# Lewisburg Chronicle.

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*To Business Men.*—The LEWISBURG CHRONICLE has the largest and best circulation of any Newspaper in Union County.

## The Subscriptions and Bonds.

In the following columns will be found copies of the Guarantees furnished by the respective Towns which propose to compete for the Seat of Justice in the Counties of Union and Snyder, at the next October election. The Law provides for this publication, in order that the People may know the sites which are proposed—the sums individually pledged for grounds and buildings—the amount guaranteed to ensure tax-payers generally against any possible cost—and the persons whose honor and estates are thus relied upon to consummate the Division authorized.

The exact *terms* in which the respective securities are made, are thus laid before the people—*ample time* is given for them to reflect upon the best location, to consult, and to act intelligently in arriving at a wise decision—and the *expense* in spreading before them the important information, will be borne equally by payment from the common fund.

UNION COUNTY.

It will be seen that there are but *two* competitors in Union county—LEWISBURG and MIFFLINBURG. The former guarantees Fifty Thousand Dollars, (by men abundantly able to meet it,) that there shall be no county tax for grounds and buildings, in case their town is selected for the County Seat; and they would be willing to pay it, in good faith, for the present and prospective advantages they would thereby receive. The subscription it will be seen is yet under $15,000, but it has been circulated by one person only, and many in Town and Country, who are willing and anxious to contribute to the fund, have not yet been called upon. It is to be hoped the subscription will be filled to $20 or $30,000 at once, as near the latter sum will be required to erect, on the best location, tasty, commodious, solid, permanent buildings, superior to any in the center of the State, satisfactory to all concerned, and that shall not need repairs in a long time.

Mifflinburg also guarantees, in the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars, the same exoneration of the people generally—and is therefore eligible for the trial. Her subscription is liberal, and the signers of the guarantee are responsible for the amount.

So far as Union county is concerned, it is a "fair fight"—two competitors, each deliberately prepared. The People will decide between them....and if they say Mifflinburg, why then Lewisburg will save her money and make use of it in some other way that will "pay" equally well.

SNYDER COUNTY.

The vote in this new county is to be divided between *three* towns, according to present appearances, and "the place having the greatest number of votes" (whether a majority of all or not) is to be the county seat.

SELINSGROVE is guaranteed in Twenty Thousand Dollars, and a princely subscription (not complete) to back it.

FREEBURG is guaranteed in the same sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, and a handsome subscription, almost entirely from the single township of Washington, and comprising all its substantial farmers and other citizens, attests the energy with which they enter the field.

MIDDLEBURG has a guaranteed subscription of Ten Thousand Dollars, but *failed* in the effort to get up a Bond in a larger sum. Her subscription is from several townships, and some from beyond the county line.

LEGALITY OF THE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

In relation to the papers from Lewisburg, Mifflinburg, Selinsgrove, and Freeburg, we do not think there is any question but they have come fully up to the letter and spirit of the Law under which they are framed. The eligibility of *Middleburg* however, is called in question in various quarters. In considering the matter, it will be well at once to recur to the 3d and 4th sections of the Act, and ascertain its precise terms. They read thus:

"SEC. 3. That suitable grounds and buildings, and a jail for county purposes, for said county of Snyder, and also suitable grounds, buildings and a jail for said county of Union, to be approved by a MAJORITY of the Court and Grand Jurors of the respective counties when prepared, SHALL BE SECURED TO THE SAID COUNTIES WITHOUT ANY COST OR TAX WHATEVER BEING IMPOSED UPON THE TAXABLES OF SAID COUNTIES FOR SUCH EXPENDITURES.

"SEC. 4. That to secure the conditions expressed in the third section of this act, there be pledged in trust to the Judges of the courts of Union county, on or before the first day of May next, one or more responsible bona fide subscriptions of NOT LESS THAN ten thousand dollars, from within the limits of each county respectively, for the purchase of grounds and the erection of buildings as aforesaid for the counties of Union and Snyder, said buildings to be of stone or brick, with fire proof roofs and fire proof rooms for records, and that said subscription so pledged shall be approved by SAID JUDGES, and published under their direction" &c.

