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David Smith presented the following petition to wit.
 To the Commissioners of Belmont County.
 Your petitioners humbly sheweth that they labor under great
 inconvenience for want of a road from Smiths and Bransons
 mills on Glenns run the nearest and best way to intersect the ridge
 road leading from Martins Ferry to St Clairsville at or near Jacob
 Clarks plantation and request you to appoint viewers to view and
 lay out said road and your petitioners are in duty bound to pray
 David Smith Isaac Branson William O. Branson Michael Grubb
 John A. Davis Samuel Zano George Coss James Smith William Parks
 John Garbit James Bails Robert Cochran George Heppman James Milroy Robt
 Post William Willis William Porter Joseph Lewis Jacob Statts David
 Coss James Smith Jr Thomas Campbell Jacob Clark Adam Coss Abraham
 Statts George Given Alexander Lattinon Phineas Merring Aaron
 Newport James Alexander

The Commissioners ordered said petition audibly read and being satisfied
 that the notice was given proceeded and appointed Thomas Berry
 Alexander McWilliams and Thomas Mitchell Esq. as viewers to meet at
 the place of beginning on the last Saturday of August next and pro-
 ceed to said view as the law directs and make return to the Com-
 missioners on the first day of the next Term of the Court of Com-
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Jesse Burch is appointed surveyor.
 A return similar to the foregoing dated July Term 1818. Appears of record
 Vol. 2. page 132 - Auditor.
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The viewers aforesaid presented the following petition (report) to wit.
 To the Commissioners of Belmont County Gentlemen.
 Agreeable to your order of the 28th of July 1818. we proceeded to view
 to view the road applied for by David Smith and are of the opinion
 that the same when improved will be of public and general
 utility to the citizens of the County at large.

Alexander McWilliams }
 Thomas Mitchell } Viewers
 Thomas Berry }

Said return being read on two different days of the same meeting and
 no objections made thereto and the Commissioners being satisfied with
 said return they ordered said road to be recorded a public highway
 The courses and distances are as follows to wit. beginning at Smith
 Bransons mill thence N. 87 E 18 perches. S 56 E 7 perches. S 57 18 perches
 S. 15 N 10 perches. S 14 perches. E 26 perches. N 32 E. 19 perches. S 84 E 7
 perches. S. 12 N 16 perches. S 9. N 44 perches. S 34. N 24 perches. S 23 N 72
 S 16. N 28 perches. S 48. N 42 perches. S 55. N 36 perches. S 1. N 22 perches S.
 20. E 30 perches. S. 20. N 6 perches. S 56. N 22 perches. S 76. N 22. perches
 S 46 N 14 perches S 18 N 50 perches. S. 3. E. 48. perches. S 46. perches to the
 intersection of the ridge road containing two miles and thirty nine
 poles August 29th 1818. Jesse Burch. Surveyor

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The following return dated Nov. 1818. Appears of record vol 2 page 148 (and)
 Alexander McWilliams. Thomas Mitchell and Thomas Berry who were
 appointed viewers at the last session. made their return in the words fol-
 lowing to wit.

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To the Honorable Commissioners of Belmont County Gentlemen,
agreeable to your order bearing date of July 28th 1818. we proceeded
to view the road applied for by David Smith. and are of opinion
that the same when improved will be of general and public util-
ity to the Citizens of the County at large.

Alexander McWilliams }
Thomas Mitchell }
Thomas Berry } Viewers

Said return being audibly read on two different days of the same
meeting. and no objections made thereto the Commissioners or-
dered said road to be recorded a public highway.
(The courses and distances are stated here as in the foregoing report
of the viewers - Auditor).

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Alexander Lattimore presented the following petition. to wit.
To the Honorable Commissioners of Belmont County. now sitting
at St Clairsville.

I Alexander Lattimore of Peace township. do humbly peti-
tion your Honors. to appoint viewers to alter or lay out a
road leading from Boaths mill. to the Ohio River. down
Glenns run. &c. your petitioner has no desire to have anything
to do with the road. only through his own land. and so far
wishes the alteration to be made. at his own expense. if
you should think proper to allow me to alter the said road
so as to not increase the distance. or lay the road on worse
ground. if you think it lawful viewers may be dispensed
with. I humbly submit this decision to your Honors.
consideration.

