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HOLIDAY

SUGGESTION!

TO THE PIANO BUYING PUBLIC.

ONLY A FEW DAYS REMAIN until Christmas, and we would suggest that you call at the new piano store first door north of the Everett & Hite grocery and receive a piano or organ at about one-half its real value. Could anything be more appropriate for a Christmas present?

We are offering a piano the class and character of which no honest man can call in question. A piano that that is used and endorsed by the leading musicians of the world. A piano that is fully guaranted by the manufacturer who is perfectly responsible.

The factory prices we advertised for ten days will be extended to Christmas. After which our regular retail prices will be charged.

A. J. KINDLE,
Manufacturer's Agent.

LOST HIS NERVE.

Why It Was That Big Pete Failed to Hit the Sheriff.

There were thirty men in the White Wolf saloon when the sheriff of Silver county sauntered in to arrest big Pete Thompson for murder. Pete was playing a hand in a game of poker, and after nodding to him the sheriff stood up at the bar and called for a drink. His back was scarcely turned when Pete laid down his cards, pulled his gun and fired six shots as fast as his finger could pull the trigger. The sheriff never moved. When the smoke had rolled out of the open door and we could see, the sheriff stood in the same position and wore the same smile. One bullet had burned his cheek; a second had grazed his ear; a third had cut through his shirt collar under the left ear. Big Pete was a dead shot, and yet he had missed his man at fifteen feet.

"Got through, Pete?" asked the sheriff, breaking a silence that was positively painful.

"And you—you are not heeled!" gasped Pete as his arm sunk slowly down.

"No; come on."

"You didn't bring your guns?"

"No; if you are through shooting, we'll go."

Pete laid his two guns down on the table before him and walked to the door and out into the street. His horse was tied to a post a block away. He reached the horse, mounted and then headed down the long street after the sheriff, who was giving him not the slightest attention. In five minutes the pair were out of sight.

"What ailed Pete?" was asked of the barkeeper, who had come to the door of the saloon.

"Lost his nerve," he brusquely replied.

"How do you mean?"

"Why, the sheriff coming without a gun and standing there to be shot at took all his sand away and made a woman of him."

"Suppose the sheriff had had a gun?"

The man jerked his head toward the field wherein fifteen or twenty victims had been buried and said:

"He'd 'a' bin over thar."

"And will big Pete get clear?"

"Likely; but he'll have to leave here. The boys have already put him down as N. G."

WAVES OF WATER.

The Nile is the only river in the world that flows for 1,500 miles without a tributary.

Off the Cape of Good Hope waves thirty-eight feet high from trough to crest have been noted.

Prismatic lake, in the Yellowstone National park, is the largest body of hot water in the world.

Three rivers as big as the Rhine would just equal in volume the Ganges, three Gangeses the Mississippi and two Mississippis the Amazon.

The St. Lawrence river is frozen four months of the year, and its navigation is so difficult that an average of one steamer a month is wrecked in its waters.

Askel Chin, in Tibet, is the lake which lies at a greater height than any other in the world. Its level is 16,600 feet. The lowest is the Dead sea, 1,200 feet below the sea level.

Not All Reformed.

At a dinner given by a philanthropist, to the Society of Reformed Criminals a gentleman complained to his host midway through the festivities that he had lost his watch. The host was a man of great ingenuity. He caused all the lights to be turned out. Then he observed: "Some one here has a watch that does not belong to him. If by the time I have counted a hundred it is not placed on the floor in the middle of the room, the police will be sent for." He counted a hundred, and the lights were turned on again. Thirty-three handsome watches lay in the middle of the room.

Speeding the Parting.

Mamma—I was surprised and shocked by the coldness with which you greeted Miss Boersum when she called.

Ethel—Yes, mamma, but I made up for it later.

Mamma—Did you?

Ethel—Yes, indeed. You should have seen how cordially I bade her "good-by."—Philadelphia Press.

INDIAN TRADING.

The Way to Beat the Red Man Down In His Prices.

