

Ditch Improvement Record, P.C.C. & St. L. Rail Way Ditch.

Record of proceedings in the matter of The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Rail Way Company Ditch Improvement petitioned for by The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago, & St. Louis Rail Way Company, and located in Darby Township, Madison County, Ohio.

Petition.

The State of Ohio, July 29th. 1897. Petition for location and construction of a County Ditch.
To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio:

Gentlemen: The undersigned freeholders and owners of lots and lands that will be benefited by the location and construction of a county ditch, by these presents, which are herewith filed with the Auditor of said County, do pray your honorable body to institute the proper proceedings necessary to locate and construct a ditch on the following route and termini: Commencing at a point on the north right of way line of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Ry. Co. about 2952 ft. southeast from a county road, commonly known as the "London Road", between surveys 3685 and 1479 of the Virginia Military District, in Darby Township, Madison Co. and State of Ohio; thence northwesterly on the right of way of said Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Ry. Co. following the route of an old ditch, about 2952 ft. to the "London Road"; thence continuing in a northwesterly direction on the northerly side of The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Ry., across and under the "London Road" by a culvert of sufficient capacity on to the lands of Henry Dildine and Pincy Dildine, and thence continuing northwesterly on the lands of Henry Dildine and Pincy Dildine about 330 ft. to an outlet in Sugar Creek or Run.

Your petitioners further represent that the location and construction of said ditch, drain or water course above described will drain and reclaim the lands along the lines thereof set forth, necessity and benefits, and be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare. Your petitioners therefore pray your honorable body to at once proceed under the direction of the laws of the State of Ohio relating to county ditch improvements, and cause to be located and constructed, said improvement, on or as near the above named route as is deemed by your honorable body to be the best and most feasible.

In our estimation, the following persons or corporations will be affected or benefited, to wit:

Richard Janis	The Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Rail Way Company. By F. L. Darlington Supt.	} Petitioners.
E. D. Morgan, Assignee of Richard Janis		
William Fleming		
Henry Dildine		
Pincy Dildine		
The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company.		

Bond of Petitioner.

Know all men by these presents; That the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Rail Way Company, as Principal, and Frank Chance and C. H. Malott as sureties, are by this instrument jointly and severally held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars, for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, assigns, executors and administrators should default be made in the conditions following.

Signed and dated this 7th day of September, 1897.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Rail Way Co., did on the 7th day of September, 1897, file with the Auditor of Madison County a petition, asking the Commissioners of said County to cause to be located and constructed a ditch, drain or water course on the following route and termini:

Commencing at a point on the north right of way line of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Ry. Co. about 2952 ft. southeast from a County road, commonly known as the "London Road" between surveys 3685 and 1479 of the Virginia Military District in Darby Township, Madison Co. and State of Ohio; thence northwesterly on the right of way of said, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Ry. Co. following the route of an old ditch, about 2952 ft. to the "London Road"; thence continuing in a northwesterly direction on the northerly side of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Ry. across and under the "London Road" by a culvert of sufficient capacity on to the lands of Henry Dildine and Percy Dildine and thence continuing northwesterly in the lands of Henry Dildine and Percy Dildine about 330 ft. to an outlet in Sugar Creek or Run.

Now if the above bounden The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago, & St. Louis Rail Way Company shall pay all costs if the prayer of said petition be not granted, or for any cause shall be dismissed after costs upon the matter have accrued, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect and virtue in law.

The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago, &
St. Louis Rail Way Company.
By F. G. Darlington, Supt.
Frank Chance
C. H. Malott.

The above bond, and the sureties thereon, are by me approved.
Dated, this 8th day of Sept., 1898.

H. D. Wilson, Auditor.
(Clark)

Notice to Commissioners.
Of Petition Filed^{and} Time for Hearing.

Office of Auditor of Madison County, O., Sept. 15, 1897.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of said County:
Gentleman: You are hereby notified that a petition and bond for a Ditch improvement has been filed in this office on the 8th day of September, 1897, a copy of which petition is attached below: and as required by law I have fixed the 6th day of October A. D. 1897, at 10.30 o'clock, a. m., at the beginning of said proposed ditch described in said petition, for your hearing of said matter.

