

Record of proceedings in the matter
of the Ditch Improvement petitioned for by J. W. Graham,
and located in Pleasant Township, Madison County, Ohio.

London, Ohio,

Nov. 12th A. D. 1896.

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

Petition for Location & Construction of Ditch

The undersigned owners of lots and land which will be drained and 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, establishing and constructing of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the locating, establishing and construction of said ditch 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 and we respectfully make application for the location and construction of a County Ditch between the termini named.

The following is the beginning, route and termini of said proposed improvement, to wit:

Commencing at the head of a tile ditch on the lands of Bryan Flynn in Pleasant Township, Madison County, Ohio: thence in a southerly course along the line of said tile ditch, through the lands of said Bryan Flynn, the lands of John Toops and the lands of F. A. Wickell; thence in a south westerly course following the line of an old open ditch through lands belonging to the heirs of John R. King, Decd. and crossing the pike known as the Robison road; thence in a south westerly course following the line of a tile ditch through the lands of John W. Graham, to where said tile ditch empties into an open ditch; thence along the line of said open ditch, a distance of one hundred and fifty feet and there terminate.

The names of all persons and corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioner are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows:

John W. Graham.

Heirs of John R. King.

F. A. Wickell

John Toops.

Bryan Flynn.

Granville Toops.

Laura Bricker.

Mary C. Bricker.

Ellen King.

Leonora Anderson.

J. W. Graham

Petitioner.

Bond

Know all Men by these Presents.

That John W. Graham as principal, and W. A. Strain and I. N. Strain as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Five Hundred Dollars good and lawful money, for which we bind ourselves, and our heirs, executors and administrators.

Signed by us and dated this 13th day of November, 1896.
The condition of the above obligation is such, nevertheless, that, whereas, on the 13th day of November A. D. 1896, the above bounden John W. Graham, made application to the Commissioners of Madison County, and on the said day filed with the Auditor of said county he petitioned for the locating, establishing and constructing of a county ditch in pursuance of the statute in such cases made and provided, on the following route and termini, to wit:

Commencing at the head of a tile ditch on the lands of Bryan Flynn in Pleasant Township, Madison County, Ohio; thence in a southerly course along the line of said tile ditch, through the lands of Bryan Flynn, the lands of John Trope, and the lands of F. A. Wickell; thence in a south-westerly course following the line of an old open ditch through the lands belonging to the heirs of John R. King, deceased, and crossing the pike known as the Robison road; thence in a south-westerly course following the line of a tile ditch through the lands of John W. Graham to where said tile ditch empties into an open ditch on lands of said Graham; thence along the line of said open ditch, a distance of about one hundred and fifty feet and there terminate.

Now if the above bounden John W. Graham 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.

J. W. Graham
W. A. Strain
I. N. Strain.

The above bond and sureties thereon, are approved by me, this 13th day of November 1896.

W. D. Wilson
County Auditor.

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Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,
November 20th A.D. 1896.

In the matter of the
Ditch Improvement
petitioned for by J. W. Graham.

Notice to Commissioners of Filing

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.
You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of November A.D. 1896,
J. W. Graham filed a petition in this office, praying for the locating,
establishing and constructing of a ditch a copy of which said
petition is given below, and as required by statute in such cases
made and provided, I have fixed the 10th day of December A.D. 1896,
for the hearing of the same.

W. D. Wilson,

Auditor of said county.

Copy of Petition.

London, Ohio,

November 20th A.D. 1896.

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

Petition for location and construction of a Ditch.

The undersigned owners of lots and lands
which will be drained and 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 locating, establishing and construct-
ing of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the locating, establishing
and constructing of said ditch 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 and we
respectfully make application for the location and construction
of a county ditch between the termini named.

The following is the beginning, route and termini of
said proposed improvement, to wit:

Commencing at the head of
a tile ditch on the lands of Bryan Flynn in Pleasant township
Madison County, Ohio; thence in a southerly course along the
line of said tile ditch through the lands of said Bryan Flynn,
the lands of John Toops and the lands of F. A. Wickell; thence
in a south-westerly course following the line of an old open ditch
through the lands belonging to the heirs of John R. King, dec'd., and
crossing the pike known as the Robison road; thence in a south-
westerly direction, following the line of a tile ditch through the lands
of John W. Graham, to where said tile ditch empties into an open
ditch; thence along the line of said open ditch, a distance of 150
feet, and there terminate.

