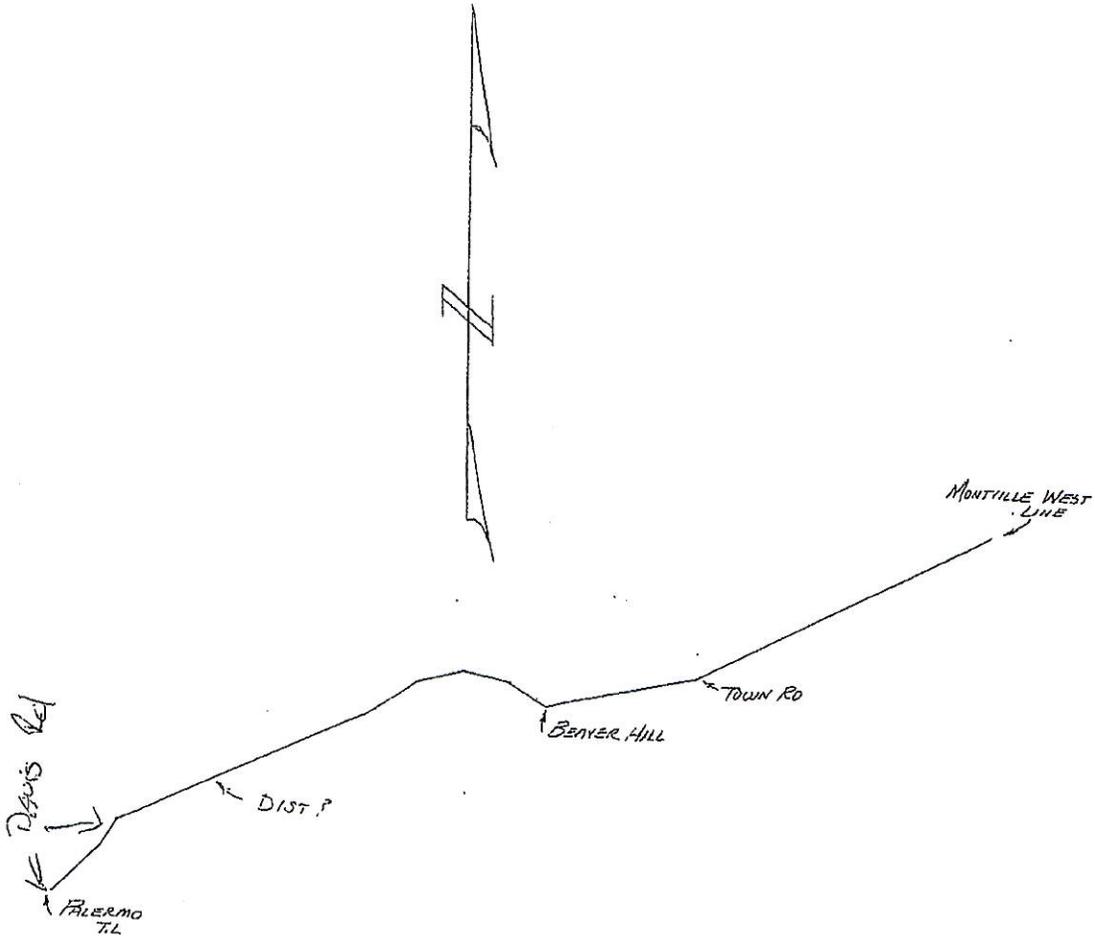


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FREEDOM



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The Select men of said County of Henrico respectfully  
 present that the County Road leading from Henric's Bridge to  
 Freeport and Sandston the Trustees of which is layed out and con-  
 sidered through this Town in such direction and on land that will not  
 admit of a good road without great expenses to the inhabitants much more  
 than they are able to meet. And will not connect with said County Road which  
 has since been layed out in and through the County of Henrico at the  
 place where a good road may be had commencing at the Town line of Mt. Wells near  
 where Mr. Wells house and running through the notch in Dr. Williams Hill located  
 near Abraham Fuller and by E. & A. Cross House to the well known line  
 of Palomo near Thomas Eastman Esquire. This road will better accom-  
 modate the Public generally and connect with the road layed out through  
 the County of Henrico and also with the road leading through Palomo  
 in the County of Shenandoah it was examined by the locating committee  
 and they are of opinion that the same is the best and most proper  
 and only a line the only wayward appearing it that they would have been  
 unanimous in favor of the above Road in order to connect the road  
 out in Henrico County with the one through this Town will make the  
 distance a good half mile shorter than the above Road and be through  
 good land and amongst the inhabitants we therefore pray  
 your Honors to establish the above Road as a County Road with dis-  
 tance the one located through this Town by Solomon Addams and  
 others in December A.D. 1818 or to a joint locating and locating committee  
 to make such alterations or change of location in said Town of Free-  
 dom as they may deem expedient in said County Roads