"Few white men know how to trade with an Indian," remarked a Denver man who has made a study of Indians for ten years past. "I once met an Indian with a magnificent mountain lion skin. He was willing to part with the ornament, but his price was too high. I offered him $12.50, but he indignantly refused. Later, on the same day, after I had learned to trade with an Indian, I bought the skin for $1.50.

"The secret of trading with the Indian is to appear indifferent. The most successful trader is the one who goes with a supply of the same article he is most desirous of buying. The Indian sees that the stranger has had experience, and negotiations are carried on upon a strictly business basis. An Indian refused $10 for a bow and arrow. It was bought for $1 by a man who carried several bows and arrows in his hand. This wily individual leased the supply from a store in order to impress his copper colored friends, and he succeeded.

"The Indian," said the speaker, telling of traits of character he has observed in his red friends, "is one of the most faithful followers in the world if he has confidence in you. If he takes a liking to you, there is nothing you can ask he will not do. If he dislikes you, the less you have to do with that Indian the better."—Rocky Mountain News.

Transmigration.

"So dey convicted dat feller dat was swinging a high society bluff so as to lift jewelry," said Plodding Pete.

"Yes," answered Meandering Mike. "He's got his prison clothes on now. Dey've changed him from a social lion into a zebra."—Washington Star.

...Legal Advertising...

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors heirs and legatees of William Zwick, deceased, to appear in the Adams Circuit court, held at Decatur, Ind., on the 31st day of December, 1902, and show cause, if any, why the final settlement accounts with estate of said decedent should not be approved; and said heirs are notified to then and their make proof of heir ship, and receive their distributive shares.

HENRY ZWICK, Adm'r.

Decatur, Indiana, Dec. 9, 1902. 40-3

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors, heirs and legatees of Jonah B Corson deceased to appear in the Adams Circuit Court, held at Decatur, Indiana, on the 27th day of December, 1902, and show cause, if any, why the final settlement accounts with the estate of said decedant should not be approved; and said heirs are notified to then and there make proof of heirship, and receive their distributive shares.

PHEBE CORSON, Adm'rx

Decatur, Indiana, December 5, 1902.

40-2 D. E. Smith, Atty.

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Decatur National Bank, Decatur, Indiana, that there will be held at the offices of said bank on

Tuesday, January 13, 1903,

between the hours of 8:30 a. m. and 3:30 p m. a meeting for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank for the year 1903.

41-4 C. A. DUGAN,
Cashier Decatur National Bank.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received at the commissioners' room in the auditor's office up until ten o'clock a. m. on

Tuesday, December 30, 1902,

for one feed cooker, suitable for boiling clothes, in conformity with requisition on file at auditor's office.

Bids will be received upon samples or models, the same to be displayed when bids are opened.

The contract will be awarded the lowest responsible bidder. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Successful bidders will be required to enter into a contract for the faithful performance of his bid.

ABE BOCH,
41-2 Auditor Adams County.

NOTICE OF SALE OF MACADAM ROAD BONDS.

Notice is hereby given, that I, J. H. Voglewede, treasurer of Adams county, state of Indiana, will on

Wednesday, January 14, 1903,

at the room of the board of commissioners in the auditor's office in the city of Decatur, Indiana, receive sealed bids for the purchase and sale of certain bonds known and designated as macadam road bonds, authorized and issued by the board of commissioners of said county for the construction of the Salem macadam road in Blue Creek township in said county. The entire issue of bonds for said county is $17,200 divided into ten equal series, one series payable every six months, with interest at four and one-half per cent, payable semi-annually evidenced by coupons attached. Each bond is the denomination of $860.00. Sealed bids will be received until ten o'clock a. m. of said day. Each bid must be accompanied with a certified check in amount equal to three per cent of the amount on the bid, which check must be drawn against monies deposited in any reliable bank in said county. Such check shall be made payable or endorsed to the board of commissioners and shall be held as a guaranty for the performance of such bid, and should said bid be accepted, the said check shall be forfeited to the county, should the bidder fail to comply with the conditions of his said bid. Each of said bonds will bear date of January 14, 1903, and should the bonds not be ready for delivery on the day the said bids are received and accepted, the interest will be refunded by the purchaser at the rate of four and one-half per cent from the date of January 14, 1903, until the date when the purchase price of said bonds are paid to the county treasurer and the bonds delivered.