The 3d and 4th sections evidently go together, and must be considered as relating to one thing. The 3d says, expressly, that "suitable grounds and buildings SHALL BE SECURED WITHOUT ANY COST OR TAX WHATEVER being imposed upon the taxables," &c. Sec. 4th *further* says, "THAT TO SECURE the conditions" of the 3d section, there must be "pledged to the Judges on or before the 1st of May, NOT LESS THAN Ten Thousand Dollars from *within the limits* of each county respectively," "said buildings to be of brick or stone with fire-proof roofs and fire-proof rooms for records," and "said subscriptions shall be *approved* by *said Judges*," published, &c.

It will be seen that the 3d section requires *absolute security* to the tax-payers, and in the 4th names Ten Thousand as the *least sum* to be pledged by the 1st of May, for Grounds, Buildings, Court House, Jail, Offices, all Fire-Proof roofs and Fire-Proof rooms for records. The Middleburg paper makes no security for guarding against taxation except in the sum of $10,000. If Middleburg should be chosen and the buildings &c. cost over $10,000 the citizens of the whole county are "in" for the balance and have no remedy but to tax themselves to pay! The Middleburg subscription is *not* all from within "the limits of the county," but is guaranteed by citizens of the county. When prepared the buildings &c. are to be adopted or rejected by "a *majority* of the Court and Grand Jurors," but the subscriptions to be approved by SAID JUDGES. The "said Judges" have not, athough a *majority* of them have, accepted the subscription.

Whether such buildings as are required by law can be constructed for $10,000, and the proper grounds secured, is for the people of Snyder county to think about. New Berlin has always claimed that it would cost $20,000 to $50,000, and the people of the Beavers and Centers believed them, voted accordingly, and are slow to change their opinions.

The "1st of May" has passed, and Middleburg had ample time to prepare a bond to cover all costs. On the 30th of April, the Judges met at Middleburg, and Judge MARSHALL frankly informed the friends of that location that he could not approve their subscription—that the spirit and the letter of the Act evidently intended that the *whole possible cost should be provided for*, and that the $10,000 was merely the minimum sum, to be secured by a certain time, to make them eligible. They had another whole day to make out a Guarantee like those of Freeburg and Selinsgrove. They refused—failed to do so, and their Bond is therefore defective in amount, and has but a majority of the Judges, instead of "the Judges," certifying to its eligibility.

It is impossible, now, to legally add any further security; and we have been informed that friends of the Middleburg interest openly avow their intention to carry that location, and then lay a Tax sufficient to make up the balance necessary to cover all expenses. That they must do this, or submit to use an inferior and temporary set of county buildings, appears to be evident. The case will of course be narrowly investigated and discussed by those whose interests are to be involved.

☞ Wonder if the New Berlin papers will pick any flaw in the Mifflinburg or Middleburg bonds, and pronounce them not binding, and "not worth fifty cents!" They are no more valid than the Lewisburg Bond of last fall, which was so denounced by the New Berliners, and which (merely altered in form and not in substance) is declared good by Judge Wilson.

## The $500 Enrolment Tax.

The Supreme Court decided, in the case of Meylert vs. Sullivan County, that the $500 Tax on New Counties is not an item of county expenses, and could not be paid from the county treasury, but must be raised from private resources. This is evidently just and proper, but New Berlin made hundreds in Snyder county believe they would have to pay it by Tax. The question now is, shall not each of the competitors raise $100 for the purpose? There are five, $100 each would bring the $500 required; in that way it would fall equally but lightly on all, and those who failed of getting the Court House would have plenty of money left to meet this expense! What say Mifflinburg, Middleburg, Freeburg? Selinsgrove and Lewisburg say Yes—we agree to it. It should be raised during this month.

## New Berlin Prophesyings.

Our readers will remember, that during the Division campaign, the New Berlin editors and orators and their echoes continually declared that the provision of the Division plan fixing upon $10,000 as the *least sum* to be pledged by any Town competing for the County Seat, was a Lewisburg and Selinsgrove imposition, designed by those towns to prevent any chance for the smaller Towns—that no other Towns could raise $10,000—and that, if Division carried, Lewisburg and Selinsgrove would be the County Seats without controversy. They conducted the campaign, on that side, under this assumption.

The friends of Division, on the other hand, claimed that other Towns *could* and *would* pledge the amount, and make the effort.

Now, how stands the case? Look at Mifflinburg, pledged to the amount of $25,000; Freeburg, $20,000; and Middleburg, $10,000:—$55,000, where New Berlin said they would raise nothing!

