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No. \_\_\_\_\_

# Supreme Court of Illinois

Peoria & Oquaw<sup>KA</sup>~~ka~~ R. R. Co.

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vs.

Elting.

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Filed to the Circuit Court of  
Jackson County, State of Missouri  
before the Honorable David Davis  
Judge of the Eighth Judicial  
Circuit in said State of Missouri.  
to the October Term A.D. 1854

Be it Remembered that on  
the Thirtieth day of September  
in the year of our Lord, One  
thousand Eight hundred and fifty four, in a  
certain cause wherein The Santa and Aqueduct Rail-  
Road Company was Plaintiff and John Celling was  
Defendant, by change of venue from the County of  
Perry, the following papers marked "A." "B." "C." & "D."  
with a Transcript, were filed, in the words & figures  
following to-wit:

" State of Missouri } Santa Circuit Court  
" County of Perry } November Term A.D. 1853  
" The Santa and Aqueduct  
" Rail Road Company }  
" " }  
" John Celling }  
" " }

Order of said Court  
" Please issue a summons in said cause, returnable  
" to said term, in a plea of trespass on the case  
" on promises, damages One thousand Dollars  
" Julius Manning  
" Atty for Plaintiff

" State of Missouri }  
" County of Perry }  
" Santa Circuit Court  
" November Term A.D. 1853.

„ John C. King the Defendant in this suit was  
„ summoned to answer the Plea and  
„ Aquarta Rail Road Company, the plaintiff in  
„ this suit, of a plea of trespass on the case in  
„ promises, and thereupon the said Plaintiff  
„ by the said plaintiff's Attorney complains &  
„ For that whereas herebefore to wit: on the 12<sup>th</sup>  
„ day of February A. D. 1849 the Legislature  
„ of the State of Illinois passed a certain  
„ act entitled an act to incorporate the  
„ Peoria and Aquarta Rail Road Company  
„ which act was approved by the Governor  
„ of the said State on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February  
„ A. D. 1849, and became a Law of the said  
„ State: and also afterwards to wit: on the  
„ 10<sup>th</sup> day of February A. D. 1851 the said  
„ Legislature of the State of Illinois passed a  
„ certain other act, entitled, an act to amend  
„ an act entitled an act to incorporate the  
„ Peoria and Aquarta Rail Road Company  
„ Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> 1849, which last mentioned act was  
„ approved by the Governor of said State on the  
„ 10<sup>th</sup> day of February A. D. 1851, and also became  
„ a law of said State, which said two acts  
„ are now to the Court here shown, and which  
„ said acts became and now laws of the  
„ said State of Illinois before the doing of  
„ the acts of the said defendant, and the making  
„ of the promises and undertakings of the said  
„ Defendant herein after mentioned  
„ And whereas also afterwards to wit: on the  
„ fourth day of February A. D. 1850, at Peoria in  
„ said County for the purpose of organizing  
„ the said Company under the said acts and  
„ laws of said State, and becoming a stockholder  
„ therein and securing to himself the benefits and

"advantages of being such stockholder, the  
"said Defendant (in conjunction with certain other  
"persons not parties hereto) made and subscribed  
"his certain agreement in writing, in the words and  
"referring following to wit: "We the subscribers severally  
"agree to become stockholders in the Peoria and  
"Aquawka Rail Road Company to the number of  
"shares placed opposite our names respectively,  
"and to pay the amount thereof in such install-  
"ments as may be called for by order of the  
"president and directors of said Company.