(over)

The names of all persons and corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioner are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows:

John W. Graham.
Heirs of John R. King.
F. A. Wickell.
John Troops.
Bryan Flynn.

Granville Troops
Laura Bricker.
Mary C. Bricker. } Heirs of
Wm. King } John R. King
Mary Ellen King.

Lenora Anderson.

J. W. Graham
Petitioner.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County
London Ohio, November 20th 1896.

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Petitioned for by J. W. Graham.

~~Fixing time of view~~

The County Auditor having given due notice to the Board of the filing of a petition on the 13th day of November, 1896, signed by J. W. Graham, praying for the location and construction of a County Ditch along the following described route to-wit; Commencing at the head of a tile ditch on the lands of Bryan Flynn in Pleasant Township, Madison County, Ohio; thence in a southerly course along the line of said tile ditch, through the lands of said Bryan Flynn, the lands of John Troops and the lands of F. A. Wickell; thence in a south-westerly course, following the line of an old open ditch, through the lands belonging to the heirs of John R. King, deceased, and crossing the pike known as the Robinson road; thence in a south westerly course following the line of a tile ditch through the lands of John W. Graham, to where said tile ditch empties into an open ditch; thence along the line of said open ditch, a distance of 150 feet and there terminate.

And it appearing that said petitioner has given bond as required by law, which has been duly approved by the Auditor, and the Auditor having fixed the 10th day of December, 1896 at 10 o'clock A.M. as the time for hearing said petition. It is ordered that the Board meet on said day, at the place of beginning of said ditch, to hear proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement and others competent to testify and determine the necessity of said improvement.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing orders and findings, each member voted "Aye."

Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London Ohio, Nov. 20th A.D. 1896.

In the matter of the
Ditch Improvement
petitioned for by J. W. Graham.

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 13th day of November, A.D. 1896, J. W. Graham filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the locating, establishing and constructing of a ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus, to wit:

Commencing at the head of a tile ditch on the lands of Bryan Flynn, in Pleasant Township, Madison County, Ohio; thence in a southerly course, along the line of said tile ditch, through the lands of said Bryan Flynn, the lands of John Trope and the lands of F. A. Wickell; thence in a south westerly course, following the line of an old open ditch through the lands belonging to the heirs of John R. King, dead, and crossing the pike known as the Robison road. thence in a south westerly course following the line of a tile ditch through the lands of John W. Graham, to where said ditch empties into an open ditch; thence along the line of said open ditch, a distance of 150 feet, and there terminate.

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; Thursday, December 10th 1896, at 10 o'clock A.M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said ditch improvement, whether the said ditch will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare; and whether the route described is the best route, and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

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

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

H. W. Wilson

Auditor of Madison County.

State of Ohio, } Proof of Notice.
Madison County, S.D. }

On this day of A.D. 1896, personally appeared before the undersigned authority who being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he served the annexed and above notice on the respective parties herein named by delivering to each a true copy thereof, except such as have waived the service thereof by placing their signature hereto.

Name of person served.	How served.	When served.
John W. Graham.	In person.	Nov. 24 th 1896.
F. A. Wickell.	" "	" " "
John Toops.	" "	" " "
Bryan Flynn.	Left at residence.	" " "
Granville Toops.	" " "	" " "
Laura Bricker	" " "	" " "
Mary C. Bricker	In person	" " "
Wm. King.	Non resident.	
Mary Ellen King.	In person.	" " "
Lenora Anderson.	" "	" " "

And further this deponent saith not. W. A. Strain
Sworn to by W. A. Strain before me & by him subscribed in my presence this 1st day of December 1896. W. D. Wilson, County Auditor.
London Ohio, Dec. 14th 1896.

In the matter of the } Meeting to View.
J. W. Graham }
Ditch Improvement. }

The Board having proceeded on the 10th day of December, 1896, to the place of beginning of said improvement as prayed for in said petition, and having then and there heard proof of parties affected by said improvement, and having duly considered the matter, do find and determined that said improvement is necessary and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare and that the best line therefore is as follows:

Commencing at the head of a tile ditch on the lands of Bryan Flynn in Pleasant Township, Madison County, Ohio; thence in a southerly direction along the line of said tile ditch through the lands of said Bryan Flynn, the lands of John Toops, and the lands of F. A. Wickell; thence in a south westerly course following the line of an old open ditch, through the lands belonging to the heirs of John R. King, deceased, and crossing the pike known as the Robison road; thence in a south westerly course following the line of a tile ditch through the lands of John W. Graham, to where tile ditch empties into an open ditch a distance of one hundred and fifty feet and there terminate.