H. D. Wilson, Auditor.

Copy of Ditch Petition.

London, Ohio, Sept. 15, 1897, Petition for construction^{and} location of a Ditch. To the Honorable Board of Commissioners, Madison County, Ohio.

The undersigned owners of lots and land which will be drained or benefitted by the improvement herein prayed for hereby make application to your honorable body, and now file with the Auditor of said County, this, their petition and now and hereby pray for the location^{and} construction of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the improvement so prayed for is that it will drain and reclaim the lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, and will promote the public health, convenience and welfare; The following is the beginning, route and termini of said proposed improvement, to-wit: Commencing at a point on the north right of way line of the P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co. about 2952 feet south east of the County road commonly known as the London Road, between Surveys 3685^{and} 1479 of the Virginia Military District in Darby Tp. Madison County, Ohio; thence north westerly on the right of way of said P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co. following the route of an old ditch about 2952 feet to the London road; thence continuing in a north-westerly direction on the northerly side of the P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. across and under the London road by a culvert of sufficient capacity on to the lands of Henry Dildine and Pirey Dildine and thence continuing north westerly on the lands of Henry Dildine and Pirey Dildine about 330 ft. to an outlet in Sugar Creek or Run.

The names of all persons^{and} corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioners are in any way affected or benefitted thereby are as follows;

Richard James

Henry Dildine

Ed Morgan, Assignee of Richard James.

Pirey Dildine

William Fleming.

The P. C. C. & St. Louis Rail Way Co.

The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago^{and} St. Louis Rail Way Co. } Petitioners.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Ditch Petition filed in my office on the 8th day of September 1897.

H. D. Wilson, County Auditor.
per B.

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Commissioners Office, Madison County.
London, Ohio, August 9th 1897.

In the matter of the
Ditch Improvement Petitioned
for by P.C.C. & St. L. R.R. Co.

Notice of filing & fixing time of view.

The County Auditor having given due notice to the Board of Commissioners of the filing of a petition signed by the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Rail Way Company, praying for the location and construction of a County Ditch along the following route, to wit:

Commencing at a point on the north right of way line of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Rail Way Company about 2952 feet south-east from a county road, commonly known as the "London Road" between Surveys 3685^{and} 1479 of the Virginia Military District, in Darby Township, Madison County, Ohio; Thence north westerly on the right of way of the said Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Rail Road Company following the route of an old ditch, about 2952 feet to the London Road; thence continuing in a north-westerly direction on the northerly side of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and Chicago and St. Louis Rail Way Company, across and under the "London Road" by a culvert of sufficient capacity on the lands of Henry Dildine, and Piney Dildine and thence continuing north westerly on the lands of Henry Dildine and Piney Dildine about 330 feet to an outlet in Sugar Creek or Run.

And it further appearing that said petitioner has given bond as required by law, which has been duly approved by the Auditor and the Auditor having fixed October 6th 1897 at 10 o'clock A.M. at the beginning of said proposed improvement as the time and place to meet and view said route and determine the necessity for said improvement.

It is therefore ordered that said Board accordingly meet at said time and place and determine the necessity of said improvement and examine and view said route.

Upon motion for the approval of the orders herein named, the roll being called, each member voted "Aye".

H. Lilly
S. L. Robbins
James Hithrow } Commissioners
of
Madison County.

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Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
Sept. 15th. A. D. 1897.

In the Matter of Ditch Improvement }
Petitioned for by Pittsburgh, Cincinnati } Notice to Lot or Land Owners.
Chicago and St. Louis Rail Way Company. }

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 8th day of Sept. A. D. 1897. P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co., filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the construction and location of a Ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus, to-wit: Commencing at a point on the north right of way line of the P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co. about 2952 feet south east from a county road, commonly known as the London Road between surveys 3685th and 1479 of the Virginia Military District in Darby Tp. Madison County and State of Ohio; thence northwesterly on the right of way of said P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co. following the route of an old ditch about 2952 feet to the London road; thence continuing in a north westerly direction on the northerly side of the P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. across and under the London road by a culvert of sufficient capacity on to the lands of Henry Dildine and Piney Dildine, and thence continuing north westerly on the lands of Henry Dildine and Piney Dildine about 330 feet to an outlet in Sugar Creek or Run.

