

had forgotten all about it, she saw Mary & told her to say to me that must be seen to come.

It was very, Mornig & I didn't think but B. would come for me; or George would have taken me over. - I dress'd myself & ate a very light dinner - a little plum-pudding etc. waited until three, & B. didn't come, & it was too late to get a conveyance, so that ended my day. Lydia & Col. Newport came over the next Morning feeling very badly about it; she had so many things on her mind that she had forgotten to tell Benjamin about it.

I felt a little disappointed, as I had a'nt seen Mr & Mrs. Edgerton - or Mr. & Mrs. Putnam since they came home, Col. Newport & lady came up & two brothers from Pittsburgh, with a family meeting. Mrs. Means' three-sisters call'd here with the two Mrs. Means, one Morning - we could a' prevail to remain.

Love to all enquiring friends.  
Yester'day eve P. C. Hildreth

Marcella Jan. 3-1868.

My Dear Mother, Your letter of the 26 Dec. came safely to hand; I was very happy to hear that you were all enjoying the blessing of health, & particularly that no believers tooth had got kind of aching. - I was sorry that you should think that I did not sympathize with you in your troubles, for I knew from your experience what an affliction it is; you must not think from the little joke I sent to Mr. Means that I did not feel deeply for you, it was the principal topic of conversation when I met any of your friends, who all express'd deep sympathy also.

When I wrote you last I believe it was just before Christmas: and the prospect was very fine for a Merry one; as my girl was going home.

Well we got along very nicely better than expected had a very large nice Turkey for that day, don't eat that.

I thought more of the breakast how I should work kindle a fire in the Stove in a Morning, but George took the upon himself; he cover'd it with black at night & had a nice fire in the morning when I got up my girl arriv'd Saturday so all straight again,

Then the next thing was to fix for N. years, to receive  
Calls from the Young Gents. I was invited  
over to Ben' Peabody's to dinner at three, to meet  
the family friends. L. Woodbridge was to come  
here to help Mr. A. entertain the Beaux.

Then for the fixtures. None of your common things  
wanted something new; Coco Nut cake, wine jelly,  
gricet etc. So you may imagine a great stir  
in the kitchen the day before N. years, making  
nice things, I had nothing to do with it only to  
provide; her father sent a box of raisins & some figs;  
She wasn't going to put up with nice mincemeat  
but she would have a Congland crackin' pudding  
full of raisins. So all things was arraing'd in  
alphabetical order; so the day arriv'd & with it came  
Lavery dressed in her best; & the red plaid dress  
came also. At 10. the bell began to jingle and  
from that time on until half past four was  
a constant stream - so that the girls couldn't eat their  
dinner, they got to the table once, caught a bite but  
had to leave, another time got as far as the door  
poor girls they were almost starv'd. My table Wood from

In the evening they went to a dance. It that  
ended the day beautifullly, I don't know how  
Many Beaux the lads exactly but about 20, I  
think. - Her refreshments were very nice L.  
Wood ready to tell the young men that Mary  
Made all the nice things, & of course they had  
to praise them. Some complimented her so highly  
thinking she woud do to Marry if she could make  
such nice Cakes. - You are to have some  
receipts with the next Stocking, for a N. England  
thanksgiving pudding & also some New cake  
Mary is so stated that you mustn't be surprised if  
she writes a cook book. I had to give her a new  
dress for her convicer.

I must tell you how my N. y.s party ended  
Lydia was over this week before & I said if nothing hap-  
pened that she wanted to have a family party  
on N. y. & woud be pleas'd to see me, & that B. woud  
come over for me, I obsserv'd that if the weather  
I would prefer walking - She said she woud be here

[January 3, 1868]

