

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

Richman Ditch Cleaning Out.

Ditch Petition.

Londond Ohio, July 23. A. D. 1906, Petition for changing, altering and enlarging of a Ditch.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners Madison County, Ohio:

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

The necessity 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 terminus of said proposed improvement, to-wit: Commencing on the line between the lands of Thomas Bales Heirs and the lands of William Richman in what is known as Lateral No. 1 of the William Richman Ditch in Somerset Township: thence following the line of said lateral in a southerly direction through the lands of the said William Richman and the lands of Emma Richman to a point in said William Richman ditch just above a watering place near said ditch, said point being the terminus of said Lateral No. 1.

Your petitioners ask that the tils which are now in said ditch be taken up and an open ditch of sufficient dimensions be constructed.

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:

William Richman

Emma Richman

Abie J. Fauser

Mrs. Chas. Gray, Daniel Keefer, tenant.

P. F. Trapshagan - Tenant on Emma Richman farm.

Wm. Richman }
by Edw. Richman } Petitioners.

Filed July 23, 1906.

J. J. Shaffer

County Auditor.

Petitioners Bond.

Petitioners Bond.

I know All Men by These Presents: That William Richman as principal, and Edward Richman 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 and administrators.

Signed by us and dated this 23 day of July A. D. 1906.

The condition of the above obligation is such, nevertheless, that, whereas on the 23rd day of July A. D. 1906, the above bounden William Richman made application to the Commissioners of Madison County; and on said day filed with the Auditor of said County and he petitioned for changing, altering and enlarging of a ditch in pursuance of the statute in such case made and

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provided, on the following route and termini, to-wit: Commencing on the line between the lands of Thomas Bales' Heirs and the lands of William Richman in what is known as Lateral No. 1 of the William Richman Ditch in Somerset Township: thence following the line of said Lateral in a south easterly direction through the lands of said William Richman and the lands of Emma Richman to a point in said William Richman Ditch just above a watering place near said ditch, said point being the terminus of said Lateral No.

Your petitioners ask that the tile now in said ditch be taken up and an open ditch of sufficient dimensions be constructed.

Now if the above bonded William Richman shall pay all costs, if the prayer of said petition be not granted, or if for any cause the same shall be dismissed, then this obligation shall be void.

The above bond and the sureties thereon, Wm. Richman by E. P.
are approved by me this 23rd day of July A.D. 1906. E. W. Richman

J. J. Shaffer

County Auditor.

Office of Auditor of Madison County, O. July 23rd A.D. 1906.

Notice to
Commissioners.

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 23rd day of July 1906, a copy of which petition is attached below; and as required by law I have fixed the 14th day of August 1906, at 10 o'clock, A.M., at the beginning of said proposed ditch described in said petition, for your hearing of said matter.

Copy of Ditch Petition.

London, Ohio, July 23rd, 1906. Petitioned for changing, altering and enlarging 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 changing, altering and enlarging 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 on the line between the lands of Thomas Bales' Heirs and the lands of William Richman in what is known as Lateral No. 1. of the William Richman Ditch in Somerset Township: - Thence following the line of said lateral in a southeasterly direction through the lands of said William Richman and the lands of Emma Richman to a point in said William Richman Ditch just above a watering place

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near said ditch, said point being the terminus of said Lateral No. 1. The petitioners ask that the tile, which are now in said ditch be taken up and an open ditch of sufficient dimensions be constructed.

The names of all Persons and Corporations, ether public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioners are in any affected thereby are as follows:

- William Richmond
 - Emma Richmond
 - Alice J. Truvers
 - Mrs. Chas. Gray - Daniel Keefer, tenant.
 - R. F. Trapshagan - Tenant on Emma Richmond farm
 - William Richmond
- Petitioners.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Ditch Petition filed in my office on the 23rd day of January A.D. 1906.

County Auditor.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, July 23, 1906.

Notice of
Commissioner
of Filing
Petition.

In the matter of the
Ditch Imp. Petitioned
for by Wm. Richmond.

Notice of filing of Petition and Bond
and time for hearing.

The County Auditor having delivered to this Board a certified copy of the petition filed with him on the 23rd day of July, 1906, signed by Wm. Richmond (by Edw. Richmond) praying for the changing, altering and enlarging of a county ditch between the terminus and along the route stated below, to-wit:

Commencing on the line between the lands of Thomas Bales' Heirs and the lands of Wm. Richmond in what is known as lateral #1 of the William Richmond ditch in Somerford Township; thence following the line of said lateral in a southerly direction through the lands of the said William Richmond and the lands of Emma Richards to a point in said William Richmond Ditch just above a watering place near said ditch; said point being the terminus of said Lateral No. 1.

