

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

P. J. Thomas. Ditch Construction.

Ditch Petition

London, Ohio, Aug. 7th. A. D. 1906, Petition for, location, construction and tiling of a ditch.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners Madison County, Ohio:

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

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

The following is the beginning, route and termini of said proposed improvement, to wit: commencing at a point of an 8" tile ditch on the lands of Delilah Pruitt which point is about 30 rods west of its outlet; Thence following said tile ditch in an E-asterly course to its outlet. Thence following an open ditch through the lands of said Pruitt, crossing the West Jefferson and Lilly Chapel sites. Thence through the lands of P. J. Thomas, Phillip Sidner, Delilah Pruitt, M. C. Fitzgerald, Mrs. C. M. Bradley, and terminating at the Olmstead Road. The same to be a tile ditch as far as the Commissioners may deem expedient, and the open ditch your petitioners ask may be cleaned out as far as the Olmstead Road if necessary.

Your petitioners further ask for the location and proper construction of any necessary laterals, All the same being located in Jefferson and Fairfield Townships, Madison County, Ohio.

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:

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| P. J. Thomas          | Mrs. Morris Embrey |
| Delilah Pruitt        | M. C. Fitzgerald   |
| C. M. Bradley         | B. A. Sidner       |
| P. M. Gregg           | Mr. Muslette       |
| Chas. N. Putnam       | Edmer Shannon.     |
| Catherine Bijers      | N. E. Long         |
| Mrs. Phillip Sidner   | S. A. Sidner       |
| D. P. Sidner          | J. W. Thomas       |
| Mrs. Owen Harbage     | Louis Young        |
| Mrs. Catharine Sidner | Mr. D. P. Sidner   |

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| Robert J. Thomas.  | } Petitioners |
| P. M. Gregg        |               |
| J. W. Thomas       |               |
| Delilah J. Pruitt. |               |

Petitioners' Bond.

Know all Men by these Presents, that P. J. Thomas as principal, and as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio in the penal sum of Two Hundred Dollars, good and lawful money, for which we bind ourselves, and our heirs, executors

Petitioners  
Bond.

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and administrators.

Signed by us and dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. 1906.

The condition of the above obligation is such, nevertheless, that, whereas on the 7th day of August A.D. 1906, the above bondman R. J. Thomas has made application to the Commissioners of Madison County, and on said day filed with the Auditor of said County and he petitioned for the location, constructing and tiling of a ditch in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, on the following route and termini, to-wit: Commencing at a point of an 8" tile ditch on the lands of Delilah Pruitt, which point is about 30 rods west of its outlet; thence following said tile ditch in an easterly course to its outlet; thence following an open ditch through the lands of said Pruitt, crossing the West Jefferson and Lilly Chapel pike. Thence through the lands of R. J. Thomas, Philip Sidner, Delilah Pruitt, W. C. Fitzgerald, Mrs. C. M. Bradley and terminating at the Ormstead Road. The same to be a tile ditch as far as the Commissioners may deem expedient, and the open ditch your petitioners ask may be cleaned out as far as the Ormstead Road if necessary.

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

The above bond and the securities thereon,  
are approved by us this 7th day of  
August, A.D. 1906.

Robert J. Thomas  
W. C. Estlin  
Frank W. Paylor.

J. J. Shaffer  
County Auditor.

Notice to  
Commissioners.

Notice to Commissioners of Petition Filed and Pairs for Hearing.  
Office of Auditor of Madison County, Ohio, July 31, A.D. 1906.  
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 31st day of July 1906, a copy of which petition is attached below; and as required by law I have fixed the 12th day of September, 1906, at 10 o'clock A.M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch described in said petition, for your hearing of said matter.

J. J. Shaffer  
Auditor.

Copy of Ditch Petition.

London Ohio, July 31 A.D. 1906, Petition for the location, constructing and tiling of a Ditch.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners, Madison County, Ohio:

The undersigned owners of lots and land which will be drained or benefited by the improvement herein prayed for, hereby make application to your honorable body, and now file with the Auditor of said County, Ohio, their petition, and now and hereby

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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 terminic of said proposed improvement, to-wit: Commencing at a point of an 8" tile ditch on the lands of Delilah Pruitt, which point is about 30 rods west of its outlet: Thence following said tile ditch in an easterly course to its outlet: Thence following an open ditch through the lands of said Pruitt, crossing the West Jefferson and Billy Chapel spurs: Thence through the lands of P. J. Thomas, Phillip Sidner, Delilah Pruitt, M. L. Fitzgerald, Mrs. G. W. Bradley and terminating at the Olmstead Road. The same to be a tile ditch as far as the County Commissioners may deem expedient and the open ditch the petitioners ask may be cleared out as far as the Olmstead Road if necessary.

The petitioners further ask for the location and proper construction of any necessary laterals. All the same being located in Jefferson and Fairfield Townships, Madison County, Ohio.

