

To the honorable the Judge within named.

We the undersigned persons appointed by the within order of Court, to view the bridge therein mentioned, respectfully report: That having been present at the bridge, and having all been first been duly sworn in pursuance of the said order we have viewed the premises, (a plot whereof is hereto attached) and after due examination we find that some of the main timbers of said bridge are badly decayed, and one of the abutments is somewhat wrecked

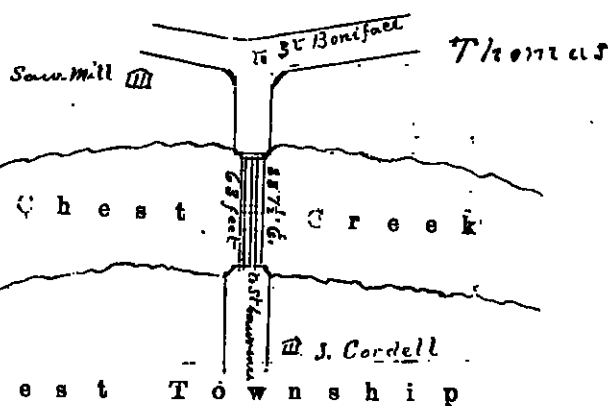
Therefore we are of opinion that a new bridge is necessary; <sup>as the old one is unsafe</sup> and that the erecting of such bridge would be attended with more expense than the Townships of Chest and Elder (which are connected by said bridge) could reasonably bear.

Witness our hands this third day of June, A.D. 1892.

Paul Gubner  
Henry Leiden  
Anthony Anna

Elder Township

Jacob



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|----------------------|---------|
| Length of drive,     | 63 feet |
| Width " "            | 11 "    |
| Height " from bottom | 13 "    |
| Width of abutments,  | 20 "    |

Time

Paul Gubner 2 days 3 miles  
Henry Leiden 1 day 5 miles  
Anthony Anna 1 day 3 miles

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,  
County of Cambria } ss.

At a Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County of Cambria  
held at Chesley in the said County, on the 23rd day of  
May A. D. 1892, before the Honorable the Judges of the same  
Court: Upon the petition of divers inhabitants of the township of Chest & Elder  
in the said County, setting forth that they labor under inconvenience for want of a  
road or highway, to lead from  
the bridge over Chest Creek at Thomas' Mills  
is unsafe and that a new bridge is much wanted  
where the highway crosses Chest Creek at that  
point and that the expense of erecting said bridge  
would be too burdensome upon the inhabitants  
of said Township.

and therefore praying the Court to appoint proper persons to view and lay out the  
same according to law. The Court upon due consideration had of the premises, do  
order and appoint Paul Mahner SURVEYOR,  
and Henry Leiden & Anthony Anna

VIEWERS, to view the site proposed for said  
road, and if they view the same, and shall agree that there is occasion for such  
road, they shall proceed to lay out the same, having respect to the shortest distance  
and the best ground for a road, and in such manner as shall do the least injury to  
private property, and also be, as far as practicable, agreeable to the desire of the  
petitioners, and that they make a report of their proceedings to the next Court  
of Quarter Sessions to be held for said County, stating particularly whether they  
judge the same necessary for a public or private road, together with a plot or draft  
thereof, and the courses and distances, and references to the improvements through  
which it may pass.

BY THE COURT.

Attest:

J. C. Laney,  
Clerk.

No. 4  
March Term 1892  
P. 21.

Order to view a road site  
for a bridge over Tehach  
Creek at Thomasville

Viewers:  
Paul H. Hargrett  
Henry H. Hargrett  
Andrew H. Hargrett

Viewers & Jurors 1892  
over before Grand Jury

Approved  
W. L. Hargrett

Approved W. L. Hargrett  
By the Court.

Tell Hargrett, 1892  
Hargrett

NOTE.—"It shall be the duty of all persons appointed in the several counties of this Commonwealth to view and review any public or private road or bridge, if they shall decide in favor of locating said road or bridge, to endeavor to procure from the persons over whose land such location may be made releases from all claims for damages that might arise from the opening of such road or the building of such bridge; and in every case where said viewers shall fail to procure such releases, and it shall appear to them that any damages will be sustained, together with all releases obtained, to the Court of Quarter Sessions, and the damages so assessed shall be conclusive, or may be subject to appeal, review or modification, as may be provided by existing laws in the different counties of this Commonwealth."

"The persons appointed as assessors shall view such ground, and if they shall agree that there is occasion for a road, they shall proceed to lay out the same, having respect to the shortest distance, and the best ground for a road, and in such manner as shall do the least injury to private property, and also be, as far as practicable, agreeable to the desire of the petitioners."