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: Wednesday, Oct. 6th 1897 at 10 o'clock A. M. at the beginning of said proposed improvement for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said ditch improvement, whether the said ditch will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare; and whether the route described is the best route, and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

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

No further notice of any proceedings in this matter will be given.

H. D. Wilson Auditor of Madison County.
per. B.

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Notice By Publication.

In the Matter of the ditch petitioned for by The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Co.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, }
London, Ohio, Sept. 13, 1897.

To the non-resident Land Owners:

Notice is hereby given to non-resident lot and land owners affected by the improvement designated herein, that a petition signed by the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Company has been filed with the Auditor of said county, and is now pending before the commissioners of said county praying for the location and construction of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth and will be for hearing at the beginning of said improvement, on the 6th Day of October, A.D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. Said petition sets forth that the necessity for the improvement is that it will drain and reclaim the lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, and will promote the public health, convenience and welfare.

That said ditch commences at a point on the north right of way line of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Company about 2952 feet south-east from a county road, commonly known as the London road between surveys 3685 and 1479 of the Virginia Military District, in Darby township Madison County, State of Ohio; thence northwesterly on the right of way of said Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Company following the route of an old ditch, about 2952 feet to the London road; thence continuing in a north-westerly direction on the northerly side of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis railway across and under the London road by a culvert of sufficient capacity on to the lands of Henry Dildine and Percy Dildine; thence continuing north-westerly on the lands of Henry Dildine and Percy Dildine about 330 feet to an outlet in Sugar Creek or Run.

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

W. D. Wilson.

Auditor Madison County, O.

The State of Ohio }
Madison County. }

S. S. Proof of Publication.

W. H. Wallace, being duly sworn, says he is the local Editor of The London, Lewis Weekly Enterprise, a newspaper printed and in general circulation in said county, and that a notice of which the annexed is a copy, was published in said newspaper for at least 3 consecutive weeks prior to the 6th day of Oct. 1897.

W. H. Wallace.

Sworn to and subscribed by said W. H. Wallace, this 11th day of Oct. 1897.

Geo. H. Clark.

Dep. Auditor.

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The State of Ohio } Proof of Notice.
Madison County, ss }

On this 20th day of September, A. D. 1897, personally appeared before the undersigned authority, Scott Chenoweth 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
Richard James	Residence	September 17 th 1897.
Henry Dildine	"	" " "
Piney Dildine	"	" " "
William Fleming	Personally	" " "
E. H. Walcott, Agt. P. C. C. & St. L. R. R.	"	" " "
Hager & Allen	"	" " "

And further this deponent saith not.

Scott Chenoweth.

Sworn to by Scott Chenoweth before me and by him subscribed in my presence this 20th day of September A. D. 1897.

Geo. H. Clark

Deputy Auditor.

Commissioners Office, Madison County.

London, Ohio, Oct. 11th 1897.

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Board met in special session.

Members present S. S. Robbins, James Withrow and James B. Anderson.

In the matter of the }
Ditch Imp. Petitioned for }
by P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co. } Adjourned Meeting.

The Board of County Commissioners, having proceeded on the 6th day of October, 1897 to the place of beginning of said proposed improvement as prayed for in said petition and having found that due and legal notice had been given to all parties interested proceeded to view and examine said route.

Heard exceptions to said proposed ditch by Henry Dildine, after which the Board adjourned the further consideration of said matter to Monday, October 11th 1897 at 2 o'clock P. M. at their office in London, Ohio.

S. S. Robbins }
James Withrow } Commissioners
James B. Anderson } of
Madison County.

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In the matter of the
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} Adjourned Meeting.

