustain thereby, and for the approval of the report of the Surveyor, to which time and place the proceedings herein now stand adjourned.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor. H. C. Bradley, President Board of Commissioners

Finding on the Petition - Copy for Surveyor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,

March 3rd A. D. 1902.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

In the matter of the }
 Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Finding on the Petition,
 for by Henry W. Wilson et al. } Copy for Surveyor.

This day the Commissioners of Madison County being in regular quarterly session, members present, H. E. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson^{and} and Chas. S. Markley, and a copy of a petition for the location, construction, tiling, deepening and widening of a county ditch having been delivered to us by the County Auditor, and it appearing to us that the proper bond has been filed with said Auditor and by him approved, conditioned for the payment of all costs if the prayer of the petition be not granted or be dismissed for any cause, we, therefore, on the 28th day of February, 1907, the day fixed by the Auditor for hearings, did meet at the place of beginning of said ditch, as described in the petition, and heard all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement, and other persons competent to testify; and we went over and along the line of said improvement, and by actual view of the said ditch and the premises along and adjacent thereto, and to be drained or benefited thereby, determined the necessity thereof. And we do hereby find that said improvement is necessary, and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof by furnishing thereto.

And we further find that the route described is the best, viz: Commencing at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry W. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike, thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Dexter Bidwell Ditch across the lands of the said Henry W. Wilson to the Morgan Pike, a distance of about 150 rods.

Said main ditch to be tiled from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilsons lands, a distance of about 50 rods, and constructed as an open ditch to the said Morgan Pike.

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

The following lateral was located by us, viz: Beginning on the lands of Abner Johnson and Edward Braithwaite and 20 rods west of said Johnson's east line, running thence in a south easterly direction through the said Johnsons lands and the

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

lands of Edward Braithwaite to the line between said Braithwaite and T. B. Fellows; thence along said line about 50 rods; thence across the lands of Henry Betts, T. B. Fellows, Henry Betts and T. B. Fellows; thence crossing the middle pike to and through the lands of H. W. Wilson, entering main ditch about 50 rods from said Middle Pike. The tile in said lateral to be taken up, cleared and relaid to a proper grade from the beginning to a point near the line between said Edward Braithwaite and T. B. Fellows, and new tile to be placed in said lateral from the above mentioned point to the terminus.

We also find that due and legal notice has been given to each person and corporation benefited or affected by said proposed improvement.

And we do hereby order the Auditor to enter this, our finding in writing on the Commissioners' Journal. And we do further authorize the Auditor to enter upon said Journal, an order directing the County Surveyor to go upon the line as described in the petition, and survey and level the same and set a stake at every hundred feet numbering down stream, and to embody in said order direction to the said Surveyor to make and return a schedule of all lots or lands, and public or corporate roads or railroads, that will be benefited, and an appropriation of the estimated cost of locating and constructing said improvement, in money, according to the benefits which will result to each, and to perform such other duties as are required in Section 4454, 4455 and 4456 R. S. as now in force and effect, and to file his report with the County Auditor on or before the time hereinafter fixed for hearing the same.

It is further ordered that the 3rd day of April, 1902, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the County Auditor's Office, is hereby fixed for the hearing applications for any appropriation of land taken for said improvement, and damages said parties affected by said improvement, or any of them may sustain thereby, and for the approval of the report of the surveyor, to which time and place the proceedings herein now stand adjourned.

B. A. Taylor.

H. E. Bradley,

County Auditor.

President of the Board of Commissioners

I certify the foregoing to be correctly copied from the record of the proceedings of the Board.

B. A. Taylor.

County Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, March 3rd 1902.

Commissioner's Board met today in regular quarterly session.

Journal Vol. 7

Page 460.

Present: H. C. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. B. Markley.
In the matter of the
Ditch Imp. Petitioned
for by H. W. Wilson et al. } Commissioner's Finding on Petition

This day the Commissioners of Madison County being in regular session, and it appearing to us that the proper bond has been filed with the Auditor and by him approved, conditioned for the payment of all costs, if the prayer of the petition be not granted or be dismissed for any cause, we, therefore, on the 28th day of February, 1902, the day fixed by the Auditor for hearings, did meet at the place of beginning of said ditch, as described in the petition, and heard all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement, and other persons competent to testify, and we went over and along the line of said improvement, and by actual view of said ditch and the premises along and adjacent thereto and to be drained or benefited thereby, determined the necessity thereof, and we do hereby find that said improvement is necessary and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof by furnishing drainage thereto.

And we further find that the route described is the best, viz:

Commencing at or near the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus and Henry W. Wilson about 20 rods east of the Middle Pike; thence south easterly following the line of the Webster Bidwell Ditch and the Lester Bidwell Ditch across the lands of the said Henry W. Wilson to the Morgan Pike, a distance of about 150 rods.

Said main ditch to be tiled from the place of beginning to a point in a pasture on said Wilson's lands a distance of about 50 rods, and constructed as an open ditch to the said Morgan Pike.