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:

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|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| P. J. Thomas                     | Mrs. Norris Embrey |
| Delilah Pruitt                   | M. L. Fitzgerald   |
| G. M. Bradley                    | B. L. Sidner       |
| P. M. Gregg                      | Mr. Whurlette      |
| Chas. N. Putnam                  | Elmer Shannon      |
| Catharine Byers                  | H. E. Long         |
| Mrs. Phillip Sidner              | S. A. Sidner       |
| D. P. Sidner                     | J. W. Thomas       |
| Mrs. Owen Harbage                | Louis Young        |
| Mrs. Catharine Sidner            | Mrs. D. P. Sidner  |
| Robert J. Thomas, Delilah Pruitt | } Petitioners.     |
| P. M. Gregg, J. W. Thomas.       |                    |

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Ditch Petition filed in my office on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, A. D. 1906.

J. J. Shaffer

County Auditor.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1906.

Notice of Filing Petition

In the matter of Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by Robt. J. Thomas et al.

Notice of filing of petition, etc.

The County Auditor having delivered to this board a certified copy of the petition filed with him on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 1906, praying for the location, construction and tiling of a county ditch between the terminic and along the

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route stated below, to-wit:

Commencing at a point of an 8 inch tile ditch, on the lands of Delilah Pruitt, which point is about 30 rods west of its outlet; thence following said tile ditch in an easterly course to its outlet; thence following an open ditch through the lands of said Pruitt, crossing the West Jefferson and Lilly Chapel Pike; thence through the lands of P. J. Thomas, Philip Sidner, Delilah Pruitt, M. L. Fitzgerald, Mrs. L. M. Bradley, and terminating at the Overstead Road; the same to be a tile ditch as far as the Commissioners deem expedient and the open ditch your petitioners ask may be cleared out as far as the Overstead Road if necessary.

The petitioners further ask for the location and proper construction of any necessary laterals, all the same being located in Jefferson and Fairfield Townships, Madison County, Ohio.

And it appearing that said petitioners have given bond as required by law, which has been approved by said Auditor and said Auditor having fixed the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1906, as the day for hearing said petition, it is ordered that this board meet on said day, at the place of beginning of said ditch as described in the petition, to hear proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement, and others competent to testify and to determine as to the necessity of said improvement.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entries and orders relating to said petition and ditch, the roll being called, all members voted "Aye."

Board adjourned.

Jno. E. Roberts Pres. } Commissioners  
W. P. L. Kenworthy } of  
J. W. Bowers } Madison County.

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Notice to Lot  
or Land Owners.

Auditors Office, Madison County, Ohio.  
August 21<sup>st</sup> A.D. 1906.

In the matter of Ditch  
Improvement Petitioned  
for by R. J. Thomas et al.

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 7<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1906, R. J. Thomas and others, filed a petition with the Auditor  
of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the location, construction  
and tiling of a ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus  
to-wit: commencing at a point of an 8" tile ditch on the lands of Delilah  
Pruitt, which point is about 30 rods west of its outlet: Thence following said  
tile ditch in an easterly course to its outlet: Thence following an open  
ditch through the lands of said Pruitt, crossing the West Jefferson and  
Lilly Chapel pike: Thence through the lands of R. J. Thomas, Philip Sidner,  
Delilah Pruitt, M. B. Fitzgerald, Mrs. L. M. Bradley, and terminating at the  
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Commissioners may deem expedient and the open ditch the  
Commissioners ask may be cleared-out as far as the Ohrstead Road  
if necessary.

The petitioners further ask for the location and proper  
construction of any necessary laterals.

All the same being located in Jefferson and Fairfield  
Townships, Madison County, Ohio.

You are also notified that the following time and place  
have been fixed when and where the Commissioners of said

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County will meet for the hearing of said petition, to-wit: On Wednesday September 12<sup>th</sup> 1906 at 10 o'clock A.M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch improvement, for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said ditch improvement, whether the said ditch will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare; and whether the route described is the best route; and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

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

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

J. J. Shaffer Auditor of Madison County.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

August 25<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1906.

Proof of Personal Notice.

The State of Ohio,  
Madison County S.S.

Proof of Personal Notice.

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1906, personally came Robert J. Thomas, 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 opposite whose name appears "D." a true copy of the annexed notice; and on those opposite whose name appears "P." by leaving the same at their usual place of residence.

Name of Person Served.	How Served.	When Served.
Delilah Pruitt	D.	August 22, 1906
Gertrude Embree	D.	" 22 "
Mrs. Owen Harbage	D.	" 22 "
D. P. Sidner	D.	" 22 "
Ella Sidner	P.	" 22 "
H. C. Long	D.	" 22 "
S. A. Sidner	D.	" 22 "
Lewis Young	P.	" 23 "
Mrs. L. M. Bradley	D.	" 23 "
Elyde Sidner	P.	" 23 "
Mrs. Phillip Sidner	P.	" 23 "
M. G. Fitzgerald	P.	" 23 "
Mrs. Lewis Sidner	D.	" 23 "
Mr. Murrette	D.	" 23 "
Mr. Shannon	D.	" 23 "
P. M. Gregg	P.	" 23 "
J. W. Thomas	D.	" 22 "
Miss Katherine Byers	D.	" 25 "

and further this deponent saith not.