The improvement to be made from the beginning of the open ditch on the lands of F. A. Wickell, through the lands of

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John R. King and John W. Graham to the old Rail road grade on the Graham land.

Order to County Surveyor.

It is therefore ordered that H. B. Mc Cafferty, County Surveyor go upon the line of said improvement, and survey and level the same, and set a stake at every hundred feet numbering down stream, note the intersection of lines and boundaries of lands, township lines, land marks, bench-marks and road crossings; make a report, profile and plat of the same, and estimate the number of cubic yards of earth and other substance to be removed, and the cost per cubic yard for each working section and of each section of one hundred feet; it is also ordered that said Engineer make and return a schedule of all lots and lands, public and corporate roads and municipal corporations that will be benefited by said improvement, and an apportionment of the cost of location and construction in money to each lot and tract of land, road and municipal corporation, according to the benefits which will result to each from the said improvement and a specification of the manner in which said improvement shall be made and completed, the amount and size of tile necessary and the estimated cost of the same.

Said Engineer shall report his proceedings to this Board on the 18th day of January, 1897 at 10 o'clock A.M. at their office in London, Ohio, and all interested parties were notified accordingly.

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

The further consideration of said matter was adjourned to January 18th 1897, at the office of the Board.

H. Lilly } Commissioners
James Withrow } of
Madison County.

Waiver.

In the matter of the
County Ditch Petitioned
for by J. W. Graham. }

I, the undersigned, being a resident of Union County Ohio, and one of the heirs at law of Jno. R. King, deceased, thereby having a legal interest in the land belonging to the estate of the said Jno. R. King deceased, as sought to be affected by the improvement prayed for in said petition, do hereby waive service of notice by Publication and voluntarily enter my appearance as one of the parties interested.

Dated this day of November 1896.

Jno King.

Engineer's Report
Filed January 18th 1897 at 9.55 O'clock a.m.

Surveyor's Office
London Ohio, Jan'y 18th 1897.

To the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

In compliance with your order to me I have surveyed, staked and leveled the County Ditch petitioned for by J. W. Graham and hereby file the attached report of the same.

I have made two separate estimates, specifications and apportionments of the cost of construction as I was requested to do, by some of the interested land owners.

But I would recommend the first which specifies a 12 inch tile from station 6.37 to station 28.50 of the main ditch.

The following is an itemized bill of the expense of locating, surveying and leveling said ditch improvement.

H. L. Mc Cafferty, Engineer.	6 days at \$4. ⁰⁰	\$24.00
Howard Graham.	$\frac{2}{3}$ " " 1. ⁰⁰	1.00
Stephen Graham.	$\frac{2}{3}$ " " 1. ⁰⁰	1.00
Luther Connel.	$\frac{2}{3}$ " " 1. ⁰⁰	1.00
Hard Hanson.	$\frac{2}{3}$ " " 1. ⁰⁰	1.00
Stakes.		<u>1.00</u>
Total		\$29.00

Respectfully submitted
H. L. Mc Cafferty
Engineer.

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Ditch.