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

The following lateral was located by us, viz:

Beginning on the lands of Abner Johnson about 3 rods south of the line between the lands of said Abner Johnson and Edward Braithwaite and twenty rods

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

west of said Johnson's east line; running thence in a south easterly direction through the said Johnson's lands and the lands of Edward Braithwaite to the line between said Braithwaite and P. B. Fellows; thence along said line about 50 rods; thence across the lands of Perry Betts, P. B. Fellows, Perry Betts and P. B. Fellows; thence crossing the Middle Pike to and through the lands of H. W. Wilson, entering main ditch about 50 rods from said Middle Pike. The tile in said lateral to be taken up, cleaned and relaid to a proper grade from the beginning to a point near the line between said Edward Braithwaite and P. B. Fellows; and new tile to be placed in said lateral from the above mentioned point to the terminus. We also find that due and legal notice has been given to each person and corporation benefited or affected by said proposed improvement. And we do hereby order the Auditor to enter this, our finding, in writing, on the Commissioners' journal. And we do further authorize the Auditor to enter upon said journal an order directing the County Surveyor to go upon the line as described in the petition and survey and level the same and set a stake at every hundred feet numbering down stream, and to embody in said order direction to the said Surveyor to make and return a schedule of all lots or lands and public or corporate roads and railroads that will be benefited, and an apportionment of the estimated cost of locating and constructing said improvement, in money, according to the benefits which will result to each, and to perform such other duties as are required in Sections 4454, 4455 and 4456 R. S., as now in force and effect, and to file his report with the County Auditor on or before the time hereinafter fixed for hearing the same. It is further ordered that the 3rd day of April 1902, at 10 o'clock, a. m. at the County Auditor's Office is hereby fixed for the hearing of applications for any appropriations of land taken for said improvement, and damages said parties affected by said improvement, or any of them may sustain thereby and for the approval of the report of the Surveyor, to which time and place the proceedings herein now stand adjourned.

The roll being called for the approval of the foregoing entry and order relating to said ditch improvement, H. E. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement

and Chas. H. Markley voted "aye".
 H. B. Bradley, }
 B. A. Taylor, } Commissioners
 Auditor and Clerk. }
 Jas. B. Anderson, }
 Chas. H. Markley. } of
 Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

In the matter of the } April 3rd A. D. 1902.
 Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Report and Schedules of Engineer
 for by H. B. Wilson et al. } Filed April 3rd 1902, at 8:40 a.m. B. A. Taylor, Auditor
 To the Honorable, the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, O.

The undersigned Engineer, in obedience to the direction of your honorable body, made on the 28th day of February, 1902, 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; and I have made a note of the intersection of lines and boundaries of lands, township and county lines, land marks, bench marks, and road and rail road crossings; and I herewith make a 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 rail roads, 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 to the benefits which will result to each from the said improvement; and in apportioning the costs of such improvement, the benefits to any lots or lands by diking the same in whole or in part, have been by me considered with other benefits, and a specification of the manner in which the improvement shall be made and completed, the number of flood-gates, farm crossings and bridges, including kinds and dimensions thereof; and such other matters as the undersigned deems important. The said survey, level reports 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,	19 1/2 days,	at \$4.00 per day =	\$78.00
Gene Paine, Rodman,	1 day,	at \$1.25 per day =	\$1.25
Henry Betts, Chairman,	1 day,	at \$1.25 per day =	\$1.25
Wright, Chairman,	1 day,	at \$1.25 per day =	\$1.25
Ralph Alder, Marker,	1 day,	at \$1.25 per day =	\$1.25
Bratt Smith, Foreman,	1 day,	at \$1.25 per day =	\$1.25
A. L. Duffit, Team hauling stakes			\$3.00
E. A. Alderice, Stakes 90-18"-90-12"			\$2.48
Total =			\$89.73

J. H. Asher,
Engineer.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement

Report of Engineer

Schedule "A"

