

W2-c. 38. DELAWARE DIVISION - Releases and Damage Compensation

Items indexed here, in the alphabetical order of the names of claimants, run chiefly in the early years of the Delaware Division Canal. Names of persons to whom awards are made correspond fairly closely to names appearing in Damage Volumes 1, 2, and 3. Included are Lewis S. Coryell and the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company.

W2-d. 1. COLUMBIA and PHILADELPHIA RAILROAD
Land Damage Claims, etc. A-B, Vol. 1

Arrangement here is alphabetical, but is not wholly restricted to A and B. Dates run from the early to the late years of the railroad. Claims are not limited to land and property damages at the time of the original construction of the railroad, but apply also to accidents, collisions, and fires. The volume is interesting in its interpretation of the state's responsibility in the matter of the accident of 4 February 1856, with the drawing which pictures the event.

W2-d. 2. COLUMBIA and PHILADELPHIA RAILROAD
Land Damage Claims, etc. A-B, Vol. 2

A-B is meaningless here, as items indexed run from Adens through Zell and are not limited to land and property damages; plans of construction and plans for re-construction of the railroad are reflected. Interesting, however, are a number of items dealing with claims of the Trustees of the Estate of William Bingham growing out of the re-routing of the railroad to avoid the inclined plane at Belmont, c. 1851-1852.