Engineer's
Report

Stake every 100 feet num- bered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total falls from Station 0	Entire Depth	Cut.
0	100.00	96.04 - .94		3.96	3.50
1	99.46	95.10	.94	4.36	3.36
+56	98.66	94.58	1.46	4.08	3.08
2	97.53	94.16	1.88	3.37	2.42
23	99.00				
3	97.63	93.22	2.82	4.41	2.58
4	96.66	92.28	3.76	4.38	2.68
5	96.28	91.34	4.70	4.94	2.62
+36	94.98	90.94	5.10	4.04	3.00
6	95.11	90.40	5.64	4.71	2.84
+37	94.06	90.00 - 1.10	6.04	4.06	2.96
7	93.86	89.30	6.74	4.56	3.28
8	93.22	88.20	7.84	5.02	5.00
Center Road	95.60	87.84	8.20	7.76	7.76
+50	92.26	87.65	8.39	4.61	4.61
9	92.21	87.10	8.94	5.11	5.11
10	90.56	86.00 - .80	10.04	4.56	4.56
+28	90.72	85.78	10.26	4.94	4.94
1	90.00	85.20	10.84	4.80	4.80
2	89.70	84.40	11.64	5.30	5.30
3	88.10	83.60	12.44	4.50	4.50
4	87.33	82.80	13.24	4.53	4.53
5	86.00	82.00 - 1.15	14.04	4.00	4.00
6	85.36	80.85	15.19	4.51	4.51
7	83.88	79.70	16.34	4.18	4.18
8	82.80	78.55	17.49	4.25	4.25
9	81.18	77.40	18.64	3.78	3.78
+53	81.16	76.82	19.22	4.34	4.34
20	80.73	76.23 - .64	19.81	4.50	4.50
1	79.76	75.59	20.45	4.17	4.17
2	79.33	74.95	21.09	4.38	4.38
3	78.48	74.30	21.74	4.18	4.18
4	78.08	73.65	22.39	4.43	4.43
5	77.34	73.00	23.04	4.34	4.34
+83	76.70	72.49	23.55	4.21	4.21
6	75.68	72.36	23.68	3.32	2.02
7	74.46	71.72	24.32	2.74	1.42
8	73.98	71.08	24.96	2.90	2.06
		70.76	25.54	2.92	2.00
+50	73.68	70.50	25.28	3.18	2.26
9	73.18	70.45	25.59	2.73	1.71
B.	74.86				

Course
and
Distance

Schedule A.

S. 43 W. 100

Beginning on lands of
F. A. Wickell.

S. 34 1/2 W. 56

Distance on land of
said Wickell = 100'

S. 3 W. 244

Hickory R.

S. 6 W. 136

S. 27 1/2 W. 101

Thence through land
of the Heirs of
John R. King.

S. 38 W. 213

S. 8 W. 178

S. 42 1/2 W. 172

Distance on land
of said Heirs = 733'

S. 53 W. 578

S. 60 W. 175

S. 35 W. 518

S. 37 W. 112

S. 22 W. 217

S. 68 W. 100

Line Heirs of John R. King
and Jno. W. Graham
thence through land
of said Graham.Distance on land of
said Graham = 2067To have a new 8" tile
from station 1
to station 6.37 and a
new 12 inch tile
from station 6.37 to
Station 28.50

Oak R.

Engineer's Report.	Stake every 100 feet numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station	Entire Depth	Cut.	Course and Distance	
	0	9916	9583 -93		3.33	2.35	S. 81 W. 127	Beginning on land of John R. King's heirs Distance on said land 625'
	1	9836	9490	.93	3.46	2.46	S. 83 W. 373	
+27		9746	9466	1.17	2.80	2.75	S. 76 W. 125	
	2	9761	9398	1.85	3.63	1.56		
	3	9708	9305	2.78	4.03	2.29		
	4	9654	9212	3.71	4.42	2.39		
	13	9701						Tree R.
	5	9544	9119	4.64	4.25	3.17		To have a 7" tile.
	6	9358	9024	5.59	3.34	3.00		
+25		9406	9000	5.83	4.06	2.96		

Specifications No. 1

The within ditch and laterals must be cut fully down to the grade line at all points and must be made to conform to the gradients filed herewith.

The main ditch from station 0 to station 6.37 is to be tiled with 8 inch tile and from station 6.37 to station 28.50 is to be tiled with 12 inch tile and Lateral No. 1 is to be tiled with 7 inch tile.

All tile to be cylindrical well burned drain tile first class in every particular or a good quality of 2nd class sewer pipe without cracks or broken places.

The estimated cost of the tile includes cost at the factory, hauling and delivering on the banks of the ditch and the furnishing of all necessary gys or connections.

Tile to be carefully laid in the trench prepared as above stated and to be jointed within 1/4 of an inch.

The estimated cost of excavation includes the cutting of the trench, the careful removal of tile that may be found in any of said ditches, the laying of the new tile or pipe and the filling in of all earth removed in the cutting of said trench also the deadening of all green trees standing nearer than 20 feet of the center line of said ditches.

Estimates will be issued only on completed working sections. To be fully completed on or before May. 1st 1897.

Specifications No. 2

The same as above except the main ditch is to be tiled with 8 inch tile or pipe from station 0 to station 28.50, said tile to follow tile already in on land of J. W. Graham, which tile is not to be disturbed and Lateral No. 1. is to be tiled as above except the 7 inch tile is to be continued down the main ditch from station 6.37 to station 10.28 where it is to intersect the 7 inch tile already in on the land of said J. W. Graham.