The New Berliners declared Snyder county was miserably poor, and unable to live without stripping a little cream yearly from Buffalo Valley—and yet, there are three Towns in Snyder county, willing to give—two, $20,000 and one, $10,000, to be the seat of justice for that poor county!

So far, New Berlin has proved itself all wrong on the Division question.

[Had those Bonds for Mifflinburg, Freeburg, and Middleburg been issued prior to the Election, Division would have been carried by 800 to 1000 majority. In Middleburg district (Franklin) only 11 votes were polled for Division. It is well known that there and in the other towns named, New Berliners took especial pains to impress upon them the belief, that "*they* stood no chance"—"*they* could never raise it," &c. Thus discouraged, those Towns (except Freeburg) made a desperate opposition to Division. Had they seen that they could raise the $10,000, and thereby stand some chance, hundreds who voted against Division, would have voted for it.]

# COUNTY SEATS.

## County of Union.

### Lewisburg Bond and Subscription.

KNOW all men by these presents that we, William Cameron, George F. Miller, Eli Slifer, John Chamberlin, William Frick, Peter Beaver, James F. Linn, John Walls, J. Hayes & Co., Philip Billmeyer, Thomas Hayes, Beyers Ammon, James Criswell, Alexander Ammons, Michael Fichthorn, James P. Ross, Levi Sterner, Thomas A. H Thornton, Peter Hursh, Charles Penny, T. Howard Wilson, Solomon Ritter, Henry S. Neuer, Daniel Schrack, Henry W. Fries, Charles D. Kline, Adam J. Weidensaul, Francis Wilson, David Reber, Henry Frick, William Moore, Joseph Merxell, Samuel Geddes, Francis Zeller, Samuel L. Beck, Jacob Hunnel, John Locke, Jonathan Nesbit, William Wilson (of Lewisburg), Abner M. Lawshe, Theodore McFaddin, Samuel Slifer, Tunis H. Fisher, Lewis Iddings, Charles H Cook, Samuel B Van Valzah, William Leiser, Josiah Garton, Benjamin Angstadt, John A Mertz, Winegarden & Dietrich, Nathan Rawn, Hunter Pardoe, William Adams, Jesse Cornelius, Philip L. Byers, F A Donehower, John H Barkdoll, John Beeber, Franklin Spyker, Ogden R Vorse, William T Reitmeyer, David Ginter, John Hertz, Hugh P Sheller, John Gundy, Jacob Gundy, Levi B Herbst, John Miller, Peter N Laird, Samuel S Barton, Simon P Gundy and John T Miller, of the borough of Lewisburg and vicinity, in the county of Union, State of Pennsylvania, are held and firmly bound unto Hon Abraham S Wilson, Jacob Wittenmyer and James Marshall, Judges of the Courts of Union county, and their successors in office, in trust for the purposes expressed in the 3d and 4th sections of the act of General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act for the erection of a new county out of a part of Union to be called Snyder, and relative to the seat of justice of Union county," approved the 2d day of March, A D 1855, in the sum of *Fifty Thousand Dollars* lawful money to be paid to the said judges of the courts of Union county or their successors in office, in trust for the purposes aforesaid, to which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, and each of us firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals, and dated this thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bound obligors shall, in case it is determined by a majority of the qualified voters in Union county (as divided) at the general election to be held on the 2d Tuesday of October next (1855) to locate the seat of justice in the borough of Lewisburg, in said county of Union, cause suitable grounds to be procured and suitable buildings and jail to be erected thereon, and to be finished, and after being approved by a majority of the court and grand jurors, conveyed in fee simple to the proper authorities of said county of Union (so divided) as aforesaid on or before the first day of January, A D 1857, without any cost or tax whatever being imposed upon the taxables of said county, for such expenditures; said buildings to be of stone or brick with fire-proof roofs and fire-proof rooms for records; and that all things necessary to carry out the provisions of the third and fourth sections of said Act of Assembly, according to the tenor and effect thereof, be fully complied with, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue.