The Court was entered at said April Term of the Court 1822  
 when & where in this Term the Court after seeing  
 the Petitioners by D. Sprague Esq. their Attorney or clerk the  
 said Petitioners cause was stated in open Court with this or-  
 der thereon to be posted up at the usual place where Town meetings  
 are notified in the several Towns of Freedom Palomo & Mountville  
 thirty days at least before the next day in Term of this Court  
 that they might then and there make it appear and show cause if  
 any they had why the prayer of said Petition should not be gran-  
 ted. From since said Petition was continued to the August  
 Term of said Court A.D. 1822. when and where it appearing  
 to the Court that the notice ordered has been complied with  
 and the Court after mature deliberation did not judge the  
 alterations prayed of the common convenience and necessary and  
 thereupon appointed Joseph Stewart Robert Fletcher & John Beards-  
 & committee locate the said Road accordingly. And from  
 the said Petition was continued to the 29 April Term of  
 the Court A.D. 1823. when & where the Parties appeared and

The report of the locating committee was read and by the Court understood and after mature deliberation the Court appointed Lewis Hamlen Church Williams and Joseph R. Abbot Esquires a Committee to view the several Tracts mentioned in said Petition and from thence said Petitioners continued to the August Term of said Court A.D. 1823. When and where the report of Joseph Stuart and others was again considered by the Court and the same is not accepted afterwards in the Term the Court after mature deliberation did adjudge the abovementioned Tracts to be of common convenience and necessity and appointed Lewis Hamlen Church Williams and Joseph R. Abbot the Committee to locate the Road accordingly Whereupon the warrant filed in the words and figures following to wit

State of Maine

Hennebec ss

*Just* To Lewis Hamlen, Church Williams and Joseph R. Abbot all of the County of Hennebec and all freeholders in said County

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Whereas the Select men of the Town of Freedom in said County did Petition the Court of sessions begun and holden at Augusta within and for said County on the last Tuesday of April A.D. 1822 Representing that the County road leading from Hennebec Bridge to Freeport and Hamden on the Penobscot River is layed out and accepted through this Town in such direction and way that will not admit of a good road without great expense to the inhabitants much more than they are able to meet and will not connect with the said County road which has since been layed out in and through the County of Hancock that a good road may be had commencing at the Town line of W. Mills near Moses Mills House and running through the notch in Braces Hill (so called) near Abraham Tullers and by Lt. Harris's house the westerly line of DeLanno near Thomas Eastmans Esquire - this route will better accommodate the public generally and connect with the road laid out through the County of Hancock, and also with the road leading through DeLanno in the County of Lincoln it was it was examined by the locating committee and only a bare majority against reporting it but had they examined through the Towns of W. Mills and Kings it is presumed they would have been unanimous in favor of the above route in order to connect

the court understood and after mature deliberation the court appointed Lewis Hamlen Church Williams and Joseph R. Abbot Esquires a committee to view the several tracts mentioned in said petition and from thence said petitioners continued to the August term of said court A.D. 1823. when and where the report of Joseph Stuart and others was again considered by the court and the same is not accepted afterwards in the term the court after mature deliberation did adjudge the abovementioned tracts to be of common convenience and necessity and appointed Lewis Hamlen Church Williams and Joseph R. Abbot the committee to locate the road accordingly whereupon the warrant filed in the words and figures following to wit