Sworn to by Robert J. Thomas before me, and by him subscribed in my presence this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1906.

J. J. Shaffer  
County Auditor.

Notice of Publication

The State of Ohio, Madison County S.S.

P. H. Shaw, being duly sworn, says he is the Business

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Manager of The London Times, a weekly newspaper printed and in general circulation in said county, and that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, was published in said newspaper for at least 2 consecutive times, beginning on the 23 day of August, 1906.

I wore to and subscribed before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept. 1906.

R. H. Shaw.

J. J. Shaffer  
County Auditor.

## Ditch Notice.

Auditors Office, Madison County, Ohio.

August 21, A. D. 1906.

Notice to Non-resident Lot or Land Owners.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement petitioned for by R. J. Thomas et al. 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 7th day of August, 1906, R. J. Thomas and others filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the location, construction and filling of a Ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus, to-wit: commencing at a point of an 8" inch tile ditch on the lands of Delilah Pruitt, which point is about 30 rods west of its outlet; thence following said tile ditch in an easterly course to its outlet; thence following an open ditch through the lands of said Pruitt crossing the West Jefferson and Lilly Chapel pike; thence through the lands of R. J. Thomas, Phillip Sidner, Delilah Pruitt, M. L. Fitzgerald, Mrs. L. M. Bradley and terminating at the Olmstead Road. The same to be a tile ditch as far as the Commissioners may deem expedient and the open ditch the petitioners ask may be cleaned out as far as the Olmstead road if necessary.

The petitioners further ask for the location and proper construction of any necessary laterals.

All the same being located in Jefferson and Fairfield townships, Madison County, Ohio.

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, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 1906, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch improvement for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said ditch improvement, whether the said ditch will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare; and whether the route described is the best route; and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

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

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

J. J. Shaffer

Auditor of Madison County.

August 23, 1906.

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Auditors Office, Madison County, Ohio,  
 Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1906.

In the matter of Ditch  
 Improvement Petitioned  
 for by Robt. J. Thomas

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 Body, made on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1906, has proceeded in the above matter, and has made a level and survey of the line of said proposed ditch improvement, and set a stake every hundred feet numbering down stream; and I have made a note of the intersections of lines and boundaries of lands, townships and county lines, land marks, bench marks, and road and railroad crossings, and I herewith make report of the same, with profile, and a plat 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 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 costs of such improvement the benefits to any lots or lands by diking the same in whole or in part, have been by me considered with other benefits; and in 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	Deputy Engineer	5 days, at \$5.00 per day	\$ 25.00
Jerse Paine	Podman	1 " " 2.00 " "	2.00
Wm. James	Chairman	1 " " 2.00 " "	2.00
Robt. J. Thomas	"	1 " " 2.00 " "	2.00
Jos. Golden	Asman	1 " " 2.00 " "	2.00
W. P. Rainey	"	3 " " 3.46 " "	10.38
Other Expenses:			
Burnham & Gordie	Team	1 day \$3.00	3.00
Thomas Adams	60 18" stakes	1 1/2 c	1.65
	60 12" "	1 1/4 c	
			48.03

The foregoing Cost Bill allowed by us

1906.

H. B. Mc Cafferty, Engineer  
 by J. H. Asher, Deputy

County Commissioner

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Report of  
Engineer  
Scheduled.