The petitioners ask that the tile which is now in said ditch be taken up and an open ditch of sufficient dimensions be constructed.

And it appearing that said petitioners has given bond as required by law, which has been approved by said Auditor, and said Auditor having fixed the 14th day of August, 1906, at 10 o'clock A.M. as the day for hearing said petition, it is ordered that this board meet on said day at the place of beginning of said ditch as described in the petition, to hear proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement, and other persons competent to testify and to determine as to the necessity of said improvement.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entries and orders relating to said petition and ditch, the roll being

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called, all numbers voted "Aye."

Notice to Lot or
Land Owners.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
July 23rd A.D. 1906.

In the matter of Ditch
Improvement Petitioned
for by Eder Pickman 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 23 day of July
1906, Eder Pickman and others, filed a petition with the Auditor of
Madison County, the prayer of which is for the changing, altering
and enlarging of a Ditch on the following starting point, route and
terminus, to-wit: Commencing on the line between the lands of
Thomas Bales' Heirs and the lands of William Pickman in what
is known as Lateral No. 1 of the William Pickman Ditch in Somerford
Township :- thence following the line of said lateral in a south east-
erly direction through the lands of said William Pickman and the
lands of Emma Pickman to a point in said William
Pickman Ditch just above a watering place near said ditch,
said point being the terminus of said Lateral No. 1.

The petitioners ask that the tile, which are now in said ditch
be taken up and an open ditch of sufficient dimensions

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to constructed.

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: Tuesday Aug. 14th 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 is the best route; and any and all objections of said 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 13th A. D. 1906.

Proof of Personal Notices.

The State of Ohio; }
Madison County, s.s. }

Proof of Personal Notices.

On this, 13th day of August 1906, personally came Edw. N. Richman 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.
Emma Richman	July 30 th 1906
Mrs. Harry Sawyer	" " "
P. F. Traphagen	" " "
Edw. N. Richman	" " "

and further this deponent saith now.

Edw. N. Richman

Sworn to by Edw. N. Richman before me, and by him subscribed in my presence this 17th day of August, 1906.

J. J. Shaffer
County Auditor.

Claim.

To the Honorable Board of Madison County, Commissioners. Gentlemen: In the matter of the Ditch improvement, petitioned for by Wm. Richman, by Edward Richman. I would most respectfully call your attention to the fact, that the tile which are now in said Lateral No. 1 are in good working order, and while they may not be sufficient to carry away all the water, which comes from the lands above that of the undersigned, said tile, nevertheless, carry off a great deal of water, and since it has become an established fact, that we cannot have too much tile in ground, I would very respectfully request that the tile remain where they are, and that the proposed open ditch be constructed independently of the said tile ditch, especially

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through the land of the undersigned. Said proposed open ditch should follow the natural water course through said land in the channel of an old ditch, terminating in the Wm. Richmond ditch, at a point a few rods below the terminus of said tile ditch, thereby draining the adjacent lands which would receive no benefit, if the proposed open ditch should follow the line of said tile ditch, as cited in the petition.

Reasonable compensation and damage is also asked, as the proposed open ditch would be the outlet for the drainage of several farms, above that of the undersigned, should your honorable board find it necessary to grant the prayer of the petition.

Very Respectfully submitted,

Emma Richmond.

August 6" 1902.

September 11" 1906.

Examined and allowed on the within claim the sum of \$ 30.00 as compensation for land taken.

Jno. E. Roberts
 N. P. Chumweth
 J. W. Bowers. } Commissioners
 of
 Madison County.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.

Report and Schedules of Engineer.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by Edw. Richmond. } 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 14" day of August, 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 at every hundred feet numbering down stream; and I have made a note of the intersections of lines and boundaries of lands, township and county lines, land marks, bench marks, and road and railroad crossings; and I herewith make report of the same, with profile, and plat and an estimate of the number of the cubic yards of earth or other substance to be removed, and the cost per cubic yard for each working section on said report indicated and of each section of one hundred feet.