The above described bonds will become due on the 15th day of May and the 15th day of November of each year, commencing with November 15, 1903, and are made payable, including interest, at the Decatur National Bank, Decatur, Indiana. Said bonds are issued exclusively for the expense of the construction of the above described road pursuant to the law of 1899 and 1901. The amount of bonds to be sold including bonds already issued in said township for free gravel and macadam roads is less than four per cent of the total valuation of said township for taxation. Further particulars will be furnished on application. 41-3

J. H. VOGLEWEDE, County Treasurer.

COMMISIONERS' ALLOWANCES

Ordered by the board that the following named persons be allowed the amount set opposite their names and for the purposes herein specified:

Clark & Clark, med attendance poor	$ 6 00
Abe Boch, serv mem board of review	23 78
Niblick & Co, goods for poor	6 31
Clark & Clark med att of poor	22 00
H J Yager, burial of soldier	50 00
David Werling, bridge plank	107 23
Dan N Erwin, serv as sheriff	637 36
T M Gallogly, postage, Sept 1 to Dec. 1	10 00
T M Gallogly, serv as recorder	325 00
Byron Hendricks, goods for poor of Union tp	18 87
Clark & Clark, med att Chas Burr	2 50
T H Ernst, janitor court house	131 25
Aaron Bricker, supt on abut Lob ditch	43 00
H F Costello, sec'y board of heal h	170 63
Chas W Yager, school books for poor	3 40
Elmer Johnson, quarterly salary	525 00
Elmer Johnson, marriage report, etc	9 75
Elmer Johnson, postage and express	10 50
Elmer Johnson, preparing list of candidates	23 15
James Brown, repairing turnpike	2 25
Irvin Brandyberry, post'ge, exp'ss, etc	22 50
Wm Geary, serv as night watch	15 00
Levi Miller, supt abut on Wabash river	66 00
H F Costello, med att smallpox	10 15
W B Burford, 200 partial payment tax receipts	8 00
W B Burford, 200 statements	1 50
Clark & Clark, med att Boyd May	1 56
J D Morgan, med att poor Union tp	27 50
Attica Bridge Co., bridge, Durbin & Durr	99 00
Dr H E Keller, med att Ashley Mann	34 90
W P Robinson, conducting abutment on Durbin & Durr	220 61
Wm Holle serv on county council	10 00
Barney Everett, supt abut Durr ditch	16 00
Harvey Harruff, guard at old voting precinct	2 00
D D Clark, med att at county farm	37 50
C S Clark, inquest Christena Bloomenberg	12 90
The Decatur Journal, publishing notices and rules board of health	25 25
N A Loch padlocks for election	16 95
Frank Heiman, mem board of review	10 00
David Steele, " "	10 00
H H Myers " "	10 00
C O Rayn, printing ballots for elec'on	150 00
Dr H E Keller, med att of poor	27 55
Chas D Murray, care of poor	24 00
J D Wisehaupt, work at jail and court house	10 00
B J Meibers, putting plank on river bridge	3 75
Abner S Parrish, putting plank on river bridge	3 75
Huffman, Augsberger & Reynolds, estimate on G C W Tp G R	5120 00
G E McKean, D and Monroe G R	10 00
do bridge work	56 00
C J Lutz, serv as county attorney	29 33
A G Briggs, estimate on W J G R	1056 00
J H Vogiewede, salary for six months	850 00
Niblick & Co., goods for court house	3 60
Irvin Brandyberry, serv as Co. Supt	484 00
