

W2-d. 29. COLUMBIA and PHILADELPHIA RAILROAD  
Contracts: Laying track

This volume is limited strictly to contracts for laying track. Contracts are in printed form, commonly agreed upon by Superintendent W. B. Mitchell, each accompanied by printed specifications prepared by Engineer Edw. F. Gay, whose opening paragraphs begin: "The Rail-way is to consist of malleable iron edge rails, laid upon stone blocks and locust sills, and secured to them with cast iron chairs, wedges, spikes, etc.

"The blocks and sills are to be so arranged as to have a sill at each 15 feet lineal on each track of the road, or at the joining of the rails, on each 15 feet, on the curves. The precise distance, to be arranged as the Engineer may direct ..."

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Contracts: Sections

Here contents are strictly limited to sections; that is, to the work of grubbing, excavating of sand, earth, clay, gravel, hard slate rock, soft slate rock, stratified lime stone, and solid rock; of creating cross drains; and of embanking section by section of the railroad.

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Contracts are agreed upon by Acting Superintendent William Wilson in 1829 and by Superintendent John Barber in 1831 and 1832