Station	Stake every 100 feet numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Spot full from station	Outside Depth	Leant	Width on Bottom	Width on Top	Subsidiary	Estimated per ft	Size of Pipe	Course & Distance	Remarks
0		99.04	94.40		4.64	4.64					12"	0 to 1+72	N.
B.M.	100.00		-25										Nail in Fence Post.
1		99.65	94.15		5.50	4.10							Begin on Lands owned by Delilah Pruitt.
+72	100.07	93.97			6.10							172'	
2		99.41	93.90		5.51	3.95						1+72 to 2+81	
+81	98.38	93.70			4.68							S. 63 1/2° E.	
3		99.69	93.65		6.04	3.80						109'	
4		97.15	93.40		3.75							2+81 to 4+24	
+24	98.35	93.34			5.01							N 89 1/2° E.	Distance on Pruitt 1152'
5		99.05	93.15		5.90	3.60						143'	
6		98.50	92.90		5.60	3.25						4+24 to 8+40	
7		98.15	93.65		5.50	3.30						N 63 1/2° E.	
8		97.65	92.40		5.25	3.25						416'	
+40	96.35	92.30			4.05								
9		97.50	92.15		5.35	3.25						8+40 to 11	
10		97.05	91.90		5.15	3.10						N. 88 3/4° E.	
11		96.67	91.65		5.02	2.85						260"	
B.M.	96.95												Blue left.
12		94.55	91.40		3.15	2.60						11 to 16	11+52 = line between Delilah Pruitt and Robt. J. Thomas.
13		94.60	90.90		3.70	3.00						S. 87 1/2° E.	
14		94.90	90.40		4.50	2.60						500'	
15		94.60	89.90		4.70	3.00							
16		94.54	89.40		5.14	3.10						16 to 17+69	
17		93.44	88.90		4.54	3.10						S. 37° E.	
+69	93.48	88.55			4.93	3.15						169'	
18		93.20	88.40		4.80	3.10						17+69 to 18+82	
+82	92.47	87.99			4.48							S. 74° E.	distance on Robt. J. Thomas.
19		92.70	87.90		4.80	3.20						113'	
20		92.35	87.40		4.95	4.95						15"	3008'
B.M.	93.05		-1.67										Walnut Left.
21		91.75	86.73		5.02	5.02						18+82 to 25+83	
22		90.91	86.05		4.86	4.86						N 85° E.	
23		90.46	85.38		5.08	5.08						701'	
24		89.98	84.60		5.38	5.38							
25		89.35	83.92		5.43	4.33						25+83 to 26+12.	
+83	88.35	83.35			5.00							S. 63 1/2° E.	
26		88.20	83.35		4.85	3.60						29'	
27		88.20	83.10		5.10	4.05						26+12 to 30	
28		87.97	83.85		4.12	3.70						S. 9° E.	
B.M.	88.55		10.55									388'	History Right.
29		87.17	82.60		4.57	3.75					15"		
30		87.83	82.35		5.48	3.40						30 to 31+83	
31		86.77	82.10		4.67	4.67						S. 59° E.	
+83	86.20	81.89			4.31	4.31						183'	
32		85.84	81.85		3.99	2.90							
33		85.56	81.55		4.01	3.10						31+33 to 37.	

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Stake every 100 feet marked same station	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station	Entire Depth	cut.	Width on Bottom	Width on Top	cu. yds.	Estimate per 100' of tile	Course and Distance.
34	85.17	81.25		3.92	2.60				15"	N. 73 1/2° E.
35	84.55	80.95		3.60					"	517'
36	83.95	80.65		3.10	2.00				"	
B.M.	84.60								"	
37	84.40	80.35		4.05	4.05				"	37 to 39+92
38	84.01	80.05		3.96	3.96				"	N 69 1/2° E.
39	83.53	79.75		3.78	3.78				"	292'
+92	82.93	79.43		3.50	3.50	2 ft			"	Pile ends here.
40	81.74	78.80		2.94		"			"	39+92 to 44
B.M.	84.24					"			"	N 72 1/2° E.
41	81.69	78.50		3.19	2.54	"	60.		"	408'
42	81.92	78.20		3.72	1.92	"	48		"	
43	80.17	77.90		2.27	1.22	"	28		"	
44	79.47	77.60		1.87	1.22	"	18		"	44 to 45
45	80.62	77.30	17.10	3.32		"	10		"	N 65 1/2° E. 100'

Walnut Right  
Walnut Left.  
41+60 = line between P. J. Thomas and Mrs. Phillips Sidner.  
distance on Sidner 340'

Statement of Working Sections of the P. J. Thomas Ditch. Schedule A. B.

No. of Working Sections.	No. of Poles	Stake No.	No. of Linear Feet.	No. of cubic yards.	Price per yard.	Amount D.	Amount C.	Remarks.
1	45	39+92	608	164	15	24	60	Open Ditch.
2	39+92	20	1992 =					Pile Ditch.
	120.73	Poles 15" Pile			\$ 2.80	336	04	Average Cut 4.00 ft.
	120.73	" Construction			1100	120	73	
		Total				458	77	
3	20	0	2000 =					
	121.20	Poles 12" Pile			\$ 1.65	199	98	Average cut 3'5 in.
	121.20	" Construction			.80	96	96	
		Total				296	94	
	9	- 15" Poles @ 2.00				14	00	
	9	12" " " 1.45				13	05	
		Total				27	05	
		Recapitulation.						
	120.73	Poles 15" Pile				338	04	
	121.20	" 12" "				199	98	
		Total Pile				538	02	
		Construction				242	29	
		Protection Wall				21	00	
		Poles				27	05	
		Total Estimated Cost				829	36	

