

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

The James E. Spencer Ditch Improvement No. 2

Record of proceedings in the matter of the Ditch Improvement petitioned for by James E. Spencer and located in Jefferson Township, Madison County, Ohio.

Ditch Petition

London, Ohio, Oct. 17th A.D. 1904. Petition for location, construction and tiling of a Ditch, Madison County, Ohio.

Filed Oct. 17th 1904

B.A. Taylor Auditor

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 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, to wit: Commencing at the end of a tile ditch on the west side of the Middle fike, about three rods south of an angle in said fike; said angle being in front of the residence of James E. Spencer; thence through the lands of said Spencer in a general south easterly direction about 180 rods to the west line of John Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a general south easterly direction about 80 rods to the line of H. B. Wilson's lands; thence through the lands of said Wilson in a general north easterly direction about 25 rods to the line of said Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a north easterly direction about 30 rods to the East fike; thence crossing said fike and in a north easterly direction through the lands of Alexander Prose about 40 rods or far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet. Your petitioners ask that said ditch be tiled to the East Pike and also ask for the location, construction and tiling of any laterals deemed necessary to complete the improvement.

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;

- B. B. Gregg
 - David Carter
 - Asa Carter
 - James E. Spencer
 - H. B. Wilson
 - John Bidwell
 - Alexander Prose
 - Mary Bidwell
 - Owen Harbage
- Madison County.

James E. Spencer, } Petitioners.

Petitioners Bond

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Know all men by these presents, that James E. Spencer as principal and John Murray and Peter Mc Donald as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the State

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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 17th day of October, A.D. 1904. The condition of the above obligation is such, nevertheless, that whereas on the 17th day of October 1904, the above bounden James E. Spencer, made application to the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio, and on said day filed with the Auditor of said County, his petition for the location, construction and tiling of a county ditch in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, on the following route and termini, to wit: Commencing at the end of a tile ditch on the west side of the Middle Pike, about three rods south of an angle in said pike, said angle being in front of the residence of James E. Spencer; thence through the lands of said Spencer in a general south easterly direction about 180 rods to the west line of John Bidwell's land, thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a general south easterly direction about 80 rods to the line of H. B. Wilson's lands, thence through the lands of said Wilson in a general north easterly direction about 25 rods to the line of said Bidwell's land; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a north easterly direction about 30 rods to the East pike, thence crossing said pike and in a north easterly direction through the lands of Alexander Cross about 40 rods, or far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet, said petitioner asks that said ditch be tiled to the East pike, and also ask for the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals deemed necessary to complete the improvement. Now if the above bounden James E. Spencer, John Murray, Peter Mc Donald, or if the prayer of the 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 the sureties thereon are approved by me this 18th day of October, 1904.

B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.

Notice to Commissioners of Petition Filed and Time for Hearing.

Notice to
Commissioners

Office of Auditor, Madison County, Ohio, Oct. 17, 1904.

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 17th day of October, 1904, a copy of which petition is attached below, and as required by law, I have fixed the 5th day of November, 1904 at 10 o'clock, A.M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch improvement as described in said petition for your hearing of said matter.

B. A. Taylor, Auditor.

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Copy of Ditch Petition.

London, Ohio, A.D. 1904. Petition for location, construction, and tiling of a ditch. To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of said County: The undersigned owners of lot or 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 at the end of a tile ditch on the west side of the Middle pike, about 2 rods south of an angle in said pike; said angle being in front of the residence of James E. Spencer; thence through the lands of said Spencer in a general south-easterly direction about 180 rods to the west line of John Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a general south-easterly direction about 80 rods to the line of H. W. Wilson's lands; thence through the lands of said Wilson in a general north-easterly direction about 25 rods to the line of said Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a north-easterly direction about 20 rods to the East Pike; thence crossing said pike in a north easterly direction through the lands of Alexander Prose about 40 rods or far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet. The petitioners ask that said ditch be tiled to the East Pike; and also for the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to complete the improvement. The names of all persons and corporations either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioner are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows: J. W. Gregg, David Carter, Asa Carter, Jas. E. Spencer, H. W. Wilson, John Bidwell, Alexander Prose, Mary Bidwell, Owen Harbage, Madison County, Jas. E. Spencer, Petitioner.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a ditch petition filed in my office on the 17th day of Oct. A. D. 1904, B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County, London, Ohio, October, 17th 1904.

Board of Commissioners met today in regular session. Commissioners Present: H. C. Bradley, Geo. E. Roberts and W. P. Chenoweth. In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Notice of filing of petition &c. Petitioned for by James E. Spencer. The County Auditor having

Notice of filing of petition

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delivered to this Board a certified copy of a ditch petition filed with him on the 17th day of October, 1904, praying for the location, construction and tiling of a county ditch between the termini and along the route stated below, to wit: Commencing at the end of a tile ditch on the west side of the Middle pike about three rods south of an angle in said pike; said angle being in front of the residence of James E. Spencer, thence through the lands of said Spencer in a general south easterly direction about 180 rods to the west line of John Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a general south-easterly direction about 80 rods to the line of H. B. Wilson's lands; thence through the lands of said Wilson in a general north easterly direction about 25 rods to the line of said Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a north easterly direction about 30 rods to the East pike; thence crossing said pike and in a north easterly direction through the lands of Alexander Prose about 40 rods or far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet. The petitioners ask that said ditch be tiled to the East pike, and also ask for the location, construction and tiling of any laterals deemed necessary to complete the improvement. And it appearing that said petitioners have given bond as required by law, which bond has been approved by said Auditor and said Auditor having fixed the 5th day of November, 1904, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

It is therefore 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 other persons competent to testify, and to determine as to the necessity of said improvement.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entry and order relating to said ditch improvement,
 H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. P. Whemmeth
 Commissioners

B. A. Taylor, Auditor & Clerk, Jno. E. Roberts, W. P. Whemmeth, }
 of Madison County,
 Auditor's Office, Madison County,

Notice to Lot or Land Owners

In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by James E. Spencer }
 London, Ohio, October, 1904.
 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 17th day of October, 1904, James E. Spencer filed a certificate with the Auditor of said County, the prayer of which is for the location, construction and tiling of a ditch on the following starting point,

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route and termini, to wit: Commencing at the end of a tile ditch on the west side of the Middle Pike, about 3 rods south of an angle in said pike; said angle being in front of the residence of James E. Spencer; thence through the lands of said Spencer in a general south easterly direction about 180 rods to the West line of John Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a general south easterly direction about 80 rods to the line of H. W. Wilson's lands; thence through the lands of said Wilson in a general north easterly direction about 25 rods to the line of said Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a north easterly direction about 30 rods to the East Pike; thence crossing said pike in a north easterly direction through the lands of Alexander Prose about 40 rods or far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet; The petitioners ask that said ditch be tiled to the East Pike; and also ask for the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to complete the improvement. The names of all persons and corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioner are in any way affected or benefited thereby, are as follows: S. W. Egg, David Carter, Asa Carter, Jas. E. Spencer, H. W. Wilson, John Bidwell, Alexander Prose, Mary Bidwell, Owen Harbage, and Madison County. 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: To wit: Saturday, November, 5th 1904, at 10 o'clock, A.M. at the beginning of said proposed improvement for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said 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 in 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. A. A. Taylor, Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio, London, Ohio, October 19th A.D. 1904.