This being the day to which the further consideration of said matter was adjourned and the Board having found that the Railroad Company had failed to file a written guarantee to close up sewer under railroad the further consideration of said matter was adjourned to Monday, Oct. 18th, 1897.

Agreement of Rail Way Co. to Abandon Culvert.

Indianapolis, Ind. Oct. 13th, 1897.

The Honorable, The Board of Commissioners of Madison Co., Ohio.

In the matter of the county ditch petitioned for by the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Ry. Co. said petition having been filed Sept. 8th, 1897 and said ditch being located about one and a half miles east of Plain City, O., on the north side of the said Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Ry. Co., main track east of Sugar creek.

Now, in consideration of the said ditch being continued westwardly on the north side of said main track to outlet in Sugar creek as prayed for in said petition and discontinued across said Railway Company's right of way immediately east of the county road commonly known as "The London Road" the said Railway Company agrees upon the completion of ditch as prayed for to fill up and abandon permanently the 24 inch sewer pipe culvert where same now crosses under said Railway Company's track immediately east of said county road.

The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago
& St. Louis Ry. Co.

By F. G. Darlington,

Superintendent.

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Commissioners Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, October 18th, 1897.

In the matter of
The Ditch Petitioned for
by the P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co.

Meeting to View.

The above styled matter coming up for further hearing, the Board read a letter from said Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Rail Road Company, agreeing to completely close and abandon a certain sewer that crosses said Rail Road. After which it was moved by Withrow, seconded by Anderson that said ditch be granted as petitioned for and on the following route:

Beginning at a point on the right of way line of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Co. about 2952 feet south east from a county road, commonly known as the London Road, between surveys 3685 and 1479 of the Virginia Military District, in Darby Township, Madison County, Ohio; thence northwesterly on the right of way of said Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Ry. Co. following the route of an old ditch about 2952 feet to the London Road; thence continuing in a north westerly direction on the northerly side of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Ry. across and under the London Road; by a culvert of sufficient capacity on to the lands of Henry Dildine and Percy Dildine, and thence continuing north westerly on the lands of Henry Dildine and Percy Dildine about 330 feet to an outlet in Sugar Creek or Run.

Exceptions to the proposed route, filed by Pina A. & Henry Dildine were overruled. It is therefore ordered that said ditch be granted and the same be known as the P. C. C. & St. L. Ry Ditch Improvement.

Order to County Surveyor.

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

It is also ordered that said Engineer make and return a schedule of all lots and lands, public and corporate roads 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 municipal corporations according to the benefits which will result to each from said improvement and a specification of the manner in which the improvement shall be made and completed, the

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amount and size of tile necessary and the estimated cost of the same. Said Engineer shall report his proceedings to this Board on Wednesday, October 27th 1897 at 10 o'clock A. M. and all interested parties are notified accordingly.

Upon motion for the approval of the foregoing orders, the roll being called, each member voted "Aye".

S. S. Robbins } Commissioners
James Withrow } of
Jas. B. Anderson } Madison County.

Claim for Damage.

To the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

Gentlemen:- In the matter of Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Rail Way Company.

We the undersigned strenuously object to the proposed route after the said ditch reaches the London Road. And we would propose that the sewer that crosses the R. R. at the London Road be enlarged sufficiently to enable the water to pass to the South side of the R. R. and thence to Sugar Run Creek. If you should conclude to cross under the London Road on the North side of R. R. it would cause an overflow on our land, and cause a great damage to us, by reason thereof, to the amount of \$300.00.

We are Respectfully

Oct. 1st, 1897.

Pina A. Dildine
Henry Dildine.

Exception to Assessment.

London, Ohio.

10-27-1897.

To The Hon. Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

Dear Sirs:- In the matter of the P. C. C. and St. L. County ditch. Now comes the said P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co. before your Hon. Board, this 27th day of October, and enters an objection to the amount of their assessment for the reason that the said assessment is greater proportionately than the benefits derived and pray the said Board of Commissioners to reduce their assessment to an amount commensurate with the benefits derived.

The P. C. C. and St. L. Ry. Co.
By H. C. Cushing C. M. W.
per J. A. Jaques.