I have also made and return herewith, a schedule of all the lots and lands, and public and corporate roads and railroads, together with the names 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 dipping the same in whole or in part, have been by me considered with other benefits; and a specification of the manner in which the improvement shall be made and completed; the number of flood gates, water-ways, farm crossings and bridges, including slides

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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	Dep't. Engineer	3 days	at \$5.00 per day	\$15 00
W. P. Rainey	"	3 "	" 3.45 "	10 35
Ed. Richmond	Chairman	1 "	" 2.00 "	2 00
Jesse Paue	Produce	1 "	" 2.00 "	2 00
Other Expenses:				
Al. Kulp - Horse and wagon; hauling stakes				1 50
Harriott & Irwin, Stakes				3 25
				\$ 33 10

The foregoing Cost Bill allowed by us

1906

H. L. McLaugherty Engineer

by J. H. Asher, Dep't.

County Commissioners.

Report of Engineer.

Slope 1 1/2 to 1.

Schedule "A."

Report of Engineer. Schedule "A."

Stake every 100 feet numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Dist fall from station 0.	Excavation Depth	Cost	Width on Bottom	Width on Top	Center Yards	Estimated per yard	Course & Distances
B.	100.00									
0	98.30	94.84		3.46	3.46					Well in Fence post R. Beg. on the line between the land of
1	97.27	94.76		2.51	1.44			51		0 to 11 + 40
2	96.98	94.68		2.30	1.22			29		S. 12 1/2 E.
3	96.85	94.60		2.25	1.40			23		1140
4	96.80	94.52		2.28	1.48			32		
5	96.83	94.44		2.39	1.46			25		Distance on
6	96.93	94.36		2.57	1.64			28		Richmond Land.
7	97.05	94.28		2.77	1.72			35		2413 feet =
8	97.18	94.20		2.98	1.90			46		Line between Wm. and
9	97.00	94.12		2.88	1.68			47		Emma Richmond
10	97.40	94.04		3.46	1.96			60		
11	97.40	93.96		3.44	2.24			33		Distance on
+40	97.62	93.92		3.67						From 11 to 40
12	97.87	93.88		3.99	2.62			47		Emma Richmond's
13	97.87	93.80		4.07	3.10			58		Land 713 feet.
14	98.69	93.72		4.97	2.98			83		S. 9 1/2 E.
15	98.85	93.64		5.21	3.16			123		460 feet
16	98.68	93.56		5.12	3.84			106		From Station 16.
B.	101.40									to 20 + 60
17	98.80	93.48		5.32	3.92			110		S. 10 1/4 W.
18	99.02	93.40		5.62	3.60			120		460 feet.
19	99.20	93.32		5.88	3.68			136		
20	99.12	93.24		5.88	3.56			152		
+60	98.84	93.19		5.65						From Sta. 20 + 60.
21	98.73	93.16		5.57	2.44			149		to 21 + 30.

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22	98.00	93.08	4.92	3.02	115	S. 1/2° E.
23	97.88	93.00	4.88	3.30	95	70 feet.
24	97.55	92.92	4.63	4.63	86	From Sta. 21+30
B.	98.90					to Sta. 27.
25	97.50	92.84	4.66	4.66	155	S. 1 1/2° E.
26	97.45	92.76	4.69	4.69	157	570 feet.
27	96.73	92.68	4.05	4.05	140	
28	96.60	92.60	4.00	3.43	106	From Sta. 27
29	96.57	92.52	4.05	3.31	90	to 29
30	95.73	92.44	3.29	3.29	85	S. 41° E. 200 ft.
31	97.87	92.36	4.51	4.51	115	From Sta. 29
+30	97.23	92.34	4.89	4.89	47	to 21+30 S. 13° E. 230 feet.

Report of Engineer. Statement of Working Sections of the Ed. Richmond Ditch.

Schedule "A."	No. of Working Section	No. of Stakes		No. of Linear Feet	No. of Cubic Yards	Price per yard	Amount	
		From	To				d.	c.
	1	0	24	2400	1705	15	255	75
	2	24	31+30	730	981	15	147	15

Schedule "B."

Owner's Name as Found on Duplicate	From	Range	Section	Description	Assessed	Assessed	Estimated cost of construction	Estimated cost of location	Total cost	Appropriated			
							8	c.					
Gray Ella	62	00		Somerford Sp.	231								
"	60	14		" "		72	50	00	4	00	54	00	
Frauer Alice J.	12	14		" "	129	20	20	00	1	60	21	60	
	12	14	5										
Richmond Wm				" "	178	100	282	29	00	23	50	306	40
Richmond Emma				" "	215	20	50	00	4	00	54	00	

The within report approved as amended this 11th day of Sept. 1906.