Proof of Personal Notice

The State of Ohio Madison County, Oh.

Proof of Personal Service.

On this 19th day of October, 1904, personally came W. A. Wilson, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that on the days hereinafter named, he served the annexed notice on the persons hereinafter named, by delivering to each person a true

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copy of the annexed notice, or by leaving the same at their usual place of residence.

Name of Person Served.	How Served.	When Served.
E. W. Hegg	Personally	October 19 th 1904
Asa Carter	Personally	October 19 th 1904
David Carter	Left at Residence	October 19 th 1904
James O. Spencer,	Left at Residence	October 19 th 1904
H. B. Wilson,	Left at Residence	October 19 th 1904
John Bidwell	Left at Residence	October 19 th 1904
Alexander Prose	Left at Residence	October 19 th 1904
Mary Bidwell	Left at Residence	October 19 th 1904
Owen Harbage	Personally	October 19 th 1904
David Conklin, ^{Demant}	Left at Residence,	October 19 th 1904

And further this deponent saith not.

B. A. Wilson, Sheriff.

Sworn to by B. A. Wilson before me, and by him subscribed in my presence this 19th day of October, 1904.

B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.

Exceptions and
Claim for Damages
by Alexander Prose

To the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio:
Gentlemen: In the matter of the ditch improvement petitioned for by James O. Spencer, I would respectfully represent that said improvement is not necessary for the public health, convenience or welfare, for the reason that it does not drain any pond or stagnant water, but that the land of said Spencer, alone will be benefited thereby. The open ditch on my land is sufficient to carry off all water now emptying into it, and said improvement will be of no benefit to me, whatever. Further said Spencer has sufficient fall and outlet on his own premises to properly drain all his lands. I will be damaged to the extent of any assessment made against me for the making of said improvement also for the loss of ground taken by widening the ditch and also injury to land by being tramped by the teams in scraping out the ditch. I will be damaged by making said improvement in the sum of two hundred dollars for which I ask payment before said improvement is ordered.

Respectfully Submitted

November 5th 1904.

Alexander Prose.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County
London, Ohio, Nov. 7th 1904.

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Board of Commissioners met today in regular session.
Present: H. E. Bradley, Jr., E. Roberts and H. P. Chenoweth.
In the matter of the
Ditch Imp. Petitioned
for by James O. Spencer,
Commissioner's Finding on Petition
Order to Engineer.
This day the Commissioners of Madison County
being in regular session, and a copy of a petition

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for the location, construction and tiling 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 5th day of November, 1904, 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 others 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 object of said improvement will be better accomplished by changing the upper or beginning terminus of said improvement. The following is determined upon as the route of said ditch, to wit:

Beginning on the lands of David and Asa Carter about 5 rods north of the line between said Carter's lands and the lands of James E. Spencer, thence in an easterly direction through the lands of said Carter about 4 rods; thence in a south-easterly direction across the lands of said Spencer, to the west side of the Middle Pike to a point at the end of a tile ditch on the west side of said pike, about 3 rods south of an angle in said pike, said angle being in front of the residence of James E. Spencer; thence through the lands of said Spencer in a general south easterly direction about 18 rods to the west line of John Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a general south easterly direction about 8 rods to the line of H. B. Wilson's lands; thence through the lands of said Wilson in a general north easterly direction about 25 rods to the line of H. B. Wilson's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a north easterly direction about 30 rods to the East pike; thence crossing said pike and in a north-easterly direction through the lands of Alexander Price about 40 rods or far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet.

It is ordered that said improvement be granted and the same be known as "The James E. Spencer Ditch Improvement No. 2. The tile now in the main ditch west of the Middle

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Pike be examined, and if necessary, be taken up, repaired and relaid to the proper grade. The following laterals were located by us, viz:

Lateral No. 1

Lateral No. 1. Beginning on the lands of David and Asa Baxter near the line between their lands and the lands of James E. Spencer; running thence near the middle pike, through the lands of said Spencer to a point on the west side of said pike opposite the residence of James E. Spencer, and there entering the

Lateral No. 2

main ditch. Lateral No. 2. Beginning on the lands of J. B. Begg, about 10 or 15 rods west of the line between said Begg and James E. Spencer's land; thence in an easterly course through said Begg's lands and the lands of said Spencer and the lands of H. B. Wilson, to a point on the west side of the middle pike near a large sewer which crosses said pike and there intersects the main ditch. Lateral No. 3: Beginning on

Lateral No. 3

the lands of J. B. Begg about 10 rods west of the middle pike; thence in an easterly course through the lands of said Begg; thence crossing the middle pike; thence through the lands of said Spencer about 85 rods to where it intersects the main ditch.

Lateral No. 4

Lateral No. 4: Beginning on the lands of H. B. Wilson about 40 rods south of the line between the lands of said Wilson and the lands of John Bidwell; thence northerly across said Wilson's lands and the lands of said Bidwell and intersecting the main ditch about 15 rods north of said Bidwell's south line. The tile in laterals Nos. 1, 2 + 3 to be examined,

and repaired, if necessary. We also find that due and legal notice has been given to each person or corporation benefited or affected by said proposed improvement. We further find that Alexander Prose has made application in writing for compensation and damages, which application is ordered to be filed. And we do hereby order the Auditor to enter this, our finding, in writing, on the Commissioner's 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 as changed by us in accordance with Section 4448 R. S. as described above, 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

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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 30th day of November, 1904, at 10 o'clock, A. M. at the Commissioners' Office, is hereby fixed for the hearings of applications for any appropriations of lands 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. On the question of the adoption of the foregoing order and findings relating to said ditch improvement, all members voted "Aye".

B. A. Taylor,
Auditor & Clerk.

H. E. Bradley, Pres. }
Jno. E. Roberts }
W. P. Wheroweth }
Commissioners
of
Madison County

Finding on Petition - Copy for Surveyor,
Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

Finding on Petition
Copy for Surveyor.

In the matter of the November, 5th A. D. 1904.
Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by James C. Spencer
Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
Finding on Petition - Copy for Surveyor.

This day the Commissioners of Madison County being in regular session, members present, H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. P. Wheroweth, and a copy of a petition for the location, constructing and filling 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 5th day of November, 1904, 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} 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 object of said improvement will be better accom-

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finished by changing the upper or beginning terminus of said improvement. The following is determined upon as the route of said ditch, viz: commencing on the lands of David and Asa Carter, about 5 rods north of the line between said Carters lands and the lands of James E. Spencer; thence in an easterly direction through the lands of said Carter about 40 rods; thence in a south-easterly direction across the lands of said Spencer to the west side of the Middle Pike to a point at the end of a tile ditch on the west side of said pike about 3 rods south of an angle in said pike said angle being in front of the residence of James E. Spencer; thence through the lands of said Spencer in a general south-easterly direction about 180 rods to the west line of John Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a general south-easterly direction, about 80 rods to the line of H. W. Wilson's land; thence through the lands of said Wilson in a general north-easterly direction about 25 rods to the line of said Bidwell's lands; thence through the lands of said Bidwell in a north-easterly direction about 30 rods to the East pike; thence crossing said pike in a north-easterly direction through the lands of Alexander Proce about 40 rods or far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet. It is therefore ordered that said improvement be granted and the same be known as "The James E. Spencer Ditch Improvement No. 2". The tile now in the main ditch west of the Middle pike to be examined, and if necessary, be taken up, repaired and relaid to proper grade. The following laterals were located by us, viz:

Lateral No. 1. = Beginning on the lands of David and Asa Carter near the line between their lands and the lands of James E. Spencer; running thence near the Middle Pike through the lands of said Spencer to a point on the west side of said pike opposite the residence of James E. Spencer and there entering the main ditch.