"The viewers, as aforesaid, shall make report, at the next term of said Court, and in the said report shall state particularly: first, who of them were present at the view; second, whether they were severally sworn or affirmed; third, whether the road desired be necessary for a public or private road; they shall also annex and return to the Court a plan or draft thereof, stating the courses and distances, and nothing briefly the improvements through which it may pass; and, whenever practicable, the viewers shall lay out the said roads at an elevation not exceeding five feet above the level of the sea, and, where, by moderate filling and bridging, the declivity of the road may be preserved within that limit."

Cambria Co. Pa.

At a Court of Quarter Sessions  
held at Chambersburg in & for the  
County of Cambria on Friday the  
8. Mo. 1898 before the Honorable W.  
Lester President Judge of said  
County the Commission was present  
in sitting forth " That it having appeared to the  
Court & to the Grand Jury & the Commissioners of said Co  
that the bridge over Chest Creek, at the place where the public  
highway crosses the said of Thomas Mill in said County  
was necessary, & that it would be too expensive for the  
Township in which the same was located to erect said  
bridge: and the same having been entered of record  
your petitioners procured an estimate to be made as  
fully as might be of the expenses of the same and  
did proceed to have the bridge erected by entering  
into a contract with the Massillon Ind. Co. for the  
erection of the superstructure for the sum of \$1694.00  
and with F. T. Gellin for the construction of the sub-  
structure for the sum of \$1197.00 and that the said bridge  
is now completed. Your petitioners therefore pray the  
Court to appoint suit for persons to complete said bridge  
and the workmanship thereof agreeably to the Act  
of Assembly and to make report to the Court. The  
Court upon due consideration of the premises appointed  
D. G. Myers, J. F. Rhody, W. L. Smith, James Thacker  
John Kintner and Thos. DeLozier inspectors to  
view the said bridge and the workmanship  
thereof and to make report to the Court.

By the Court,

J. C. L. Dancy  
Pres. Oct. 2, 1898

Cambria Co. Pa.

At a Court of Quarter Sessions  
held at Chambersburg in & for the  
County of Cambria on Friday Dec.  
8. A.D. 1893 before the Honorable W.  
Lester President Judge of said Court  
the petition of County Commissioners was present-  
ed setting forth " That it having appeared to the  
Court & to the Grand Jury & the Commissioners of said Co.  
that the bridge over Chest Creek, at the place where the public  
highway crosses the said of Thomas Mill in said County  
was necessary, & that it would be too expensive for the  
Township in which the same was located to erect said  
bridge: and the same having been entered of record  
your petitioners procured an estimate to be made as  
fully as might be of the expenses of the same and  
did proceed to have the bridge erected by entering  
into a contract with the Massillon Ind. Co. for the  
erection of the superstructure for the sum of \$1694.00  
and with J. T. Gellin for the construction of the sub-  
structure for the sum of \$1197.00 and that the said bridge  
is now completed. Your petitioners therefore pray the  
Court to appoint out fit persons to inspect said bridge  
and the workmanship thereof agreeably to the Act  
of Assembly and to make report to the Court. The  
Court upon due consideration of the premises appointed  
D. G. Myers, J. F. Rhody, W. L. Smith, James M. Strick  
John H. Kauter and Thos. Delozier inspectors to  
view the said bridge and the workmanship  
thereof and to make report to the Court.

By the Court,

J. C. L. L. L.  
Pres. Dec. 20.



We the Subscribers appointed to inspect  
the Bridge named in the annexed order  
report that we after being first severally  
Sworn according to said order. Viewed  
the said Bridge as directed and find  
that it is built according to the contracts  
and drafts in our possession and of good  
material workmanship.

Witness our hands and seals  
this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1895

H. G. Myers  
E. A. Delozier  
John Yedinger  
James Westrick  
Wm. Switzler  
J. J. Rhoady

Seal  
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Costs

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| H. G. Myers 1 day 31 miles | 5.10            |
| J. J. Rhoady 1 " 31 "      | 5.10            |
| E. A. Delozier 1 " 3 "     | 2.30            |
| J. Yedinger 1 " 7 "        | 2.70            |
| James Westrick 1 " 5 "     | 2.50            |
| Wm. Switzler 1 " 4 "       | 2.40            |
|                            | <u>\$ 20.10</u> |

Report of  
Inspector of  
Bridge and  
Thames Valley  
Dec 18<sup>th</sup> 1898



To the Honorable A. V. Barker, President Judge of the  
Several Courts of Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