Jno. E. Roberts
H. P. Chenoweth
J. W. Powers.

Commissioners
of
Madison County.

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Schedule "B"

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
Sept. 11 A.D. 1906.

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Specifications of the Manner of Construction.

This improvement shall be made an open ditch throughout its entire length. It shall have a width on bottom of two feet and shall have sides slopes of 1 1/2 to 1. The dirt taken from ditch shall be mowed at least 15 feet from top of banks and be well spread. The tile now in said ditch must be taken out across the William Richmond farm and removed out of the way of the dirt to be taken out of the ditch.

A clear right of way of 30 feet on each side of ditch is reserved for constructing ditch.

Application to pay in full.

London, Ohio, Sept. 11, 1906.

To Auditor Madison County:

I hereby make application to pay my entire assessment in cash on the Edw. Richmond Ditch Improvement.

Emma Richmond.

Commissioner's Hearing on Engineer's Report.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County, London, Ohio, Sept. 11, 1906.

Board met in adjourned session pursuant to their order of August 20, 1906.

Present: Jno. E. Roberts, N. P. Lhenoweth, J. W. Bowers.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

In the matter of Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by Wm. Richmond

Commissioner's Finding on Engineer's Report.

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

After having examined the report of the engineer, with the apportionment by him made, do find that said report and apportionment are not in all respects fair and just according to the benefits to be derived from the said improvement by the owner of each lot and tract of land and by municipal and private corporations and railroad companies.

It is therefore ordered that said report and apportionment be and the same are hereby changed in the following manner to-wit:

Add \$30.00 to Delta Gray, making assessment	\$ 84.00
Deduct \$20.00 from Wm. Richmond, making assessment	\$ 286.40
Deduct \$10.00 from Emma Richmond, "	\$ 44.00

Moved by J. W. Bowers, seconded by N. P. Lhenoweth, that said

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assessments as above changed be and the same are hereby approved,
Yeas: Jno. E. Robert, N. P. Cheweth, J. W. Bowers. And the
board, having considered the written application of Emma Richmond
as to compensation and damages on account of said improvement
and having examined the evidence relating thereto, do, upon actual
view of said premises and without deduction for benefits to any of
her property, compute and allow to her compensation for land
appropriated the sum of \$ 30.00; the same to be paid by the
benefited land owners.

The Board fix the 28th day of September, 1906, at 10 o'clock A. M. at
the County Surveyor's Office, as the time and place for the sale of
the construction of said improvement at public outcry.

H. C. McLaugherty, County Surveyor, is hereby directed to attend at
time and place of said sale and superintend and conduct the same.

And it is hereby ordered that said assessments be placed on
the duplicate accordingly against all lands assessed, payable
as follows: In two annual installments.

And the County Auditor is directed to make and furnish to
Treasurer of the County a special duplicate with assessments
arranged thereon.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing orders and
findings relating to said ditch improvement, the roll being
called, Jno. E. Robert, N. P. Cheweth, J. W. Bowers voted "Aye."

Auditor's Office, Madison, County, Ohio.
September 28, A. D. 1906.

Report of Sale of
the Labor of
Construction.

In the matter of Ditch
Imp. Petitioned for
by Edward Richmond.

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.

No. of Working Section. To whom sold. Amt for which it sold. When to be completed.

1 Edward Richmond
2 " \$ 402.90 November 15th, 1906.

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Notice of
Publication.The State of Ohio } S. S.
Madison County }

M. H. Wallace being duly sworn, says he is the business manager of the London Semi-Weekly Enterprise, a newspaper printed and in general circulation in said county, and that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, was published in said newspaper for at least 2 consecutive weeks prior to the 14th day of August, 1906.

M. H. Wallace.

Sworn to and subscribed by said M. H. Wallace, this 8th day of Aug. 1906,J. J. Shaffer
County Auditor.

Ditch Notice.

In the Matter of the Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by William Pickman by Edward Pickman.

Copy of Notice to Non-Resident Lot or Land Owners.