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Alexander Lattimore

The Commissioners being satisfied the petitioner had given the
notice the law requires. and after causing said petition to
be audibly read. appointed James Alexander. Thomas Mitchell
and Thomas Berry as viewers to meet on the ground on the
last Friday in August next. and proceed to view said road. and
make return of their proceedings at the next Term of Common Pleas
Court.

Jesse Burch is appointed surveyor

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The following entry dated July session 1818. appears of record Vol 2
page 133. Similar to the above - Auditor
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The viewers aforesaid made their return to wit.
To the Commissioners of Belmont County Gentlemen.
agreeable to your order of the 29th of July 1818. proceeded to view that
part of the road. designated in your order. and are of opinion
that the alteration thereof an advantage to the public.

Thomas Mitchell }
James Alexander } Viewers
Thomas Berry }

Said return being read on two different days of the same meeting.

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ing, and no objections were made thereto, and the Commissioners being satisfied with said return, they ordered said alteration recorded a public highway.

The courses and distances are as follows to wit. beginning S. 60 E. 15 1/2 perches S. 24. E. 27 perches S. 83 East 50 perches to the place of intersection
Jesse Birch surveyor.

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The following entry dated November Session 1818. appears of record vol. 2, page 149. - Auditor)

Thomas Mitchell, Thomas Berry and James Alexander made the following report to the Commissioners of Belmont County. Agreeable to your order of the 29th July 1818. we proceeded to view that part of the road designated in your order, and are of the opinion that the alteration thereof is an advantage to the public.

Thomas Mitchell

Thomas Berry

James Alexander.

Said return being audibly read, on two different days of the same meeting, and no objections being made thereto the Commissioners ordered said road to be recorded a public highway (The courses and distances are stated here, as in the previous report of the viewers - Auditor).

Vol. A, Page 233
Isaac Wilson presented the following petition to wit. To the Commissioners of Belmont County at their quarterly session in July 1818.

The undersigned subscribers, inhabitants of said place, humbly represents to your Honorable Body, the inconvenience and disadvantage they labour under, for want of a leading highway through this vicinity. Southwardly pray that an order may be issued for a view and survey of the ground for a road to commence at the Marietta road, at or near one mile from Barnesville, on section no 20, thence the nearest and best route, to section no 33 in said range and township to intersect a road laid out from Jonathan Bogues mill to Suceaville, for which we have confidence to believe that you will grant us a view on said ground, as we shall consider ourselves, as in duty bound to remember.

Isaac Wilson, Richard Edgerton, Joseph Edgerton, John Doudan, Humphrey Anderson, Thomas Bready, James Riggs, Abraham Olters Jr, Francis Oltter, Ezra Johnston, James Watson, David Higginsbottom, James Hawkins, Abraham Olters, Asa Anderson, Joseph Alexander Jr, Oltter Barnes, Robert Mills, William Edger, Morris Hiller, Jacob Eussminger, John Eussminger, William Coulson, Avery West, Robert Miller, Joel Judkins, Joshua Lloyd, Stanton Judkins, John Harlin, George Myers, Hulings Ball, William Philpot, Robert Israel, Am Y. Shankland, Isaac Barnes, James Shankland, John Willison, Jas. S. Alexander, Henry Barnes

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The Commissioners being satisfied, that the notice was given that the law requires, and after causing the petition to be audibly read appointed William Bundy, John Smith and James White as viewers to view said road, to wit the first Friday of September, next to view said road, and make their report to the next Court of Common Pleas, to the Commissioners. Jas. S. Smith is appointed surveyor.

(An entry similar to the foregoing dated July Term 1818, appears of record, vol. 2, page 135 - Auditor).

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The following report was made by the viewers aforesaid, to wit. To the Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio.

Agreeable to the within order, we the subscribers met, and proceeded accordingly, and give it as our opinion, that it will be a road of public and general utility.