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Engineers Report. Schedule "B."	Owner's Name as Found on Duplicate	Range	Section	Description.	Acres Owned	Acres Owned	Estimated cost of construction	Estimated cost of location	Total cost	Appropriated.	
		Survey			#	#	cts.	#	cts.	#	cts.
	P. J. Thomas	7055		Jefferson Tp.	20.00						
	"	10698		" "	45.27	99	295 00	17	11	312	11
	"	7055		Fairfield "	33.75						
	Delilah Pruitt	10698		Jefferson Tp.	84.60						
	"	"		Fairfield "	3.00	8760	175 00	10	15	185	15
	P. M. Gregg	10698		Jefferson Tp.	15.99						
	"	7814		" "	5.00	2097					
	"	"		Fairfield "	39.94		85 00	4	80	89	80
	"	7927		" "	27.00	66.74					
	"	10698		" "	4.80						
	"	7814		" "	13.00						
	"	8479		Jefferson "	14.00	25	25 00	1	65	29	65
	"	10698		" "	20.00						
	Matharnie S. Byers	7813		Fairfield Tp.	15.44						
	"	7818		" "	11.00						
	"	7927		" "	60.04	15.00	20 00	7	16	21	16
	"	10430		" "	3.96						
	Phillip Sidner	7055		Fairfield Tp.	55.00						
	"	"		" "	17.00						
	"	6590		" "	22.00						
	"	10698		" "	24.00	25.00	30 00	1	80	31	80
	"	7055		Jefferson "	35.00						
	"	6590		" "	8.00						
	D. R. Sidner	10698		Jefferson Tp.	5.00						
	"	"		Fairfield "	60.80	67.80	85 00	4	93	89	93
	"	7928		" "	27.00						
	A. A. Piddle	10695		Jefferson Tp.	216.27	50.00	55 00	3	19	58	19
	Lewis Sidner	6306		Jefferson Tp.	155.00						
	"	10698		" "	40.25	35.00	40 00	2	32	42	32
	Madison County.			Jefferson Billy Chapel pike			15 36	92	16	28	

The within report approved as submitted  
 this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1906.  
 H. P. Bennett { Pres. Commissioners  
 J. W. Bowers { of  
 Geo. E. Roberts. { Madison County.

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Report of Engineer Schedule "C."

Auditors Office, Madison County, Ohio. Oct. 9th. A. D. 1906.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by P. J. Thomas et al.

Specifications of the manner of construction.

This improvement shall be made a tile ditch from station 0 to station 39+92. Sizes of tile to be used are as follows: from station 0 to station 20, 12 inch tile and from station 20 to station 39+92, 15 inch tile. From station 39+92 to station 45 an open ditch shall be constructed.

The trench for receiving the tile must be cut down to the grade line as shown on the profile filed herewith, and as indicated in schedule "A" of this report.

The tile must be evenly laid and closely jointed, and must have sufficient dirt placed around them to hold them in place, but must not be covered until after they have been inspected by the engineer in charge of the work. After inspection, the tile must be covered to a depth, sufficient to protect them from injury by freezing, or by being tramped by stock. Where a new channel is cut outside the old ditch, the trench must be filled full.

The tile shall be first quality drain tile or well selected second class sewer pipe. The estimate for tile includes the delivery of the same, on the line of the ditch; each size in its proper place. Any expense caused by delay, or improper delivery will be charged against the tile contract and deducted therefrom at time of settlement. The tile contractor shall furnish tile of the various sizes to extend any laterals for making connections with the main ditch, and shall be allowed compensation at the rate the various sizes sell for.

The contractor shall make all connections without extra compensation unless said laterals require taking up for more than 1 rod from the main ditch; then he shall be allowed reasonable compensation for same.

The open ditch shall be two feet wide on bottom with side slopes of 1 1/2 to 1. All dirt to be removed at least 15 feet from top of banks and well scattered.

A concrete protection wall shall be constructed at the mouth of the 15 inch tile, 6 ft. x 4 1/2 ft. x 3 ft. Concrete to be composed of one part Portland cement and three parts sand and four parts gravel. Top and all exposed surfaces to have a coat of mortar, composed of 1 part cement and two parts sand and to be trowled smooth.

Commissioners Hearing on Engineer's Report.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County, London, Ohio, October 9, 1906.

In the matter of Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by P. J. Thomas.

Finding of Commissioners on Report of Engineer.

This day the Board of Commissioners being in session pursuant to adjournment of Sept. 17, 1906. Present: N. P. Lokenwith, J. W. Bowers, Jno. E. Roberts, and this being the day fixed for the hearing of the report and adjournment.

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of the engineer of the above styled matter, the Board, after proper examinations do find that due notice has been given for the length of time required by law, to all lot and land owners affected by said improvement, notifying them of the substance, expediency and prayer of the petition for said improvement.

After having examined the report of the engineer, with the apportionment by him made said Board do find that said report and apportionment are in all respects fair and just, according to the benefits to be derived from the proposed improvement by the owner of each lot and tract of land. It is therefore ordered that said report and apportionment be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.

And it appearing to the board that no appeal has been taken from the order confirming said assessments. It is now and therefore ordered that the 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1906, at 10 o'clock A.M. 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 at the Surveyor's Office, London, Ohio.

