

Erie Canal Enlargement State of New York County of Montgomery.

In the matter of the claim of Frederick Walrath before Thomas Clowes, Chester Hayden & Ambrose Salisbury canal appraisers. On the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1843 at the Village of Fort Plain in said county before the said appraisers came Frederick Walrath the above named claimant and presented his claim for canal damages against the State of New York and having reviewed the premises and heard the proof and allegations as well on the part of the said claimant as of the State from all which it appears that the claimant is the owner of a farm in the Town of Minden through which the Erie Canal passes. Said farm is bounded on the West by \_\_\_ Cornelius & East by Andrew Meyer in enlarging said canal 1.80 acres of claimants farm was permanently appropriated for the \_\_\_ earth for materials for the canal was excavated at two different places on said farm it also appears that claimants lots were thrown \_\_\_ by the State and are thereby sustained an injury. The appraisers estimate and award to the claimant for his damages as follows viz for land permanently appropriated \$44.00 land excavated \$40.00 Lotts (sic) thrown open by the State \$10.00 the aggregate of the sums awarded is \$94.00 and the interest thereof for four years & six months is \$29.61 making in the whole the sum of \$123.61 which last mentioned sum the appraisers estimate and award to claimant for his damages as specified in his claim the following are the filed notes of the canal survey including the premises embraced in this claim. The strong red lines are the base of the survey the one on the tow prath (Tow-path?) side of the canal is on the inner edge of the tow prath of the enlarged canal and that on the same side of the canal is connected with it by cross lines with the course and distance given by the strong blue line represents the extreme limits of the appropriation for the Erie Canal enlargement and the \_\_\_ blue lines represent the extreme limits of the appropriation before the appropriation the distances are all given in chains & links. The figures at the end of the crop lines show the distance from the base line to the strong blue line and the figures on the crop lines show the distance along the base line from the last angle in said base line. Given under our hands this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December 1844. A. Salisbury, C. Hayden