William Bundy }
James White } Viewers
John Smith }

The Commissioners caused said return to be read on two different days of the same meeting, and no objections were made thereto and the Commissioners being satisfied, they ordered said road recorded a public highway.

The courses and distances are as follows to wit, beginning on the Manilla road one mile from Barnesville, and find it to bear S 12 W 20 perches, S 18 E 20 perches, S 2 E 36 perches S 3 1/2 N 12 perches, O. 3 S 36 E 10 perches S 19 1/4 E 37 perches 8 links, S 31 N 32 perches, S 1 E 146 perches, S 32 E 60 perches 20 links, S 42 E 60 perches 18 links, S 27 1/4 E 12 perches, S 19 E 21 perches, 12 links, S 28 E 20 perches, S 47 E 10 perches, S 43 E 8 perches S 21 1/4 E 14 perches, S 28 E 10 perches 20 links, S 10 1/2 E 18 perches links S 6 1/4 N 33 perches, S 19 N 18 perches, 20 links, S 5 E 31 perches 15 links, S 33 N 14 perches, S 65 N 27 perches, S 69 1/2 N 43 perches S 84 1/4 N 9 perches, 5 links, S 67 N 15 perches S 50 N 50 perches, 24 links, S 3 1/4 N 40 perches, S 18 E 24 perches S 51 1/2 E 16 perches 15 links, S 4 1/2 N 12 perches, S 25 N 78 perches 5 links, S 44 N 50 perches S 47 N 25 perches, S 67 1/2 N 12 perches S 51 N 20 perches, S 44 1/4 N 26 perches, S 16 N 20 perches, S 1 1/2 E 14 perches, S 28 E 20 perches, S 22 1/2 E 12 perches, S 21 E 27 perches S 22 1/2 N 10 perches, S 3 1/4 N 27 perches, S 7 1/2 E 16 perches S 9 N 19 perches, S 31 N 12 perches, S 46 N 19 perches, S 57 N 26 perches, S 17 1/4 N 13 perches S 27 N 20 perches 20 links, S 33 N 10, 10 links, S 57 N 7 perches S 71 N 20 perches S 77 1/2 N 176 perches, S 55 N 25 perches S 74 1/2 N 19 perches, S 89 N 12 perches S 85 N 18 perches S 45 1/2 N 15 perches S 24 N 19 perches 20 links, S 13 N 13 perches S 7 1/2 E 13 perches S 20 1/2 E 13 perches, 5 links, S 3 1/4 E 15 perches, S 8 N 26 perches S 13 N 1 1/2 perches S 25 N 21 perches, S 28 1/2 N 49 perches, S 11 1/2 E 27 perches, S 20 1/2 E 17 perches S 17 E 13 perches S 36 E 18 perches, 10 links, S 33 E 15 perches, 17 links S 24 E 13 links, 15 links, S 19 E 20, 17 links S 8 N 13, 16 links, South 36 N 30 perches, S 11 N 22 perches, S 41 N 44 perches, 10 links S 53 N 11 perches, 18 links S 44 N 11 perches, S 2 N 22 perches, S 14 N 11 perches S 19 N 23 perches S 15 N 15 perches, 12 links, S 13 1/2 E 9, 13 links S 4 N 9 perches, 14 links S 30 N 27, 7

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links to the intersection of the Seneca road. being $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles and 39 perches.

Sept 4th 1818.

John S. Smith Surveyor.

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The following entry dated November 4th 1818 appears of record vol 2 page 146 - Auditor).

John Smith, James White and William Bundy who were appointed owners of the road from the Marietta road, from section no. 20, township no 8 range no 6, thence towards Jonathan Rogues mill, as will more fully appear on the petition made their return, in the words following to wit To the Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio.

Agreeable to the within order, we the subscribers met, and proceeded accordingly and give it as our opinion, that it will be a road of public and general utility.

William Bundy }
James White } Viewers
John Smith }

The Commissioners caused said return to be audibly read on two different days of the same meeting, and no objections being made thereto the Commissioners caused said road, to be recorded a public highway.

The courses and distances are again stated here as above - Auditor

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Thomas Smith presented the following petition to wit,

To the Commissioners of Belmont County.

