

Merwin Road

To the Board of Supervisors
 of Westchester County Town
 their Petitions residing
 in said County and in the
 vicinity of the proposed Road
 as hereinafter described would
 respectfully ask that a Commission
 be appointed to view and of expedient
 to establish or locate a Road as
 follows & wit: Commencing
 on the section line at the North West corner
 of the North West quarter of Section 23 (2)
 Run in Township 43. North Range (83)
 North of Long M. Run (13) West of
 8 1/2 M in said County thence running
 South on the section line between
 Section 23. Run (2) & Run (3) Ten (10) (11)
 Run thence (14) 1/2 Section (15) to the
 intersection the Road running from
 West to the local ditches in said
 County on the East side of Hudson
 River. That said Road be finally
 established

James	James
Edwin P. Mason	Allen Mason
Stephen Brown	Henry Jones
W. H. Hale	Good Thorne
W. H. Hale	William Graham
J. J. Lewis	Walter Sanford

Names

Wm. H. H. H.

Albert L. L. L.

Henry Morgan

Samuel M. M.

Richard M. M.

John L. L.

Alva Morgan

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Road Bond

STATE OF IOWA, }
BLACKHAWK COUNTY. } SS. *Septmber* Term, A. D., 186*8*

Know all Men by these Presents, That we, *Stephen Brown*
and *Edward F. Meunier*, of the County of Blackhawk and State
of Iowa, are held and firmly bound unto the State for the use of Blackhawk County, in the sum of
One hundred dollars, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made,
we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, and every one of them, firmly by these
presents.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas *Stephen Brown*
Edward F. Meunier has this day made application by
petition to the Board of Supervisors of said County, to appoint a Commissioner to view and
locate a road, to be called *Meunier Road*

Now, it said *Brown & Meunier* and damages shall pay all costs that
may be adjudged against him by the Board of Supervisors, in accordance with the statute in such
cases made and provided, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force
and virtue.

Witness our hands this *27* day of *June* A. D. 18*68*

Edward F. Meunier
Stephen Brown

Approved this _____ day of _____ A. D. 186

Pres't of the Board of Supervisors.

State of Iowa & E. F. Merwin do on oath
Blair Hawk Co say that on the 27th day of June
A.D. 1868 I posted a notice of which the within
is a copy in ~~the~~ public place in the said County
of Blair Hawk as follows. One on the Court
House door in said County and at the South
East Corner of Section fifteen in Township 8 &
Range 12 in said County. And at the South
West end and at the North West Corner of
Section two in the Township aforesaid and in
the vicinity of the proposed road, a further depo-
sition to & subscribed
before me & in my presence
by E. F. Merwin this 2nd day
of August 1868

H. B. Allen

Notary Public

Blair Hawk Co
Iowa

E. F. Merwin

Road Notice.

[FORM NO. 180.]

From MILLS & CO., Printers, Stationers and Binders, Des Moines, Iowa.

There will be a petition presented to the Board of Supervisors of Black Hawk County on the Seventh day of September A. D., 1868, asking for the appointment of a Commissioner to view, and report upon the expediency of laying out a county road commencing at on the Section line at the North West corner of the North West Quarter 1/4 of Section 12 in Township 18 North Range 12 East of the 5th P.M. in said County and extending South on said Section line between Sections 12 & 13 - Ten 1/100 Eleven (11) Fourteen & Fifteen 1/4 1/100 till it intersects the Road running from Waterloo to Cedar Falls in said County on the East Side of Cedar River

Of which all persons interested will take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Dated this 27 day of June A. D., 1868.

Edwin F. Meswin

Applicant.

PLAT.

to Merwin Road

Township 89 Range 13

A 6x6 grid map with cells numbered 1 to 36. The grid is oriented with 1 at the top right and 36 at the bottom right. A road is drawn starting from the top center (between columns 3 and 4), going down through the middle, and then turning right. Handwritten notes include "Starting point" at the top, "Length of Road 3 3/4 miles" along the vertical segment, "End of Road" at the turn, and "N. 1/4 Sec. 14, T. 8, R. 13" near the end of the road.

STATE OF IOWA, } ss.
Blackhawk County,

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of said County :

The undersigned, having been appointed a Commissioner to view, and, if thought necessary, locate a certain Road in said County, petitioned for by

Edwin J. Merwin and others, and known as the Merwin Road, would report as follows :

That, having been duly sworn, he found, upon examination, that it was expedient and necessary, for the accommodation of the public, that the road should be located as petitioned for.

Therefore, with the assistance of _____ as surveyor,
_____ as chairmen, _____

Commissioners proceeded on the day set therefore, to-wit: the 7th day of November A. D. 1885, to lay out and locate said Road, and to distinguish the same by the proper marks, mounds, and stakes, in the manner prescribed by law, and in accordance with the Field Notes and Plat of Survey of the Road, which are herewith annexed, and which are made part of this report.