It is also ordered that H. C. Mc Cafferty, County Surveyor, attend at time and place of sale and superintend the same and receive all bids for the construction of said work.

It is further ordered that for the purpose of raising money necessary to meet the expense of said improvement, that the bonds of the county be issued for amounts to be hereinafter determined.

Bonds to run three (3) years.

It is further ordered that the Auditor place the said assessments on a special duplicate and deliver same to County Treasurer for collection as required by law.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entries and findings relating to said petition and ditch, the roll being called, W. P. Shenneth, J. W. Bowers, Geo. E. Roberts voted "Aye."



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Ditch Sale.

Ditch Sale!

Notice to Contractors!

The undersigned, County Surveyor, will sell at public outcry to the lowest and best bidder, on Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1906, at 10 o'clock A.M., at the County Surveyor's office in the court house in London, Ohio, the work of furnishing the necessary materials and labor for constructing the P. J. Thomas Ditch Improvement located in Jefferson and Fairfield townships, Madison County, Ohio. Said work to be sold in sections as follows:

Open Ditch.

Section I. From Station 45 to Station 39.92. 164 cubic yards excavation at 15c per cubic yard, \$ 24.60

Pile Ditch.

Section II. From Station 39.92 to Station 20, 120.73 Rods 15 inch tile at \$2.80 per rod 338.04 120.73 Rods construction at 1.00 " " 120.75 458.77

Section III. From Station 20 to Station 0, 121.20 Rods 12 inch tile at \$1.65 per rod 199.98 121.20 Rods construction at 80c per rod 96.96 296.94

Section IV. Concrete Protection Wall. Dimensions -- 6 feet x 4 1/2 feet x 3 feet, 3 cubic yards at \$7. 21.00 Total Estimate.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Items include Pile, Grouting, Concrete, Connectors, and Grand Total.

Work to be begun at once and completed on or before January 1st, 1907. Bidders must deposit \$25.00 cash (no checks taken) as a guarantee of good faith, before any bids will be received. Contract and bond must be given within five days from date of sale.

Specifications are on file in the County Auditor's office, London, Ohio. Right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

By order of County Commissioners.

N. S. Mc Cafferty, County Surveyor.

J. J. Shaffer, Auditor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio. Oct. 30th A. D. 1906.

Report of Sale of the Labor of Construction

In the matter of Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by P. J. Thomas et al. 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

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their contracts and bonds respectively conditioned according to law, and return the same herewith for your approval.

No. of Working Sections	To Whom Sold.	Amount for which it was sold		Amount for which it was estimated.		When to be Completed.	
		\$	cts.	\$	cts.		
2	Tile						
	J. W. Van Blevé	338	04	338	04	December 1st. 1906	
	" " " "	199	98	199	98	" 1st. "	
	Ys.	J. W. Van Blevé	25	00	27	25	" 1st. 1906.
			563	02	565	07	
1	Construction.	P. J. Thomas	24	14	24	60	January 1st. 1907.
			115	90	120	73	
			96	96	96	96	
			19	00	21	00	
			256	00	263	29	

Contract for the labor of Construction

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.  
October 30<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1906.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by P. J. Thomas.

Contract for Labor of Construction.

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered, and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of Working Section No. 1-2-3-4 of 4500 feet and a concrete wall was sold by the County Surveyor, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of October 1906, to the undersigned, for Two Hundred and fifty six Dollars pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement in accordance with the specifications for constructing the same, as shown in the record of the proceedings thereof, the same to be completed on or before the 1st day of January, 1907; Provided, however, this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

H. L. Mc Cafferty, County Engineer  
By J. N. Asher, Deputy.

P. J. Thomas  
Contractor.

Contractor's Bond.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.  
October 30<sup>th</sup> 1906.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by P. J. Thomas et al.

Contractor's Bond.

Know all men by These Presents, That P. J. Thomas as principal, and J. W. Van Blevé as surety, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Five Hundred and Twelve 1/100 Dollars, good and lawful money.

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Signed and dated this 30th day of October, 1906.

The Condition of the Above Obligation is such, however, that whereas, the above bonded principal contractor has bid off the labor of constructing Working Section no. 1-2-3-4, has duly entered into the annexed account, 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 January, 1907.

Now, if the said P. J. Thomas shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract and complete the same within the time fixed by said contract and pay all damages which may accrue by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, and pay for all labor and material and for all debts incurred in the performance of this contract, this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

P. J. Thomas  
J. W. Van Blevé.

This Contract and Bond, and Sureties on said Bond approved this 30 day of October, 1906.

N. L. Mc Cafferty, County Surveyor. W. P. Chewette  
By J. N. Asher, Deputy. President of Board of Comrs.  
Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

Contract  
for Drain  
Pile.

In the matter of Ditch  
Improvement Petitioned  
for by P. J. Thomas et al.