"Peoria fourth day of February 1858"  
"To which said Agreement in writing, the said  
"Defendant then and then subscribed his name and  
"placed opposite to his name so subscribed  
"the number of ten shares and the amount of  
"one thousand Dollars as his the said defendant's  
"subscription to the Capital Stock of the said  
"Company, and afterwards the said ten shares  
"being the said sum of one thousand Dollars  
"and afterwards to wit on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June  
"A.D. 1858 at Knoxville to wit at the County of  
"Peoria aforesaid, a sufficient amount of said  
"stock being subscribed, the said Peoria and  
"Aquawka Rail Road Company became duly  
"organized under the said acts and laws by the  
"stockholders of said Company, electing for the  
"officers thereof, as in said laws provided  
"And the said Company being so organized, accepted  
"of the said subscription of the said Defendant  
"and the said Defendant paid to the said Plaintiff  
"five per cent upon his said subscription, that is the  
"sum of fifty Dollars on his said subscription of  
"one thousand Dollars. By means whereof the  
"said Defendant then and then became a  
"stockholder in said Company, and became

liable to pay to the said plaintiff the said  
sum of One thousand Dollars his said subscrip-  
tion (except the said sum of fifty dollars paid  
as aforesaid) in such instalments as might  
thereafter be called for from him the said de-  
fendant by order of the president and directors  
of said company, and being so liable the said  
defendant in consideration thereof, and in consid-  
eration of the promises aforesaid to wit: on the  
day and year last aforesaid to wit: on the day  
and year last aforesaid at the County of Beria  
aforesaid undertook, and then and there faithfully  
promised the said plaintiff to pay said plaintiff  
the said sum of One thousand Dollars (except the  
said sum of fifty Dollars paid as aforesaid) in  
such instalments as might thereafter be called for  
from him the said defendant, by order of the  
president and directors of the said Company.  
And the said plaintiff avers that afterwards to wit  
on the fifth day of January A.D. 1853, the  
president and directors of said company to wit at  
the County aforesaid by their order called for  
an installment of ten per centum upon the said  
defendant's said subscription of one thousand  
dollars from the said defendant, to wit, for the  
sum of One hundred dollars part of the said  
sum of one thousand dollars subscribed by  
the said defendant, as aforesaid, of which, the  
said defendant had notice  
And that afterwards to wit, on the first day of  
April A.D. 1853 at the County aforesaid, the  
said president and directors of said company  
by their certain notes and order, called for a  
certain other installment from the said defendant  
on his said subscription of the amount of ten  
per centum on the said defendant's said

" subscription to wit: the sum of one hundred  
" dollars, a part of the said defendants said  
" subscription of one thousand dollars, of which  
" the said defendant also had notice.

" And that afterwards to wit on the first day of June  
" A.D. 1853 at the County aforesaid, the said  
" president and directors of the said Company, by their  
" certain other order called for a certain other  
" instalment from the said defendant, upon his  
" said subscription of fifty per centum thereon.

" that is for the further sum of fifty Dollars  
" a part of his the said defendants said sub-  
" scription of one thousand Dollars of which the  
" said defendant also had notice.

" And that afterwards to wit on the first day of  
" November A.D. 1853 at the County aforesaid  
" the said president and directors of said Company  
" by their certain other order called for another  
" instalment of fifty per centum upon said de-  
" fendant's said subscription from the said defendant  
" that is for the further sum of fifty Dollars, a part  
" of the said defendant's said subscription of  
" one thousand dollars of which the said defendant  
" also had notice.

" And that afterwards to wit on the first day of January  
" A.D. 1853, at the County aforesaid the said pres-  
" ident and directors of said Company by their certain  
" other order called for another instalment of ten per  
" centum upon the said defendants said subscriptions  
" from the said Defendant, that is for the further  
" sum of one hundred Dollars a part of the said  
" Defendants said subscription, of which the said  
" defendant also had notice.

" And that afterwards to wit, on the first day of  
" February A.D. 1853 at the County aforesaid the  
" said president and directors of said Company by

" then certain other order, called for another instalment  
" of two per centum upon the said defendant's said  
" subscription from the said defendant, that is for  
" the further sum of One hundred Dollars other part  
" of the said Defendant's said subscription of one  
" thousand Dollars, of which the said defendant also  
" had notice.