the road laid out in Hancock County with this one through  
 this Town would make the distance at least five miles further  
 than the above route and lead through land uninhabited and  
 chiefly unfit for cultivation when the above route is through  
 good land and amongst the inhabitants we therefore pray  
 your Honors to establish the above route as a County Road and  
 discontinue the one located through this Town by Solomon Adams  
 and others in December A.D. 1818 or to appoint a viewing and  
 locating committee to make such alterations or change of location  
 in the said Town of Freedom as they may deem expedient in said  
 County road" at which said Court of sessions it was ordered  
 that the petitioners cause and attested copy of their petition  
 with this order thereon to be posted up at the usual places  
 where Town meetings were notified in the several Towns of Free-  
 don, Palumbo and Mendon the next days at least before the next  
 August Term of this Court that they might show and shew ap-  
 pear and shew cause if any they had why the prayer of said  
 petition should not be granted - and from thence said petition  
 was granted from term to term until the August term  
 of said Court of sessions A.D. 1823, when and where it appearing  
 to the Court that the notice ordered had been complied with  
 the Court after mature deliberation did adjudge the allocation  
 prayed for to be common convenience and necessity and did  
 thereupon appoint you to said Lewis Hamlen, Charles Williams  
 and Joseph W. Abbot, a Committee to lay out a road or public  
 highway from the Town line of Attentville near Moses Watts  
 house in such direction as you deem most for the public good  
 and least injurious to private Property.

This is therefore to authorize and empower you  
 the said Hamlen, Williams and Abbot to lay out said road  
 or highway first giving reasonable notice to all persons inter-  
 ested of the time and place of your meeting to perform said ser-  
 vice and you are to ascertain the place and course of said road  
 in the best manner you can, and to estimate under oath the da-  
 mage should you find any done to any person by reason of lay-  
 ing out said road or highway you are also to ascertain the owners  
 of the lands over and through which you shall lay said road  
 and to make return of the names of such owners if you can as-  
 certain the same, and if not you will so return, said return being  
 regularly a party to said proceedings: you are also to give to the  
 owners of the lands over and through which you shall lay said road  
 such time as you shall deem reasonable to be off the lands and  
 and thence and you will return the lands to the persons for that  
 purpose and you are to be duly sworn to perform every part of said

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sworn according to your best skill and judgment  
 which having done you are for part of you are to  
 make return thereof under your hand and seal to the  
 next court of sessions to be held in this County after  
 you shall have performed said services to the end that  
 the same may be accepted allowed recorded and afterwards  
 return as a public road or highway agreeably to the pro-  
 visions of the law in such case made and provided.

Yours of said date and make return of this warrant with  
 your return thereon. Witness Charles Heydon Esq. J. C. T.  
 August the third day of September in the year of our lords  
 one thousand eight hundred and twenty three

R. C. Vose, Clerk.

And from thence said Petition was continued to the next  
 term of said Court in 1828 to receive the report of said com-  
 missioners and now in this term the Committee of said Court  
 made their report in words and figures following to wit  
 Kennel as October 1. 1828 There personally appeared the  
 within named Lewis Gamble & Church Williams and  
 made oath before me John Potter one of the justices of the Peace  
 within and for said County that they would faithfully and  
 impartially discharge the duties incumbent upon them  
 in virtue of the within commission according to their best  
 skill and judgment before me John Potter Justice of the Peace  
 Kennel as Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 1828 Then personally appeared Joseph R.  
 Abbot and made oath that he would faithfully and impar-  
 tially discharge duties assigned him by the Commission  
 according to his best skill and judgment before me  
 Philip Leach Justice of the Peace

For peruseance of the annexed warrant the said Lewis Gam-  
 ble Church Williams and Joseph R. Abbot having been first  
 sworn and having given reasonable notice to all persons interested  
 of the time and place of our meeting to perform the service as men-  
 tioned in the annexed commission have laid out a new or high-  
 way four rods wide beginning on the Western line of the town  
 of E. Hamsville in the County of Lincoln and for by rods on the line of  
 Moses Halls south line thence running south Sixty four de-  
 grees west five hundred and forty rods to the Town road in Freedom  
 in the County of Kennel leading from Amos Sylvester to Ebenezer  
 Sylvester Senior passing between John Pennys house and John  
 James Sr. the house and barn and Luke Sylvester House and John  
 Thence running South eighty degrees west two hundred and  
 Twenty six rods to a certain Buck tree standing on the corner  
 of Deacons Field so called Thence south seventy six degrees West