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Commissioners Office, Madison County.
London, Ohio, October 27, 1897.

Board met today in special session. Members present.
S. S. Robbins, James Withrow^{and} James Anderson.
In the matter of the }
P. C. C. and St. L. Ry Ditch } Adjournd hearing.
Improvement.

This being the day fixed for the hearing on Engineers Report in the above matter and H. L. McCafferty, County Surveyor having filed his report including an apportionment of the cost of the improvement, the board proceeded to the consideration of the same. The Board find upon proper examination that Henry Dildine has made application in writing for compensation and damages. The further consideration of this matter is adjourned till Monday, November 1st, 1897, at 10 o'clock P. M. at their office in London, Ohio, and the board will meet on the line of said improvement on the 29th day of November 1897 at 10 o'clock A. M. to view the premises claimed as damaged.

Engineers Report.

London, Ohio, Oct. 27, 1897.

To the Board of Commissioners of
Madison, County, Ohio.

In obedience to your order I have surveyed, staked and leveled the county ditch petitioned for by the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Company^{and} submit the within report.

I have noted the intersection of farm lines, road crossings &c and such other matters as I deem worthy of record. I have set a stake at each 100 feet numbering down stream^{and} have returned herewith an estimate of the cost and a specification of the construction of said ditch. I also submit herewith a plat and profile of said ditch as surveyed by me.

The following is an itemized bill of expense made by me in the proper discharge of my duties under your said order:

H. L. McCafferty, Surveyor	4 days at \$4. ⁰⁰ per day	\$16.00
Pearl Sherwood Arit.	2 " " 1. ⁵⁰ " "	\$ 3.00
Richard James C. C.	1 " " 1. ²⁵ " "	\$ 1.25
Charles Dildine C. C.	1 " " 1. ²⁵ " "	\$ 1.25
Beach, Downing & Co.	100 stakes	1.50
Pearl Sherwood	hauling stakes	\$ 1.00
		\$ 24.00

Respectfully Submitted
H. L. McCafferty
Engineer.

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Ditch.