October, 30, A.D. 1906.  
Contract for Drain Pile.

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of Working Section No. 2-3 of 3992 feet and 16 1/2 Ys. sold by the County Surveyor, on the 30th day of October, 1906, to J. W. Van Blevé, Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will furnish 120.73 rods of 15 inch Drain Pile from Station 20 to Station 39+92; and 121.20 rods of 12 inch Drain Pile from Station 0 to Station 20, for a five Hundred and Sixty-three and 2/100 Dollars, delivered on line of above styled improvement in lots as needed, the same to be delivered on or before the 1 day of December, 1906; provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

N. L. Mc Cafferty, County Surveyor. J. W. Van Blevé  
By J. N. Asher, Deputy. Contractor,

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.  
October 30th. A.D. 1906.

Contractor's  
Bond for  
Drain Pile.

In the matter of Ditch  
Improvement Petitioned for  
by P. J. Thomas et al.

I know all Men by Their Presents, That J. W. Van Blevé as principal and John M. Now and H. E. Southard as sureties are firmly held and

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bond unto the State of Ohio, in the special sum of Eleven Hundred and Twenty-six and 04/100 Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 30 day of October, 1906.

The condition of the above obligation is such, however, that whereas, the above bondman principal contractor has bid off the furnishing and delivering the Drain Pipe for constructing Working Section No. 2 and 3, has duly entered into the aforesaid contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said County.

Now, if the said J. W. Van Cleve 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 Cleve  
John M. Howe  
W. E. Southard

This Contract and Bond, and Sureties on said Bond approved this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1906.

N. B. Mc Cafferty, County Surveyor.  
per J. H. Asher, Deputy.

W. P. Chenoweth  
President of Board of Commissioners  
Commissioner's Office, Madison County  
London, Ohio, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 1906.

Approval of  
Contracts and  
Bonds by  
Commissioners.

Board of Commissioners met in special,  
Present: W. P. Chenoweth, J. W. Bowers, Jno. E. Roberts.  
Minutes of meeting held October, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> read and approved.

In the matter of } Approval of Contracts and  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned } Bonds of P. J. Thomas and J. W. Van Cleve.  
for by P. J. Thomas et al. }  
N. B. Mc Cafferty, 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 contracts entered into with P. J. Thomas and J. W. Van Cleve for doing said work, and the bonds of said contractors which contracts and bonds have all been been examined and approved by this Board and they are ordered filed according to law.

The Auditor is hereby ordered to notify each of said contractors of the approval of his contract and bond and that he is required to comply herewith.

On roll call on the approval of the above entry, W. P. Chenoweth, J. W. Bowers, Jno. E. Roberts voted "aye."

Board adjourned.

W. P. Chenoweth Pres. }  
J. W. Bowers }  
Jno. E. Roberts }  
Commissioners  
of  
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the Petition  
copy for  
Surveyor.

In the matter of the Ditch  
Imp. Petitioned for by  
R. J. Thomas et al.

Auditors Office, Madison County, Mo.  
September 17<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1906.

This day of Commissioners of Madison County, being in special session, members present, Geo. E. Roberts, W. P. Cheweth, J. W. Bowers and a copy of a petition 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 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1906, the day fixed by the Auditor for hearing, did meet at the place of beginning of said ditch, as described in the petition, and heard all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement and other persons competent to testify; and we went over and along the line of said improvement, and by actual view of the said ditch and the premises along and adjacent thereto and to be drained or benefited thereby, determined the necessity thereof. And we do hereby find that said improvement is necessary, and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof by furnishing drainage thereto. And we further find that the route described is the best. The following route was determined upon by us, viz; Commencing

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at a point of an 8" tile ditch on the lands of Delilah Pruitt, which point is about 30 rods west of its outlet; Thence following said tile ditch in an Easterly course to its outlet; Thence following an open ditch through the lands of said Pruitt, crossing the West Jefferson and Lily Chapel Pike; Thence thro' the lands of P. J. Thomas, Philip Sidner, Delilah Pruitt, W. C. Fitzgerald, Mrs. C. M. Bradley and terminating at the Olmstead Road. The same to be a tile ditch as far as the Commissioners may deem expedient, and the open ditch your petitioners ask may be cleared out as far as the Olmstead Road if necessary.

And we do hereby order the Auditor to enter this, our finding, in writing, on the Commissioners' Journal. And we do further authorize the Auditor to enter upon said journal an order directing the County Surveyor to go upon the line as described in the petition, or as changed by us in accordance with Section 4489 P. 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 Surveyor to make and return a schedule of all lots or lands, and public or corporate roads or railroads, that will be benefited, and an 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 P. 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. 1906, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the County Auditor's office, is hereby fixed for the hearing of applications for any appropriation of land taken for said improvement and damages said parties affected by said improvement, or any of them may sustain thereby, and for the approval of the report of the Surveyor.