Wm L Frazier supt on bridge	18 00
P B Thomas, med att of poor	4 75
Julius Hough, abut on Wab river and arch in Blue C	1931 95
G E McKean, work on C E Bollinger	2 00
L L Mattox, goods for poor	12 50
G E McKean, work on W Jeff G R	33 00
E Woods & Co., estimate on M Tp C	2300 00
Fred Linn, repairing tanks at jail	3 50
G E McKean, work on ditches	57 00
W B Burford, supplies for treasurer, auditor, superintendent, surveyor and smallpox cards	337 07
A I Wood & Co., goods for poor	3 00
J D Hale, goods for court house	10 70
A N Steele & Bro., repair court house	25 10
L G Ellingham, printing for auditor and sheriff	173 15
C J Vogiewede, goods for poor	8 75
Citizens Tel Co., telephone rental's	22 85
Fyricide Mfg Co., fire extinguisher	30 00
L G Ellingham, treasurer's notice to taxpayers	40
W B Burford, sup for Aud., Rec, Treas., sheriff, clerk, surveyor	458 74
G E McKean, work on P V & O G G R	10 50
W R Smith, taking booths to election	2 00
J E Ellsworth, sand for county farm	5 25
Niblick & Co., dry goods " "	19 25
Lenard Johnson, threshing Co. farm	2 50
J R Graber, supt at county farm	200 00
Linna Korte, labor at asylum	20 25
Ed Anderson, " "	7 70
John Trim, threshing at Co farm	2 00
Emma Moser, labor at asylum	35 00
Gay & Zwick, coffin box robe	15 00
J Smith & Bro., wagon box, repairs	8 25
H H Bremerkamp, goods Co asylum	14 33
Geo Rauliebush threshing Co asylum	1 50
Smith, Yager & Falk, sup for asylum	30 00
David Werling threshing Co farm	39 14
John Steele, repair work	17 75
A N Steele & Bro., work at Co farm	53 80
Geo W Archbold & Son, supplies	34 71
W H Nachtrieb, supplies	8 25
Geo W Archbold & Son, molasses	1 65
Lizzie Graber, labor at asylum	39 00
Joseph Johnson, labor at asylum	2 50
Homer Faust, threshing at Co farm	1 75
Wilson Meyers, " " "	1 00
Everett & Hite, supplies	15 00
Auth Bros., one kitchen clock	1 50
Al Buhler, labor at Co farm	9 95
Howard Shackley goods for asylum	10 25
Worrell Mfg Co., insect exterminator	10 00
Shieman & Butler, one cow	25 00
Fred Schieman, meat	9 85
Eli Meyers, manure and livery hire	15 24
L Yager & Sons, supplies	7 75
Winnes Shoe Store, repairing	5 50
Brittson Bros., supplies for Co farm	27 57
L G Ellingham, stationery for clerk	49 90
do printing	5 70
J J Magley, bal claim on first term	138 82
E Woods & Co., extra on P V & O G R	500 00
S F Beitman, balance on election	2 00
Attica Bridge Co., balance on bridge over Lob ditch	74 00
Abe Boch, services as auditor	575 00
do serv as clerk county council	112 50
J E Mann, services as commissioner	75 00
Jacob Abnet, " "	75 00
Sam Doak, " "	75 00

REPAIR ON TURNPIKE.

JACOB ABNET.

John Carpenter	6 50
John W Abnet	6 50
Alonzo Wagoner	6 50
Armfield & Cartwright	27 00
Stauffer & Schindler	17 00
John W Abnet	2 00
Calvin Teeter	1 25
A W Scolds	50
Frank Abnet	75
Alonzo Wagoner	75
John Marshall	75
Samuel Wickey	5 95
Schug Bros	3 60
C A Augsberger	7 50
Armfield & Cartwright	19 50
Yoder & Bro	36 80
Fred Liddy	12 50
John Schindler	5 00
Joseph Witchi	21 95
John B Zehr	4 50
Joseph Zehr	3 75
John Mesberger	3 50
Joseph Zehr	3 75
David Falb	1 50
Henry Stram	51 75
Crist Hofstetter	75 00
Jacob Abnet	34 50