This Indenture made  
and entered into on this  
the third day of January 1868  
between William E Williams  
and Mary Ann Williams  
his wife of the first  
part and John Meeks  
of the second part all  
of the County of Boyd  
and State of Kentucky  
Witnesseth that the par-  
ties of the first part  
for and in consideratin  
of the sum of Eleven  
hundred and fifty dollars  
in hand paid the receipt  
whereof is hereby acknowl-  
edged have this day and  
do by these presents give  
grant bargain and sell unto  
the party of the second part  
his heirs and assigns all their  
right title and interest  
in and to the following  
described tract or parcel  
of Land lying and being  
in the County of Boyd and  
State of Kentucky

which is the ahdirec  
Yrs Eight(say 28) of the  
tract of Land on Williams  
Creek known as the Lewis  
Williams Land containing  
in the whole tract two  
hundred and Yrs and one  
half acres be the same  
more or less and it is des  
trictly understood that  
this conveys the whole  
interest in said land whi  
ch the parties of the  
first part own in said  
Land To have and to hold  
unto the party of the  
second part his heirs  
and assigns forever the  
interest above described  
and the justys of the  
first part Convenant  
that they have title the  
sets unencumbered and  
they will forever defend  
the title thereto against  
all claims whatsoever

In Testimony whereof the  
parties of the first part have  
hereunto set their hands and  
seals the day and date above  
written

Wm E. Williams *Seal*

Mary Ann Williams *Seal*



State of Kentucky  
Boyd County, 3d

I W O'Hampton the Clerk of the Boyd County  
Court do certify that the foregoing deed from  
William E Williams & Mary Ann his wife to  
John Mains was this day produced to me by them  
and duly acknowledged by said Grantors to be  
their act and deed. I further certify that the  
same has been stamped as required by act of  
Congress. Wherefore the same and this certificate are  
duly certified for record.

Given under my hand this 3<sup>rd</sup> of January  
1868,

W O'Hampton C B.C.

By C. H. Wilson, Deputy

State of Kentucky  
Boyd County, 3d

I W. O'Hampton Clerk of the County Court of the  
County aforesaid do certify that the foregoing deed from  
W<sup>e</sup> E. Williams and Mary Ann his wife to John Mains was on the  
14 day of January 1868 produced to me in my office stamped  
as required by law and judge for record. Whereupon the same  
together with the certificate of authentication thereto attached  
and this certificate has been duly recorded in my office

Given under my hand this 14 Jan 1868

W O'Hampton C B.C.

By J. W. Thornton Jr.

John Williams & wife

In Due

John Williams

Filed for Record Jan'y  
4th 1867

Borrowed in  
Recd Book  
No 3 Pages  
301 & 302

Examined

Day & fees \$1.75 paid

anything of him - & the clerk gave her  
the paper with his death in it -  
it was a great shock to her & also  
to Mrs. O'Farrell his daughter who  
was quite sick, when she heard of it.  
A lady in the ladies cabin was  
looking down into the gentlemen's cabin  
at the time & saw Mr. Biggs & Capt  
Norton & another gentleman sitting  
around the stove reading newspapers  
when she heard the explosion & saw  
the three men going up through the  
ceiling - a lady on the shore came  
down to look at the boat as she passed  
& while looking at her the explosion  
took place & she saw the three men  
blown up in the air & she shut her  
eyes the light was so sickening to her  
& when she looked again ~~she~~ she  
could not see them - so no one  
knows whether they fell in the water  
or back again in the fire & were burned  
They have offered a large reward for the  
bodies - Poor Mrs. Biggs <sup>sorry</sup> her very much  
Mrs. Jenny Young will come in from the Yancey  
& stay with her for the present - John  
is in Cincinnati & will be home Saturday having  
been absent a week - wife down to Long Hattie

- my number is - my 15  
and money - 10 - shillings & up  
Ashland Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 1868.

My Dear Mother

I had been looking  
for a letter from you for some days  
and began to fear you might be  
sick - when I received your big  
letter - The children are very much  
obliged for the five dollars - you did  
not say how it was to be divided  
so the four big ones think they  
must be a dollar apiece for them  
and fifty cents each for Harry & Elly -  
They say to tell Grandmother "They are  
very much obliged to her & they think  
she is just the best Grandma  
that ever lived" They can't  
decide yet how they will spend it  
and are discussing skating in Skates  
or else in a croquet - The children  
are much obliged for the mittens  
Rose having found her