Station Number	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Entire Depth	Dist.	Grade	Course & Distance	Remarks
Main Ditch ↓							
63+67							Begins at the line between Anthony Paulus and Henry B. Wilson at Sta. 63+67 of the Lester Bidwell Ditch.
64	83.60	77.90	5.70	3.15		63+67 to 66+72	
65	82.55	77.70	4.85	3.25		S. 52 1/2 E. = 305'	
B.M.	82.35						
66	82.46	77.50	4.95	2.25		66+72 to 70+60	
+72	81.30	77.35	3.95	2.30		S. 63 1/2 E. = 388'	
67	82.35	77.30	5.05	1.95			
68	82.00	77.10	4.90	2.05			
69	81.83	76.90	4.93	1.65			
70	81.19	76.70	4.49	1.75		70+60 to 74+73	
+60	81.30	76.58	4.72	1.57		S. 33 3/4 E. = 413'	
71	81.23	76.50	4.73	1.45			
72	79.35	76.30	3.05	1.50			
73	80.18	75.10	5.08	2.39			
74	79.90	74.90	5.00	2.26		74+73 to 76+67	
+75	79.52	74.75	4.77	2.		S. 16° E. = 194'	
75	78.93	74.70	4.23	2.45			
76	78.01	74.50	4.51	3.00		76+67 to 80	
+67	78.82	74.36	3.46			S. 46 1/2 E. = 333.	
77	77.84	74.30	3.54	1.81			
78	75.40	74.10	1.30	1.30			
79	77.50	73.90	3.60	1.15			
80	78.47	73.70	4.77	.87		80 to 87+50	
81	77.81	73.50	4.31	.31		S. 52 E. = 1750'	
82	75.85	73.30	2.55	.40			
83	77.03	73.10	4.93	.35			
84	76.55	72.90	3.65	.40			
85	77.27	72.70	4.67	.49			
86	77.15	72.50	4.65	.52			
87	77.28	72.30	4.98	.50		87+50 to 88+50	
+50	75.95	72.20	3.75	.43		S. 14 E. 100'	
88	74.16	72.10	2.06	.53			
+50	74.81	72.00	2.81	.55	100% for Bank		
B.M.	78.90						
Lateral No. 3							
0	100.00	96.50	3.50	3.50	from 0 to 36 10' tile	Sta. 0 to Sta. 1+50	
1	100.29	96.30	.20	3.99		S. 61 1/2 E. = 150'	
+50	99.82	96.20	.30	3.62		1+50 to 5+50	
2	99.67	96.10	.40	3.57		S. 85 3/4 E. = 400'	
3	99.76	95.90	.60	3.85			
4	99.91	95.70	.80	4.21			
5	99.37	95.50	1.00	3.87		5+50 to 6	
+50	98.00	95.40	1.10	2.60		S. 52 E. = 50'	
B.M.	99.95						

Oliver Johnson } 550' line
Edw. Braithwaite }
Arch R.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. L. Wilson Ditch Improvement

Report of Engineer

Schedule "A"

Stake with number & distance	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total feet from section	Entire Depth	Course & Distance	Remarks
6	98.89	95.30	1.20	3.59	6 to 8+43	
7	99.09	95.10	1.40	3.99	S. 71° E. = 243'	
8	98.99	94.90	1.60	4.09	8+43 to 10+50	
+43	98.96	94.82	1.68	4.14	S. 52 1/2° E. = 207'	
9	98.72	94.70	1.80	4.02		Dike now in to 10+31 Ed. Braithwaite } 1037' = line S. B. Bellows.
10	98.44	94.50	2.00	3.97	10+50 to 18	
+50	100.51	94.40	2.10	6.11	N. 56 1/2° E. = 750'	
11	100.39	94.30	2.20	6.09		
12	99.00	94.10	2.40	4.94		
13	99.50	93.90	2.60	5.60		
14	98.76	93.70	2.80	5.06		
15	98.24	93.50	3.00	4.74		
16	97.71	93.30	3.20	4.41		
B.M.	98.11					Hickory P.
17	97.37	93.00	3.50	4.37		S. B. Bellows } 1843 = line Ed. Braithwaite
18	96.76	92.70	3.80	4.06	18 to 20+50	
19	95.91	92.40	4.10	3.51	N. 40 1/2° E. = 250'	Ed. Braithwaite } 1905. Henry Betts.
20	96.71	92.10	4.40	4.61		
+50	96.79	91.95	4.55	4.89	20+50 to 24	
21	96.08	91.80	4.70	4.28	N. 56° E. = 350'	
22	96.28	91.50	5.00	4.78		
23	95.42	91.20	5.30	4.22		
24	95.77	90.90	5.60	4.87	24 to 29	
25	94.75	90.60	5.90	4.15	S. 70 1/4° E. = 500'	
26	94.52	90.30	6.20	4.22		
27	94.06	90.00	6.50	4.06		
28	93.70	89.70	6.80	4.00		
29	93.31	89.40	7.10	3.91	29 to 36	
30	93.30	89.10	7.40	4.20	N. 81 1/4° E. = 700'	
31	93.16	88.80	7.70	4.36		
32	92.98	88.50	8.00	4.48		
33	92.96	88.20	8.30	4.76		
B.M.	92.61					Bottomwood S.
34	92.40	87.90	8.60	4.50		Henry Betts } 3590' = line S. B. Bellows.
35	91.79	87.60	8.90	4.19		
36	90.95	87.30	9.20	3.65	36 to 68+53 - 12" Dike	36 to 38+30
37	90.79	87.00	9.50	3.79	N. 69 1/4° E. = 230'	
38	90.91	86.70	9.80	4.21		
+30	90.14	86.61	9.89	3.53	38+30 to 43+30	
B.M.	90.19				S. 71 3/4° E. = 500'	Swamp Burr Oak S.
39	89.69	86.40	10.10	3.29		
40	89.12	86.10	10.40	3.02		
41	89.25	85.80	10.70	3.45		
42	89.15	85.50	11.00	3.65		

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

Report of Engineer

Schedule 'a'