J. E. MANN.

Wm Rodenbeck	19 25
R B Johnson	7 00
Fred Ostemeyer	3 75
Martin Kieffer	8 75
Otto Ewei	5 50
John Spahr	1 00
J Mann	5 00
Ed Luttman	30 90
J E Mann	30 00
R B Johnson	4 00
H Schieferstine	22 00
John Brown	8 00
John Beal	2 50
Albert Zerkel	3 75
Frank Crum	4 50
Frank McConnell	13 25
Wm Fruchte	8 00
Gust Wortman	5 50
Gust Christman	4 50
Cal Miller	58 75
Wm Ruckmann	8 50
Warren Reed	14 50
Dallas Butler	9 25
J E Mann	30 00
Chas Bohnke	30 00
Jonas Cline	6 25
S S Magley	24 25
Reuben Brown	5 00
Cal Miller	18 75
John Tounellier	11 00
Chas Kiess	6 75
Charles Johnson	6 00

SAMUEL DOAK.

Crist Augsberger	12 00
John Von Gunten	14 00
Levi Augsberger	79 00
Barney Meibers	10 50
Charles Nelson	8 75
Leo Kohne	3 25
Wm Fronefield	2 50
John Coffee	9 00
Homer King	1 50
John Springer	1 50
Samuel Doak	30 00
Smith Bros., repair on plow	85
J S Bowers	172 70
John Anspaa	12 00
E N Tyrrle & Co	1 20
H Lambert	7 50

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing statements are true and correct as found among the records in my office.

ABE BOCH, Auditor.

SPECIAL

SILK SALE!

All Fancy Silks at a Price.

Elegant Fancy Silks that sold at $1.10 to $1.25, this sale . . 75 cents a yd.

Good quality silks that sold at 75c to $1.00, this sale . . . 50 cents a yd.

Silks that were 50 cents a yard this sale . . . . . 25 cents a yd.

Every piece of Fancy Silk in the house will be sold at less than actual cost. Before making your purchase in this line you will be well paid to see this line.

Good Bargains in Cloaks. Good, large Stock to select from. Make your selections early.

Niblick & Co.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors, heirs and legatees of Jennie Maccabee, deceased, to appear in the Adams circuit court, held at Decatur, Indiana, on the third day of January, 1903, to show cause, if any, why the final settlement accounts with the estate of said decedent should not be approved; and said heirs are notified to then and there make proof of heirship, and receive their distributive shares.

THOMAS E. MANN, Adm'r.

Decatur, Indiana, December 11, 1902.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE

To the citizens of the Third Ward, in the city of Decatur, Indiana, and to the citizens of the said city of Decatur, Washington township, Adams county, Indiana.

Notice is hereby given that I, Dick Townsend, a male inhabitant of said city, county and state, over the age of twenty-one years, a person not in the habit of becoming intoxicated, will make application to the board of commissioners of Adams county, Indiana at their next regular session on the first Monday in January, 1903, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in less quantities than a quart at a time, to be drank where sold in a room situated on the following premises, to-wit: Said room is situated on the ground floor of a building situated on the following described lots in the city of Decatur, Indiana, to-wit: Commencing forty-three feet west of the southeast corner of lot No. 273 in said city on the south line of said lot; running thence north parallel with the east side of said inlots Nos. 273 and 272 in said city 34 feet; thence west 17 feet; thence south parallel with the first described line 34 feet to Monroe street; thence along the line of said inlot 273 and Monroe street to the place of beginning. The room in which applicant desires to sell is the southwest room on the ground floor of a building known as the "Burt House Hotel," and fronting on Monroe street in said city, and has front, side and rear entrance and is 34 feet long by 17 feet wide

40-3 DICK TOWNSEND, Applicant.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENTS

The State of Indiana, County of Adams. } SS.

In the Adams Circuit Court, November term, 1902.

German Building Loan Fund Savings Association vs Frank Ebresman	No. 6522 Complaint to foreclose mortgage.

It appearing from affidavit filed in the above entitled cause, that Frank Ebresman the above named defendant is a non-resident of the State of Indiana.