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| William Cameron | [seal] | Charles Penny | [seal] |
| G F Miller | do | T Howard Wilson | do |
| Eli Slifer | do | Solomon Ritter | do |
| John Chamberlin | do | Henry S Neuer | do |
| William Frick | do | Josiah Girton | do |
| P Beaver | do | Benjamin Angstadt | do |
| James F Linn | do | John A Mertz | do |
| Jno Walls | do | Daniel Schrack | do |
| J Hayes & Co | do | Henry W Fries | do |
| Thos Hayes | do | C D Kline | do |
| Beyers Ammons | do | A J Weidensaul | do |
| James Criswell | do | Francis Wilson | do |
| Alex Ammons | do | Henry Frick | do |
| Michael Fichthorn | do | William Moore | do |
| J P Ross | do | Joseph Merxell | do |
| Levi Sterner | do | Samuel Geddes | do |
| Thos A H Thornton | do | Francis Zeller | do |
| Peter Hursh | do | S L Beck | do |
| John Locke | do | Jacob Hummel | do |
| Jonathan Nesbit | do | Philip L Byers | do |
| Wm Wilson | do | F A Donehower | do |
| A M Lawshe | do | John H Barkdoll | do |
| Theodore McFaddin | do | John Beeber | do |
| Samuel Slifer | do | Samuel S Barton | do |
| T H Fisher | do | Simon P Gundy | do |
| Lewis Iddings | do | Martin Chappel | do |
| C H Cook | do | Franklin Spyker | do |
| S B Vanvalzah | do | O R Vorse | do |
| Wm Leiser | do | W T Reitmyer | do |
| Winegarden & Dietrich | do | David Ginter | do |
| Nathan Rawn | do | John Hertz | do |
| Hunter Pardoe | do | H P Sheller | do |
| William Adams | do | John Gundy | do |
| Jesse Cornelius | do | Jacob Gundy | do |
| John Miller | do | L B Herbst | do |
| P N Laird | do | John T Miller | do |

Signed, sealed and delivered the day and year above mentioned.

*Attest:* JOHN B. LINN.

We and each of the undersigned promise, and agree to pay to Hon. Abraham S Wilson, Jacob Wittenmyer and James Marshall, judges of the courts of Union county, and their successors in office, the sums annexed to our respective names, towards raising the bona fide subscription of not less than *Ten Thousand Dollars* within the limits of Union county, as lately divided under the provisions of the act of General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act for the erection of a new county out of part of Union, to be called Snyder, and relative to the seat of justice of Union county," approved the 2d day of March, A D 1855, in trust for the purchase of suitable grounds and erection thereon of suitable buildings and jail for county purposes for said county of Union (as divided) under the provisions of the 3d and 4th sections of said act of Assembly: Provided, that a majority of the qualified voters within said county of Union (as divided) should decide by ballot at the general election to be held on the 2d Tuesday of October next (1855) under the provisions of the 10th section of said Act of Assembly that the borough of Lewisburg should be the seat of justice for said county of Union. Witness our hands and seals this thirtieth day of April, A D 1855.