Lateral No. 2. = Beginning on the lands of P. W. Begg about 10 or 15 rods west of the line between said Begg and James E. Spencer lands; thence in a general easterly course through said Begg's lands and the lands of said Spencer and the lands of H. W. Wilson to a point on the west side of the Middle pike near a large sewer which crosses said pike and there intersects the main ditch.

Lateral No. 3. = Beginning on the lands of P. W. Begg about 10 rods west of the Middle pike; thence in an easterly course through his lands and crossing said

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pike and through the lands of James E. Spencer about 85 rods at which point it intersects the main ditch. Lateral No. 4. - Beginning on the lands of H. B. Wilson about 40 rods south of the line between the lands of said Wilson and the lands of John Bidwell; thence north westerly across said Wilson's lands and the lands of said Bidwell and entering the main ditch about 15 rods north of said Bidwell's south line. The tile in laterals Nos. 1, 2 and 3 to be examined and repaired, if necessary. We also find that due and legal notice has been given for the length of time required by law, to each person or corporation benefited or affected by said proposed improvement. We further find that Alexander Prose has made application in writing for compensation and damage which application is ordered to be filed. And we do hereby order the Auditor to enter this, our finding, in writing, on the Commissioner's 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 charged by us in accordance with Section 4448, R. S. as described above, 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 railroad 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 30th day of November, 1904 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. B. A. Taylor, Auditor. H. E. Bradley, President Board of Commissioners.

I certify the foregoing to be correctly copied from the record of the proceedings of the Board. B. A. Taylor, Auditor. Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

Report and Schedules of Engineer.

In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by James E. Spencer, } November, 30th A. D. 1904.
 Report and Schedules of Engineer. To the Honorable, the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio: The undersigned engineer in obedience to the direction of your honorable

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body, made on the 5th day of November, 1904, has proceeded in the above matter, and has made a level and survey of the line of said proposed ditch improvement, and set stakes 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 railroad crossings, and I herewith make report of same, with profile, and plot and an estimate of the number of cubic yards of earth or other substance to be removed, and the cost per cubic yard for each working section, on said report indicated and of each section of one hundred feet. I have also made and return herewith a schedule of all the lots and lands and public and corporate roads and railroads, together with the name of the owners of such railroad companies, and the names of the lessees operating the same, that will be benefited by said improvement, and an apportionment of the cost of location and construction, in money, to each lot and tract of land, road and railroad, according to the benefits which will result to each from the said improvement, and in apportioning the cost 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, water ways, 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 hereof. The following is an itemized cost bill, made by me, in the proper discharge of my duty, under your order.

J. H. Asher, Engineer,	9½ days	at \$4.00 per day	\$ 38.00
Blyde B. Asher, Engineer,	1 day	at \$4.00 per day	\$ 4.00
Jerse Paine Rodman,	2 days	at \$1.25 per day	\$ 2.50
John Doyle, Chairman,	1 day	at \$1.25 per day	\$ 1.25
George Beary, Chairman,	1 day	at \$1.25 per day	\$ 1.25
Geo. Dehobfield Marker,	2 days	at \$1.25 per day	\$ 1.25
James E. Spencer, Flagman,	1 day	at \$1.25 per day	\$ 2.50
David Wood, Aman,	1 day	at \$1.25 per day	\$ 1.25

Other expenses:

Burnham and Gordin, team, 1 day,	\$ 3.00
Taylor and Pierce Lumber Company, stakes	\$ 3.90
George Bearden, Digging for tile,	\$ 1.50
J. H. Asher, Engineer,	\$ 60.40

Filed on the 20th day of November, 1904.

D. A. Taylor,

Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

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Report of Engineer							Schedule "A"	
Station	Surf. Elev.	Ditch Elev.	Grade	Contour	Right	Left	Course and Distance	Intersection of lines and boundaries of lands.
0	99.50	97.00			2.50		0 to 3 or 65 E = 300'	Begin on land of David + Geo Carter
B.M.	100.00							Line Left.
1	99.31							300' on Carter
2	99.09							
3	97.86						3 to 5 + 30	David + Geo Carter } 300' = line
4	97.15						S. 82 1/2 E. 230'	Geo. E. Spencer.
5	96.40						5 + 30 to 7 + 40	
+30	96.24						N. 32 1/2 E = 210'	
6	95.83							
7	95.14							
+40	94.97						7 + 40 to 9	
8	95.39						N. 84 E = 160'	
9	93.82						9 to 12	
10	92.95						S. 81 E = 300'	
11	92.23							
12	91.65						12 to 13	
13	91.25						S. 44 1/4 E = 100'	
14	91.39						13 to 15	
15	91.25						S. 18 1/2 E = 200'	
16	90.64							Geo. E. Spencer } 1479' = line
								H. W. Wilson
17	90.61						15 to 17 + 70	1479' on Spencer.
+70	90.44	86.00	11.00	4.44	2.32		S. 67 E = 270'	
18	90.83	85.88	11.12	4.95	2.58			
+81	89.80	85.56	11.44	4.24	2.48		17 + 70 to 18 + 81	
19	90.88	85.43	11.57	5.45	5.45		S. 33 1/4 E = 111'	H. W. Wilson } 1023' = line
								Geo. E. Spencer
								144' on Wilson.
B.M.	90.98							Locust - Left.
20	90.14	84.98	12.02	5.16	2.59		18 + 81 to 20 + 54	
+54	89.72	84.75	12.25	4.97			S. 77 1/2 E = 173'	
21	89.80	84.53	12.47	5.27	2.47		20 + 54 to 21 + 77	
+77	89.80	84.18	12.82	5.62			S. 60 3/4 E = 123'	
22	89.53	84.08	12.92	5.45	2.44		21 + 77 to 24 + 26	
23	85.89	83.63	13.37	2.26	2.26		S. 55 E = 249'	
24	85.32	83.18	13.82	2.14	2.14			
+26	87.78	83.07	13.93	4.71			24 + 26 to 29	
25	85.73	82.73	14.27	3.00	2.54		N. 64 E = 494'	
26	85.19	82.28	14.72	3.91	2.24			
B.M.	86.80							Hickory - Left.
27	84.70	81.83	15.17	2.87	2.34			
28	85.06	81.38	15.62	3.68	2.59			
29	85.21	80.93	16.07	4.28	2.83		29 to 30	
30	84.83	80.48	16.52	4.35	2.89		N. 76 1/2 E = 100'	
31	84.20	79.78	17.22	4.42	4.42		30 to 32	
32	82.81	79.08	17.92	3.73	2.41		S. 77 3/4 E = 200'	
33	81.75	78.38	18.62	3.37	2.37		32 to 37 + 55	
34	80.92	77.68	19.32	3.24	2.11		N. 85 1/4 E = 555'	

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Report of Engineer

Schedule "A"