Notice is therefore hereby given the said Frank Ebresman that he be and appear before the Hon. Judge of the Adams Circuit Court on the second day of February, 1903, the same being the first Juridical Day of the next regular term thereof, to be holden at the Court House in the City of Decatur, commencing on Monday, the second day of February, A. D. 1903, and plead by answer or demur to said complaint, or the same will be heard and determined in his absence.

WITNESS, my name, and the Seal of said Court hereto affixed, this 29th day (SEAL) of November, 1902.

Elmer Johnson, Clerk.

By James P. Haefling, Deputy. 39-3

Merryman & Sutton, Atty's for Plaintiff

NOTICE OF RECEIVING BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC DITCH.

Notice is hereby given that I, Abe Boch, auditor of Adams county, Indiana, pursuant to an order of the board of commissioners for the construction of a ditch known as the George Ohler ditch, described as follows:

Commencing at a point sixty-two (62) rods east and twenty-one (21) rods south of the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of section eighteen (18), township twenty-eight (28) north, range fifteen (15) east in Adams county, Indiana. Running thence north 70 deg. west, eighteen (18) rods, thence north 45 deg. west, sixty-two (62) rods, thence north twelve rods (12) rods, thence west forty-three (43) rods, thence north 50 deg. west, six (6) rods, thence north seventeen (17) rods, thence north 72 deg. thirty-four (34) rods, thence north 70 deg. west, fifty-four (54) rods, thence north 60 deg. west, twelve (12) rods, thence north (37) west twenty-four (24) rods, thence north 30 west, twenty-four (24) rods, thence north 35 deg. west forty two (42) rods, thence north 10 deg. west, twelve (12) rods, thence north 45 deg. west, eighteen (18) rods, thence north 70 deg. west, sixty (60) rods, thence north 30 deg. west, thirteen (13) rods, and terminating in the Wagoner ditch at a point sixty (60) rods east and eighty (80) rods north of the southwest corner of the northeast quarter of section twelve (12) township twenty-eight (28) north, range fourteen (14) east, in Adams county, Indiana.

Passing through and affecting the lands of George Ohler, William Weldy, C. S. Mumma, J. H. Mumma, Ed. Abr, H. L. Gladden, Rebecca Mumma, William Cline, Sylvester Wolf, Susan House, David Flanders, John Bucher, J. C. Harkless, William J. Miller, Fred H. C. Hully, John D. Stultz, Martha and Mary Weldy, Lucinda E. Fleming and Union township

BRANCH NO. 1.

Commencing at a point which is fifteen (15) rods west and twenty (20) feet south of the southwest corner of the southwest quarter of section (7) township twenty-eight (28) north, range fifteen (15) east in Adams county, Indiana, running thence east twenty (20) rods, thence north twenty seven (27) rods, and terminating in the main ditch at station 13½, passing through and affecting the lands of J. H. Mumma, C. S. Mumma, John D. Stultz and Lucinda E. Fleming and Union township.

As shown by the viewer's report on

Monday, December 22, 1902.

at ten o'clock a. m. at the auditor's office in the city of Decatur, Indiana, receive sealed bids for the construction of said ditch as follows:

Section 1 from station 75½ to station 51.
Section 2 from station 51 to station 25.
Section 3 from station 25 to station 0.
Including Branch No. 1.

Bidders will be required to file with their bids affidavits as required by law, and successful bidders will be required to enter into a contract with the auditor for the construction of said work, and to file a bond with surety to be approved by the auditor.

No bid will be received or considered for more than the estimated cost of said work. Detailed plans and specifications will be found on file in the auditor's office.

ABE BOCH,
40-2 Auditor Adams County.

NOTICE OF RECEIVING BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC DITCH.

