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Proofs

Henry Blandford of <sup>Poulshot</sup> .....-... near Devizes - surveyor of the Melksham Turnpike Road - Aged 40

To prove that he for about the years 1820 & 24 1821 he worked with his father who was the surveyor of the <sup>Manchester</sup> ..... Road & that from that time to the year 1855 he was with Mr McAdam & for the last 18 years of the time he acted as Principal Surveyor under Mr McAdam in the West of England.

20-1835

That ~~witness~~ was then employed for about a 12 month as an Engineer & Surveyor ... New York & <sup>Baldon</sup> ..... Railway ~~since~~

This he has been. He is now the Surveyor of the Devizes Council's Turnpike Trust - the Boro' Roads of Devizes, the Everleigh Trust & the Melksham Trust -

That from his duties in the Melksham Road he has become well acquainted with <sup>and</sup> with the same for the extent & nature of the <sup>traffic</sup> ..... of the Melksham Turnpike Trust - the tolls gather of course ..... having been in Law & he having during that time ..... of the collecting of them for the <sup>Tolls</sup> ..... That the tolls are ..... of £1300. That the Road is "....." Road from London to Bath & Bristol, that there is great traffic at all hours of coaches <sup>no-grows</sup> Many at night ..... if market costs at all low. That the market at Melksham is well supplied every fortnight with cattle which is sent to ~~all-parts-of-the~~ the neighbouring markets & al. (Bristol & London - That he has examined the Plan sheet of the proposed Railway with reference to the ..... & place of crossing the Melksham Road & that there will not be the slightest difficulty of building a Bridge over the Railway & making the approaches .....

..... That ..... has also ..... the Plans & Sheets of the proposed Railway where it will pass it to 49 46 & that ~~the~~ there ~~with~~ is no necessity for making the road at an incline of 1 in 30 but ..... that the relative ..... of the Road & Railway there will be no difficulty in making the incline of 1 in 30 from the Railway being a cutting, there will be ..... built in making such Road -