Lost mine & they can't tell who it  
is to have the real ones - I was much half past two - while I stayed at home  
interested in your account of Christmas  
& New Years at your house I wouldn't  
have objected to calling on Mary myself  
as she had so many nice things  
to eat to treat the boys - It was too  
bad you did not go to Lydia's dinner  
but if the weather was as bad  
there, as it was here, you did not  
might have been made sick if you  
had been gone Lydia had an  
elegant dinner, the day I was there  
and I expect you would have had  
as good or better on N. Years. He  
dined at home on one of our own  
turkeys - Mr. Farmer had school  
that day but I told the children  
they might stay at home & so  
they put in the whole day playing  
with their New Years & Christmas  
presents - of which there was an  
abundant supply - John went to

a dance at the Hotel & danced till  
midnight every body was very well  
Eddy has had a bad attack of croup  
which lasted him four nights  
& he still has the Cough - I let him  
go out during the fine weather two  
days & he took cold -  
I suppose you have heard of the  
distressing death of Mr. Biggs being  
blown up in the Hang Deam - it has  
made us all feel very sad - I  
think the Capt ought to be taken up  
for they say the first engineer & one  
of the firemen refused to come down  
in the boat because she was not safe  
~~so~~ her boiler leaking - but the Capt  
said he could run her to Cincinnati  
anyhow - Mr. Biggs body has not  
yet been found - Mrs. Biggs went  
to Cincinnati to come up with him  
& getting uneasy at not finding him  
there as she expected went down to  
the Fleetwood to hear if they knew

candy & raisons - & tea & some fruit  
rate coffee - People seemed to enjoy  
their Supper judging from the quantity.  
They eat - & though they had been  
up late the night before they stayed  
till nearly twelve o'clock - So I suppose  
they had a good time -  
I thought Ashland was quite gay having  
three such fine parties in one week -  
This week Thursday I was invited to  
tea at Dr. Montmoleys - to eat quails  
she had every thing in style & rather beat  
us all in making cake as she makes  
it brides cake with sixteen eggs & can  
trust cake as fancifully as the baker -  
I think I will take lessons of her & borrow  
some of her recipes - a chocolate cake  
I shall had I expect would suit you  
better than it did me as I don't like  
Chocolate - Tell Mary that I have got the  
young folks started & they are to have  
some bethany & a concert to pay for the organ  
they have met three evenings to plan & rehearse  
& will have to meet several times again - They  
think they can have them in ~~two~~ a week  
from Thursday & Friday evenings - will have  
them two evenings - If Mary was here we would  
be glad of her assistance - I think they will  
do very well - Fannie Bagg wants Mary's  
photograph - & Mrs Wilson wants Mary's  
- I would like to have you & Sarah make me  
a visit this spring I don't think I can go

to see you - I am not  
able to write now as my hands  
are very bad & I have no  
one to help me & I have  
nothing to do now but work &  
read books - I am not  
able to go out much now

Ashland Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 1868

My Dear Mother

I was happy to  
receive your letter and find you still  
well, sitting comfortably by the fire &  
eating plum puddings - I hope you will  
continue in the same good state of health  
& comfort - John is away this week  
on a trip to Frankfort which will  
probably take him ten days -  
Mary's friend Mr Camell was married  
to Miss Geiger last week Tuesday  
I attended the wedding - as there  
was snow on the ground we went  
up in a sleigh - The invitations around  
town were very select so of course  
more highly priced - The bride was  
dressed in a handsome white silk  
high neck & long sleeves & looked  
very pretty - There were no bridesmaids

The ceremony was performed by the methodist minister - They had a splendid supper - and of course I enjoyed it - Mr Geiger don't believe in sitting up late so he had the ceremony at seven and supper at eight & we were all comfortably at home before ten - As I had not had many oysters since I was in Manilla - I concluded I would give an Oyster supper Thursday - So I sent to Cincinnati for oysters and sent Biddy out with the invitations on Thursday - The first place she went to was Capt Coles & Miss Maggie told her that they were ahead of her as they had already sent out invitations for a party that evening & Ella Coles was there out with them & would soon be up to invite me - So Biddy came home to know what was to be done - So I told her to go again & invite the folks for Friday evening which she did & I gave out about