Notice is hereby given that I, Abe Boch, auditor of Adams county, Indiana, pursuant to an order of the board of commissioners for the construction of a ditch known as the Samuel Segrist ditch, described as follows:

Commencing at a point that is seventy-five (75) rods west of the southeast corner of the north half of the northeast quarter of section twenty-three (23) township twenty-six (26) north, range thirteen (13) east in Adams county, Indiana, running thence north two deg. west, 30 rods, thence north 77 deg. east, 30 rods, thence south 71 deg. east, 30 rods, thence south 73 deg. east, 18 rods, thence south 56 deg. east, 12 rods, thence south 88 deg. east, 12 rods, thence north 86 deg. east, 12 rods, thence north 80 deg east, 24 rods, thence south 82 deg. east 24 rods, thence south 83 deg east, 30 rods, thence east 56 rods, thence north 56 deg. east, 16 rods, thence north 88 deg. east, 24 rods, thence north 86 deg. east, 18 rods, thence south 57 deg. east, 24 rods, thence east 12 rods, thence north 63 deg. east, 42 rods, thence north 12 rods, thence north 42 deg. east, 42 rods, thence north 46 deg. east, 7 rods, thence east 6.25 rods and terminating in the "Fox" ditch at a point which is twenty-five (25) feet south of a point that is forty (40) feet west of the northeast corner of section twenty-four (24) township and range heretofore mentioned.

Length of main line is 8020 feet.

Peter D. Roth, Jacob Wulliman, Jacob Bracker, Peter F. Moser, Peter Beiberstine, Christian J. Gerber, Jacob Steiner and French township for the public highway.

BRANCH NO. 1.

Commencing at a point which is sixty (60) rods west and twenty-five (25) rods south of the southeast corner of the north half of the northeast quarter of section twenty-three (23) township and range heretofore mentioned, thence north 12 deg. east, 21 rods, thence north 72 deg. east, 15 rods, thence north 40 deg. east, 36 rods, thence south 87 deg. east, 3 rods, and terminating in the main line at station 19.95.

Length of branch No. 1, is 1250 feet.

Passing through, also affecting the lands of Samuel Segrist, Peter Beiberstine, Christian J Gerber and French township for the public highway.

BRANCH NO. 2.

Commencing at a point which is eight (8) rods east and twenty (20) feet south of the southwest corner of the east half of the northwest quarter of section twenty-four (24) township and range above mentioned, running thence east 30 rods, thence north 39 deg. east 18 rods, thence north 40 deg. east, 30 rods, thence north 35 deg. east 21 rods, thence north 33 rods and terminating in the main line at station 46 1-3.

Length of branch No. 2 is 2200 feet.

Passing through also affecting the lands of Christian J. Gerber, Jacob Steiner, Peter F. Moser, Joseph Rich, Peter D. Roth, Jacob Wulliman and French township for the public highway.

BRANCH NO. 3.

Commencing at a point that is twenty feet south of the southwest corner of section twenty-four (24) township and range above mentioned, running thence north 30 rods, thence north 77 deg. east, 18 rods, thence north 30 deg. east, 24 rods, thence north 44 degrees east, 30 rods, thence east 15 rods, thence north 73 deg. east, 21 rods, thence north 30 deg. east, 12 rods, thence north 8 deg. east 30 rods, thence north 19 deg. east, 36 rods, thence north 86 deg. east, 24 rods and terminating in branch No. 2, at station number five.

Length of branch No. 3 is 3905 feet.

Will on

Monday, December 22, 1902.

at ten o'clock a. m. at the auditor's office in the city of Decatur, Indiana, receive sealed bids for the construction of said ditch as follows:

MAIN DITCH.

Section 1 from station 80 1-5 to station 56.
Section 2 from station 56 to station 30.
Section 3 from station 30 to station 0.

BRANCH 1 AND 2.

Shall be section 4.

BRANCH 2 AND 3.

Shall be section 5.

The contract will be let to the lowest responsible bidder.

Bidders will be required to file with their bids affidavits as required by law and successful bidders will be required to enter into a contract with the auditor for the construction of said work, and to file a bond with surety to be approved by the auditor.

No bid will be received or considered for more than the estimated cost of said work. Detailed plans and specifications will be found on file in the auditor's office.

ABE BOCH.
40-2 Auditor Adams County.