H. L. M^{rs}. Cafferty
Engineer.

Londond Ohio.
Jany. 18th 1897.

Ditch Improvement Record, J. W. Graham

Ditch.

Estimate No. 1Main Ditch

Section No. 1 - Station 0 - Station 15

90.90 rods Exc. @ 40¢ = \$36.36

32.54 " 8" tile " 70¢ = 22.78

52.30 " 12" " " 1.50 78.45

\$137.59

Section No. 2 - Sta 15 - Sta 29

84.84 rods Exc. @ 40¢ \$33.94

81.81 " 12" tile " 122.71

\$156.65

Section No. 3 - Lateral No. 1

37.80 rods Exc. @ 25¢ \$9.45

30.18 " 7" tile @ 60¢ 18.10

\$27.55

Stone Wall

(Estimated)

\$25.00

Total

\$346.79

Total Main Ditch \$319.24

" Lateral 27.55

Total estimated cost of tile \$242.04

" " " cutting 79.75

" " " stone wall 25.00

Estimate No. 2Main Ditch

Section No. 1 - Station 0 to Station 15.

90.90 rods Exc. @ 40¢ \$36.36

84.84 " 8" tile @ 70¢ 59.39

\$95.75

Section No. 2 - Sta 15 to Sta 29

84.84 rods Exc. @ 40¢ \$33.94

84.84 " 8" tile " 70 59.39

\$93.33

Section No. 3 - Lateral No. 1

37.80 rods Exc. at 25¢ \$9.45

53.88 " 7" tile " 60¢ 32.33

\$41.78

Stone Wall

(Estimated)

\$25.00

Total

\$255.86

Total Main Ditch \$214.08

" Lateral \$41.78

Total estimated cost of tile \$151.11

" " " cutting 79.75

" " " stone wall 25.00

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Ditch.

Owner's name.		Description	Acres Owned.	Acres drained	Estimated cost of Construction	Estimated cost of Location	Total cost	Apportioned
<u>Main Ditch.</u>								
Tlynn Bryan	57.99	Pleasant Trpf.	96.00		50 00	4 08	54 08	
Wickell F. A.	"	" "	69.73		35 00	1 70	36 70	
Troops John	"	" "	60.73		45 00	2 38	47 38	
King John R. (Hirs)	"	" "	100.80		65 00	4 42	69 42	
Madison County	Easement	" "			15 00	2 02	17 02	
Graham John W.	13.15	" "	277.74		99 14	6 72	105 96	
Troops Granville	"	" "	36.63		10 00	6 8	10 68	
<u>Lateral No. 1</u>								
Wickell F. A.					10 00	2 50	12 50	
King John R. (Hirs)					17 55	3 50	21 05	

Approved this 18th day of January, 1897.

H. Lilly. }
S. S. Robbins } Commissioners
James Withrow. } of
Madison County.

For Plat see Plat Record pages

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

Board met in special session today.
Members present H. Lilly, S. S. Robbins and James Withrow.
In the matter of the }
J. W. Graham } Hearing on Report of Engineer
Ditch Improvement. }

This being the day fixed by the Board for the further hearing of said matter, and the County Surveyor having filed his report, including an apportionment made by him of the cost of said improvement, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the same. The Board having heard the evidence and examined said report and apportionment do find that the same are in all respects fair and just according to the benefits derived from said improvement by the owner of each lot and tract of land. It is therefore ordered that said report and apportionment be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.
The Board fix Monday, Feby. 1st 1897 at the beginning of said proposed improvement as the time and place for the sale of the construction of said improvement at public outcry in sections of not less than one hundred (100) feet nor more than twenty-five hundred feet in length.
And the County Surveyor is hereby directed to attend at time and place of sale specified above to superintend and conduct the same. The County Auditor is directed to cause notice of the time and place

of said sale to be given by posters for one week.

It is further ordered that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay the cost of said improvement, that Bonds of the County be issued for amounts to be hereinafter determined.

Motion for approval of findings and orders made in said matter, Lilly, Robbins and Withrow voted "Aye."

Sale Bill

Notice to Contractors.

The undersigned Engineer will on Monday, Feb. 1st 1897 offer for sale, at public outcry, on the ground, the furnishing of all material necessary, and the work of constructing the

J. W. Graham Ditch Improvement.

Said work to be sold in sections as follows.