The petition of the Commissioners of the County of Cambria  
respectfully represents:

That it having appeared to the Court and to the Grand  
Jury and the Commissioners of said County, that the bridge over  
Chest Creek, at the place where the public highway crosses the  
said creek at Thomas' Mill in said County was necessary, , and  
that it would be too expensive for the Township in which the same  
was located to erect said bridge; and the same having been entered  
of record, your petitioners procured an estimate to be made as  
fully as might be of the expenses of the same, and did proceed to  
have the bridge erected, by entering into a contract with The  
Massilon Bridge Co. for the erection of the superstructure for  
the sum of \$1694.00, and with F. P. Gillen for the construction of  
the sub-structure for the sum of \$1197.00; and that the said  
bridge is now completed.

Your petitioners therefore pray the Court to appoint six  
*Lit.* persons to inspect said bridge, and the workmanship  
thereof, agreeably to the Act of Assembly, and to make report to  
the Court.

*J. G. Lloyd*  
*John S. Kirby*  
*P. E. Gillen*

And now, December 8th, 1893, the foregoing petition read,  
and the Court appoint D. G. Myers, J. J. Rhody, William Switzler,  
James Westrick, John Niedemyer and Thad Delosier, inspectors to  
view the said Bridge and the workmanship thereof, and to make  
report to the Court.

*Bryce County*

Jo. H. Lee Dec 1893

Location of the Commission  
of the County of Lincoln  
for the appointment of  
inspectors to view the  
masonry of a bridge  
over the West Creek at  
Thomas' Mill.

Dec 8 Dec 1893

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To The Honorable The Judge of The Court of  
Quarter Session of Centre Co.

The Petition of The undersigned Citizens of  
Chert and Elber Townships in The said County  
respectfully sheweth, That The bridge over  
Chert Creek at "Thomas' Mills" is unsafe and  
That a new bridge is much wanted where The  
highway crosses Chert Creek at That point  
and That The expense of erecting said bridge  
would be too burdensome upon The inhabitants  
of said Townships. Your Petitioners Therefore  
pray Your Honor to appoint proper persons  
to view The premises and take such order  
in the subject as is required by law. And  
They will ever pray, &c. -

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| Edward Samuel Wagner | Philip Meyer       |
| John Lantz, Jr.      | Thomas Ott         |
| Adam Miller          | Lieut. Eckler      |
| Garrett B. Nagle     | Jacob Hartmann     |
| John A. Nagle        | J. W. Brown        |
| Michael Henry        | Frank L. Mine      |
| James D. W. Muller   | Rev. P. Maximilian |
| Joseph C. McMullen   | Charles Becker     |
| Wm W. Muller         | Andrewson          |
| Joseph Eckmrod       | Francis Glasser    |
| George Eckmrod       | Martin Thomas      |
| Philip Eckmrod       | John Ott           |
| Daniel Eckmrod       |                    |

Charles M. Mather

John D. Mather

George B. Mather

George B. Mather

Peter Semelberger

John Semelberger

John Semelberger

John Semelberger

Chas. C. Anna

John D. Anna

John D. Anna

John D. Anna

Walter Oakland

Peter D. Oakland

John D. Delzier

Archibald Kirk

John Hahn

Wm. D. Cerice

Lewis R. Cordell

John D. Hahn

John D. Hahn

Chas. Rhody

William Warner

Henry Leiden

Joseph Higgs

Oliver Byrnes

Abraham G. G. G.

John D. Warner

John D. Warner

John D. Warner

Francis H. Swan

Chas. F. Gill

Edward Warner

George Warner

John D. Warner

John D. Warner

John D. Warner

John D. Warner

Michael Warner

Anthony Warner

Michael Warner

Michael Warner

Philip Warner

Lewis Warner

Jacob Warner

John D. Warner

John D. Warner

Jacob Warner

Michael Warner

Joseph Warner

Simon Warner

Joseph Warner

Martin Warner

Laurence Warner

Jacob Warner

Wm. Ryan

James J. Gill

John Becker

Joseph P. Swope

John W. Lory

Philip Gill

Sebastine M. Kernis

Adam Elitch

Anthony Miller

No. 4. Mar Penn 1892  
R.D.

*Petition of Inhabitants*

*of*  
*Ches & Eden Township*  
*for the appointment of*  
*commissioners to view the site*  
*for a bridge over Ches River*  
*at Thomas' Mills—*

*Filed 23 May 1892.*

*May 23<sup>d</sup> 1892*

*Paul Palmer*

*Henry Seiden*

*William Caud*

*Josephes Weiss*

*Ralph Dewart.*

*Thomas* 27