

and Jas. S. Stevenson and of Superintendents Samuel Jones and James F. McCague.

144-145. These contracts date from 3 June 1827 and are signed by Acting Commissioner Abner Lacock and the contractors; they reveal the earliest plans for the Grant's Hill Tunnel at Pittsburgh and for the locks beyond, descending along Suke's Run to the Monongahela River.

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Here, the title is inadequate: the volume, beyond its first fifty-four items bearing on aqueducts, contains items 55-125 which bear on bridges and bridge embankments and items 126-236 which bear on culverts.

Generally the contracts for aqueducts are of the early period 1826 - 1830 and carry the signatures successively of Acting Commissioners Lacock and Stevenson; but item 11 reveals an Article of Agreement for new construction of the Freeport Aqueduct across the Allegheny which contains the name of Engineer T. G. Pomeroy as of the year 1854, when he was directing work on the New Allegheny Portage Railroad.

Beyond this aqueduct and others at Deer Creek, Pine Creek, etc., perhaps the most interesting one is that crossing the Allegheny River at Pittsburgh, for which a number of Articles appear in addition to the earliest one signed 3 June 1827 by Acting Commissioner Lacock and by Sylvanus