Report of Engineer			Slope 1 to 1					Schedule "A"		
Stationing 100 feet numbers down surface elevation	Grade elevation	Total fill width ft.	Center Depth	Cut	Width on Bottom	Width at Top	Cubic yards	Course and Distance	Remarks	
			Lateral No 1 at 0							
0	10000	97.00 -34		3.00	.60	1.00	7.00		N. 47 1/2° W. 0 to 5.00	Said ditch is located on the north easterly side of the P. C. C. and St. L. Railway and runs parallel to and about 9' therefrom. Tree L. Distance on R. R. = 500'
1	10025	96.66	.34	3.59	.54	"	8.18	17		
2	10049	96.32	.68	4.16	1.46	"	9.32	22		
3	10000	95.98	1.02	4.02	.84	"	9.04	22		
4	9964	95.64	1.36	4.00	.86	"	9.00	22		
13	9812									
5	9980	95.30	1.70	4.50	1.00	"	10.00	32		
			Main Ditch							
0	9980	95.30 -15		4.50	1.00	1.00	10.00		N. 47 1/2° W. 0 to 16	Same as above Distance on R. R. = 2960'
1	9957	95.15	.15	4.42	1.17	"	9.84	31		
2	9950	95.00	.30	4.50	2.07	"	10.00	32		
3	10004	94.85	.45	5.19	2.27	"	11.38	44		
4	9880	94.70	.60	4.10	2.07	"	9.20	49		
5	9734	94.55	.75	2.79	1.67	"	6.58	41		
6	9718	94.40	.90	2.78	1.58	"	6.56	42		
7	9715	94.25	1.05	2.90	1.56	"	6.80	47		
8	9681	94.10	1.20	2.71	1.43	"	6.42	61		
9	9655	93.95	1.35	2.60	1.18	"	6.20	60		
10	9608	93.80 -56	1.50	2.28	1.23	"	5.56	61		
1	9528	93.24	2.06	2.04	1.24	"	5.08	40		
2	9498	92.68	2.62	2.30	1.10	"	5.60	30		
3	9453	92.12	3.18	2.41	1.21	"	5.82	35		
B	9676									
4	9388	91.56	3.74	2.32	1.40	"	5.64	35		
5	9334	91.00	4.30	2.34	1.18	"	5.68	50		
6	9296	90.60	4.70	2.36	1.14	"	5.72	47	Curve to Left. 16	
7	9234	90.20	5.10	2.14	1.34	"	5.28	47	to 24	
8	9192	89.80	5.50	2.12	1.44	"	5.24	37		
9	9174	89.40	5.90	2.34	1.02	"	5.68	43		
20	9059	89.00 -94	6.30	1.59	.54	"	4.18	48		
1	9042	88.06	7.24	2.36	.76	"	5.72	41		
2	8906	87.12	8.18	1.94	1.02	"	4.88	43		
3	8851	86.18	9.12	2.33	.88	"	5.66	38		
4	8766	85.24	10.06	2.42	1.02	"	5.84	39	N. 48 1/2° W. 24 to 29	
5	86.48	84.30 -1.65	11.00	2.18	.81	"	5.36	46		
6	8450	82.65	12.65	1.85	1.61	"	4.70	42		
7	8321	81.00 -2.78	14.30	2.21	1.61	"	5.42	35		
8	8126	78.22	17.08	3.04	3.04	"	7.08	37		
29	7864	75.44	19.86	3.20	3.20	"	7.40	49	N. 46° W. 29 to 30	
30	7556	72.65	22.65	2.91	2.91	"	6.82	49	N. 48 1/2° W. 30 to 33.23	
1	7325	69.86 -1.00	25.44	3.39	2.89	"	7.78	50	29.60 = center London Road and line Para Dildine, Distance on land of said Dildine = 363'	
2	7165	68.86	26.44	2.79	2.29	"	6.58	44		
3	6955	67.86	27.44	1.69	1.69	"	4.38	26		
+23	6763	67.63	27.67	---				12		
B	7367									Terminate in Sugar Run N. E. end E. abutment of Rail Road Bridge

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Estimate

Lateral No. 1	115 cubic yards at 12¢	\$13.80
Main Ditch	1431 " " " 12¢	171.72
Total	1546 " " " 12¢	185.52

Specifications

The main ditch and lateral must be cut fully down to the grade line at all points and be made to conform to the gradients shown on profile filed herewith.

To be an open ditch 1 foot wide in the bottom with banks evenly sloped at the angle of 45° or 1 to 1.

All earth to be moved back at least 20 feet from the ditch banks and spread as evenly as possible.

I would recommend that a 36" cast iron pipe be put across the London road where the above ditch will cross said road.

Ditch to be constructed only from Station 18.30 to Station 33.23.

H. L. McCafferty.
Engineer.

Apportionment

	Estimated Cost of Const.	Est. Cost of Location	Total Cost Apportionment
James Richard	J. E. Yutzey 17.98	2.50	20.48
Hoager & Allen	" 5.00	1.56	6.56
Dildine Pina	Grace 3.00	.93	3.93
Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Ry. Co.	164.25	17.00	181.25
Madison County	108.75	2.01	110.76

Damages

James	\$4.44
Hoager & Allen	1.20
Dildine	.76
County	11.80
Ry. Co.	11.80

These amounts are to be added to the above assessments.

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, November, 17, 1897.

Board of Commissioners met today in Regular Session.
Members present S. S. Robbins, James Hithrow and James Anderson.
In the matter of }
The P. C. C. and St. L. }
Rail Road Ditch } Hearing on Engineers Report.

This being the day to which the further consideration of said matter was adjourned, the County Surveyor filed his report including an apportionment of the cost of said improvement. The Board having heard the evidence and examined said report and apportionment are in all respects fair and just, according to the benefits derived from said improvement by the owner of each lot and tract of land.

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

And the Board having viewed the premises claimed as damaged allow Henry Dildine \$20 damage and \$10 compensation, the County to pay its proportion of same.