" And that afterwards to wit, on the first day of August  
" A.D. 1853 at the County aforesaid, the said president  
" and directors of said Company, by their certain other  
" order, called for another instalment of two per centum  
" on the said defendant's said subscription from the  
" said defendant, that is for the further sum of One  
" hundred Dollars other part of the said defendant's said  
" subscription of one thousand Dollars of which the  
" said defendant also had notice.

" And that afterwards to wit: on the first day of September  
" A.D. 1853 at the County aforesaid, the said president  
" and directors of said Company, by their certain other  
" order, called for another instalment of two per centum  
" upon his said subscription from the said defendant  
" that is for the further sum of One hundred Dollars  
" other part of the said subscription of the said defendant  
" of one thousand Dollars, of which the said defendant  
" also had notice.

" And that afterwards, to wit on the first day of  
" October A.D. 1853, at the County aforesaid, the said  
" president and directors of said Company, by their certain  
" other order called for another instalment of five  
" per centum upon the said defendant's said sub-  
" scription from the said defendant, that is for the  
" further sum of fifty Dollars, other part of the  
" said defendant's said subscription of one thousand  
" Dollars of which the said defendant also had notice.  
" And afterwards to wit; on the twentieth day of  
" October A.D. 1853 at the County of Lewis aforesaid

the said several instalments being then and there  
 due and payable to the said plaintiff from the  
 said defendant, the said plaintiff specially requested  
 the said defendant to pay the said plaintiff, the said  
 several instalments above specified  
 Yet the said defendant not regarding his said  
 several promises and undertakings, but contriving  
 and intending to wrong, injure and defraud the  
 said plaintiff, in this behalf, has not as yet  
 paid the said plaintiff the said several sums of  
 money so called for as aforesaid, nor any nor  
 either of them, nor any part thereof, although after  
 requested so to do, but, to pay the same or any  
 part thereof has hitherto neglected and refused,  
 and still neglects and refuses to the damage of  
 said plaintiff of over thousand dollars, and therefore  
 the said plaintiff brings this suit &c.

Julius Manning  
 Atty for Plff.

Copy of the Instrument sued <sup>on</sup> as above  
 We the subscribers severally agree to become  
 stockholders in the Peoria and Aquawka Railroad  
 Company to the number of shares stated opposite  
 our names respectively and to pay the amount  
 thereof in such instalments as may be ordered  
 for by order of the President and directors of  
 said Company

Signed John Letting  
 Peoria Branch of February 1850.  
 No of shares amount Paid  
 10 1000.00 750.00

The People of the State of Illinois  
 To the Sheriff of Peoria County, Gauley:  
 We command you to summon John Letting if he  
 may be found in your County to appear before  
 our Circuit Court on the first day of the next

" then there of to be held at Ponia within and for  
 " the said County of Ponia on the third Monday  
 " of November instant they and thus in and said  
 " Court to answer unto the Ponia and Oquirrh  
 " Rail Road Company of a plea of trespass on the  
 " Case upon promises, to this damage, and thousand  
 " dollars say as they say, and make return of this  
 " writ, or to an adjournment of the time and manner  
 " of giving the same, on or before the first day of  
 " the term of the said Court, to be held as aforesaid  
 " Wm. C. & G. Gale Clerk of said  
 " Court and the seal thereof at Ponia this fifth  
 " day of November in the year of our  
 " Lord, one thousand eight hundred  
 " and fifty three

(L.S.)

Jacob & Gale Clerk.

Which paper had the following endorsement thereon  
 Return to wit:

" State of Illinois }  
 " Ponia County }  
 " John Celling this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1853.  
 " Sum. 50  
 " Copy 25  
 " Ret. 10  
 " Costs 5  
 " 90

I served this Summons by  
 reading to the within named  
 S. B. Remond Sheriff  
 by John Poyars Deft.

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" The Ponia & Oquirrh  
 " Rail Road Company }  
 " John Celling Du }

In the Circuit Court  
 of Ponia County  
 November Term 1853.