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| William Cameron | $1000 | J Schreyer & Son | $50 |
| G F Miller | do | Thomas Howard | 20 |
| James F Linn | do | John G Brown | 20 |
| Jno Walls | do | Levi B Herbst | 10 |
| Eli Slifer | do | Leonard Wolfe | 50 |
| John Chamberlin | do | Peter Nevins | 25 |
| William Frick | do | Wm B Shriner | 10 |
| P Beaver | do | P N Laird | 10 |
| J Hayes & Co | do | C W Schoffle | 20 |
| Thos Hayes | do | James Kelly | 100 |
| Jonathan Wolfe | do | Daniel Rengler | 100 |
| Byers Ammons | do | Francis Zeller | 100 |
| Michael Fichthorn | do | Jacob Hummel | 100 |
| Philip Billmyer | do | John Locke | 50 |
| Johnson Walls | do | Jacob Gundy | 100 |
| Charles Penny | do | John Gundy | 100 |
| C D Kline | do | W Gundy | 20 |
| Francis Wilson | do | John Strohecker | 50 |
| David Reber | do | John Schrack | 50 |
| James Criswell | do | Jacob H Brown | 20 |
| Alex Ammons | do | Jacob G Brown | 20 |
| Joseph Merxell | do | William Cornelius | 10 |
| Samuel Geddes | do | Samuel S Barton | 20 |
| James S Marsh | do | S D Munson | 10 |
| S L Beck | do | Emanuel Peters | 10 |
| Iddings & Wetzel | do | H P Sheller | 200 |
| John Beeber | do | Michael Brown | 20 |
| J W Shriner | do | Abraham Brown | 20 |
| John Houghton | do | Jonathan Nesbit | 100 |
| H R Neff | do | Wm Wilson (Lewisburg) | 50 |
| L Sterner | do | W A M Lawshe | 50 |
| Thos A H Thornton | do | Slifer & M Faddin | 50 |
| Peter Hursh | do | T H Fisher | 20 |
| Joseph Glass | do | C H Cook | 20 |
| T Howard Wilson | do | S B Vanvalzah | 25 |
| John Brown | do | Wm Leiser | 50 |
| Solomon Ritter | do | Chas S Yoder | 20 |
| Henry S Neuer | do | Josiah Girton | 20 |
| Daniel Schrack | do | O N Worden | 20 |
| W R Wilson | do | James Gibson | 10 |
| Henry W Fries | do | John Barnes | 10 |
| A J Weidensaul | do | Benjamin Angstadt | 20 |
| Henry Frick | do | Dennis Phillips | 10 |
| William Moore | do | John A Reed | 10 |
| Jesse Cornelius | do | Jos L Yoder | 10 |
| Philip L Byers | do | O R Verse | 40 |
| F A Donehower | do | Thos S Black | 50 |
| John H Barkdoll | do | M G Norton | 50 |
| Ralph Ditty | do | W H Black | 100 |
| Franklin Spyker | do | W T Reitmyer | 10 |
| G B Eckert | do | David Ginter | 50 |
| Charles S Crites | do | John Hertz | 10 |
| Simon P Gundy | do | J B Miller | 10 |
| Wm L Harris | do | Abraham Singer | 10 |
| John A Mertz | do | George Wolfe | 20 |
| Winegarden & Dietrich | do | George Reed | 10 |
| John B Cornelius | do | John Reber jr | 10 |
| Nathan Rawn | do | B Albert | 10 |
| Hunter Pardoe | do | M A Stock | 100 |
| J P Ross | do | John T Miller | 20 |
| Martin Chappel | do | William Adams | 10 |
| Isaac Walter | do | Jno Miller | 10 |
| Jesse M Evans | do | S Biellenderfer | 10 |

And now, to wit, May 1st, 1855, we the undersigned, judges of the court of common pleas of Union county, after having proof of the ability of the persons named in the within subscription, to pay the sums subscribed by them respectively and being satisfied from the evidence produced that more than Ten Thousand Dollars responsible bona fide subscriptions have been made under the provisions of the 4th section of the act of General Assembly, entitled "An act for the erection of a new county out of part of Union to be called Snyder, and relative the seat of justice of Union county," approved the 2d day of March, A D 1855, within the limits of Union county (as divided) and also a bond given with sufficient security to indemnify the taxables of said county of Union from any cost or tax for the public buildings and for carrying out all the provisions of the 3d and 4th sections of said act in order to make the borough of *Lewisburg* a candidate for the seat of justice; therefore, we do hereby approve of said Subscription and Bond, and order the same to be published the second week of May, A D 1855, and continued for three consecutive weeks in the "Union Demokrat," a newspaper published within the county of Snyder, and also published at the same time and for the same period in the "Lewisburg Chronicle," a newspaper published within the county of Union, and that the borough of Lewisburg be named in said publications as a site for the seat of justice in and for Union county, for which said Subscription and Bond have been pledged.

A. S. WILSON,
JACOB WITTENMYER,
JAMES MARSHALL,
*Judges of the Courts of the County of Union.*

### Subscription, Security, &c.

APPROVED by the Judges of the Courts of Union county, to secure MIFFLINBURG as a site to be voted for at the general election in October next for the Seat of Justice of the county of Union, and ordered by said Judges to be published, &c., April 30, 1855.

#### Subscription.

We whose names are hereunto annexed agree to pay the several sums of money set opposite our names respectively to be applied to purchase of grounds and the erection of Public Buildings in the borough of Mifflinburg for the county of Union according to the provisions of the 4th section of an Act entitled an Act for the erection of a new county out of part of Union to be called Snyder, and relative to the Seat of Justice of Union county, approved the 2d day of March, A D 1855. Payable to Abram S Wilson.