Your Commissioner is of the opinion, that the road will be of great convenience and utility to the public, and would hereby recommend its establishment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edwin J. Merwin
Commissioner.

STATE OF IOWA, } SS.
 Blackhawk County, }

Do *C. Rodenberger*

You are hereby notified that you have been appointed a Commissioner to view, and if expedient, to locate a county road, petitioned for by *Edward & Marion* and others, and to be called the *Marion* Road,

described as follows:

Commencing at the *North West corner of Section No*

Two and Eighty Nine Range Section One

South on Section line till it intersects the Road

Running from Waterloo to Cedar Falls between Sections

No. Fourteen & Fifteen and Township & Range

You will, therefore, appear at the office of some Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, or Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, and qualify according to law; and on the *24th* day of *November* 18*68*, you will proceed to commence the examination of the route above described, and if, in your judgment, the above road is needed, or one in the vicinity answering the same purpose, you will call to your assistance the necessary aid, and proceed to lay out and mark the same according to law and the following instructions, and report to the Board on or before the *4th* day of *January* 18*69*

1. In your survey of this road you will particularly describe the point of commencement, with reference to some monument record, which will be generally found to consist of corners in the public and private surveys; the exact course and distance from some one of which you must give in your field notes.
2. The point at which you terminate your survey must be ascertained and returned by reference to the same evidence as is herein required for the commencing point.
3. All letters and figures inscribed upon wood, must be cut with a "marking iron," similar to that used in the Government survey of lands.
4. Where bearing trees are taken, (and it is strongly enjoined that it within ten chains of an angle, they should without fail be taken,) a smooth line, from the angle of the road, should be made as near the ground as practicable, and in this line should be cut the initial letters of the points of beginning and ending of the road. For example:—a road from Delhi to Colony—D. & C. R. When bearing trees cannot be had at angles, it is recommended the bearing and distance to a boulder, edifice, or corner of an enclosure be taken, and where this is impracticable, a large mound of earth should be raised at the point of the angle.
5. Marks in timber will consist of a snail "blaze" with a notch in the centre, except the trees with the true cuts, each of which must have three notches, both upon the side which the line strikes, and that upon which it leaves such trees. All posts must be set up at every mile, and the distance marked thereon. Stakes must be set at the crossing of fences and streams, and at intervals in the prairie not exceeding one fourth of a mile each.
6. After completing your survey of this road, you must carefully protect the same upon paper, with a view to the detection of all errors, either in your chaining or in these instructions in no way relieve you from each and every duty prescribed by the laws of Iowa Revision of 1859, pages 134 and 135.
7. All your assistants are required to be sworn by some person authorized to administer oaths.
8. All your assistants are required to be sworn by some person authorized to administer oaths.

Given under my hand and seal, this *24th* day of *Sept* 18*68*

Wm. Rodenberger

Clerk Board of Supervisors.

By *John* Deputy.

The State of Iowa, } SS.
 Blackhawk County, }

I do solemnly swear that I will, to the best of my ability, perform the duties of Commissioner on the within road, according to law and the foregoing instructions.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *24th* day of *September* 18*68*.

Wm. Rodenberger

(The following fees should be paid by Petitioner for the Road.)

Fees Commissioner, *2* days, \$*3.25*

" Surveyor, " \$

" Chainmen, " \$

THE STATE OF IOWA, }
BLACKHAWK COUNTY, } ss.

To William Lawrence J. C. Clarke Sheriff
Blackhawk shall

GENTLEMEN: You are hereby notified that you have been appointed by the Board of Supervisors of said County, appraisers to assess the damages sustained by A. C. St. Pierre and James M. & Mrs. Geo. H. R. R. 13 in consequence of the location of a County Road petitioned for by Ed. St. Lawrence et al. and others in East Mahan Township, as located by E. H. St. Lawrence Commissioner of 2 to R. R. 13. There running South on the line between the section of the road from Mahan to Cedar Falls by 14 & 15 You will therefore meet at the office of Ed. St. Lawrence at 10 o'clock, P. M. on the 23rd day of September 1892 and qualify according to law, and proceed immediately to the discharge of your duty, and make your report herein on or before the first Monday in October 1892.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors, this
11th day of September A. D. 1892

Wm. St. Lawrence Clerk
by A. St. Lawrence Deputy.

STATE OF IOWA, }
BLACKHAWK COUNTY, }

We, William Lawrence J. C. Clarke & Samuel Hall do each of us solemnly swear, that having been appointed appraisers to assess the damages sustained by Ed. St. Pierre in consequence of the location of a road petitioned for by Ed. St. Lawrence and others, we will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of appraisers according to the best of our knowledge and ability.

Appraisers:

William Lawrence
Samuel Hall

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 23rd day of Sept 1892

SEE "ROAD LAWS AND FORMS," SEC. 519, PAGE 7.