And now comes the said  
 Defendant by his Attorneys Purfle & Sanger & Johnson  
 and says that the said Plaintiff's declaration, and the  
 matter and things therein contained in manner & form  
 as therein stated set forth are not sufficient in

"law for the said Plaintiff to have and maintain  
"his action aforesaid, against the said defendant  
"and that he is not bound in law to answer  
"the same, and this he is ready to verify, wherefore  
"he prays judgment &c.

"And the said Defendant comes & shews to the Court  
"the following special causes of demurrer.

"1<sup>st</sup> Because the averments in the said declaration  
"are inconsistent & contradictory in this:

"That the Laws of the 13<sup>th</sup> February 1849 & 10<sup>th</sup> February  
"1851 became Laws in force the organization of the  
"Company & subscriptions of stock by defendant  
"which it is averred took place on the 11<sup>th</sup>  
"February 1850.

"2<sup>d</sup> Because it is not averred what amount  
"of stock was subscribed, nor what per cent  
"or that any per cent of said stock was paid  
"in at, or before the time of the organization of  
"said Company.

"3<sup>d</sup> Because it is not shown that the Company an  
"calling for payments on instalments of stock  
"gave 30 days notice in 3 newspapers, as  
"required by law of the time and place where  
"said payments were to be made.

"4<sup>th</sup> Because the declaration shews that there has  
"been no promise made to the plaintiff, and that  
"their only remedy is in a Court of Chancery.

"5<sup>th</sup> Because after defendant's entry in the  
"stock, the General Assembly by the act of February  
"10<sup>th</sup> 1851 authorized the Company to proceed with the  
"road when \$100,000 should be subscribed, thereby  
"changing the character of his Contract.

"6<sup>th</sup> Because said General Assembly by said act  
"without the consent of defendant changed the route  
"of said Road, and also the branch to the Mississippi

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"7<sup>th</sup> Because the said act of February 10<sup>th</sup> 1851, authorized the construction of a  
"branch Road from Maumrock to the Mississippi at or above Shuckston port,  
"contemplated by the original act, under which the defendant's subscription was  
"made.

"8<sup>th</sup> Because the General Assembly by an act of June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1852 without the consent  
"of the defendant, increased the capital stock of said Company to \$3500,000



" of the Circuit Court of said Jayville County  
" the papers in this Cause, and a transcript from  
" the Records, of the proceedings of this Court  
" therein to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
" Jayville County, duly certified according to law.  
" State of Illinois }  
" Peoria County } 3

" I Jacob Galbreath Clerk of the  
" Circuit Court in & for the County of Peoria &  
" State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing  
" is a full & correct transcript from the Records  
" of said Court of the proceedings therein in the  
" suit of the Peoria & Aqueduct Rail Road Company  
" against John C. King, removed by change of venue  
" from said Court, into the Circuit Court of Jayville  
" County in the State of Illinois, & that the accom-  
" panying papers marked (A), (B), (C), (D)  
" respectively are all the papers filed in  
" said Cause in my Office.

" In Witness Whereof, I  
" have set my hand and affix the seal of said  
" Circuit Court of Peoria County this 2<sup>nd</sup> day  
" of September in the year of our  
" Lord One thousand Eight hundred  
" and fifty four  
" Jacob Galbreath

(L.S.)

And now afterwards at a Term of the Circuit Court  
held in the City of Peoria in and for said County  
of Jayville in the State aforesaid, on the fifth  
Monday of the Month of April A.D. Eighteen hun-  
dred and fifty four  
And on the tenth day of said term being on the  
tenth day of May in the year aforesaid, the  
following proceedings were had in said  
Cause to wit:

"Pena & Oquayka  
"Rail Road Company

Assumpsit

"John Elting

" Now on this day again came the  
" parties, and the court, being sufficiently advised  
" of and concerning the premises, is of opinion, that  
" the defendant's demurrer to the declaration be  
" sustained. It is therefore ordered and adjudged,  
" by the court that the defendant incur of the  
" said Plaintiff the costs and charges by him  
" about his said demurrer repented, and that  
" execution issue therefor.