Station	Surface Elevation	Ditch Elevation	Depth from Station	Ditch	Dist.	Course and Distance	Intersection of lines and boundaries of lands
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35	81.56	77.23	19.77	4.33	3.17		
36	81.32	76.78	20.22	4.54	4.54		
37	80.93	76.33	20.67	4.60	4.60		
+55	79.45	76.10	20.90	3.35		37+55 to 39+20	
38	78.68	65.68	21.12	2.80	2.38	S. 40' 12" E. = 165'	
B.M.	80.60						Oak - Right
39	78.58	65.43	21.57	3.15	3.15		
+20	77.84	75.34	21.66	2.50		39+20 to 42+67	
40	79.20	74.98	22.02	4.32	2.14	S. 62' E. = 347'	
41	78.97	74.53	22.47	4.44	2.05		
42	77.59	74.08	22.92	3.51	1.83		
+67	78.48	73.78	23.22	4.70		42+67 to 50	
43	76.27	73.63	23.37	2.64	1.67	S. 87' E. = 733'	
44	76.84	73.18	23.82	3.66	1.80		
45	75.68	72.73	24.27	2.95	1.43		
46	76.26	72.28	24.72	3.98	1.42		
47	75.66	71.83	25.17	3.83	1.46		
48	75.01	71.38	25.62	3.63	1.72		
49	74.67	70.93	26.07	3.74	1.57		
B.M.	77.13						Boulder - Right
50	75.22	70.58	26.42	4.64	1.87	50 to 60	
51	73.87	70.13	26.87	3.74	2.14	N. 81' E. = 1000'	
52	73.72	69.68	27.32	4.04	2.14		
53	73.52	69.23	27.77	4.29	2.19		
54	72.34	68.78	28.22	3.56	2.26		
55	73.51	68.23	28.67	5.18	2.51		
56	72.73	68.13	28.87	4.60	2.44		
57	72.89	67.93	29.07	4.96	2.30		
58	71.16	67.73	29.27	4.03	4.03		gas. E. Spencer } 5990' line Jno. Bidwell } 4067' on Spencer
59	72.41	67.53	29.47	4.88	4.88		
B.M.	72.78						Ash - Left.
60	71.64	67.33	29.67	4.31	4.31	60 to 65+60	
61	71.54	67.13	29.87	4.41	4.41	S. 81' E. = 560'	
62	71.41	66.93	30.07	4.43	4.48		Jno. Bidwell } 6365' line H. S. Wilson }
63	71.35	66.73	30.28	4.62	4.62		375' on Bidwell.
64	68.62	66.53	30.47	2.09	2.09		
65	69.69	66.33	30.67	3.36	3.36	65+60 to 70+50 N. 25 3/4 E. = 490'	
+60	70.01	66.21	30.79	4.80	4.80		
B.M.	71.57						Ash 100' - Right.
66	70.05	66.13	30.87	3.92	3.92		
67	69.88	65.93	31.07	3.95	3.95		H. S. Wilson } 6782' line Jno. Bidwell }
68	69.47	65.73	31.27	3.74	3.74		417 on Wilson.
69	70.10	65.50	31.47	4.57	2.17		
+50	67.96	65.43	31.57	2.53	2.53		
70	69.35	65.33	31.67	4.02	1.72	70+50 to 73	
+50	68.97	65.18		3.79		N. 23 1/4 E. = 250	
71	68.62	65.03	31.97	3.59	1.99		

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Station	Elevation	Grade	Slope	Cut	Fill	Dist.	Course and Distance	Intersection of lines and boundaries of lands	
72	68.82	64.73	3.227	4.09	2.09				
73	67.32	64.43	32.57	2.89	2.29		73 to 74		
74	67.55	64.13	32.87	3.42	2.19		at 49° E. = 100'		
75	67.93	63.83	33.17	4.10	2.23		74 to 77+54		
76	66.24	63.53	33.47	2.71	1.99		at 71 1/2° E. 354'		
77	65.72	63.23	33.77	2.49	2.09				
+54	65.74	63.08	33.92	2.66			77+54 to 79+80		
78	65.68	62.93	34.07	2.75	1.91		at 34 1/2° E. = 226'		
79	65.21 68.08	62.63	34.47	2.58	1.39			Geo. Bidwell } 796' = line Alex. Prose } 1178' on Bidwell 240' on Prose	
Center of East Pike									
B.M.	68.89			3.67				+ on 2 nd course from top S.E. corner of exhibit.	
780	65.47	62.39	34.61	3.08	3.08		79+80 to 81		
80	64.44	61.74	35.26	2.70	.40		at 24° E. = 120'	79+60 = center of East Pike.	
81	64.39	61.44	35.56	2.95	.09		81 to 82		
82	63.64	61.14	35.86	2.50			at 72° E. 100' Total length - 8200'		
Lateral No. 1.									
0	93.25	89.96		3.29	3.29			Begins on lands of David and Asa Carter	
1	92.20	89.70	.26	2.50	2.50				
2	91.97	89.44	.52	2.53	2.53				
+57	91.26	89.29		1.97	1.97		0 to 2+57		
3	91.54	89.18	.78	2.36	2.36		S. 64° E. = 257'		
4	91.89	88.92	1.04	2.97	2.97			David and Asa Carter } 588' = line Geo. E. Spencer } 588' on Carter's rail in large part - S.	
5	91.49	88.66	1.30	2.83	2.83				
B.M.	93.79								
6	91.74	88.39	1.57	3.35	3.35			10.12 on Spencer.	
7	91.19	88.12	1.84	3.07	3.07				
8	90.49	87.85	2.11	2.64	2.69				
9	90.59	87.65	2.31	2.94	2.94				
10	90.31	87.45	2.51	2.86	2.86				
11	90.38	87.25	2.71	3.13	3.13				
12	90.32	87.05	2.91	3.27	3.27				
13	90.74	86.85	3.11	3.89	3.89		2+57 to 16		
14	90.46	86.65	3.31	3.81	3.81		S. 15' E.		
15	90.63	86.45	3.51	3.51	3.51				
16	90.44	86.25	3.71	3.71	3.71				
Lateral No. 1 of Lateral No. 1.									
0	94.06	91.56		2.50	2.50			Begins on the lands of David and Asa Carter	
1	93.41	91.16	.40	2.25	2.25		0 to 9+51		
2	93.91	90.76	.80	2.25	2.25		S. 50° E. = 951'	David and Asa Carter } 545' = line Geo. E. Spencer }	
3	93.51	90.36	1.20	3.15	3.15				
4	92.61	89.96	1.60	2.65	2.65			545' on Carter's	
5	92.22	89.36	2.00	2.66	2.66				
6	91.41	89.16	2.40	2.25	2.25			406' on Spencer.	
7	91.01	88.76	2.80	2.25	2.25				
8	90.96	88.36	3.20	2.60	2.60				
9	90.76	87.96	3.60	2.80	2.80				
+51	90.31	87.76	3.70	2.55	2.55				

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Schedule "A"