Station and Number of Ditch Section	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station	Centre Depth	Course & Distance	Remarks
43	88.61	85.20	11.30	3.41	43+30 to 43+25	
+30	88.75	85.11	11.37	3.64	S. 77° E. = 495'	
44	88.88	84.90	11.60	3.98		
45	88.32	84.60	11.90	3.72		
46	88.22	84.30	12.20	3.92		
47	87.76	84.00	12.50	3.76		
48	87.29	83.70	12.80	3.59		
+25	86.72	83.63	2.87	3.09	48+25 to 55	
49	88.19	83.40	13.10	4.79	S. 77° E. = 675'	
50	86.17	83.10 -.55	13.40	3.07		S. B. Fellows } Henry Betts } 5096' = line
51	86.09	82.55	13.95	3.44		
52	84.33	82.00	14.50	2.33		
53	84.67	81.45	15.05	3.22		
B.W.	85.65					ash R.
54	84.16	80.90	15.60	3.26		
55	83.67	80.35	16.15	3.32	55 to 57+80	
56	83.28	79.80	16.70	3.48	S. 57° 34' E. = 280	
57	82.73	79.25	17.25	3.48		
+80	81.67	78.81	17.69	2.86	57+80 to 59	Henry Betts } S. B. Fellows } 5880' = line
58	82.27	78.70	17.80	3.57	S. 85° 34' E. = 120	
59	81.82	78.15	18.25	3.67	59 to 62+44	
60	81.77	77.60	18.90	4.17	S. 59° E. = 344.	
61	80.63	77.05	19.45	3.58		S. B. Fellows } H. W. Wilson } 6252' = line and center of middle Pitt.
62	80.80	76.50	20.00	4.30		
+44	81.65	76.25	20.25	5.40	62+44 to 68+53	
63	79.70	75.95	20.55	3.75	S. 50° E. = 609'	
B.W.	79.74					ash S.
64	79.09	75.40	21.10	3.69		
65	79.49	74.85	21.65	4.64		
66	78.60	74.30	22.20	4.30		
67	76.53	73.75	22.75	2.78		
68	75.85	73.20	23.30	3.65		
+53	75.94	72.94	23.56	3.00		

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

Report of Engineer. Schedule "A".
Statement of Working Sections of The Henry W. Wilson.

No. of Working Sections	No. of Stakes		No. of Linear Feet	No. of Cubic Yards	Price Per Yard	Amount		Remarks.
	From	To				D.	C.	
I.	88+50	70+60	1790	5.04	12	60	48	Recapitulation Estimated cost of Sile, \$681.93 Estimated cost of construction \$385.70 Estimated cost of Walls \$40.00 Total Estimated cost. \$1107.63
II.	70+60	63+67	693	42	.80	33	60	
		15 inch Sile		42	2.75	115	50	
		Lateral No. 3				149	10	
III.	68+53	45	2353	142.6	.60	85	56	
		12 inch Sile		142.6	1.60	228	16	
						313	72	
IV.	45	20	2500	151.5	.80	121	20	1
		12 inch tile		54.73	1.60	87	57	
		10 " "		96.77	1.15	111	29	
						320	06	
V.	20	0	2000	121.23	.70	84	86	
		10 inch Sile		121.23	1.15	139	41	
						224	27	
VI.	2 Masonry Protection				20.00	40	00	

Report of Engineer. Schedule "B".

Assessments as found on Duplicate	No. of Survey.	Description	Assessed	Assessed	Estimated Cost of Construction	Estimated Cost of Location	Total Cost	Apportioned
Jefferson Township								
- David Patton,	2985		140.70	10.90	20.00	93	20.93	
✓ Isaac Braithwaite,	2985		142.84	5.	15.00	71	15.71	
- Edward Braithwaite	3157 = 50a. 2985 = 64.93a.		114.93	79.93	119.68	534	123.22	
- P. B. Fellows.	3157 = 50a. 4885 = 123a. 6643 = 50a.		173	60.	303.88	1360	317.48	
- Henry Betts.	5175 = 51.73a. 6643 = 180.35a.		101.75	101.75	281.56	1260	294.16	
- H. W. Wilson.	4904 = 20. a.		200.25	75.	235.23	1056	245.79	
✓ Almer Johnson,	2985		112.	40.	81.00	369	84.69	
- Marion Bidwell,	7216		72.45	40.	640		640	
- Monroe Bidwell,	12273		348.50	100.	430		430	
- Lester Bidwell,	12149 10701		121.75	25.	640		640	
- Jas. + Sarah Stanton,	6643 4885		96.98	96.98	258		258	
- Anthony Paulus,	6643		111.90	10.	200		200	
- Sarah Penny,	12273 12285		100.	35.	300		300	
- Willis Glover,	6000 7216		35.98	35.98	360		360	
Madison County,		Middle Pike			2300	1105	2405	

Report of Engineer. Schedule "C".
Auditors Office, Madison County, Ohio,
April 3rd A. D. 1907.
In the matter of the } Specifications of the manner of construction.
Ditch Imp. Petitioned }
for by H. W. Wilson et al. }
The main ditch of this improvement is to be tilled with