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| Michael Miller | $100 | Geo L Swentzel | $100 |
| Wm A D Watson | 500 | A D H Kemper | 100 |
| R R Barber | 125 | Joseph Eckert | 100 |
| Benj Miller | 200 | J W Henderson | 100 |
| Elias Dreisbach | 100 | Charles Hassenplug | 100 |
| John Mench | 100 | J S Barber | 100 |
| A Buchtine | 500 | Isaac Kleckner | 100 |
| Jacob Beckard | 50 | J H Smith | 20 |
| Wm Young jr | 500 | George Acker | 100 |
| B Bell | 500 | Jno V Barber | 100 |
| Henry Gast | 500 | Jacob Fox | 100 |
| John M Taylor | 100 | John M Harvey | 100 |
| Saml Stitzer | 500 | George Mader | 100 |
| J & J Young | 200 | Jacob L Beck | 100 |
| John Bay | 200 | A Cummings | 100 |
| Robert Chambers | 200 | B Beckley | 100 |
| J G Piper | 200 | John Bishel | 100 |
| John Barber | 100 | Geo Gutelius | 100 |
| John Kleckner | 100 | Saml Gutelius | 100 |
| Chas Montelius | 100 | Charles Moss | 100 |
| Benjn Moss | 100 | Joseph Beep | 100 |
| K Keiffer | 100 | Henry G Oberdorf | 20 |
| C H Hassenplug | 100 | Saml Faust | 25 |
| Andrew Wolf | 100 | Benj Marsh | 50 |
| Thos Gutelius | 100 | Lemp & Vanvalzah | 27 |
| J W Sands | 200 | Jacob Klingman | 20 |
| Henry Bogenreif | 150 | F Van Borcrik | 50 |
| Charles Crotzer | 100 | J M M'Clure | 20 |
| Geo Schoch | 100 | Joseph Kleckner | 50 |
| Henry Orwig | 100 | Henry Lehkicker | 25 |
| J J Hassenplug | 100 | Charles Boyer | 25 |
| W Crotzer | 100 | Jacob Antes | 25 |

*Guarantee endorsed on Subscription.*

We the undersigned citizens of Mifflinburg and vicinity hereby guarantee and bind ourselves to the Judges of the Court of Union county for the payment of the full amount within subscribed for the purpose of erecting the public buildings in the borough of Mifflinburg in accordance with the requirement of an Act of Assembly for the erection of said public buildings free of taxation to the people of the county, in case a majority of the votes should be given at the next October election for said borough of Mifflinburg for the County Seat. Witness our hands and seals this 20th day of April A D 1855.

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| A Gutelius | John Gast |
| Wm Young Jr | J & J Young |
| G N Youngman | J W Sands |
| Jno M Taylor | Joseph Eilert |
| Geo Dreisbach | Henry Bogenreif |
| Samuel Getzen | Jacob Beckard |
| Henry Gast | B W Thompson |

*Bond pledged accompanying Subscription pledged.*

Know all men by these presents that we whose names are hereunto subscribed are held and firmly bound unto Abraham S. Wilson, Jacob Witteamyer and James Marshall, the Judges of the courts of the county of Union and to their successors in office in the sum of *Twenty Five Thousand Dollars*, to which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Witness our hands and seals, this 30th day of April A D 1855.

The condition of this obligation is such that the citizens of Mifflinburg in said county of Union and subscribers to the subscriptions pledged to the said Judges shall and will erect suitable public buildings and jail for county purposes for said county of Union, and also purchase suitable grounds for buildings and jail for said county of Union, without any cost or tax whatever being imposed on the taxables of said county for such expenses, and do guarantee the subscriptions pledged to the said judges in trust for the purchase of grounds and erection of buildings &c. as provided for and according to the terms and requisitions of the Act of Assembly passed 2d day of March A D 1855, entitled "an Act for the erection of a new county out of part of Union to be called Snyder and relative to the Seat of Justice in Union county," provided that the place for sites of said buildings shall be decided on to be erected at Mifflinburg at the next October election agreeably to the provisions of said Act.

