

To the Honorable Mayor, and the Council
of the City of Cambridge.

Gentlemen,

The undersigned
petitioners, represent, - that they are owners
of a certain lot of land, situated in the
City of Cambridge, on what is now called
Dubuett St. that said land was purchased
of Catherine Watson, in 1823 by Trachens -
Whitney.

That said land extended by deed
south - westerly from said Dubuett St. -
260 feet - to and adjoining the other land
of said Watson, that said land was staked
and bounded by said Watson, and was also
bounded by a ditch on what is now called
Watson St. it being marsh land.

In 1828 said
Whitney built a small Carpenters Shop
and erected a Fence on the line of said
lot, and said Watson pronounced the said
line of fence to be correct. That said Watson
through the persuasion of the said Whitney
did agree to lay out a Street, 40 feet wide and
the said Whitney did agree to fill in and make his
part of the same, which he faithfully performed
by carting in more than 100 loads of gravel
besides other matter. That for more than 40
years the undersigned has known the situation
of the fences and bounds of said lot, and that
has been no change of location to which he
is ready at any time to testify, if there has
been any encroachment of said street, it
has not happened on the southerly side.

Therefore most respectfully and submissively
pray your honorable Body to some what
compensate us for taking your property and
destroying our fences & for public use and
as to the bounds will ever pray.

Edward J. Whitney
J. Howlett

In Board of Aldermen Nov. 9, 1874 -
Referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.
and also for concurrence.

Attest: Justin A. Jacobs. City Clerk

Concurred, In Common Council Nov. 10, 1874,
Attest: J. W. Cotton, Clerk.

Approved, Nov. 12, 1874 -
Quac & Bradford
Mayors.

Received
of Secy. J. W. Cotton
of the City of Boston
Nov. 13, 1874.