As your petitioners labor under difficulties for want of a road and do desire same to begin at Thomas Smith's house on the Captiva road near the center of Section no 9, township no 8 range no 6 there is also a little alteration in the Captiva road to Stillwater meeting house, on the old route west of William Hodgson on to continue on to William Childers mill, thence the nearest and best way to the ridge meeting house, thence to intersect the Woodsfield road, in Section no 13, township and range aforesaid. 6th month, 13th 1818.

Thomas Smith, William Hodgson, Joseph Patterson, Laban Hicks, Robert Hodgson, William Childers, Barman Davis, George Wrotten, Samuel Hooper, David Vance, Robert Hooper, Benjamin Patterson, Jonathan Patterson, Isaac Patterson, Titus Shattell, Jas. S. Smith, Benjamin Bratton, Charles Colles, Jas. S. Smith, Ruben Watkins, Elijah Barr, Joseph Middleton, John Hodgson, Mahlon Bailey, William Bailey, Arnold Patterson, Barick Bailey, Thomas Patterson, Simon Taylor, Jussacher Schofield, Wiatt Bailey, John Wiatt, Edmund Bailey, Moses Davis, James Hicks, Joseph Hicks, John Watson, Edmund Hays, William Frederick Hays, Dempsey Roswell, Isaac Crew, Joseph Arnold, John Beck.

The Commissioners being satisfied that the petitioners had given the notice, the law requires, and after causing said petition to be audibly read, they appointed Joseph Donner, Joseph Pancost, and Cleazer Coaws, as viewers, and Jas. S. Smith

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Surveyor. to view and survey said road. to meet on the 3rd Friday of August next and proceed to view. as the law directs. and make return of their proceedings to the Commissioners at the next Court of Common Pleas.

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The viewers aforesaid made the following report to wit.
To the Commissioners of Belmont County. we the subscribers met agreeable to your order. to view a road. beginning at Thomas Smith's land. to the ridge meeting house. together with an alteration in the Captina road. do agree that said road. and alteration will be of public utility to the State and County at large if opened.

August 21st 1818.

Said return being read on two different days. of the same meeting. and no objection. made thereto. and the Commissioners being satisfied they ordered said road to be recorded a public highway.

The courses and distances are as follows. to wit. beginning at Thomas Smith's. 1/4 mile east of Barnesville. and bear South 3 1/2 E 72 perches. alteration of Captina road. N 88 E. 30 perches S 37. N 12 perches. S 16 1/4 N 88 perches. 6 links. S 17 perches. S 10. N 7 perches. S 42 N 26 perches. S 45. N 34 perches. S 28 N 12 perches S 10. N 18 perches. S 21. N 26 perches. S 7 1/2 N 106 perches. 4 links S 11 1/2 E. 24 perches. S 19 E. 15 perches. S 28 E. 44 perches. S. 6 1/2. N 100 perches. S 83 N 72 perches. S 41. N 54 perches. 10 links S 58 N 44 perches. S 52 N 89 perches.

John S. Smith Surveyor.

The following order dated November 4th 1818. appears of record. vol. 2. Page 146 - Auditor)

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John Smith James White and William Bundy who were appointed as viewers. of the road from the Marietta road. from Section no 20. Township no 8 range no 6. thence towards Jonathan Bogues mill as will more fully appear in the petition. made their return in the words following to wit.

To the Commissioners of Belmont County Ohio.
Agreeable to the within. order we the subscribers. met and proceeded accordingly. and give it as our opinion. that it will be a road of general and public utility.

William Bundy.
James White
John Smith } Viewers

The Commissioners caused said return to be audibly read on two different days of the same meeting. and no objections being made thereto. the Commissioners caused said road to be recorded a public highway. (The courses and distances are stated here. as in the above report of the viewers - Auditor)

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Vol. A. William Sharp presented the following petition to wit.

Page 238 The Honorable Commissioners of Belmont County.

