

for Kent County; provided that said appeal is taken within five days thereafter, which appeal shall be heard de novo by said Court [at its next regular term,] without the intervention of a jury, and if the [said] Court, after hearing all the evidence, shall find that the [said] County Road Engineer is incompetent or has been guilty of neglect of duty, it shall pass an order removing [said] the engineer from office, in which case the [said] Road Engineer shall not be entitled to receive any salary from the date of the order of the County Commissioners from which said appeal is taken.

300. The County Road Engineer shall reside in Kent County during the term of his office and shall have [(entire)] *entire* charge, control and supervision of the working, repairing, constructing and reconstructing of the public roads and bridges in Kent County and the purchase of the material thereof, all of which shall be subject to the approval of the County Commissioners of Kent County [, and] . He shall make all specifications for the building of new roads and bridges, and shall see that no obstruction, hindrance or injury is or shall be permitted upon any road or bridge under his supervision as aforesaid. He shall employ such help, [teams] *equipment* and implements and contract for and purchase such material, subject to the approval of the County Commissioners of Kent County, as he may deem necessary for the working, repairing, constructing and reconstructing said roads and bridges, to be paid by the said County Commissioners [; provided that he shall not employ any person or persons to be paid a greater amount than one and one-half dollars per day, without first obtaining the written consent of the County Commissioners for each person so employed]. He shall have charge and control of all [teams, carts, wagons and other] *equipment*, machinery and implements which may be purchased by the County Commissioners for the use of [said] the roads. He shall not work out or expend on the roads and bridges of said County a greater amount in any one fiscal year than the amount levied by the County Commissioners for the purpose, without obtaining the permission in writing of said Commissioners. He shall appear before the Commissioners at the first meeting in each and every month, and make a statement to them of the work done, material furnished and money expended. He shall examine and certify to the correctness of all bills and accounts for any work done or materials furnished on any of the public roads or bridges in Kent County before the same shall be paid by the County Commissioners; and said County Commissioners shall make no payments until such accounts have been certified by said Road Engineer. He shall make out annually in writing a detailed report to the Commissioners of all work done on the County roads and bridges for the year, [together with the names of all persons working on said roads and bridges, or furnishing material, and the amount to which each person is entitled for such work and material and which he has certified as correct,] which report shall be made on or before the 15th day of [June] *January* for the year ending on the thirty-first day of the preceding [May] *December*. The said County Road Engineer shall not be interested directly or indirectly in any firm or corporation from which anything shall be purchased for the use of said roads and bridges, nor receive any commissions on said purchase.

306. Whenever the County Road Engineer [shall find] *finds* it necessary to open an outlet or watercourse through private property in Kent County to secure proper drainage of any public road therein,