Station	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Vertical Curve	Station	Dist.	Course and Distance	Intersection of lines and boundaries of lands
0	100.36	97.29			3.07	0 to 1+56	Begins on lands of Jas. C. Spencer.
1	100.13	96.84	.45		3.29	or 68° 0' = 156'	
+56	99.93	96.59	.70		3.34		
2	99.47	96.39	.90		3.08		
3	98.93	95.94	1.35		2.99		
+74	98.79	95.83	1.46		2.96	1+56 to 3+74	
4	98.73	95.49	1.80		3.24	or 34° 0' = 218'	
5	98.39	95.04	2.25		3.35		
6	98.14	94.59	2.70		3.55		
7	96.97	94.14	3.15		2.83		
8	95.74	93.69	3.60		2.05	3+74 to 8	
B.M.	101.14					8.82° 0' = 426'	Nail in top of Oak stump between Station 1 and 2.
21+42						8 to 11+38	
100.19 of M.D.						8.50° 0' = 338'	Schedule "A"

See Page 507 for balance of Schedule "A"

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No. of Sections	No. of Stakes		Sections of the James C. Spencer Ditch Improvement # 2		Amount		Remarks
	From	To	Lineal Feet	Lineal Rods	D.	C.	
Main Ditch							
I	79+80	55	2480	150.3			
			12 inch tile	150.3	1.70	255	51
			Cutting trench and laying tile	150.3	.60	90	18
			Cutting outlet for tile			100	
						346	69
Open ditch below mouth of tile							
II	55	30	2500	151.5			
			12 inch tile	151.5	1.70	257	55
			Cutting trench and laying tile	151.5	.50	75	75
						333	30
III	30	17+70	1230	74.56			
			12 inch tile	74.56	1.70	126	75
			Cutting trench and laying tile	74.56	.55	41	00
						167	75
Lateral No. 1 and Lat. No. 1 of Lateral No. 1							
IV	16	0	1600	154.6			
	1081						
	9+51	0	951				
			8 inch tile	81.5	.80	65	20
			5 " "	73.1	.35	25	59
			Cutting etc	154.6	.40	61	84
						157	63
Lateral No. 2							
V	21	21+42	42	2.5			
	8	0	800	48.5			
			5 inch tile	48.5	.35	16	98
			6 " "	2.5	.50	1	25
			Cutting and laying tile	51	.40	20	40
tile to be left in. From 21 to 21+42							
VI			Protection wall			38	63
			7' x 4' x 4' - Open 7' x 3' x 1 1/2'			25	00
Wall to be of large sized hard stone and laid in regular courses and bedded in cement mortar. Open to be made of concrete. See Specifications							

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Owner's name as found on Duplicate	No. of Entry	Description	Acres owned	Acres drained	Estimated cost	Actual cost	Estimated cost	Actual cost	Estimated cost	Actual cost	Estimated cost
B. W. Gregg	1410			20	35 00	1 95	36 95				
David + Asa Carter				65	135 00	8 50	143 50				
James E. Spencer			126	132	587 00	32 80	619 80				
John Bidwell			40	40	180 00	10 08	190 08				
Mary Bidwell			48.76	15	10 00	6 00	10 60				
H. B. Wilson				25	80 00	4 52	84 52				
Martha J. Wilson			6.89	6	12 00	6 50	12 65				
Madison County					25 00	1 30	26 30				
					\$1064.00	\$60.40	\$1124.40				

The foregoing report is hereby approved and confirmed this 30th day of November, 1904.

H. E. Bradley }
 Jno. E. Roberts } Commissioners
 W. P. Wherewith }
 of Madison County, Ohio.

Report of Engineer. Schedule "B".
 Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
 November 30th A. D. 1904.

Specifications of the manner of construction

Specifications of the manner of construction for by James E. Spencer. The tile now in main ditch from station 0 to station 17+70 was examined by me and found in good condition, and will therefore not be taken up. From station 17+70 to station 19+80 a point on the east side of the East Pike shall be tiled with 12 inch tile. Lateral No. 1 shall be tiled with 5 inch tile from station 0 to station 2+57 and with 8 inch tile from station 2+57 to station 16. Lateral No. 1 of Lateral No. 1 shall be tiled throughout its entire length with 5 inch tile; and lateral No. 2 shall be tiled with 5 inch tile from station 0 to station 8 and from station 21 to station 21+42 with 6 inch tile. The trenches for receiving the tile must be cut down to the grade line as shown on the profile filed herewith and as indicated in each station in schedule "A" of this report. The tile must be evenly laid and closely jointed and left with just enough dirt around them to keep them in place until they have been examined by the Engineer in charge of the work, after which they must be covered to a safe depth, leaving wherever practicable a surface or storm water ditch over the tile. Whenever the tile leaves the old open ditch, said open ditch must not be flowed full of dirt but there must remain a storm ditch in the old channel. The contractor for constructing ditch must connect all laterals which now empty into the open ditch. If said laterals need taking up or have to be extended more than 1/2 rod, said contractor shall receive a reasonable allowance for same. Each land owner shall furnish tile needed for extending

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laterals to main ditch. All timber or brush standing within 20 feet of the line of ditch must be deadened or removed by the landowner on whose place they occur, if not done by them after a reasonable time it shall be done by the contractor and charged to the lands on which they are found. All tile must be first class well burned tile free from cracks and cylindrical in form; each size must be delivered on the line of the ditch in its proper place. Any expense or delay caused by improper delivery will be charged against the tile contractor and deducted therefrom at the time of settlement. The estimate for tile includes the furnishing of all necessary tools. A clear right of way of 20 feet on each side of ditch is reserved for constructing said ditch and for delivering tile. A protection wall shall be built at the mouth of the 12 inch tile of large sized hard stone laid in regular courses and well bedded in Portland cement mortar made of 1 part cement and 3 parts sand. The joints must be well pointed with mortar made of 1 part cement and 1 part sand. Dimensions of wall 7 feet x 4 feet x 4 feet. In front of the wall shall be constructed a concrete apron 7 feet x 3 feet x 1 1/2 feet. Concrete to be composed of best Portland cement 1 part, sand 3 parts, gravel 4 parts. The top of apron to have a finished coat at least 1 inch thick, composed of 1 part cement and 2 parts sand and be trowled down smooth.

Application to pay assessment in cash.
 London, Ohio, November, 30th 1904.

Application to pay assessment in cash. To the Commissioners and Auditor:
 I hereby make application to pay my assessment on the James E. Spencer Ditch, #2 in full in cash.
 David and A. O. Carter. by A. O. Carter.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
 London, Ohio, November, 30th 1904.

Board of Commissioners met today pursuant to adjournment of November 7th 1904, Present: W. E. Bradley, Jr., C. Roberts and W. O. Wheroweth.

Commissioner's Journal Vol. 8, Page 463. Finding of Commissioners on Report of Engineer. In the matter of the Ditch Imp. petitioned for by James E. Spencer. This being the day fixed by the Board for the hearing of the report and disposition 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

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improvement, said Board find that Alexander Prose has made application in writing for compensation and damages which application is ordered filed. After having examined the report of the Engineer, with the appropriation by him made, said Board do find that said report and appropriation 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 rail road companies. It is therefore ordered that said report and appropriation be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed. The board having considered the written application of Alexander Prose as to compensation and damages and having examined the evidence relating thereto, find that the Engineer has not reported an assessment against the lands of said Alexander Prose, and it further appearing from said report of the Engineer, that said lands are in no way affected or benefited by said improvement, and that no damages could accrue from the construction of said improvement; - It is therefore ordered that said claim be and the same is hereby overruled. Said Board further find that David and Ada Carter have made application to pay their entire assessment in full, which application is ordered filed. And it appearing to the Board that no appeal has been taken from their order confirming the assessments as approved by them; - It is now and therefore ordered that the 17th day of December, 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 the ditch 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. And it is also ordered that the Auditor of said County give notice of said sale by circulating handbills. And it is also ordered and directed that the County Surveyor, J. M. 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

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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 labor of constructing the portion bid off by said contracting parties.