He<sup>r</sup> Samuel  
William  
of Freedom

twenty eight rods to the notew<sup>er</sup> called on. B<sup>e</sup>aver Ho<sup>u</sup>se - Thence  
 to the fifty seven degrees west seventy four rods Thence South Seven  
 by six degrees west seventy four rods. Thence South Seventy eight degrees west Seventy eight rods to a stake  
 and stones. Thence South fifty seven and a quarter degrees west  
 ninety eight rods - Thence South six by six and a half degrees west  
 four hundred and forty two rods to a point about eighty rods in front  
 Jason Woods house Thence South Six by four and a half degrees  
 west fifty four rods Thence South forty seven degrees west one  
 hundred rods to the line of the Town of Palermo This line is to be  
 the Southern and Eastern by line of said road and in consequence of  
 laying out said road or highway over the land of the persons afore-  
 said we have adjudged damages to the following persons  
 to wit that Moses Watts is damaged in his property in the sum  
 of twenty Dollars John Puring in the sum of Fifty Dollars (unknown)  
 lately John Smith in the sum of five Dollars: Aaron Davis in the sum  
 of Fifteen Dollars: Unknown lately John Smith in the sum of  
 Ten Dollars Unknown lately Sylvester in the sum of Fifteen Dollars  
 and Sylvester in the sum of Twelve Dollars Daniel Pickett in  
 the sum of ten Dollars Robert Packard in the sum of twenty three  
 Dollars Jonathan Warden in the sum of ten Dollars: Benjamin  
 Cummings in the sum of Fifteen Dollars amounting in the whole to  
 the sum of one hundred and eighty five dollars: and in our <sup>opinion</sup> the follow-  
 ing persons to wit Gladwin John Smith Junior, Rich<sup>d</sup> Williams  
 Matthew Randall, Ira Lewis Fuller, Daniel Davis Joseph Syl-  
 vester John Robertson & John Sauley sustaining no injury in consequence  
 of said road passing over their lands are entitled to no damages  
 And four months from the time of the acceptance of this report are  
 allowed the owners of the land over and thro' which we have laid out  
 said road to take off the Wood and lumber - Given under our hand  
 and seals this twenty eighth day of December A.D. Eighteen hun-  
 dred and seventy three

Lewis Hamilton *LS*  
 Church Williams *LS*  
 Jos. R. Abbot *LS*

X And of records in same town the report of said Committee  
 being read, soon and fully understood and mature deliberation  
 thereon had it is considered by the court here, that the road afore  
 said as laid out by said Committee described in their report be-  
 and is hereby accepted and allowed as such and that there same  
 be recorded and afterwards known as a public highway and  
 the Court further order that the damages awarded to individ-  
 uals whose land the said road passes be paid them respectively  
 whenever the roads are opened and it becomes necessary for them  
 to make their fences upon said contemplated road Robert H. Furden



Remitted to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Justices of the Court of Sessions for the County of Humber to be holden at Augustus within and for said County on Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of August next

The undersigned a committee appointed as within beg leave to report that after having given reasonable notice to all parties concerned and been sworn to the faithful performance of the duties within assigned proceed to view the works contemplated by the petitioners for a road that the land over which said road is contemplated to pass and as represented by the plan herewith returned by Charles Hayden Jr. which plan is to be considered a part this report is good and that in an opinion it is expedient and the public good requires that a road should be created agreeable to the prayer of said petitioners and that the damages to individuals by the opening said road will not exceed one hundred dollars.

Wilmington July 26<sup>th</sup> 1823

Peter Talbot — Esq  
 Chas Hayden Jr — Esq  
 Joseph Hunt — Esq

And afterwards in this same term the aforesaid report being read and fully understood and mature deliberation thereon had the same is not accepted it is therefore considered by the Court that the petitioners take nothing by their said petition

E. Warren  
 and others

Ebenezer J. Warren and others inhabitants of the Town of Hallowell Respectfully represent that the Highway on the West side of Humber river in said Hallowell being the common road usually called the River Road leading from the south side of the town of Augusta in said County through the Village of Hallowell by Daughans Brook and London Hill in said Hallowell so called to the north side of the Town of Gardiner near the dwelling house of W. G. Warren has been made and travelled over for the most part on places where it was not originally laid out and located, that the records of said road if any where ever made are lost that great inconveniences have accrued to individuals, owners of Highways and the public interests generally from not being able to ascertain with sufficient certainty the location and establishment of said Highways. Wherefore the undersigned your petitioners pray that your Honors would appoint a Committee of three or five discreet freeholders of the said County to lay out anew the aforesaid Highway from Augusta South line to Gardiner North line agreeable to a statute of the said State in such case made and provided; This petition was introduced at the request of the Court of Sessions on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July 1823 when and where Thomas Bond Esquire Agent for the town of Hallowell appeared and took notice of the