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement

15 inch tile from the line between the lands of Anthony Paulus (which is 63+67 of the Lester Bidwell Ditch) to Station 70+60. From 70+60, it is to be made an open ditch, to Station 88+50 at which point said main ditch terminates. Ditch to be 2 feet wide in bottom - side slopes $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 1. Laterals Nos. 1 and 2, are now tiled. Lateral No. 3 is to be tiled with 10 inch tile from Station 0 to Station 36, and from Station 36 to 68+53, with 12 inch tile. Said Lateral No. 3 has tile in from Station 0 to Station 10+37. Said tile are to be taken up, and the trench cut deeper. All of said tile so taken up, which are suitable to use again which will be put back in ditch and the lands on which they are found will receive credit for them at the rate at which tile of the same dimensions sell on day of ditch sale. The trenches in all this improvement must be cut down to grade as shown in schedule "A" of this Report and also shown on profile filed herewith. Tile must be evenly laid and closely jointed and must not have any dirt thrown on them until after they have been inspected by the engineer in charge of the work. All brush within 15 feet of said ditch must be grubbed, and all trees within said line must be deadened.

All tile must be first class drain tile and each size must be delivered in its proper place on the line of the ditch. Any expense incurred because of improper delivery will be charged against the tile contract and deducted from same at time of settlement. The contractor for furnishing tile must furnish all necessary T's. The contractor for construction must connect all laterals, both old and new, without extra compensation, unless said old laterals have to be taken up and repaired a distance of more than 10 to 12 feet, in which instance a reasonable allowance will be made for said work.

Report of Engineer.

Schedule "B."

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,

In the matter of the } April 3rd A. D. 1902.Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Specifications of the manner of
for by H. B. Wilson et al. } Construction of Protection Walls.

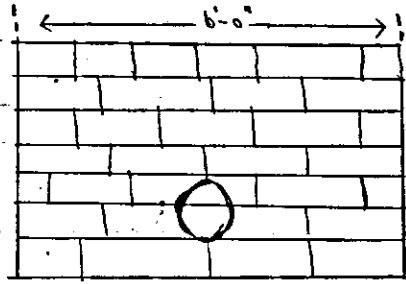
Two protection walls of large sized hard stone are to be constructed, one at the mouth of the 15 inch tile on the lands of Harry B. Wilson, and one at the mouth of the 12 inch tile of Lateral No. 3, also on the lands of said Wilson.

Walls to be constructed of stone as above mention-

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

ed, to be laid in regular courses, with cement mortar, made of Portland cement and clean sharp sand in the proportion of 1 part cement to 2 parts of sand. Said walls are each to be 6' x 4' x 4'



In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by H. W. Wilson et al. } Auditor's Office Madison County, Ohio.
 April 3rd A. D. 1902.
 Binding of the Commissioners on Report of Engineer.

This day the Board of Commissioners being in special session, present H. C. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. S. Markley, and this being the day adjourned to by said Board for the hearing of the report and apportionment of the Engineer of the above styled 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 pendency, substance and prayer of the petition for said improvement.

Said Board also find that no one has made application in writing for compensation and damages, and that no one has made application in writing for a change in the line of said ditch through his premises. After having examined the report of the Engineer with the apportionment by him made, do find that said report and apportionment are in all respects fair and just, according to the benefits to be derived from the proposed improvement by the owner of each lot and tract of land and by municipal and private corporations and railroad companies.

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

It is further ordered that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay for the expense of the above named improvement, that bonds of the County be issued for amounts to be hereinafter determined.

Bonds to run three (3) years.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor. H. C. Bradley, President Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
 London, Ohio, April 3rd 1902.

Board met today in special session. Present: H. C. Bradley.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.

Commissioner
Journal Vol. 7
Page 485.

Chas. H. Markley and Jas. B. Anderson,
In the matter of the
Ditch Imp. Petitioned
for by H. W. Wilson et al.

Finding of Commissioners
on Report of Engineer.

This day the Board of Commissioners being in session, and this being the day adjourned to by said Board for the hearing of the Report of the Engineer and the apportionment by him made, in the above styled matter, the Board, after proper examination, do find that due notice has been given for the length of time required by law to all the lot and land owners and to the authorities of all municipal and private corporations affected by said improvement, notifying them of the pendency, substance and prayer of the petition for said improvement.