As your petitioners humbly sheweth that we conceive that we labor under considerable difficulty for the want of an amendment on the road leading from William Dixons saw mill through Union the amendment will be as follows beginning at said saw mill to intersect the east end of Mount Pleasant Street in said Union town. We hope that your Honors will appoint suitable characters to view said proposed amendment and your petitioners as in duty bound bound will ever
 pray.

William Sharp James Jenkins Jr. Craven Boggs Isaac Bower
 John Dumble James Sharp George Sharp Samuel Crossley
 George Heald Samuel Mills James Reynolds Francis S. Rogers
 John W. Smith Henry Booth Benjamin Pearson George Morgan
 Jonathan Byw.

The Commissioners being satisfied the petitioners had given the notice required by law and after causing said petition read in open meeting they appointed Thomas Boyd Robert Morrison and Isaac Branson as viewers and John Stewart Surveyor to meet August and proceed to said view and make return of their proceedings to the Commissioners next Term of Common Pleas Court

(An entry similar to the above appears of record Vol. 2. page 137. dated July Session 1818. - Auditor)

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The viewers aforesaid made their report in the words following to wit.

We the within named viewers having been duly qualified previous to the entering on the duties of said amendment do give it as our opinion that said amendment will be of general and public utility to the public at large.

Given under our hands this 29th day of August 1818.

Thomas Boyd }
 Isaac Branson }
 Robert Morrison Viewers

Said return being twice read on two different days of the same meeting and no objections were made thereto and the Commissioners being satisfied they ordered said alteration to be recorded a public highway the old parts between the points vacated.

The courses and distances are as follows to wit. beginning two perches and 21 links from S. W. Corner of William Dixons house thence S. E. West 16 perches. S. 3. W. 29 perches. S. E. 27 perches. South 16 perches

John Stewart
 Surveyor.

(The following entry dated November Term 1818. appears of record Vol. 2. page 151. - Auditor)

Vol. 2. Thomas Boyd Robert Morrison and Isaac Branson made
 Page 151 their view of the alteration of the road through or from Union town to William Dixons made their report in the words

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following to wit. we the within named viewers having been duly qualified. previous to our entering on the view of said amendment. do give it as our opinion. that said amendment will be of general utility. to the public at large.

Given under our hands. this 29th day of August 1818.

Thomas Boyd.
Robert Morrison
Isaac Branson

(The courses and distances are stated here same as in the foregoing report of the viewers & Auditor).

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James Campbell presented the following petition to wit. To the Commissioners of the County of Belmont
At your petitioners having labored under much inconvenience for want of a public road. leading from Alexander McNarys mill to intersect a road formerly through Harrison County ending at the County line on the line between David Henderson and Andrew Rich. we your petitioners humbly pray. that you would appoint suitable persons to meet at said McNarys mill and view a road on the line between Archibald McElroy. and Joseph Rahlston. thence through the land of John Nixon. thence through the land of John and Andrew Fulton. thence through the land of John Labe and William Cook. and through the land of Robert and David Henderson. and intersect the above mentioned road. through Harrison County.

John Campbell. John Frost. James Campbell. John Fulton David Henderson. Alexander McNary. William Anderson. Charles Lowens. David McElland John Nixon John Nook. George Looe. John Looe. William Cook. David Lammoad. John Patterson. Lion Pickering Samuel Sharples William Sharples John Brown. David Moore. Josiah Hedges Abel Smith John Printers.

The Commissioners ordered said petition read audibly in open meeting. and being satisfied. the petitioners had given the notice the law requires. they appointed Hugh Mc Coy. Samuel Brown and Thomas Townsend. as viewers and John Steward surveyor. to meet at the place of beginning. at report to the Commissioners at the next Nov. Term.

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An entry dated July session 1818. appears of record vol. 2 page 139. similar to the foregoing. - (Auditor)
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The viewers on the preceding petition. made their return to wit. At the viewers appointed by the within order to lay out a road therein mentioned. do report that pursuant to said (order) we have viewed the said road from McNarys mill to David Henderson. and are of the opinion that the road is of public and general utility. and will not be expensive to make. and will accommodate the growing inhabitants

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of that part of the County.

Witness our hands this 22nd day of August 1818.by order Hugh M^c Coy.