It is further ordered that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay for the expense of said improvement, that bonds of the county be issued for amounts to be hereinafter determined Bonds to run three (3) years.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entry relating to said ditch improvement,

H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. P. Chenoweth voted 'aye'
H. E. Bradley, Pres. }
B. A. Taylor, Auditor & Clerk, Jno. E. Roberts }
W. P. Chenoweth. } Commissioners of Madison County,

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,

Order to Sell Labor of Construction

In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by James E. Spencer, November, 30th A. D. 1904. Order to Sell the Labor of Construction.

This day, this matter come before the Board of Commissioners in adjourned session, present H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. P. Chenoweth; and it appearing to the Board that no appeal has been taken: It is now and therefore ordered that the 17th day of December, 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 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 Auditor of said County give notice of said sale by circulating hand bills, 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 im-

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provement 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 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 labor of constructing the portion bid off by said contracting party.

B. A. Taylor, County Auditor - H. E. Bradley, President of Board of Commissioners

Ditch Sale Bill Ditch Sale - Notice to Contractors.

The undersigned engineer will, on Saturday, December 17th 1904, at 10 o'clock A.M. (standard time) receive bids orally for furnishing all materials and the labor of constructing the Spencer Ditch Improvement No. 2.

Located in Jefferson Township Madison County, Ohio. Said work will be sold in sections as follows: The furnishing of tile will constitute a separate contract.

Section	Description	Price
Section 1.	From Station 82 to Station 55	
	150.3 rods of 12 inch tile at \$1.70 per rod.	\$255.51
	150.3 rods cutting at .60 per rod.	90.18
	Cleaning outlet for tile.	1.00
Section 2.	From Station 55 to Station 30,	\$346.69
	151.5 rods 12 inch tile at \$1.70 per rod,	\$257.55
	151.5 rods cutting for tile at .50 per rod.	75.75
Section 3.	From Station 30 to Station 17+70	\$333.30
	74.56 rods 12 inch tile at \$1.70 per rod,	\$126.75
	74.56 rods cutting at .55 per rod.	41.00
	To be completed March 1 st 1905.	\$167.75
Section 4.	Lateral No. 1 and Lateral No. 1 of No. 1	
	Lateral No. 1 from Station 16 to Station 0	
	Lateral No. 1 of No. 1 from Station 9 plus 51 to Station 0	
	81.5 rods 8 inch tile at .80 per rod.	\$65.20
	73.1 rods 5 inch tile at .35 per rod.	25.59
Section 5.	154.6 rods cutting at .40 per rod.	61.84
	To be completed April 1 st 1905.	\$152.63
	Lateral No. 2 from Station 21+42 to Station 21,	
	and from Station 8 to Station 0	
Section 6.	2.50 rods 6 inch tile at .50 per rod.	\$ 1.25
	48.50 rods 5 inch tile at .35 per rod,	16.98
	51. rods cutting at .40 per rod.	20.40
	To be completed April 15 th 1905.	\$ 38.63
Section 6.	Protection wall.	
	Dimensions, 6 feet by 4 feet by 3 1/2 feet.	\$ 25.00
Railroad Station, West Jefferson,		
Average distance to haul about 1 1/2 miles.		
Bidders will meet where main ditch crosses Middle Pike opposite James E. Spencer's residence, 1 mile north of West Jefferson. A cash deposit of \$20.00 (no checks taken)		

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is required before any bids will be entertained. Bond and contract to be given within 5 days from date of sale. Specifications of above work now on file at the Auditor's Office, and will be with the engineer on day of sale. Bidders who desire to go over the line of the ditch should do so prior to the time of the sale. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

By order of the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio,
D. R. Taylor, Auditor. J. H. Asher, Engineer.

Report of Sale

In the matter of the } Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,
Ditch Imp. Petitioned for } December 17th A. D. 1904,
by James E. Spencer, } Report of Sale of the Labor of Construction,
To the Honorable Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio:

Gentlemen: In obedience to your direction and also in pursuance of the notice duly given by the Auditor of the sale of the 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.

No. of Working Section	To Whom Sold,	Amount for which sold		Amount for which it was estimated		When to be completed.
		Dollars	Cts	Dollars	Cts	
	File					
1-2-3-4-5	J. W. Van Buren	724	00	748	83	April 5 th 1905.
	Construction					
1	George Rearden	91	18	91	18	March 1 st 1905
2	" "	75	75	75	75	March 1 st 1905
3	" "	41	00	41	00	March 1 st 1905
4	" "	61	84	61	84	April 1 st 1905
5	" "	20	40	20	40	April 1 st 1905
		290	17	290	17	
6	Patrick McElroy	25	00	25	00	April 15 th 1905

J. H. Asher, Engineer.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,

Contract of P. McElroy

In the matter of the } Auditor's Office, Madison County,
Ditch Imp. Petitioned for } London, Ohio, Dec. 17th A. D. 1904.
for by James E. Spencer, } Contract for Labor of Construction
Whereas, The above styled improve-
ment has been duly ordered and advertised for sale
according to law, and the construction of Working
Section No. 6 (Protection Wall) was sold by the duly
appointed Engineer on the 17th day of December, 1904,
to the undersigned for Twenty Five Dollars pursuant
to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of
the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whom-

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soever may be interested therein, that I will do and perform all the labor of construction of 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 15th day of April, A. D. 1905, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher, Engineer. P. McElroy, Contractor.
Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, Dec. 17th A. D. 1904.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, Dec. 17th A. D. 1904.

Bond of P. McElroy.

In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by James O. Spencer. } Contractors' Bond.

Know all men by these presents, that P. M. McElroy as principal and A. B. Millikin and E. W. Johnson as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Fifty Dollars, good and lawful money. Signed and dated this 17th day of December, A. D. 1904. The condition of the above obligation is such however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor has bid off the labor of constructing Working Section No. 6, has duly entered into the annexed contract subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the plans and specifications of said improvement, as shown on the records of said proceedings, on or before the 15th day of April, A. D. 1905. Now, if the said P. McElroy shall well and truly perform all the obligations of said contract, and complete the same within the time fixed by said contract, and pay all damages which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

This contract and Bond and Sureties on said Bond approved this 19th day of December, A. D. 1904.
P. McElroy
A. B. Millikin
E. W. Johnson
J. H. Asher, Engineer.
H. E. Bradley
Jno. E. Roberts
H. P. Wheroweth
Filed Dec. 16th 1904
B. A. Taylor Auditor
Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

Contract of George Rearden.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, December, 17th 1904.
In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by James O. Spencer. } Contract for Labor of Construction
Whereas, the above styled improvement has been duly ordered and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of working sections was

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1, 2, 3, 4, + 5 of 11593 feet, was sold by the duly appointed Engineer on the 17th day of December, A. D. 1904, to the undersigned for Five hundred and ninety and ¹⁷/₁₀₀ Dollars, pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises it is agreed by me, to and with whom sever 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 15th day of April, A. D. 1905, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher, Engineer.