Section 1- Main Ditch- Station 0 - Station 15.00, 90.90 rods excavation
32.54 rods of 8 inch tile and 52.30 rods of 12 inch tile.

Section 2- Main Ditch - Station 15.00 to Station 28.50, 81.81 rods excavation,
81.81 rods of 12 inch tile.

Section 3- Lateral 1- 37.80 rods of excavation, 30.18 rods of 7 inch tile.

Bidders meet at the residence of J. W. Graham at 10 o'clock a.m. of said day, and each bidder must deposit \$15 cash as security that he will enter into bond, should he be the successful bidder.

Right reserved to reject any or all bids.

By order of Commissioners

H. L. Mc Cafferty
Engineer.

Report of SalesLondon, Ohio, Feb. 1st 1897.

To the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio:

In compliance with your order to me, I have this day sold the furnishing of the necessary material and the work of constructing the J. W. Graham County Ditch Improvement as follows:

Furnishing of Tile to Van Cleave Bros.	\$ 234.00
Work of Construction " Cantwell Bros.	\$ 64.00
Total	\$ 298.00

H. L. Mc Cafferty,
Engineer.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, February 1st 1897

In the matter of
the J. W. Graham
Ditch Improvement.

Contract for Furnishing Tile

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered and advertised for sale according to law, and the furnishing of Tile on the ground for all of Main Ditch from Station 1 to Station 28.50 and its lateral 1 allotted to land owners benefited thereby and sold by the duly appointed Engineer on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1897 to the undersigned in the following lots ^{Per} sizes:

32.54 rods 8"
30.18 " 7"
134.11 " 12"
1 - 12 x 8 y
1 - 8 x 4 y
2 - 12 x 6 y
1 - 12 x 4 y.

Amounting to Two Hundred ^{and} Thirty-Four Dollars, pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises it is agreed by us to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that we will deliver said tile in dimensions and quantities as per specifications for said improvement and in parcels of 100 feet of tile upon each 100 feet of ditch and within 10 feet of the center line of the same where used.

All of the above tile is to be delivered on or before the 1st day of April A. D. 1897, and delivery to begin at once and to proceed without unnecessary delay.

Provided this contract shall be of no force until approved by the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio and it is further expressly agreed that 75 per cent of said cost of tile shall be paid when delivered and the remaining 25 per cent when laid and accepted on ditch. Van Cleave Bros. Contractors.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, Feby. 1st A.D. 1897.

In the matter of.
the J. W. Graham
Ditch Improvement.

} Contractor's Bond

Know all Men by These Presents, That Van Cleve Bros. as principal and J. T. Drake and John M. Horn as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Four Hundred and Sixty - Eight Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 1st day of February, A.D. 1897.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor has bid off the labor of furnishing the tile in quantities and kinds, and to be delivered as per above contract and has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners and Engineer of said Madison County and has agreed to fully do and perform all of said labor of furnishing said tile in accordance with the specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings on or before the 1st day of April A.D. 1897.

Now if the said Van Cleve Bros shall well and truly perform all the obligations of their said contract and complete the same within the time fixed therein 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.

Van Cleve Bros.

J. T. Drake.

John M. Horn.

This Contract and Bond, and Sureties on said Bond approved this 1st day of March 1897.

H. Lilly

S. S. Robbins } Commissioners of
Madison County.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London Ohio, Feby. 1st 1897.

In the matter of
the J. W. Graham
Ditch Improvement.

} 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 1, 2nd & 3 of 213.54 rods allotted to several land owners of the following described land: viz: per report of Engineer, and sold by the duly appointed Engineer on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1897 to the undersigned for Sixty Four 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 April A. D. 1897, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

Cantwell Bros.
Contractors.

H. L. Mc Cafferty,
Engineer.

Auditor's Office, Madison County
London Ohio, Feby. 1st A.D. 1897.

In the matter of
the J. W. Graham
Ditch Improvement.

Contractors Bond.

Know all Men by These Presents, That Cantwell Bros. as principal and S. W. Price and D. B. Chenoweth as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of One Hundred ^{and} Twenty Eight Dollars, good and lawful money. Signed and dated this 1st day of February, 1897.

The Condition of the Above Obligation is such, however, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor has bid off the labor of constructing Working Sections 1-2-3, has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all labor of constructing said improvement in accordance with the plans and specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings, on or before the 1st day of April, 1897.

