To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Beaver county.

THE PETITION of Joseph Dunly a native of Ireland respectfully showeth: That he declared on oath before the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the Wed. Dist. of Pennsylvania on the 23 day of October 1855 that it was *bona fide* his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland of whom he was at that time a subject, that at the time of his arrival he was under the age of Eighteen years of age, that he has continued to reside in the United States since that period, that for the 1 year preceding his arrival at full age it was and still is his intention to become a citizen of the United States; that your petitioner has resided within the United States upwards of five years, and in the state of Pennsylvania one year, both periods immediately preceding this his application to become a citizen of the United States; and that he has never borne any hereditary title, or been of any of the orders of nobility in his own or any other country.

He therefore prays that, on his making the proof and taking the oath prescribed by law, he may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America. And he will ever pray, &c.

Joseph his mark Dunly

Andrew Haly a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn according to law, saith that he knows and is well acquainted with Joseph Donnally the petitioner; that to his knowledge he has resided in the United States five years, and in the state of Pennsylvania one year, both periods immediately preceding his application to become a citizen; that during the said period of five years, he has behaved as a person of good moral character, attached to principles of the constitution of the UnitedStates, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.

Sworn in open court,

Andrew his mark Haly

M. Quay *Prothonotary.*

I, Joseph Donnally do Swear that the contents of my petition are true; that I will support the constitution of the United States; and I now renounce and relinquish any title or order of nobility to which am now or hereafter may be entitled; and I do absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland of whom I was a subject.

Joseph his mark Donnally

Sworn in open court this 10th day of Sept. 1856.

M. Quay *Prothonotary.*