" Whereupon the said Plaintiff says he will abide  
" by his said declaration.

It is therefore ordered and  
adjudged by the Court, that the Defendant ac-  
cure of the Plaintiff the costs and charges by him  
about his defence, and have execution therefor.

State of Illinois  
Jazwell County

I, John A. Jones, Clerk  
of the Illinois Court, in and for said County do  
hereby certify, that the foregoing eleven and one  
half pages, contain a true, full and complete  
transcript of all the papers filed and all the  
proceedings had in said Circuit Court,  
in a certain cause removed by change of  
venue from the County of Pena in a cer-  
tain cause wherein the Pena and Oquay-  
ka Rail Road Company and Pena,  
vs and John Elting the Defendant, and  
as fully and truly as the same are recorded  
in my said office.

In testimony whereof, I have  
hereunto set my hand and  
Seal at Peterb. this 24th  
day of May A.D. 1856

John A. Jones  
JCL

The People & Beneficial  
Rail Road Company } Error & Torts  
vs }  
John Utting } Assignment of Errors

Said plaintiffs  
Assign the following errors

- 1<sup>st</sup> The said Circuit Court erred in  
determining the amount & the  
said declaration -
- 2<sup>nd</sup> The Court erred in rendering  
judgment against plaintiff  
upon the amount filed by  
said defendant  
Wherefore plaintiff avers  
that said judgment  
of said Circuit Court be reversed  
said cause remanded  
claiming & reserving  
for plff in error

Applicant Prays in Error  
M. E. G. (for plff)

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Poulin & Squawkes  
Rail Road  
John Elting left in  
manuscript

Manuscript 3000 lines  
\$3.50  
\$25  
\$3.50

Filed June 10, 1856  
S. Leland  
Clerk

The Peoria & Squawles } Sup Court  
Rail Road Company }  
John Elting } June Term 1856

This case comes before this Court upon the Demurrer filed by defendant below to the declaration of plaintiff -

The suit is brought upon a subscription of defendant to ten shares of stock in said Rail Road Company -

The declaration just recites the Act of Feb'y 12. 1849 incorporating said Company & also the Amendment act of Feb'y 10. 1851 -

The subscription of def<sup>t</sup> Feb'y 4. 1850.

The organization of said Company according to the provisions of said Act of June 20. 1850 -

The payment of 5-per cent on his subscription of \$1000 - being \$50 -

The undertaking of def<sup>t</sup> to pay the balance of his subscription when called for by said<sup>ts</sup> directors of said Company -

Alleges the different assessments upon said subscription and notice thereof to defendant - his promise & refusal to pay &c.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Special Cause of Damages assigns inconsistency in alleging that the acts of July 10 1849 & July 12 1851 were passed & were laws prior to his subscription in July 1850

The declaration making proof of said acts says which said acts the same were laws of the State of Illinois before the doing of the acts of the said defendant & the making of the promise & undertaking of said defendant hereinafter mentioned -

The meaning of which averment is that the defendant by his said subscription became a stockholder in the Company - that by his subscription under the original act of incorporation he became a party & was bound as well by the provisions of the act of 1849 as by the act of 1851. or that at all events there was nothing in the amendatory act releasing him from his liability or undertaking to the Company

His promise originally was  
technically made when the  
original act incorporating  
said Act Company but  
no part of the payments or  
installments became due or  
were called for (except the said  
5 percent paid upon the first  
subscription) became due or  
payable until after said  
amendatory act of 1851 was  
passed, and consequently  
if liable at all he was liable  
under the law as amended.

The main point which is urged  
in all the special cases of Sumner  
is that by the different amendatory  
acts of said incorporation made  
the defendant a stockholder  
in a different company from  
the one to which he subscribed  
his name -

Let us see - The act of 1849  
establishing the Corporation gave  
the Company the right to build  
a road from Reine on the Illinois  
river to Aquawka on the Mississippi  
& to locate the same on such line  
course or way as might be selected  
by the directors - also to construct  
such other & lateral routes as  
might be deemed necessary to connect

with any other route or routes as  
might be deemed expedient. See  
§ 2 of the Act Special Laws of 1849, 699.

