

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners
of Anoka County

Minn.

Gentlemen:—

I have the honor to report that acting under your instructions I inspected the work of constructing a branch ditch into the Main line of Ditch No. 42 in this county of Anoka and find the quantity of work done as follows:—

A branch ditch has been dug through the lands of Mr. Thompson and into the lands of Mr. Johnson in the town of Burns, to a width of Six (6) feet on the bottom and top for a distance of Six Hundred (600) feet, leaving the small lake on Mr. Thompson's land for a distance of about Four Hundred (400) feet the land is so soft that it was impossible to walk over it, This part of the ditch was part of a small creek which has been cleaned out as best one could by working from a boat, to a width of Six (6) feet, and has been well done. From this point the ditch has been dug through soft land for Six Hundred (600) feet to a width of Six (6) feet on top and bottom and of sufficient depth to carry off the surface water above the end of this part of the ditch. From the end of this Six Hundred (600) feet the ~~an~~ old creek has been cleaned to a width of Six feet for about Five Hundred (500) feet, This part of the bottom of what was once a small lake and is still too soft to be walked over. saw Mr. Thompson and Mr. Westlund who own part of the land to be drained and both were satisfied that all ~~an~~ had been done that could be done at this time to drain this old lake bottom.

I was on the ground in a very dry time of this season and am satisfied that what work has been done will remove the surface water from this ~~an~~ land,

The amount of work is as follows: /

4 men One (1) day cleaning lower end @ \$2.00	\$ 8.00
396.30 Cu. Yds. X @ 15¢ ditch dug	59.44
1½ days 4 men cleaning out upper end @ \$ 2.00	<u>12.00</u>
Total,	\$ 79.44

I would also respectfully report that the amount of Seventy Nine Dollars and Forty Four Cents (\$ 79.44) is due the contractors, Mr. Thompson and others, for this work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. Miller
County Surveyor.

Dated this 26th. day of October A. D. 1908.

REPORT
OF
THOMPSON BRANCH
DITCH NO. 42