The Board fix the 26th day of Nov. 1897 at 10 o'clock A. M. at the beginning of said improvement as the time and place for the sale of the construction of said improvement at public out-cry in sections of not less than one hundred (100) feet, nor more than twenty five hundred feet (2500) in length.

And H. L. McCafferty, County Surveyor, is hereby directed to attend at the time and place of sale specified above, to superintend and conduct the same.

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

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.

Upon motion for the approval of the foregoing orders and findings, the roll being called, each member voted "Aye".

S. S. Robbins }
James Hithrow } Commissioners
James B. Anderson } of
Madison County.

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Ditch Sale.

Notice to Contractors.

The undersigned Engineer will Offer for Sale at Public Outcry on
Friday, Nov. 26, 1897,
the work of constructing the P. C. C. and St. L. Ditch Improvement.

Said work will be sold in One section, viz.

Section 1. Station 18 to Station 33.23, 679 Cubic Yards.

Bidders will meet at the residence of George Howard Two miles
East of Plain City, Ohio, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, and
must deposit \$15 Cash as Guarantee of good Faith.

Bond must be Given in Five Days.

Right Reserved to reject any or all bids.

By order of Commissioners,

H. D. Wilson,

Auditor.

H. L. McCafferty,

Engineer.

Report of Sale.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
Nov. 26th, 1897.

In the matter of Ditch
Improvement No. 1 - Petitioned
for by P. C. C. and St. L. Rail Way.

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 out-cry and
sold the same to the persons hereinafter named, at the prices
herein stated, and took their contracts and bonds respectively
conditioned according to law, and return the same herewith for
your approval.

Sold to Marion Harper for Seventy Eight Dollars and $\frac{9}{100}$ (\$78.09)
to be completed on or before the 1st day of January, 1898.

I certify the above to be correct

H. L. McCafferty

Engineer.

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Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
Nov. 26, A.D. 1897.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement } Contract for Labor of Construction.
Petitioned for by P.C.C. & St. L. Ry. Co.

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered, and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of Working section No. of 1523 feet allotted to land owner of the following described land, viz: report of Engineer and sold by the duly appointed Engineer, on the 26th day of November A.D. 1897, to the undersigned for seventy eight and ⁷/₁₀₀ Dollars, pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomever 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 1st day of July, A.D. 1898, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

H. L. McGafferty.

Engineer.

Marion Harper

Contractor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

Nov. 26, A.D. 1897.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement }
Petitioned for by P.C.C. & St. L. Ry. Co.

Contractor's Bond.

Know all men by these Presents, That Marion Harper as principal, and Harvey Harper and H. B. Converse as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of One Hundred and fifty six and ¹³/₁₀₀ Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 26 day of Nov. A.D. 1897.

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. — has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all labor of constructing said improvement in accordance with the plans and specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings, on or before the 1st day of July, A.D. 1898.

Now, if the said Marion Harper 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

Marion Harper
Harvey Harper
H. B. Converse.

This Contract and Bond, and sureties on said

Bond approved this 13th day of December, A.D. 1897.

H. L. McGafferty, Engineer.

L. S. Robbins,
James Withrow
Jas. B. Anderson

} Board of Commissioners.

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Ditch Imp. petitioned
for by P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co.

Approval of Contractors Bond.

Marion Harper, to whom was awarded the contract for the labor of construction of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Rail Road Ditch Improvement, having presented his bond in the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Six and $\frac{18}{100}$ Dollars for the faithful performance of said contract with himself as principal and Harvey Harper and H. B. Converse as sureties thereon, which bond is sufficient in form and according to law it is ordered that the same be approved and the sureties thereon accepted.

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In the Matter of the
Ditch Imp. petitioned
for by P. C. C. & St. L. Ry. Co.

Assessment.

The P. C. C. & St. L. R. R. Ditch Improvement having been provided for according to law and the Board of Commissioners having determined to issue and sell bonds of the County 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 by said improvement payable as follows: The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Rail Way Ditch Improvement, payable in three annual installments.