Sixty four invitations - We attended Mrs Coles party which was quite pleasant - an elegant supper of course particularly the ~~first~~ oysters which were fried ~~as ever else~~ I believe can fry them as well in this town as any how as Mrs Coles Friday evening There were about thirty people at Mrs Coles & it was one of the coldest nights of the winter we had hard work to keep warm - The Friday evening my oyster supper came off I had my Oysters in soup & it was delicious as it had plenty of butter & cream in it & thickened with forward crackers I had also deviled oysters - I had one of Maui's new cream sponge cakes which was much admired - also two Cocoa nut cakes made Manilla style something new here - Marble cake with fruit - sponge cake - Kisses - Snowflake cake & tongue - Biscuit buttered & light rolls - Peas - pineapples - pop corn - apples

I intend to invite Martha & William  
& a few others from Fronton some from  
the rock Coalton Cattellburg & Buena  
Vista & the friends on the farms around  
Ashland & about 100 in Ashland the  
Boss carpenters & painters &c - as it is the  
house warming & they wanted a party  
made for them so I will have them  
this time - to make it interesting it is to  
be a masquerade - & it is I have a  
good & pleasant evening I shall no doubt  
have a fairly crowd people ask me if  
Mary Ross isn't coming down - I am  
much obliged to Mary for her pattern mask  
& suggestions - I have the twins suits  
fitted for little flower girls & I think  
they will look very pretty - They are to  
wear white little wreaths of flowers & white  
Jacques trimmed with red rosebuds all  
around & on the sleeves - & flower baskets  
made & trimmed with evergreens & flowers  
Lucy Ellison made the baskets & filled them  
& they are very handsome - I don't think  
any one here will be dressed prettier - Bess  
is to be Red riding hood & Hilda & the fat  
boy - Mary Anne is coming as night - Jane  
as Morning May as a Swiss girl - Mary  
Lampton as a Quaker lady & Mr. Cartelle as  
a Quaker Gentleman - Paul Ellison as Photography  
Mr Crady as a lady - This of course is all  
secret to all but me - I hope to have the  
party next Thursday - I find it is making  
quite an entertainment around town & every one  
is much pleased - I wish you could both be

- my very best  
affectionate regards to your wife & son  
I hope you will be well & happy  
in every way & I will write again  
when we get home - I am sending  
you my love & regards  
from the whole family & we hope you  
will be well & happy  
in every way - Ashland March 9<sup>th</sup> 1868

My Dear Mother & Mary

I was much  
pleased to receive your letter & find  
you in good health - it is wonderful  
how well you have kept through  
the winter - there is nothing after  
all like taking care of ones self -  
we all keep well - but as today  
is warm, I find it almost  
impossible to keep Elly in the  
house - he will get over in the  
new house & get out on the porch -  
so I am expecting an attack of  
croup to pay for it - I wish  
you could step in & see how fine  
the new house looks - The large  
Chambre is now finished - The  
wood work of pine is oiled &  
varnished three times & it looks

beautifully - The iron marble mantel alike, why the ceiling might by  
cost \$60 dollars & is very handsome considerable - The last of the  
Mrs Charles Wilson pronounced it the  
handsomest room she ever saw in  
her life - You know she always has  
the knack of making her friends  
feel comfortable - John has  
ordered some cherry trees I believe  
This kind of weather makes one feel  
like ~~sitting~~ - House cleaning &  
gardening & other spring work  
I was in hopes to have gone to the  
city today or tomorrow but John  
thinks he cannot possibly get  
time to go with me - So I suppose  
I shall have to give up the idea  
for the present & ~~get~~ let him get  
the furniture when it suits his  
convenience - He has good taste  
in carpets you know - only I was  
afraid he would get an oil cloth  
that might shed dirt - And  
as hot halls are to be carpeted

the wood work in the new house was  
finished today - The painters are  
now oiling & varnishing & I should  
think might easily be done ~~tonight~~  
this week but by all reckoning  
soon I think one set of work hands  
take the lead - I am getting in a  
great hurry now they are so near  
done, for them to finish - I want  
to have my house varnished partly  
before I move into my new kitchen  
& dining room to live in as I want to  
set the table for the party in the  
new dining room before the carpet is  
put down - I am anticipating a  
grand time - shall give out more  
than 150 invitations - & it will be  
the largest party I have ever had &  
the largest ever given in Ashland  
& course I shall have to make  
considerable preparation for it -