The Capital Stock was to be  
\$500,000. with power to increase to  
\$1,000,000. See § 3 of said Act -  
§ 11 - gives the Company power to  
mortgage loans & to pledge property &c.

The Amending Act of July 10. 1851  
authorizes the Company to organize  
when \$100,000 - was subscribed  
which was unless as the Company  
had already organized - ~~see~~  
June 20. 1850 under the original Act -

It also authorizes the said  
Company to build a branch  
from Monmouth or westward to  
the Mississippi at or about the location  
~~thereof~~

These are the only two paragraphs  
which is alleged are in anywise  
inconsistent with the original  
Charter - and each are assigned  
for a special cause of demurrer  
& in answer to the last I would  
only say that it is only granting  
the Company particularly to do  
what under the original  
Charter the Company had a  
general right to do - That is to  
build branch roads at their  
pleasure -

So that so far as the Act of 1851 is concerned it does not in the least so far as I can see change ~~the~~ or vary the original Charter. and that the allegation that the Act of July 11 1857 became a law before the promissory & undertakings of defendant were made a misusage & wholly immaterial & unnecessary & prove

The 2<sup>d</sup> Cause of demurrer is that the declaration does not aver what amount of stock was subscribed or what per cent. or that any per cent of said stock was paid in at or before the time of the organization of said Company -

In answer to this I will only state a portion of the declaration "on the 20<sup>th</sup> June 1850 a sufficient amount of said stock being subscribed the said Peninsular & Great Western Rail Road Company became duly organized under the Act & Statute Laws by the Stockholders of said Company electing the officers thereof as in said Laws provided

I apprehend this allegation is sufficient without averring the

members of dollars, subscribed & paid in

The 3<sup>d</sup> cause assigned is that the particular notice required by the statute isn't though a newspaper is not alleged -

In this I will only reply that the declaration alleges notice & defendant & I apprehend that it is as much a compliance with the law to give the parties interested actual notice, as it is to give them constructive notice by publication in a newspaper - But however the proof might have been whether by ~~proof~~ actual notice or by the notice as required by the statute Act of Incorporation I think the averment of notice is sufficient & that it is not necessary in the declaration to aver the particular manner of notice, but that on the trial of the cause the question may arise whether the notice proved is sufficient compliance with the Act of Incorporation -

The 4th Cause of demurr assigned  
is that there has been no petition  
& that ~~the~~ an action at law will  
not lie -

Upon this point I refer the  
Court to 22 Connecticut 435  
Sawbury & Mayall N. H. Co vs Wilson  
12 Connecticut - 499 -

The 6, 7, 8 & 9th Causes of demurr  
arise under the Amendmentary  
Act of June 22, 1852

In these I would say that they  
causes therein set up are more  
properly causes of defence in  
this they set up a subsequent  
cause of Act of the general  
Assembly as Amendmentary  
to the Act incorporating said  
Company, and that the Court  
by of defendant was changed  
although nothing is shown by the  
declarative that anything has  
ever been done by the Company  
inconsistent with its original  
charter - Nor does the declarative allude  
to the Act of 1852 in any manner  
Should the defendant set up this  
defence the other party would have  
the right as under the decision of  
22<sup>d</sup> Connecticut 435 - referred to above  
to show a case wherein the defendant  
by his act, even if he should show

change in the Corporation sufficient  
to absolve the defendant from  
his contract would still be bound

But we contend that even  
if the matter can be reached by  
summon to the declarator the  
Amendatory act referred to  
does not ~~change~~ change the nature  
of the Corporation as to those who  
are defendant, or one of the  
stockholders from his contract  
with the Corporation, or in other  
words that there is nothing  
in the said Amendment  
inconsistent with or repugnant  
to the original act of incorporation.