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| Henry Gast | [seal] | Thos Cronmiller | [seal] |
| Geo Dreisbach | do | Danl Moss | do |
| Jno Detwiler | do | Joseph Beep | do |
| B W Thompson | do | George Yerger | do |
| Jno M Taylor | do | Samuel Getgen | do |
| Jno Richard | do | G N Youngman | do |
| Saml Gutelius | do | Joseph Eilert | do |
| Wm Young Jr | do | John Rishel | do |
| Chas Montelius | do | J & J Young | do |
| Henry Bogenreif | do | Jacob Deckard | do |
| A Gutelius | do | Samuel Sutzer | do |
| Jno Badger | do | John Gast | do |
| Henry Orwig | do | J H Hassenplug | do |

*Order and Decree of the Judges of the Courts of Union County.*

This subscription and guarantee received and furnished pledged to the Judges of the Courts of the county of Union to secure the performance of the Act of Assembly approved the 2d day of March A D 1855, and particularly the 3d section thereof entitled "an Act for the erection of a new county out of part of Union to be called Snyder and relative to the Seat of Justice of Union county," and approved of the same day by us and ordered to be published in the "Lewisburg Chronicle," published in Union county and in the "Union Demokrat," published in the county of Snyder on the 2d week of May, 1855, and continued therein for three successive weeks.

A. S. WILSON,
JACOB WITTENMYER,
JAMES MARSHALL,
*Judges of the Courts of the County of Union.*

## County of Snyder.

### Selinsgrove Bond and Subscription.

KNOW all men by these presents that we George Eby, J H App, M U App, Peter Bolig, George L Becker, Isaac App, Mathias Wilson, Frederick App, George Fisher, Mathias Dunbaugh, Charles Rhoads, J G L Shindel, F J Schoch, Nathaniel Moyer, Peter Fisher, Jeremiah Krause, George P Deitrick, Elijah Couldron, A C Simpson, Isaac Couldron, Jacob Stoufer, Christian Staum, Benjamin Housewerth, H P Hottenstine, Gardner & Lenhart, A S Cummings, Leonard App, G Schnure, John App, Henry C Eyer, James K Davis, W F Eckbert, Benj Schoch, George Hill, Fredk Speck, Kantner & Fisher, Joseph Wenrich, Christian Herman, Isaac Gerhart, P B Waggonseller, Charles B Miller, Wm F Waggonseller, Aaron Bergstresser, Gump & Rishel, Samuel Gemberling, F Grundrum, John H Miller, William Gangler, J D Waters, John Emmit, William Colsher, Charles H Moyer, Joseph Schart, Samuel Stauffer, Valentine Hare, N Kantner, Samuel Fechner, George M Keller, Jonathan Rudy, Capt Jacob Hummel, Samuel Wechne, John P Richter, Elizabeth Richter, H P App, F M Dunbaugh, Joseph Patterson, Scribner & Perkins, of the borough of Selinsgrove and vicinity in the county of Snyder, State of Pennsylvania, are held and firmly bound unto Hon. Abraham S Wilson, Jacob Wittenmyer and James Marshall Judges of the Courts of Union county and their successors in office in trust for the purpose expressed in the 3d and 4th sections of the Act of General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "An Act for the erection of a new county out of part of Union to be called Snyder and relative to the seat of justice of Union county," approved the 2d day of March, A. D. 1855 in the sum of *Twenty Thousand Dollars* lawful money to be paid to the said Judges of the Courts of Union county or their successors in office in trust for the purposes aforesaid to which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, and each of us firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this thirtieth day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five. The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bound obligors shall, in case it is determined by a majority of the qualified voters in Snyder county (as erected) at the general election to be held on the 2nd Tuesday of October next (1855) to locate the seat of Justice in the Borough of Selinsgrove in said county of Snyder, cause suitable grounds to be procured and suitable buildings and jail for said county of Snyder to be erected thereon and to be finished and after being approved by a majority of the Court and Grand Jurors conveyed in fee simple to the proper authorities of said county of Snyder (so erected) as aforesaid on or before the first day of January A. D. 1857, without any cost or tax whatever being imposed upon the taxables of said county for such expenditures, said buildings to be of stone or brick with fire proof roofs and fire proof rooms for records, and that all things necessary to carry out the provisions of the 3d and 4th sections of said Act of Assembly according to the tenor and effect thereof be fully complied with, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue.

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We and each of the undersigned promise and agree to pay to Hon Abraham S Wilson, Jacob Wittenmyer, and James Marshall Judges of the Courts of Union county and their successors in office the sums annexed to our respective names towards raising the bona fide subscription of not less than ten thousand dollars within the limits of Snyder county as lately erected under the provisions of the Act of General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "An act for the erection of a new county out of part of Union to be called Snyder and relative to the Seat of Justice of Union county," approved the 2d day of March, A D 1855, in trust for the purchase of suitable grounds and erection thereon of suitable buildings and jail for county purposes for said county of Snyder (so erected) under the provisions of the 3d and 4th sections of said Act of Assembly: Provided, that a majority of the qualified voters within said county of Snyder (as erected) should decide by ballot at the general election to be held on the 2d Tuesday of October (next) 1855, under the provisions of the 10th section of said Act of Assembly, that the borough of Selinsgrove should be the Seat of Justice for said county of Snyder. Witness our hands this thirtieth day of April A D 1855.