Samuel Brown.

Thomas Townsend

} Viewers

Said return being read on two different days of the same meeting and on the second reading. Thomas Leonard attorney in fact for Isaac Ely presented the following petition to wit.

To the Commissioners of Belmont County

Your petitioner understanding as he does that a road is likely to be established through the land of Isaac Ely a now resident of this State who owns a small farm with two roads running through the same already.

Your petitioner therefore being authorized and empowered by the said Isaac Ely by a power of attorney duly executed authorizing me to take charge of said land as fully and as completely as though he was present in his own proper person and as it is your petitioners belief that said road if established would very materially injure said land that in the event of confirming the road will greatly reduce the value of said land. Therefore he prays that you will appoint suitable persons to ascertain the damage the said Isaac Ely will sustain in consequence of the establishment of said road. Nov. 7th 1818.

Thomas Leonard attorney in fact for Isaac Ely

Whereupon the Commissioners appointed William Ramago, Evan Phillips, Joseph Swain, George Keller, and William McWilliams good and lawful men of said County as assessors of damages applied for aforesaid to meet on the said land and then and there to proceed to the duties of their appointment as the law directs and make return of their proceedings thereon to the Commissioners at the next Term of Common Pleas Court.

Vol 2. Page 150. (The following entry dated November Session 1818. Appears of record vol. 2. Page 150. - Auditor)

Hugh M^c Coy Samuel Brown Thomas Townsend presented the following return to wit.

We the persons appointed by the within order to view and lay out the road therein mentioned do report that in pursuance of said order we have viewed the said road from M^c Nays mill to David Hendersons and are of opinion that the road is of public and general utility and will not be expensive to make and will accommodate the growing inhabitants of that part of the County. Witness our hands this 22nd day of August 1818.

by order Hugh M^c Coy.

Samuel Brown

Thomas Townsend

} Viewers

Said return being read on two different days of the same meeting and on the second reading. Thomas Leonard attorney in fact for Isaac Ely presented a petition for damages as follows to wit. (said petition is similar to the foregoing in Vol 4 Page 240 - Auditor)

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The assessors of damages aforesaid made their report, to wit. We the undersigned, having been sworn according to law, proceeded to view the damage sustained by Isaac Ely, in consequence of a public highway going through his farm, and we do adjudge the damage to (be) one hundred dollars.

William McWilliams }
George Keller }
William Ramage }
Evan Phillips }
} Viewers

The Commissioners therefore considering the utility of the road do consider the road too burdensome, and that the prayer of the first petitioner ought not to be granted, and that the first petitioner pay the cost.

The following entry dated March 1819, appears of record vol. 2, page 152. Auditor)

Vol 2, Page 152 William McWilliams, George Keller, Evan Phillips, and William Ramage, who were appointed assessors of damages, on the petition of Thomas Leonard attorney in fact for Isaac Ely made their return in the words following to wit.

We the undersigned having (been) sworn according to law, proceeded to view the damage sustained by Isaac Ely, in consequence of a public highway going through the farm, and we adjudge this damage to be one hundred dollars.

William McWilliams }
George Keller }
Evan Phillips }
William Ramage }
} assessors.

The Commissioners therefore adjudge the damage to be born by the County, too considerable, and are not satisfied to establish said road a public highway.

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James Edgerton presented the following petition to wit.

To the Commissioners of Belmont County Ohio

We your petitioners do crave your attention according to the power in you vested, in granting us a road, beginning at the Morristown road, in section no 34 in township 5 and range 5, thence by James Edgerton, Jr. to intersect the Woodfield road, at Somerset, for which we pray, and for your endeavors, herein, we shall acknowledge &c.

Peter Sears, James Edgerton Jr, Isaac Strahl, Enoch Stanton, Jonathan Bogue, James Edgerton, Ira Patterson, Joseph Bishop, Borden Stanton, Moses Davis, Daniel Frazer, William Frazer, William Edgerton, Owen Wade, Peter Steal, John Hodgen, Arnold Patterson.

The Commissioners being satisfied, the petitioners had given the notice, required by law, and after causing the petition, audibly read