That assessments for the year 1898, sufficient to pay the cost of location and the bonds and interest due, the first and all claims for compensation and damages allowed be made in proportion to the estimate made on the said improvement.

It is the further order that the County Auditor be directed to make and furnish to the Treasurer of the County, a special duplicate for the year 1898, charging each of the lots and lands assessed, thirty-three and $\frac{1}{3}$ ($33\frac{1}{3}$) per centum of the gross assessments.

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

Upon motion for the approval of the foregoing matter, the roll being called, Withrow, Anderson and Markley voted "Aye".
Motion carried.

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

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Commissioners Office, Dec. 6th 1898.

Board of Commissioners met today in Regular Quarterly Session pursuant to adjournment of December 5th 1898.

Members present. James Withrow. Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley.

In the Matter of the Issue and Sale of Bonds for P. C. C. and St. L. Ry. Co. Ditch Improvement

Order of Issue and Sale of Bonds.

This day the Board had under consideration the matter of issuing and selling bonds of the County to meet the expense of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Rail Way Co. Ditch Improvement.

It was moved by Jas. B. Anderson and seconded by Chas. G. Markley that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay for the expense of the above named improvement and in pursuance of the authority granted by sections 4479, 4481 and 4482 of the Revised Statutes of Ohio and the laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, that Bonds of the County be issued for said improvement as follows:

The P. C. C. and St. L. Ditch Improvement.

- One Bond for \$55 due Aug. 1 1899
- One Bond for \$55 due Feb. 1 1900
- One Bond for \$55 due Aug. 1 1900
- One Bond for \$55 due Feb. 1 1901
- One Bond for \$55 due Aug. 1 1901
- One Bond for \$55 due Feb. 1 1902

Total amount of said bonds, Three hundred and thirty (\$330) Dollars.

Total amount of interest, Thirty four and 6/100 (\$34.65) Dollars.

Total amount of bonds and interest, Three hundred sixty four and 6/100 (\$364.65) Dollars.

Said Bonds will bear date of February 1st 1899 and will bear interest from date at the rate of six (6) percent per annum, represented by coupons payable as follows:

First installment payable August 1st 1899 and said interest payable semi-annually thereafter, and due August 1st and February 1st of each year.

That bids for the purchase of said bonds shall be filed with the Auditor of said County up to twelve (12) o'clock noon, (standard time) on Tuesday, January 24th 1899, on which date said bids will be opened and considered.

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

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

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

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That Bids will be received for the entire issue or any part thereof.

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

That the Board reserve the right to reject any or all bids. Upon call of roll for the approval of the foregoing motion, James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley voted "Aye". Board adjourned to meet in Regular Quarterly Session, tomorrow December 7th 1898.

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

Commissioners Office, Madison County.

London, Ohio, January 24th 1898.

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Board of Commissioners met today in Special Session.

Members present, James Withrow, James B. Anderson^{2nd} and Chas. G. Markley

In the matter of the
Sale of The P. C. C. & St. L. Ry.

Ditch Improvement Bonds.

Sale of Bonds.

This being the day fixed by the Board for the sale of Three Hundred and Sixty-four ^{and $\frac{65}{100}$} (\$364. ⁶⁵/₁₀₀) Dollars, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago^{and} St. Louis Rail Way, Ditch Improvement Bonds, which Bonds are specifically described in the order for the sale of the same dated December 6th 1898, and described on pages 383, 384, 385 and 386 of Commissioners Journal, Volume 6, 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:

Rudolph, Keybolt & Co. Cincinnati.

S. A. Kean, Chicago (No Deposit).

Feder. Holzman & Co. Cincinnati.

New First National Bank, Columbus.

First National Bank, Circleville.

Briggs, Todd & Co. Cincinnati.

Seasongood & Mayer. Cincinnati.

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After due consideration of all the bids, it was moved by Chas. G. Markley and seconded by Jas. B. Anderson that the bid of Seasongood and Mayer be accepted.

Upon adoption of the foregoing motion, the roll being called, James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley voted "Aye". Motion Carried. Board Adjourned.

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