Said Board also find that no one has made application in writing, for compensation and damages. After having examined the Report of the Engineer with the apportionment by him made, do find that said report and apportionment are in all respects fair and just according to the benefits to be 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. It is further ordered that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay for the expense of the above named improvement that Bonds of the County be issued for amounts to be hereinafter determined. Bonds to run three (3) years. It is now and therefore ordered that the 22nd day of April, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock, A. M. of said day, be fixed as the time for commencing the sale of the work of constructing said improvement, and that the same be sold at public outcry. The place of said sale is fixed on the line of said ditch and said sale to commence with the working section, constituting the mouth of said improvement, at the hour above named, and from that point to continue to the starting point; each section shall be sold at public outcry until all the sections are offered. Said work shall be sold in sections of not less than one hundred feet nor more than twenty five hundred feet in length, and it is also ordered that the County Auditor give notice of said sale by circulating hand bills.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

And it is also ordered and directed that the County Surveyor, J. H. Asher, attend at the time and place of said sale and conduct the same and receive all bids for the construction of said work; and that he make contracts with the lowest responsible bidder and take good and sufficient bonds for the labor of said improvement, conditioned for the faithful performance of said contract so to be made, and for the completion of the work within the time fixed by said contract, and for all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time stipulated in said contract, in a sum not less than double the estimated value of the work, and the labor of constructing the portion bid off by said contracting party.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the foregoing orders and findings relating to said ditch improvement, all members voted "Aye".

B. A. Taylor,

County Auditor.

H. E. Bradley,

Jas. B. Anderson,

Chas. H. Markley,

Commissioners

of

Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

In the matter of the } April 3rd A. D. 1907.
Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Order to Sell the Labor of Construction,
for by H. W. Wilson et al. }

This day, this matter came before the Board of Commissioners in special session, present; H. E. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson, and Chas. H. Markley, and it appearing to the Board that no appeal has been taken, It is now and therefore ordered that the 22nd day of April A. D. 1907, at 10 o'clock, A. M. of said day, be fixed as the time for commencing the sale of the work of constructing said improvement, and that the same be sold at public outcry. The place of said sale is fixed on the line of the ditch and said sale to commence with the working section constituting the mouth of said improvement, at the hour above named, and from that point to continue to the starting point, each section shall be offered at public outcry until all the sections are offered; said work shall be sold in sections of not less than one hundred feet nor more than twenty five hundred feet in length. And it is also ordered that the County Auditor give notice of said sale by circulating hand bills. And it is also ordered and directed that J. H. Asher, County Surveyor, attend at the time and place

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

of said sale and conduct the same and receive all bids for the construction of said work; and that he make contracts with the lowest responsible bidder and take good and sufficient bonds for the labor of said improvement, conditioned for the faithful performance of said contract so to be made, and for the completion of the work within the time fixed by the contract, and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time stipulated in said contract, in a sum not less than double the estimated value of the work and labor of constructing the portion bid off by said contracting party.

H. E. Bradley,

B. A. Taylor, County Auditor, President Board of Commissioners

Ditch Sale.

Notice to Contractors. The undersigned Engineer will sell as public entry on Tuesday, April 22nd 1902, at 10 o'clock A. M. (Standard time) of said day, to the lowest responsible bidder thereof, the work of furnishing the tile and constructing the Henry W. Wilson Ditch Improvement, located in Jefferson Township, Madison County, Ohio. Said work will be sold in sections as follows or may be offered as a whole.

Main Ditch Section 1.

Section I.	From Station 88.50 to Station 70.60	
	Open ditch, 504 cu. yds. at 12¢	\$60.48
Section II.	From Station 70.60 to Station 63.67	
	42 rods 15-inch tile @ \$2.75 per rod,	115.50
	47 rods excavation at 80¢ per rod,	33.60
		<u>149.10</u>

Lateral No. 3.

Section III.	From Station 68.53 to Station 45	
	142.6 rods 12 inch tile at \$1.60 per rod	228.16
	142.6 rods excavation at 60¢ per rod	85.56
		<u>313.72</u>

Section IV.	From Station 45 to Station 20	
	54.73 rods, 12 inch tile at \$1.60 per rod,	87.57
	96.77 rods 10 inch tile at \$1.15 per rod,	111.29
	151.50 rods excavation at 80¢ per rod,	121.20
		<u>320.06</u>

Section V.	From Station 20 to Station 0	
	121.23 rods 10 inch tile at \$1.15 per rod,	139.41
	121.23 rods excavation at 60¢ per rod,	84.86
		<u>224.27</u>

Section VI. 2 masonry Protection Walls.

	Large sized hand stone to be laid in mortar,	
	#20 each cement \$40.00	40.00

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

Bidders will meet at the place where Lateral No. 3 crosses the middle dike near the residence of Henry Betts, about 3 1/2 miles north of West Jefferson. A cash deposit (no checks) of \$20.00 will be required to be made as a guarantee of good faith before any bid will be entertained. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. Specifications are now on file in the Auditor's Office, at London, Ohio, and will be with the engineer on day of sale.

By order of the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.
B. A. Taylor, Auditor. J. H. Asher, Engineer.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,

In the matter of the } April 22nd A. D. 1907.
Ditch Imp. Petitioned for } Report of Sale of Labor of Construction
by H. W. Wilson.

To the Honorable Board of 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 work of constructing the above styled improvement, at the time and place therein specified, I offered the said 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 respectfully conditioned according to law, and return the same herewith for your approval. Working Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 were sold to Leonard Morgan for Three hundred and seventy five dollars (\$375.⁰⁰) Amount for which it was estimated Three hundred and eighty five and 7/100 Dollars (\$385.⁷⁰). To be completed on or before the 1st day of August, 1907.