George Rearden, Contractor.

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London, Ohio, December, 17th 1904.

Bond of George Rearden

In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by James E. Spencer.

Contractor's Bond.

Know all men by these presents, that George Rearden as principal and A. W. Carter and Monroe Bidwell as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Five Hundred and Eighty and ³⁴/₁₀₀ Dollars, good and lawful money. Signed and dated this 17th day of December, A. D. 1904. 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, has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Board of 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 15th day of April, 1905. Now, if the said George Rearden shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract and complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

This Contract and Bond and Sureties on said Bond approved this 19th day of December, A. D. 1904.

George Rearden,
A. W. Carter
Monroe Bidwell.

H. E. Bradley, }
Jno. E. Roberts }
W. P. Whinoweth }
Commissioners
of
Madison County

D. A. Taylor,
Auditor and Clerk.

Filed December, 16th 1904. D. A. Taylor, Auditor.

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Contract for Drain Tile

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,

December 17th A. D. 1904.

Contract for Drain Tile.

In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by James E. Spencer. Whereas, the above styled improvement has been duly ordered and advertised for sale according to law, and the furnishing of tile for Working Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 + 5 of 11593 feet, was sold by the County Surveyor, on the 17th day of December, A. D. 1904, to J. W. Van Blevé for \$724.00. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will furnish 374.36 rods of 12 inch drain tile from Station 17+60 to Station 79+80; and 81.5 rods of 8 inch drain tile, Lateral No. 1 from Station 16 to Station 2+57; 73.1 rods 5 inch tile on Lateral No. 1 and Lateral 1 of 1; 2 1/2 rods 6 inch tile and 48 1/2 rods 5 inch tile on Lateral No. 2, delivered on line of above styled improvement in lots as needed. The 12 inch tile to be delivered on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1905; all other tile by the 15th day of April, 1905; Provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher,

County Surveyor.

J. W. Van Blevé,

Contractor.

Contractor's Bond for Drain Tile.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,

December 17th A. D. 1904.

Contractor's Bond for Drain Tile.

In the matter of the Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by James E. Spencer. Know all men by these presents, that J. W. Van Blevé as principal and Clark Van Blevé and Van Blevé Clay Mfg. Co. as sureties are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Fourteen hundred and forty eight Dollars, good and lawful money. Signed and dated this 17th day of December, A. D. 1904. The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor has bid off the furnishing and delivering the Drain Tile for constructing Working Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 + 5, has duly entered into the annexed 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 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.

J. W. Van Blevé,
Clark Van Blevé
Van Blevé Clay Mfg Co.

Contract of J. W. Van Blevé.

Bond of J. W. Van Blevé.

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This Contract and Bond and Sureties on said Bond are approved this 26th day of December, A. D. 1904.

J. H. Asher, County Surveyor, H. E. Bradley, President Board of Commissioners, Commissioners' Office, Madison County, London, Ohio, 7 December, 19th 1904.

Commissioner's Journal Vol. 8 Page 474 Board of Commissioners met today in regular session pursuant to adjournment of December, 12th 1904.

Approval of Contract + Bond of P. Mc Elroy. In the matter of the James E. Spencer Ditch Improvement. Approval of Contract and Bond of P. Mc Elroy.

Present: H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. P. Wheroweth.

J. H. Asher, the County Surveyor, having made his report of the sale of the work of constructing said improvement, and having within the time required by law, filed the contract entered into, with P. Mc Elroy for the construction of working section No. 6 (Protection Wall) of said improvement, and the bond of said contractor, which contract and bond have been examined and approved by this Board and they are ordered filed according to law.

And the County Auditor is directed to notify said contractor of the approval of his contract and bond and that he is required to comply therewith. The roll being called for the approval of the foregoing entry, relating to said contract and bond, H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. P. Wheroweth voted "Aye".

Approval of Contract + Bond of George Rearden. In the matter of the James E. Spencer Ditch Improvement. Approval of Contract and Bond of George Rearden.

Commissioner's Journal Vol. 8 Page 474 J. H. Asher, the County Surveyor, having made his report of the sale of the work of constructing said improvement, and having within the time required by law, filed the contract entered into with George Rearden for the construction of working sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 + 5 of said improvement, and the bond of said contractor, which contract and bond have been examined and approved by this board, and they are ordered filed according to law.

And the County Auditor is directed to notify said contractor of the approval of his contract and bond and that he is required to comply therewith.

The roll being called for the approval of the foregoing entry relating to said contract and bond, H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. P. Wheroweth, voted "Aye".

H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts, W. P. Wheroweth, Commissioners of Madison County. B. A. Taylor, Auditor and Clerk.

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Approval of Con-
tract and Bond
of J. W. Van Blevé
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Board of Commissioners met today in regular session,
Present: H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and N. P. Wheroveth
In the matter of the
Ditch Impf. Petitioned for } Approval of Contract and
by James E. Spencer. } Bond of J. W. Van Blevé.

J. H. Asher the County Surveyor, having made
his report of the sale of the work of constructing the above
styled improvement, and having within the time required
by law filed the contract entered into with J. W. Van Blevé
for furnishing tile for working sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 + 5 of said
improvement and the bond of said contractor, which
contract and bond have been examined and approved
by this Board and they are ordered filed according to law.
And the County Auditor is directed to notify said Con-
tractor of the approval of said contract and bond,
and that he is required to comply therewith.
The roll being called for the approval of the above entry
relating to said contract and bond, H. E. Bradley, Jno.
E. Roberts and N. P. Wheroveth voted "Aye".

H. E. Bradley, Pres. } Commissioners
B. A. Taylor, }
Auditor & Clerk, Jno. E. Roberts }
N. P. Wheroveth. } of Madison County

Notice of Approval
of Contract & Bond
of P. Mc Elroy

Notice of Approval of Contract and Bond for Constructing Ditch,
Auditor's Office, Madison County, London, Ohio, December, 19th 1904.
To P. Mc Elroy, Contractor: You are hereby notified that the
Contract and Bond made and taken between you and
the Engineer for the construction of working section
No. 6 (Protection Wall) of the Ditch Improvement petition-
ed for by James E. Spencer, now on file with the Auditor
of said County, have been duly approved by the Commissioners,
B. A. Taylor, Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

Notice of Approval
of Contract & Bond
of George Reardon

Notice of Approval of Contract and Bond for Constructing Ditch,
Auditor's Office, Madison County, London, Ohio, December, 17th 1904.
To George Reardon, Contractor: You are hereby notified
that the Contract and Bond made and taken between you
and the Engineer for the the construction of working section
Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 + 5 of the Ditch Improvement petitioned for by
James E. Spence, now on file with the Auditor of said County,
have been duly approved by the County Commissioners,
B. A. Taylor, Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

Notice of Approval
of Contract & Bond
of J. W. Van Blevé

Notice of Approval of Contract and Bond for Constructing Ditch,
Auditor's Office, Madison County, London, Ohio, December, 27th 1904.
To J. W. Van Blevé, Contractor: You are hereby notified that the contract
and bond made and taken between you and the Engineer for the
furnishing of tile for working sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 + 5 of the Ditch
Improvement Petitioned for by James E. Spencer, now on file with the
Auditor of said County, have been duly approved by the Commissioners.
B. A. Taylor, Auditor Madison County, Ohio.