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| Benj Schoch | $200 | George W Kelker | $50 |
| George Hill | 100 | Samuel Wechne | 20 |
| Fredk Speck | 100 | John P Richter | 75 |
| Kantner & Fisher | 150 | Elizabeth Richter | 25 |
| H P Hottenstine | 100 | H P App | 100 |
| H W Snyder | 500 | F M Dunbaugh | 10 |
| Leonard App | 200 | Joseph Patterson | 20 |
| G Schnure | 100 | Scribner & Perkins | 500 |
| John App | 100 | Chas J Davis | 20 |
| Henry C Eyer | 1500 | Cap. Jacob Hummel | 100 |
| James K Davis | 500 | D C Seigfreiser | 20 |
| Wm F Eckbert | 200 | Daniel Eberhart | 25 |
| Joseph Wenrich | 100 | Jonathan Kelly | 10 |
| C Herman | 150 | Frank M Stock | 10 |
| Isaac Gerhart | 150 | Samuel Stauffer | 40 |
| P B Waggonseller | 100 | A S Cummings | 50 |
| Chas B Miller | 100 | Gardner & Lenhart | 20 |
| W F Waggonseller | 200 | Ed Gemberling | 10 |
| J H App | 175 | Benj Housewerth | 25 |
| M U App | 500 | John Emmitt | 25 |
| Wm Gangler | 200 | Isaac Couldron | 20 |
| Geo Becker | 100 | A C Simpson | 50 |
| Jonathan Fisher | 25 | Elijah Couldron | 50 |
| B F Gregory | 25 | George Deitrick | 25 |
| J D Waters | 25 | Jeremiah Crouse | 25 |
| Jre App | 100 | Peter Fisher | 50 |
| Mathias Dunbaugh | 20 | Nathaniel Moyer | 75 |
| James L Parks | 25 | J G L Shindel | 25 |
| F J Schoch | 100 | Charles Rhoads | 50 |
| Mathias Wilson | 100 | John Parks | 25 |
| George Fisher | 20 | John Hall | 100 |
| Jacob Stoufer | 50 | Fred App | 50 |
| Christian Staum | 20 | Peter Bolig | 50 |
| William Colsher | 50 | George Eby | 50 |
| Chas H Moyer | 500 | John H Miller | 25 |
| Joseph Schart | 50 | F Grundrum | 100 |
| Valentine Hare | 25 | Samuel Gemberling | 100 |
| Andrew J Battilyou | 20 | Camp & Rishel | 100 |
| N Kantner | 25 | Aaron Bergstresser | 25 |
| Samuel Fechner | 50 | | |

And now, to wit, May 1, 1855, we the undersigned, judges of the court of common pleas of Union county, after hearing proof of the ability of the persons named in the within subscription to pay the sums subscribed by them respectively, and being satisfied from the evidence produced that more than Ten Thousand Dollars responsible bona fide subscriptions have been made under the provisions of the 4th section of the act of General Assembly entitled "An act for the erection of a new county out of part of Union to be called Snyder and relative to the Seat of Justice of Union county," approved the 2d day of March, A D 1855, in trust for the purchase of suitable grounds and erection thereon of suitable buildings and jail for county purposes for said county of Snyder (so erected) under the provisions of the 3d and 4th sections of said Act of Assembly according to the tenor and effect thereof be fully complied with, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue.

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*Guarantee endorsed on Subscription.*

We the subscribers, citizens of that part of the county of Union now described in the act of Assembly for the erection of the county of Snyder, do jointly and severally guaranty and bind ourselves for the true payment of the within subscription agreeably to the provision of the said act of Assembly authorizing said subscription. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 30th day of April, A D 1855.

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| Henry Motz | (seal) | P P Mertz | (seal) |
| F C Meyer | do | E Bassler | do |
| Geo Hilbish | do | H C Houtz | do |

*Copy of Guarantee furnished by Freeburg.*

Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned bind ourselves jointly and severally, our heirs, executors, administrators and assigns unto Ab