J. J. Shaffer, Auditor. Jno. E. Roberts, President Board of Comis.  
I certify the foregoing to be correctly copied from the record of the proceedings of the Board.

J. J. Shaffer, Auditor.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,  
London, Ohio, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 1906.Commissioner's  
Finding on  
Petition.

Commissioners met today in regular session.

Present: Jno. E. Roberts, W. P. Chenoweth, J. W. Bowers.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

In the matter of  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by P. J. Thomas et al.

Commissioner's Finding on Petition.

The Board having proceeded on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 1906, to the place of beginning of said improvement as prayed for in said petition, and having then and there gone over the line of said improvement, and viewed the same and the premises along and adjacent thereto and to be drained or benefited thereby; and having at said time and place heard proof offered

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by any of the parties affected by said improvement and others competent to testify, in accordance with the former orders of this board as to said matter, and having duly considered the matter, do find and determine that said improvement is necessary and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare and a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof by furnishing drainage thereto, and that the route described is the best, viz:

Commencing at a point in an 8" tile ditch on the lands of Delilah Pruitt which point is about 30 rods west of its outlet, thence following said tile ditch in an easterly course to its outlet; thence following an open ditch thru the lands of said Pruitt, crossing the West Jefferson and Lilly Chapel Pike; thence thru the lands of P. J. Thomas, Philip Sidner, Delilah Pruitt, W. B. Fitzgerald, Mrs. C. W. Bradley and terminating at the Overland Road. It is ordered that said ditch be tiled from to a point on the Thomas lands about 10 rods west of the line between the Thomas land and the land of Thomas Sidner and an open ditch to be constructed from said point far enough down stream as in the judgement of the Engineer seems best to secure the object prayed for in said petition. It is therefore ordered that said improvement be granted and the same be known as the Robt. J. Thomas Ditch Improvement. We also find that due and legal notice has been given for the length of time required by law, to each person benefited or affected by said improvement.

It is ordered that J. S. Mc Cafferty, County Surveyor, go upon the line of said improvement and survey and level the same and to perform such duties as are required in Sections 4454, 4455 and 4456. P. 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1906, at 10 o'clock, A. M. at the Commissioners Office, is hereby fixed for the hearing of applications for any appropriation of land taken for said improvement and damages said parties affected by said improvement or any of them may sustain thereby and for the approval of the report of the Surveyor, to which time and place to proceedings herein now stand adjourned.

Our roll call on the approval of the foregoing orders and findings relating to said proposed improvement, Jno. E. Roberts, W. P. Lohmuth and J. W. Bowers voted "Aye."

Recorded November, 22<sup>nd</sup> 1906.

Bond Sale.

Commissioners Office, Madison County, London, Ohio, August, 19<sup>th</sup> 1906.

Commissioners met in regular session.

Present: W. P. Lohmuth, J. W. Bowers and Jno. E. Roberts.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

In the matter of the issue and sale of various improvement bonds.

Order of Issue and Sale of Various Ditch Improvement Bonds.

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*The P. C. Thomas Ditch Construction.*

This day the Board considered the matter of issuing and selling county bonds to meet the expense of the following improvement, viz: The P. C. Thomas Ditch Improvement.

It was moved by N. P. Blunowalt and seconded by J. W. Bowers that for the purpose of raising money to pay for the above named improvement and in pursuance of the authority granted by Sections 4479, 4481, 4482 and 4846 of the Revised Statutes of Ohio, and the laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, that Bonds of the County be issued for each of said improvements as follows, to-wit:

The Thomas Ditch Improvement.

One bond for \$100, due March 1, 1908.

One bond for \$100, due September 1, 1908.

One bond for \$100, due March 1, 1909.

One bond for \$100, due September 1, 1909.

One bond for \$100, due March 1, 1910.

One bond for \$100, due September 1, 1910.

One bond for \$100, due March 1, 1911.

One bond for \$100, due September 1, 1911.

One bond for \$100, due March 1, 1912.

One bond for \$100, due September 1, 1912.

Total amount of said bond (\$1000)

Said bonds will bear date of October 1, 1907, and will bear interest from date at the rate of five (5) percent per annum, represented by coupons payable as follows:

First installment due March 1, 1908 and payable semi-annually thereafter and due March 1 and September 1 of each year.

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 amendatory 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, 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 accepted or considered unless accompanied by a certificate of the County Treasurer showing that cash amounting to at least five (5) percent of the amount of bonds bid for has been deposited, said deposit being required to bid the purchase. - The deposited amount of the successful bidder will be returned to the owners. - 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 Enterprise, and The Columbus Dispatch, two newspapers printed and in general circulation in said county and state.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entries and orders relating to said proposed bond sale, the roll being called: Jno. E. Roberts, J. W. Bowers and N. P. Blunowalt, voted "aye."

Recorded September 19, 1907.

J. J. Shaffer, County Auditor.