Furnishing Pipe was sold to J. W. Van Winkle for six hundred and eighty dollars (\$680.⁰⁰) Amount for which it was estimated Six hundred and eighty one and 93/100 Dollars (\$681.⁹³). To be delivered on or before July 1st 1907. Masonry for stone wall was sold to Leonard Morgan, for Forty Dollars. Amount for which it was estimated, Forty Dollars. To be completed on or before August 1st 1907.

Respectfully Submitted,
H. E. Mc Cafferty, Deputy County Surveyor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,

In the matter of the } April 24th A. D. 1907.
Ditch Imp. Petitioned for } Contract for Labor of Construction
by H. W. Wilson } Whereas, the above styled im-
provement has been duly ordered and advertised for

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The A. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

was according to law, and the construction of Working Section Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 + 6 of 9336 feet, and 2 foot
 masonry walls, was sold by the duly appointed En-
 gineer on the 22nd day of April, A. D. 1902, to the un-
 derbidder for four hundred and fifty Dollars pur-
 suant to said order and notice. Now, in considera-
 tion of the premises, it is agreed by me to and
 with whomsoever may be interested therein that
 I will do all the labor of constructing said improve-
 ment, in accordance with the specifications
 for constructing the same, as shown in the
 record of the proceedings thereof, the same to be com-
 pleted on or before the 1st day of August, 1902,
 Provided, however, this contract shall be of no
 force and effect until approved by the Board
 of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher, Engineer, Leonard Morgan, Contractor.

Contractor's Bond.

Know all men by these presents, that Leonard Mor-
 gan, as principal, and D. A. Fitzgerald and Marion
 Bidwell as sureties are held and firmly bound
 unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of
 Eight hundred and Thirty Dollars, good and law-
 ful money, signed and dated this 24th day of
 April, A. D. 1902. The condition of the above ob-
 ligation 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, has duly entered into the aforesaid contract,
 subject to the condition that the same shall be
 approved by the Commissioners of said Mad-
 ison County, and has agreed to fully do and
 perform all labor of constructing said im-
 provement, in accordance with the plans
 and specifications for said improvement, as
 shown on the record of said proceedings, on or
 before the 1st day of August, A. D. 1902.

Now, if the said Leonard Morgan 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. Leonard Morgan,
 D. A. Fitzgerald,
 Marion Bidwell,
 as sureties on said Bond.

This Contract and Bond approved this 28th day of April, 1902,
 J. H. Asher, Engineer.

W. B. Bradley }
 Jas. B. Anderson } Commissioners
 Chas. S. Walker } of Madison County

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
The H. C. Wilson Ditch Improvement

Contract for Drain Tile.

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, 3, 4, 5 sold by the County Surveyor, on the 22nd day of April A. D. 1902, to J. W. Van Blevé for \$1680.⁰⁰. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will furnish 47 rods of 15 inch tile from station 63.67 to station 70.60; and 197.33 rods of 12 inch tile from station 68.53 to station 36 of Lateral 3; 218 rods of 10 inch tile from station 36 to 0 of Lateral 3, delivered on line of above styled improvement as needed, the same to be delivered on or before July 1st 1902. provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. S. Asher, County Surveyor.

J. W. Van Blevé, Contractor.

Contractor's Bond for Drain Tile.

Know all men by these presents, That J. W. Van Blevé as principal and H. C. Southard and Simpson Van Blevé as sureties are jointly and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Thirteen Hundred and Sixty Dollars, good and lawful money, signed and dated this 22nd day of April A. D. 1902. The condition of the above obligation, is such however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor, has bid off the furnishing and delivering the Drain Tile for constructing working section Nos. 1 to 5, has duly entered into the aforesaid contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said County. Now, if the said J. W. Van Blevé shall 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 fixed by said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

This Contract and Bond and Sureties on said Bond approved this 28th day of April A. D. 1902.

J. S. Asher, County Surveyor,
Madison County Ohio.

J. W. Van Blevé.

Chas. F. Wilson

H. C. Southard

Simpson Van Blevé.

H. C. Bradley }
Chas. S. Markley } Commissioners of
Madison Co. Ohio

Commissioner
Journal Vol. 7
Page 501

Special Session - Entry Approving Contracts and Bonds. May 6th 1902.
J. S. Asher, the County Surveyor having made his report

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement

of the sale of the labor of constructing said im-
provement, and having within the time required
by law, filed the contracts entered into for doing
said work, and the Bonds of said contractors, which
contracts and bonds have all been examined and
approved by this Board and they are ordered to be
filed according to law. And the County Auditor
is hereby directed to notify said contractors of the
approval of said contracts and bonds and that he
is required to comply therewith.

B. A. Taylor,

Auditor and Clerk.

H. E. Bradley,

Jas. B. Anderson

Chas. B. Markley.

Commissioners
of
Madison Co.

