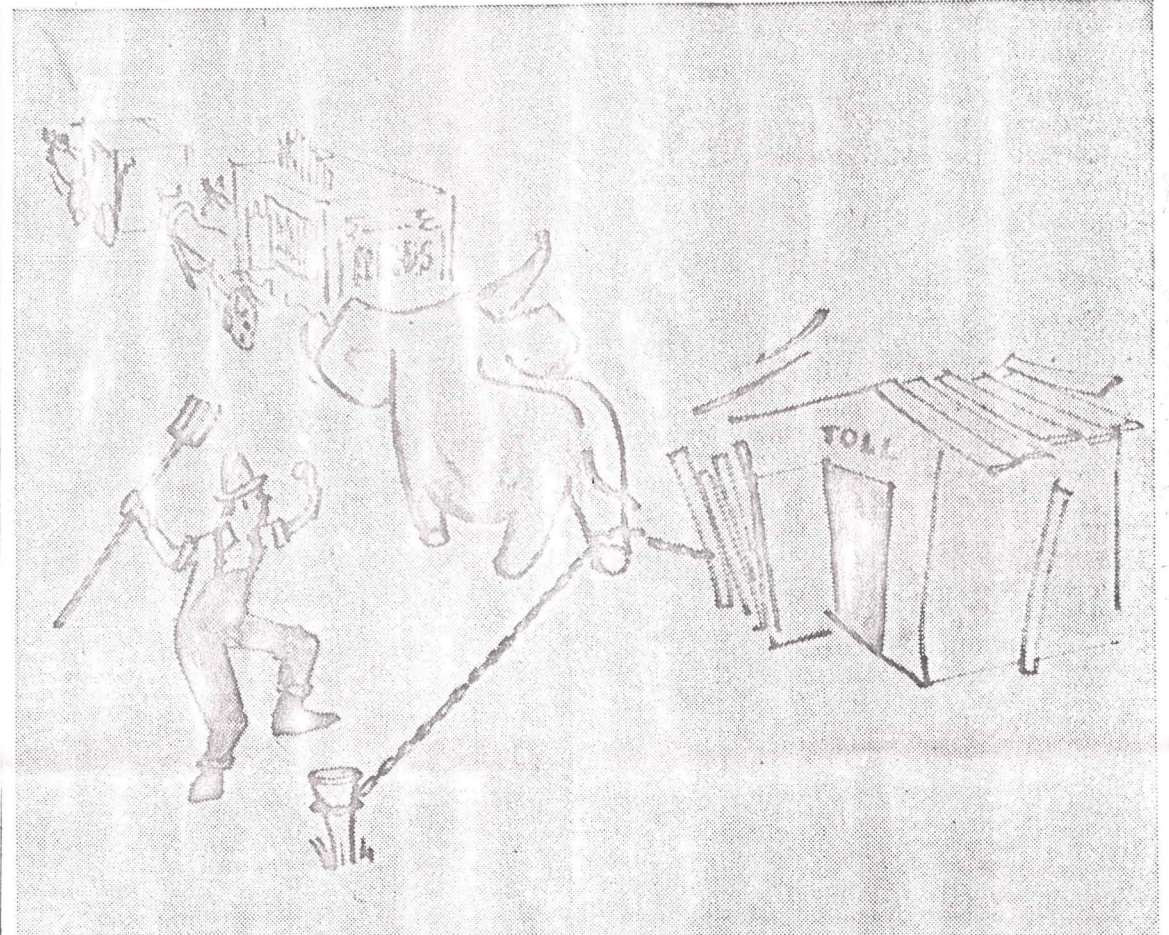


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A GAMBOLING ELEPHANT made history in Allendale some years ago when he escaped circus handlers and unhinged an old toll house from its moorings.

## Elephant Kicks Old Toll House From Foundation

ALLENDALE—The fame of the old toll house once located on the corner of Crescent Avenue and Franklin Turnpike is due in part to its location on what was then the Albany Post Road chartered as a toll road in 1806.

By far its greatest notoriety stems from the fact that at some time in the 19th century it became known as "the house the elephant kicked over."

The story as handed down from older residents is that an elephant from a passing circus became entangled in the toll chain attached to the building. Result—the elephant pulled and down came a section of the house.

The building was later moved further along the turnpike and finally razed some years ago.



Allendale's First Trolley, Allendale, N. J.