Now, if the said Cantwell Bros. shall well and truly perform all the obligations of their 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.

Cantwell Bros.
S. W. Price
D. B. Chenoweth.

This Contract and Bond ^{and} Sureties on said Bond approved this 18th day of February, 1897.

H. Lilly.
S. S. Robbins

Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio

H. L. Mc Cafferty,
Engineer.

In the matter of the
Issue & Sale of Bonds
for the Graham Ditch Imp.

Order of Issue & Sale of Bonds.

This day the Board had under consideration the matter of issuing and selling bonds to meet the expense of the Graham Ditch Improvement.

It was moved by S. S. Robbins and seconded by James Withrow that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay for the above named improvement, and in pursuance of the authority granted by Sections 4479, 4481^{2nd} & 4482 of the Revised Statutes of Ohio, and the laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, that bonds of the County be issued for the J. W. Graham Ditch Improvement as follows:

One bond for \$70 due March 1st 1898.

One bond for \$70 due Sept. 1, 1898

One bond for \$70 due March 1, 1899

One bond for \$70 due Sept. 1, 1899

One bond for \$70 due March 1, 1900

One bond for \$70 due Sept. 1, 1900

Amount of Bonds \$420.00 Am't Interest \$44.10

Total Am't of Bonds & Interest \$464.10.

Said bonds to bear date of September 1st 1897, and bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

Interest represented by Coupons payable as follows:

First installment payable March 1st 1898 and said interest payable semi-annually thereafter and due March 1st and September 1st of each year.

That bids for the purchase of said bonds shall be filed with the Auditor of said County up to twelve (12) o'clock noon (standard time) on Wednesday August 25th 1897 on which date said bids will be opened and considered.

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

That the successful bidder be required to deposit cash to an amount equaling 5 per cent of the bid to bind the purchase.

That bonds and interest are payable at the County Treasurer's Office of said County and that bonds be delivered to successful bidder at said Treasurer's Office upon payment of purchase price on or before September 1st 1897.

That the Board reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

Upon call of the roll for the approval of the foregoing matter Lilly, Robbins and Withrow voted "Aye" Carried.

H. Lilly } Commissioners
S. S. Robbins } of
James Withrow } Madison County.

Ditch Improvement Record, J. W. Graham. Ditch.

In the matter of
the sale of the J. W.
Graham Ditch Imp. Bonds.

Sale of County Bonds

This being the day fixed by the Board for the sale of the J. W. Graham County Ditch Bonds which bonds are specifically described in the "order of the sale" of the same, dated July 20th 1897, and described on page 636 of Volume 5 of the proceedings of the Commissioners; and the Board being satisfied that said sale of bonds had been duly and legally advertised proceeded to conduct said sale in accordance with the aforesaid order.

Bids were received as follows:

Central Bank, London, Ohio.

Seasongood & Mayer, Cincinnati, Ohio.

First National Bank, Columbus, Ohio.

E. H. Gay and Co. Boston, Mass.

S. A. Kean, Chicago, Ill.

After due consideration of all the bids it was moved by Robbins and seconded by Withrow, that the bid of Seasongood and Mayer be accepted.

Upon adoption of the foregoing motion, the roll being called, Lilly, Robbins and Withrow voted "Aye". Carried

H. Lilly } Commissioners
S. S. Robbins } of
James Withrow } Madison County

In the matter of
Assessment of the
Graham Ditch Imp.

Assessments

The J. W. Graham Ditch Improvement having been provided for according to law, and the Board of Commissioners having determined to issue and sell Bonds of the County to raise money necessary for the expense of the Graham Ditch Improvement,

It is hereby ordered that assessments shall be made upon the lots and lands benefited, payable in
Three Annual Installments.

That Assessments for the year 1897, sufficient to pay the cost of location and bond and interest due, the first and all claims for compensation and damages allowed be made in proportion to the estimates made on said improvement.

And the County Auditor is directed to make and furnish to the Treasurer of the County a special duplicate for the year 1897 charging each of the lots and lands assessed for the Graham Ditch Improvement per centum of the gross assessments.

And that assessments shall be made annually hereafter sufficient to pay the Bonds and Interest due each year until paid. Upon motion for approval, Lilly, Robbins and Withrow voted "Aye". Carried.

H. Lilly } Commissioners
S. S. Robbins } of
James Withrow } Madison County.