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, January 23rd 1905.

Order of Issue
and Sale of Bonds

Board of Commissioners met today in regular session,
Present: H. C. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and H. P. Whemoweth.

In the matter of the

Issue and sale of various
Ditch Improvement Bonds,

Order of Issue and Sale of Bonds.

This day the Commissioners consid-
ered the matter of issuing and selling county bonds to
meet the expense of The James E. Spencer Ditch Improvement.
It was moved by John E. Roberts and seconded by H. P.
Whemoweth, that for the purpose of raising money neces-
sary 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 supplementary thereto, that Bonds of the
County be issued for said Improvement, as follows:

The James E. Spencer Ditch Improvement,

One Bond for \$100, due Sept. 1st 1905

One Bond for \$100, due March 1st 1906

One Bond for \$100, due Sept. 1st 1906

One Bond for \$100, due March 1st 1907

One Bond for \$100, due Sept. 1st 1907

One Bond for \$100, due March 1st 1908

One Bond for \$100, due Sept. 1st 1908

One Bond for \$100, due March 1st 1909

One Bond for \$100, due Sept. 1st 1909

One Bond for \$100, due March 1st 1910

Total amount of said Bonds, Sixteen Hundred (\$1600.00) Dollars

That said Bonds will bear day of March 1st 1905, and
will bear interest from date at the rate of five (5) per
cent per annum represented by coupons payable as
follows: First installment due September 1st 1905 and
payable semi-annually thereafter and due March 1st
and September 1st of each year.

That said Bonds are issued in pursuance of the
authority granted by Sections 4479, 4481 and 4482 of
the Revised Statutes of Ohio, and the laws amenda-
tory thereof and supplementary thereto.

That bids will be received for the entire issue or any
portion or part thereof and no bonds will be sold for
less than their face value.

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

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

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That no bids will be considered unless accompanied by a certificate of the County Treasurer, showing that cash amounting at least to five (5) per cent of the bonds bid for has been deposited, said deposit being required to bind the purchase; the deposited amount of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to the owners.

That the Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids. That the County Auditor be 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, and "The Ohio State Journal," a newspaper printed and of general circulation in the State of Ohio.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entry and orders relating to said bond sale,

H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. B. Whemoveth voted "Aye"
H. E. Bradley, Pres. }
B. A. Taylor, Jno. E. Roberts } Commissioners
Auditor's Clerk. W. B. Whemoveth } of Madison County.

Notice of Sale of Bonds

Notice of Bond Sale.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio, will receive sealed bids, filed with the Auditor of said County, in London, Ohio, up to twelve o'clock, noon on Saturday, February 25th 1905, for the purchase by the highest bidder of certain bonds amounting in the aggregate to Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Dollars (\$18,580.00) said bonds are for the purpose of raising money for the purposes hereinafter mentioned and are specifically described as follows:

Amount of Bonds for Spencer Ditch Improvement = \$1600.)

- One Bond for \$160, due Sept. 1st 1905.
- One Bond for \$160, due March 1st 1906.
- One Bond for \$160, due Sept. 1st 1906.
- One Bond for \$160, due March 1st 1907.
- One Bond for \$160, due Sept. 1st 1907.
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- One Bond for \$160, due March 1st 1909.
- One Bond for \$160, due Sept. 1st 1909.
- One Bond for \$160, due March 1st 1910.

Said Bonds will bear date of March 1st 1905, and will bear interest at the rate of five (5) per cent per annum, represented by coupons, payable as follows: First installment due September 1st 1905, and payable semi-annually thereafter and due March 1st and September 1st of each year. Said bonds are issued in pursuance of the authority granted by Sections 4479, 4481, & 4482 of the Revised Statutes of Ohio, and the laws amend-

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tory thereof and supplementary thereto. Bids will be received for the entire issue or any part thereof and no bonds will be sold for less than their face value. Bidders will 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 the payment of purchase price together with any accrued interest. No bid will be received or considered unless accompanied by a certificate of the County Treasurer showing that cash amounting at least to five (5) per cent of the amount of bonds bid for has been deposited, said deposit being required to be made to bind the purchase. The deposited amount of unsuccessful bidders will be returned to the owners. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids.
By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, B. A. Taylor, Auditor Madison County Ohio.
Lateral No. 2.

"See Margin of Page 488"

Course & Distance	Description
11 + 38 to 13 + 24 S. 69° 12' E. = 186'	This lateral consists of new ditch from Station 0 to Station 3 + 74. From Station
13 + 24 to 15 + 50 N. 70° 12' E. = 226'	3 + 74 to 8' - Ditch is to be taken up and put down
15 + 50 to 17 N. 19° 14' E. = 150'	deeper. From Station 8 to Station 21. Ditch
17 to 21 + 42 N. 56° E. = 442'	now in is clean and has fair depth and good fall and will not be taken up. From Station 21 to 21 + 42, 6" Ditch will be put in.

Proof of Publication
The Ohio State Journal

Proof of Publication,
State of Ohio, Franklin County, ss:
Paul Eisela, Barber of "The Ohio State Journal" a newspaper published at Columbus, Ohio, Franklin County, personally appeared and made oath that the attached printed advertisement was published for four consecutive weeks in said newspaper from and after January 26th 1905, and that said paper is of general circulation in said county and State.
Paul Eisela.
Subscribed and sworn to this 16th day of Feb. 1905.
W. H. Bible.
Notary Public in and for Franklin County, Ohio.

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Proof of Publication
The London Times

Proof of Publication.

The State of Ohio, Madison County, ss:
M. F. Dunn, being duly sworn, says he is the publisher 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 3 consecutive weeks beginning on the 26th day of January, 1905.
M. F. Dunn,
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of March, 1905.
B. A. Taylor, Auditor.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, February 25th 1905.

Sale of Bonds
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Board met today in special session.
Present: H. E. Bradley, Jr., E. Roberts and W. P. Chenoweth.
In the matter of the sale of various ditch improvement bonds, this being the day fixed by the Board for the sale of various ditch improvement bonds, which bonds are specifically described in the order for the sale of the same, dated January 23rd 1905, and described on page 493, this volume of the proceedings of the Commissioners and the Board being satisfied that said sale of bonds has been duly and legally advertised, proceeded to conduct the same in accordance with the aforesaid order.

- Bids were received and recorded as follows:
- Citizens National Bank, Urbana, Ohio.
 - London Exchange Bank, London, Ohio.
 - The Central Bank, London, Ohio.
 - The Madison National Bank, London, Ohio.
 - Lamprecht Bros. Co., Cleveland, Ohio.
 - New First National Bank, Columbus, Ohio.

After due consideration of all the bids, it was moved by Jno. E. Roberts and seconded by W. P. Chenoweth, that the bid of The Central Bank, London, Ohio be accepted, and that the County Auditor be directed to prepare the bonds so sold.

The roll being called on the adoption of the above motion relating to said bond sale,

H. E. Bradley, Jno. E. Roberts and W. P. Chenoweth voted "Aye".
H. E. Bradley, Pres. }
B. A. Taylor, Auditor & Clerk, Jno. E. Roberts }
W. P. Chenoweth }
Commissioners of Madison County.