A. J. Morrison  
Att. for plffs in error

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The Plover and Oquaka }  
Rail Road Company } Assumpsit  
vs }  
John Elting }

Private law  
1849. p. 99.

Declaration

On 12<sup>th</sup> February 1849 Legislature passed an act  
entitled "an act to incorporate the Plover and Oquaka  
Rail Road Company" - Code on the 10<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1851.  
Legislature passed another act entitled "An act to  
amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the  
Plover and Oquaka Rail Road Company approved  
Feb. 12. 1849" Profits made of acts.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1850, the Company and Defendant  
for the purpose of organizing said Company, with  
Others made this agreement

" We the Subscribers specially agree to become  
Stockholders in the Plover and Oquaka Rail Road  
Company to the number of Shares plac'd opposite our  
names respectively and to pay the amounts thereof in  
such instalments as may be called for by order  
of the President and directors of said Company  
Plover 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 1851. "

defendant subscribed the agreement for 10 Shares \$1000.00

On the 20<sup>th</sup> June 1850, a sufficient amount of Capital  
Stock being subscribed, Company was organized by  
Stock holders electing Officers according to law.

Defendant paid 5 per cent on his Subscription  
\$50.00 - By means whereof to become liable to  
pay, the Residue of his Subscription, as might  
hereafter be called for by order of the President  
and directors of said Company

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and those and those promised to pay in  
instalments and might thereafter be called for  
by the President and directors of said Company  
That on the 15<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1852, President and  
directors called for 10 per cent \$100.00

On 1<sup>st</sup> April 1852. for 10. per cent more

On 1<sup>st</sup> Jun 1852. " 10 per cent

On 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 1852. " 10 per cent

On 1<sup>st</sup> Jan'y 1853 " 10 per cent

On 1<sup>st</sup> July, 1853 " 10. per cent

On 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 1853 " 10 per cent

On 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 1853 " 10 per cent

On 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 1853 " 5 per cent

Specially requested defendant to pay 10.  
to the Republic.

### Answer to Declaration

#### Special Causes of answer

1. Avarments in Declaration inconsistent &  
Contradictory in this. It alleged that  
the acts of 10<sup>th</sup> Feb'y 1869. & 10<sup>th</sup> July 1851 became  
laws before the organization of the Company  
on 4<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1850.
2. It is not averred what amount of Stock  
was subscribed, nor what per cent or  
that any per cent of said Stock was paid  
in at or before the time of the Organization of  
said Company.

3. It is not shown that the Company on calling for payments on instalments of stock gave 30 days notice in 3 newspapers as required by law at the time and place where said payments were to be made

4. Because the declaration shows that no promise has been made to the Plaintiff - and that their only remedy is in a Court of Chancery.

5<sup>th</sup> Because after defendant's subscription to New Stock, the General Assembly by the act of February 10<sup>th</sup> 1851, authorized the Company to proceed with the road when \$100,000 should be subscribed thereby changing the character of said contract and - Because the said Act of July 10<sup>th</sup> 1851 authorized the construction of a Branch Road from Mouth to the Mississippi, etc or above Shock Row, not contemplated by the original act under which defendant's subscription was made

6. Because the General Assembly by an act of June 22, 1852, without the consent of the defendant, increased the Capital Stock of said Company to \$3500.00

7. Because the General Assembly by said acts without the consent of the defendant changed the route of said Road, and also the branch to the Mississippi

8. Because by said act said Company was authorized to construct said line across the Illinois and Mississippi, Enterprises to which said defendant did not subscribe

9. Because by said act said Company were authorized to extend said Road to the East to the State line of Indiana.

10. Because by said act said Company is authorized to borrow money on the credit of the Company & pledge the Capital Stock, Mortgage the Road, or give a deed of trust on the same to construct the whole, including the Eastern Extension.

Verdict Sustained & Judgment thereon

Paris Aquella R.R.C.

John Estlin

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