[12 March 1868]

Know all men that I Wm B. Seig  
of Ashland, Boyd County, Kentucky; for  
Seven hundred and fifty (\$750<sup>00</sup>) Dollars to  
receive from, do sell and convey to,  
John Stevens; the undivided one-  
half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) being all my interest in  
the lots in said town, herein after named,  
viz - Lot No. Forty three (43) Range One  
West, beginning at the Easterly corner  
of Greenup and C Streets; thence  
Southeastly with Greenup fifty (50) feet,  
thence at right angles Northeastly  
Ninety two and one half (92 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) feet,  
thence at right angles Northwesterly  
fifty (50) feet to C Street, thence with  
C Street Southwesterly Ninety two and -  
one half (92 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) feet to beginning: Lot No.  
sixty eight (68) Range One (1) West, beginning  
on Front Street; One hundred (100) feet  
Southeastly from the Southerly corner  
of Front, and Sixth Streets; thence  
fronting with Front Street Southeastly  
fifty (50) feet wide, and running back  
Southwesterly at right angles, One  
hundred and forty two and one half  
(142 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) feet deep to an alley;  
Lot No. One hundred and sixteen  
(116) Range two (2) West beginning  
One hundred (100) feet Southeastly

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from the Southwesterly corner of Grumpl and  
Seventh streets thence fronting with Grumpl  
Street Southeasterly fifty (50) feet wide,  
and running back at right angles  
Southwesterly one hundred and  
forty two and one half feet ( $142\frac{1}{2}$ )  
deep to an alley; lots number  
Twenty (20) Twenty-one (21) Twenty-two (22)  
Range Four (4) West; bounded begin-  
ning at the Southwesterly corner  
of Carter and Third Streets,  
thence Southeasterly with Carter  
Street One hundred and fifty (150)  
feet; thence at right angles,  
Southwesterly one hundred and  
forty two and one half ( $142\frac{1}{2}$ ) feet,  
to alley; thence with alley, Northwester-  
ly One hundred and fifty feet (150) to  
Third Street, thence Northeasterly  
with Third Street One hundred and  
forty two and one half ( $142\frac{1}{2}$ ) feet to  
beginning; - lot number  
Thirty-one (31) Range Five (5) West  
beginning on Railway street  
One hundred (100) feet Northwesterly  
from the Westerly corner of Third  
and Railway Streets, thence  
fronting with Railway street  
Northwesterly fifty (50) feet wide,

3 and running back at right  
angles Southwesterly, one hundred  
and forty two and one half (142 $\frac{1}{2}$ )  
feet deep to an alley. Said lots  
being part of the lots, conveyed to John B. Tem-  
ple, by Kentucky Inn Hotel and Manufacturing  
Company by deed dated 23rd January 1860—  
and recorded in the Brumfield County Court  
Deed Book N—page 284 —

and conveyed by sd Temple to Ed F. Dublin  
by deed dated 27th March 1865— and  
recorded in the Boyd County Court Deed Books,  
No 2 pages 241 and 242 —

and by sd Ed F. Dublin to W. L. Keiger,  
and John Means by deed dated 20th  
September 1867— and recorded in the  
Boyd County Court Deed Books No 3—  
pages 277 and 278 — with all

the privileges and appurtenances  
thereto, to have and to hold the  
same to said John Means his  
heirs and assigns forever; and  
the said W. L. Keiger will war-  
rant and defend the property hereby  
conveyed, against all persons claim-  
ing by through or under him, but against  
no other claims nor persons; and subject  
to all the conditions, reservations, and  
restrictions, contained in the aforesaid

deed from the Kentucky Iron Coal and  
Manufacturing Company. In testimony  
whereof the said W<sup>m</sup> G. Geiger and  
Esther Geiger his wife who hereby  
surrenders all her rights of dower in  
said premises, have hereunto set their  
hands and seals this  
day of                   In the year of  
our Lord Eighteen hundred and Sixty-  
eight A.D. 1868.