SEAL OF IOWA, }
BLACKHAWK COUNTY, }

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of said County:

We, the appraisers appointed to assess the damages sustained by Ed. St. Lawrence

in consequence of the location of a road petitioned for by Ed. St. Lawrence and others, as located by Ed. St. Lawrence

Commissioner; beg leave to report that we find that the said Ed. St. Lawrence has sustained damages to the amount of

186.9 Dollars.

Signed this 23rd day of September 1892 the lands belong to

Appraisers:

Wm. Lawrence
Samuel Hall

To the Board of Supervisors of Black
Hawk county Iowa

The undersigned respectfully represents that
the laying out of the county road (named
the Merwin road) over the following tract
of land on the West line of the West one half
($\frac{1}{2}$) of the North West fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section
Eleven (11) Town (89) Range ~~13~~¹² ~~13~~¹² (13)
West of the 5th P. M.

for which an application has been filed
will damage her in the sum of Two
hundred and fifty Dollars

Wherefore she prays that three
suitable and disinterested voters & free-
holders of the county may be appointed
to assess the damages that she will
sustain thereby

Waterloo Black
Hawk County Iowa

C. A. Brainard

Feb 2nd 1869

Now come C. A. Brainard ^{on} this 8th day of March A. D. 1889. And asks the court to appoint a new jury to assess the damage she will sustain by the laying out of a road known as the Merwin road across the West one half (1/2) of the N. W. 1/4 of Section 11, T. 8 N. Range 18

For that the jury appointed did not after being duly sworn proceed to view the lands of this claimant nor assess any damage. But wholly abandoned & disregarded the instructions of this court and rendered a decision without regard to the facts wherefore she asks for the appointment of a new jury that her rights may be protected & her property be not taken for public benefit without just compensation

C. A. Brainard by

Received Cedar Falls March 22nd
1869 from E J Merwin per Mr Brown
\$3⁰⁰ As Commissioners fees for the
Merwin Road

Edwin Rodenburg
Commissioner

In the matter of } Board of Supervisors
The Merwin Road } June term 1869
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I C. A. Brainard hereby release &
surrender all claim for damages
in consequence of the laying and
establishing of the above road on the
West line of North West quarter of
Section eleven (11) T. 89 R. 13 as far on
said line from the North west corner
thereof as was formerly decreed by William
Whitehead to the Dubuque and Sioux
City Rail road running south on said
line from said North west corner
C. A. Brainard
By S. P. Brainard His
Attorney

To the Auditor and Board of Super-
visors of Black Hawk County, Iowa

You are hereby that D. J.
Brazier has obtained from the
decisions of the Board of Supervisors
allowing her no claims, claims
as sustained by reason of the es-
tablishment of a County road in
Black Hawk County called the
"Merwin Road".

Whereas you appear and
appear on or before noon of the
second day of the next term
of the Circuit Court to be begun &
held in Waterloo in said
Black Hawk County state of Iowa
on ~~the~~ ^{Monday} ~~the~~ ^{first} day of October 1889,
judgment will be rendered against
you in the sum of two hundred
and fifty dollars claimed by
said D. J. Brazier as claims
of said and cost of suit

D. J. Brazier
By Brazier & Holman
Attys

I hereby accept herewith the
within notice this 31st day of
June AD 1889 and receive
notice of copy

Done at N. York

C. Quaker

#810
L. A. Brown

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Now

Attest June 30th 1889
H. M. York
Quaker

Whereas L. A. Brainerd has af-
fected from the cession of the
County an act over the Board
of Supervisors of Black Hawk
County State of Iowa Confirming
said cession, which Confir-
mation was made on the 13th day
of June 1889 establishing a
Board of Assessors for the
Black Hawk Refuting charges
to the said L. A. Brainerd

Notwithstanding if said L. A.
Brainerd shall pay all costs
incurred by such appeal in
case he does not obtain a better
or more favorable judgment in
the ~~Circuit~~ ^{Circuit} Court of said County
of Black Hawk than the State
from the said Board of Supervisors
then this Board to be void and
otherwise in force
Dated June 29th 1889

L. A. Brainerd
Attest
J. P. Henderson

Upon examination of the within Bond the
same is hereby approved. This 30th day of
June at St Louis

A. M. Toot Co Auctioneer

#318
J. A. Brainerd
Bond
for release
in Missouri
St Louis
St Louis 30th June 1879
Done & Mr. Toot
Auctioneer

State of Texas
Blackfoot County

I, J. Stewart Clerk of the
District Court of Texas in & for said County do
certify that upon trial of the Cause
of Appraisals vs. Edw. J. Merwin et al.
on appeal from Decree of damages
sustained claimed upon location of
Merwin Road (to 310) - the jury
returned a verdict for the Defendants
- and Judgment was entered by said
Court against the plaintiffs Appraisals
for the costs of said

Witness my hand and the
Seal of said District Court this
13th day of January 1870
J. Stewart Clerk