Auditor's Office of Madison County, Ohio }
July 23, A. D. 1906. }

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 23^d day of July A. D. 1906, William Pickman by Edward Pickman and others, filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the changing, altering, and enlarging of a ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus; to-wit:

Commencing on line between the lands of Thomas Bales' heirs and the lands of William Pickman, in what is known as lateral no. 1 of the William Pickman Ditch in Somerford Township; thence following the line of said lateral in a southerly direction through the lands of said William Pickman and the lands of Emma Pickman to a point in said William Pickman's ditch just above a watering place near said ditch, said point being the terminus of said lateral no. 1.

The petitioners ask that the tile which are now in said ditch be taken up and an open ditch of sufficient dimensions be constructed.

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: Tuesday, August 14, 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

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Commissioners on or before the day set for hearing.
No further notice of any proceedings in this matter will be given.

July, 24, 1906.

J. J. Shaffer,
Auditor of Madison County.

Ditch Sale.

Ditch Sale!

Notice to Contractors.

The undersigned County Surveyor will sell at public outcry to the lowest and best bidder on Friday, September 28, 1906, at 10 o'clock A.M., at the County Surveyor's office at London, Ohio, the work of constructing the Edward Richmond Ditch Improvement, located in Somerset township, Madison county, Ohio, about seven miles north of London.

Said work will be sold in sections as follows:

Section I. From Station 0 to Station 24.

1705 cubic yards, at 15¢ per cubic yard, \$ 255.75.

Section II. From Station 24 to Station 31.30.

981 cubic yards, at 15 cents per cubic yard, \$ 147.15

Work to begin at once and to be completed by November 15, 1906.
\$25 cash deposit will be required before any bid will be entertained.
Contract and bond must be entered into within five days after date of sale.

Specifications are on file in the Auditor's office, London, Ohio.

Right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

By order of County Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

H. L. McCafferty,
County Surveyor.

J. J. Shaffer, Auditor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
Sept 28th A.D. 1906.

Contract for
Labor of Construction

In the matter of Ditch Improvement Petitioned for by Edward Richmond.

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 of 3130 feet allotted to _____ owner of the following described land, viz: _____ and sold by the duly appointed Engineer, on the 28 day of September A.D. 1906, to the undersigned for Four Hundred Two and 9/100 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 15th day of November, A.D. 1906, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

H. L. McCafferty
Engineer.
by J. N. Asher, Deputy.

Edward Richmond,
Contractor.

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Contractors
Bond.

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for by Edward Richmond

Contractors Bond.

I know all men by these Presents, That Edward Richmond as principal and
William Richmond as surety, are firmly held and bound into the
State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Eight Hundred and Five and 8/100
Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 28 day of September A.D. 1906.

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. 1 and 2, 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 15th day of November,
A.D. 1906.

Now, if the said Edward Richmond, 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.

Edward Richmond

William Richmond

This Contract and Bond, and Sureties on said Bond approved this
8th day of October A.D. 1906.

H. B. McCafferty, Engineer.

W. P. Chenoweth

By J. N. Asher, Dep't.

President of Board of Com'rs.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, October 8th 1906.

Approval of
Contract
and Bond.

In the matter of
Ditch Imp. Petitioned
for by Wm. Richmond.

Approval of Contract and Bond
of Edward Richmond.

H. B. McCafferty, the County Surveyor having
made his report of the sale of the work of constructing said improve-
ment and having, within the time required by law filed the
contract entered into with Edward Richmond for doing said work, and
the bond of said contractor, which contract and bond have been
examined and approved by this board and they are ordered
filed according to law. And the County Auditor is hereby
directed to notify said contractor of the approval of his contract
and bond and that he is required to comply therewith,

On roll call on the approval of the foregoing entry, all members
voted "Aye."

Auditors Office, Madison County, Ohio.
July 23rd A.D. 1906.

Order to Sell
the Labor of
Constructors.

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.
Pickman Ditch Repair.

In the matter of
Ditch Imp. Petitioned
for by Edw. Pickman

Order to Sell the Labor of Construction.

This day, this matter came before the Board of Commissioners in special session, present Jno. E. Roberts, W. P. Cheuveth, J. W. Bowers and it appearing to the Board that no appeal has been taken from their order confirming said assessments, it is now and therefore ordered that the 28th day of September 1906, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, be fixed as the time for commencing the sale of the work of constructing said improvement, and that the same be sold at public outcry. The place of said sale is fixed at County Surveyor's Office, London, Ohio, and said sale to commence with the working section constituting the north of said improvement, at the hour above named, and from that point to continue to the starting point; each section shall be offered at public outcry until all the sections are offered; said work shall be sold in sections of not less than one hundred nor more than twenty-five hundred feet. And it is also ordered that the Auditor of said County give notice of said sale by circulating hand bills.

