

June Term 1896.

Declaration
of
John Bantso Fisher

Filed 9th June 1896

Pennsylvania,
Cambria County, ss:

The declaration of John Bartis Achen
upon his solemn oath represents that he was born in Belgium

that it is bona fide his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce for-
ever all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty, whatever,
and particularly to King Leopold
of whom he was heretofore a subject.

And the said John Bartis Achen makes report and registry as follows:

Name	<u>John Bartis Achen</u>	Allegiance	<u>King Leopold</u>
Birthplace	<u>Belgium</u>	Whence he Emigrated	<u>Hoboken</u>
Age	<u>38</u>	Time of arrival in the U. States	<u>20th April 1888</u>
Nation	<u>Belgium</u>	Intended place of settlement	<u>Portage Twp</u>

Sworn and subscribed before me
the 21st day
of June 1896.
S W Davis
Prothonotary.

John Bartis Achen
his
mark

No. *Sept* Term, 189*8*,

PETITION
of *John B. Achen*
FOR
NATURALIZATION.

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Filed, *30 Sept* 189*8*

Prothonotary.

David. Pd

United States of America.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, }
CAMBRIA COUNTY, ss. }



Be it remembered that on the 20th day of

June A. D. 1896, before the Prothon-
otary of the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County, personally

appeared John Barts Achen

an alien, a native of Belgium and upon

his solemn oath did depose and say that it is his bona fide intention

to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce allegiance

and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, or Sovereignty what-

ever, and particularly to King Leopold

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office this 20th

day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred

and ninety six

P. J. Davis

Prothonotary.

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of

At a Court holden in and for said County, the _____ day of _____
A. D. 18____, the petition of John B. Achen, a native of
Belgium, now residing in Portage Twp the County of
Cambria, and State of Pennsylvania, respectfully sheweth that
your petitioner arrived in the United States of America, to wit: At the port of
New York in the State of N.Y. on or about
the 18th day of April A. D. 1887, and that in pursuance
of an Act of Congress entitled "An Act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization,"
made a declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States, con-
formably to said Act, before the Prothonotary
of Cambria County in the State of
Penn a., on the 9th day of June A. D. 1886,

_____ ; that he has resided within the limits
and jurisdiction of the United States for five years last past, and for one year last
past within the State of Pennsylvania; that he has never borne any hereditary title,
or been of any of the orders of nobility in Belgium, from whence
he came. He therefore prays that he may become a citizen of the United States, and
he will ever pray, &c.

WITNESS, } John B. Achen
Sam. Davis } his
mark

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, }
County of Cambria } SS.

We, Peter Guigue & G. H. R. Groke, citizens of the
United States, being duly sworn according to law, do depose and say that we are
well acquainted with John B. Achen, the above named
petitioner, and that to our knowledge and belief he has resided within the limits of
the United States for five years last past, and for one year last past within the limits
of the State of Pennsylvania; that during the same period he has behaved himself
as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of
the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.

Sworn and subscribed in open Court this
30 day of Sept A. D.
1898 }
S. M. Davis
Prothonotary.

Peter Guigue
G. H. R. Groke

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, }
County of Cambria } SS.

I, John B. Achen, the above named petitioner, do in my solemn
oath declare that the contents of my petition are true; that I will support the
Constitution of the United States, and that I do absolutely and entirely renounce
and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign prince, potentate, state and
sovereignty whatsoever; and particularly to the King Leopold
of Belgium, of whom I was a subject.

Sworn and subscribed in open Court this
30 day of Sept, A. D.
1898 }
S. M. Davis
Prothonotary.

John B. Achen
his
mark