Notice of Approval of Contract & Bond.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio, May 8, 1902.
To J. W. Van Winkle, Contractor: You are hereby notified
that the Contract and Bond made and taken between
you and the Engineer, for furnishing tile for work-
ing sections Nos. 2-3-4-5 of the ditch improvement
petitioned for by Henry B. Wilson et al, now on
file with the Auditor of said County, has been
duly approved by the Commissioners.

B. A. Taylor, County Auditor, per B.

Notice of Approval of Contract & Bond.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio, May 8, 1902.
To Leonard Morgan, Contractor: You are hereby no-
tified that the Contract and Bond, made and ta-
ken between you and the engineer for construct-
ing working sections, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 of the Ditch
Improvement, petitioned for by H. B. Wilson
et al, now on file with the Auditor of said County,
has been duly approved by the Commissioners.

B. A. Taylor, County Auditor

Order of Issue and Sale of Bonds.

Regular Session. May 12, 1902.
This day the Commissioners considered the
matter of issuing and selling bonds to meet
the expense of the H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement,
It was moved by Jas. B. Anderson and seconded by
Charles B. Markley, that for the purpose of raising
money necessary to pay for said improvement,
and in pursuance of the authority granted by
Sections 4479, 4481 & 4482, of the Revised Statutes of
Ohio and the laws amendatory thereof and sup-
plementary thereof that Bonds of the County be

Commissioners
Journal Vol. 9
Page 504

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement

issued for said improvement as follows:
The H. W. Wilson Ditch Improvement.
One Bond for \$220, due January 1st 1902.
One Bond for \$220, due July 1st 1902
One Bond for \$220, due January 1st 1903
One Bond for \$220, due July 1st 1903
One Bond for \$220, due January 1st 1904
One Bond for \$220, due July 1st 1904.
Total amount of said bonds thirteen hundred and twenty Dollars (\$1320.⁰⁰). Said bonds to bear date of July 1st 1902, and bear interest at the rate of four (4) per cent, per annum, represented by coupons, payable as follows: First installment due January 1st 1903, and payable semi-annually thereafter and due January 1st and July 1st of each year. Said bonds are to be issued in pursuance of the authority granted by Sections 4479, 4481 + 4482, of the Revised Statutes of Ohio, and the laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto. Bids to be received for the entire issue or any part thereof and no bonds to be sold for less than their face value. Bidders to be required to state the gross amount they will pay for said bonds or any portion or part thereof. Bonds and interest 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 payment of purchase price together with any accrued interest. Each bidder will be required to deposit cash to an amount at least equaling five (5) per cent of the bid to bind the purchase; the deposited amount of unsuccessful bidder will be returned to the owner. 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 Times" a newspaper of general circulation in Madison County, Ohio.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor & Clerk. H. C. Bradley, } Commissioners
Jas. B. Anderson, } of
Chas. H. Markley, } Madison County.

Proof of Publication of Bond Sale.

The State of Ohio, Madison County, ss:
W. D. Bacome, being duly sworn, says he is the Manager of "The London Times" a weekly newspaper printed and of general circulation in said County and that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, was published in said newspaper for at least 5 consecutive weeks prior to the 21st day of June, 1902. W. D. Bacome.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of June, 1902.
B. A. Taylor, Auditor.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement

Commissioners
Journal Vol. 7
Page 528.

Special Session. Sale of Bonds. June 21st 1902.
This being the day fixed by the Board for the sale of the county ditch improvement bonds, which bonds are specifically described in the order for the sale of the same, dated May, 12th 1902, and described on page 505, 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: The Madison National Bank, London, Ohio, The Central Bank, London, Ohio. After due consideration of all the bids it was moved by Chas. H. Markley and seconded by Jas. B. Anderson that the bid of The Madison National Bank be accepted, and that the Auditor be directed to prepare the bonds so sold.

B. A. Taylor,
County Auditor & Clerk.

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

Commissioners
Journal Vol. 7
Page 581.

Regular Session. Assessments. September 8th 1902.
The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement having been provided for according to law, and the Board of County Commissioners having determined to raise money necessary to pay for the expense of said improvement, it is hereby ordered that assessments shall be made upon the lots and lands benefited as follows: The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement payable in three annual installments, and that assessments for the year, 1902, sufficient to pay the cost of construction, the bonds and interest due, and the first and all claims for compensation and damages allowed, be made in proportion to the estimates made on the various improvements. 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, 1902, charging each of the lots and lands assessed for The H. B. Wilson Ditch Improvement, 3 1/3 per cent of the gross assessment. And that assessments shall be made annually hereafter, sufficient to pay the bonds and interest due each year until paid.

The roll being called for the approval of the foregoing entry relating to the assessments on said ditch improvement, H. E. Bradley, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. H. Markley voted Aye.
B. A. Taylor, }
Auditor & Clerk, } Commissioners
H. E. Bradley, } of
Jas. B. Anderson, } Madison County
Chas. H. Markley, }
Recorded, October 1st 1902. B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.