And it is also ordered and directed that the County Surveyor N. L. Mc Cafferty attend at the time and place of said sale and conduct the same and receive all bids for the construction of said work; and that he make contracts with the lowest responsible bidder and take good and sufficient bonds for the labor of said improvement conditioned for the faithful performance of said contract as to be made, and for the completion of the work within the time stipulated in said contract, in a sum not less than double the estimated value of the work and labor of constructing the portion bid off by said constructing party.

J. J. Shaffer, County Auditor.

Jno. E. Roberts, President of Board of Comrs.
Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
August 20th A. D. 1906.

Filing on the
Petition - Copy
for Surveyor.

In the matter of
Ditch Imp. Petitioned
for by Edward Pickman

This day the Commissioners of Madison County, being in special session, members present, Jno. E. Roberts, W. P. Cheuveth, J. W. Bowers, and a copy of a petition for the changing, enlarging and altering 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 dismissed for any cause, we, therefore, on the 14 day of August, 1906, the day fixed by the Auditor for hearings, did meet at the place of beginning of said ditch, as described in the petition, and heard all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement and other persons competent to testify; and we went over and along the line of said improvement, and by actual view of the said ditch and the premises along and adjacent thereto and to be drained or benefited thereby, determined the necessity thereof. And we do hereby find that said improvement is necessary, and will be conducive to the public health, convenience,

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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 on the line between the lands of Thos. Bales Heirs and the lands of William Richmond in what is known as lateral No. 1, of the William Richmond Ditch in Somerset Township; thence, following the line of said lateral in a southerly direction, through the lands of Emma Richmond to a point in said William Richmond just above a watering place near said ditch, said point being the terminus of said Lateral No. 1.

And we do hereby order the Auditor to enter this, our finding, in writing, on the Commissioner's Journal. And we do further authorize the Auditor to enter upon said Journal an order directing the County Surveyor to go upon the line as described in the petition 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 order direction to the said Surveyor to make and return a schedule of all lots or lands, and public or corporate roads or railroads, that will be benefited, and an 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 14th day of August 1906, at 10 o'clock A.M., at the County Auditor's Office, is hereby fixed for the hearing of applications for any appropriations of land taken for said improvement and damages said parties affected by said improvement, or any of them may sustain thereby, and for the approval of the report of the Surveyor.

J. J. Shaffer, Auditor.

Jno. E. Roberts, President of Board of Comrs.

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, August 20th, 1906.

Board of Commissioners met today in regular session.

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

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

In the matter of Ditch Imp. Petitioned for by Wm. Richmond. } Commissioner's Finding on Petition.

This day the Commissioners being in session and a copy of a petition for the changing altering and enlarging 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

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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, was, therefore, on the 4th day of August, 1906, the day fixed by the Auditor for hearings, did meet at the place of beginning of said ditch, as described in the petition, and heard all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement and other persons competent to testify; and we went over and along the line of said improvement, and by actual view of the said ditch and the premises along and adjacent thereto and to be drained or benefited thereby, determined the necessity thereof. And we do hereby find that said improvement is necessary and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare and a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof by furnishing drainage thereto, and we further find that the route described in the petition is the best. It was moved by W. P. Sheenwith, and seconded by J. W. Bowers that the prayer of the petition be granted with the exception that the title on the lands of Emma Pickman be left as they are and the open ditch through said lands be constructed on a line east of the line of title in lateral No. 1 of the William Pickman ditch. Above motion carried, all voting "Aye." We also find that due and legal notice has been given to each person or corporation benefited or affected by said improvement. And we do hereby order the Auditor to enter this our finding, in writing, on the Commissioners' journal. And we do further authorize the Auditor to enter upon said journal an order directing the County Surveyor, to go upon the line of said improvement and survey and level the same and set a stake at every hundred feet numbering down stream 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.

The Board find that Emma Pickman has made application in writing for compensation and damages, which application is ordered filed.

It is further ordered that the 11th day of September, 1906, at 10 o'clock A.M. is hereby fixed for the hearing of applications for any appropriation of land taken for said improvement, and damages said parties affected by said improvement, or any of them may sustain thereby, and for the approval of the report of the Surveyor, to which time and place the proceedings herein now stand adjourned.

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."

Recorded November 14, 1906.