W. Geiger {Seal}  
Esther Geiger {Seal}

State of Kentucky  
Boyle County, 1868

I W O Hampton the Clerk of the  
Boyle County Court State of Kentucky do  
humbly Certify that the foregoing deed from  
W L Geiger & Esther his wife to John Meaw  
was this day produced to me in my office  
and duly acknowledged by the Grantors to  
be their act and deed for the uses and purposes  
therein contained and under my hand this  
11<sup>th</sup> day of March 1868

W O Hampton Clerk

By C H Brown deputy

W L Geiger  
Deed to  
John Meaw

Year

State of Kentucky

Boyd County

Sgt

I. W. O. Hampton Clerk of the county  
court of the county aforesaid do certify that the  
foregoing deed from W. S. Gujer and Esther his  
wife to John Maw was on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 1868  
stamped as required by law, and lodged in my  
office for record; whereupon the same together  
with the certificate of acknowledgment thereto  
attached and this certificate has been duly  
recorded in my office

Given under my hand this 12<sup>th</sup> day of  
March 1868.

I. W. O. Hampton C. 1868  
By I. W. Thornton D. C.

W.S. Geiger & wife

To

Sum

Ded

John Means

File March 11<sup>th</sup> 1861 for  
Record

Recorded in due book  
No 3, pages 334, 335

Gaucho & delinquent

Box of 8 1/2<sup>oz</sup> per

General Balances of Our Grand Furnace, Mastermold, N. P. Coal Works, Centi House. April 1, 1868

<u>Assets</u>			
Wdse at Pine Grove Furnace		3707	59
Cash "	"	141	75
Book Accounts	"	1617	312
Bills Receivable	"	180	
Furnace Ironized	"	28796	15
Big Iron belonging to	" at Louisville 71 Tons @ 30. 94		
" " "	" Canti 178 " 34 " 28 12		
" " "	" Muhling 48 " 30 " 30		
" " "	" Steubenville 44 A. 545. 75 84		
" " "	" Furnace Scrap 2 " 24 09	22787	39 71786 00
Wdse at Ohio Furnace		5063	05
Cash "	"	12	43
Book Accounts	"	3599	69
Invoiced of Chattooga	"	2466	42
Big Iron belonging to	" at Canti 81 Tons @ 31. 62	2561	23
" " "	" Steam Ldg 66460 @ 28 32	18523	90 54424 72
Book Accounts at Coal Works		850	24
Wdse " " (G.C. Store)		5052	09
Invoiced of Chattooga		50534	36 56436 69
Bills Receivable at Canti House		31507	33
Book Accounts "		60744	90
Office Furniture "		357	10
197 Tons Pioneer C. B. Iron Cast		9336	89
Suspended Accounts		637	20
Real Estate	37 feet m Cigar H	1118	80
Coalyard		9956	10 113651 32
Cash at Pine Office Hanging Rock		3665	69
Bills Payable "		17540	35
Real Estate on books/ "		263355	87
Stock Dividends "	March 20. 1868	105000	00
Cash Dividends "		75000	00
Book Accounts "		284.085.91	232222 487784 18
<u>Liabilities</u>		604085.91	484085.91
Book Accounts Pine Grove Furnace		10334	18
" Ohio Furnace		7999	39
" Coal Works		695	48
" Canti House		32998	23
" Pine Office		29855	75
Bills Payable "		18501	55 100384 58
Capital Stock		500000	00
Total Gains to April 1, 1868		183701	33
		484085	91
		183701	83
Total Gains			
Deduct Ross Moore & Sons Failed		5296	73
S. S. Morris & Co in suit		980	
Suspended Accounts		637	20
James Bray & Salterman " 56.		126	
William Garrison Failed		210	72049 93
Actual Gains to April 1 <sup>st</sup> 1868			176451 40
Surplus April 1 <sup>st</sup> 1868	176451.40		
" " 1 <sup>st</sup> 1867	162977.85		
Gain for year ending Apr. 1 1868	33473.55		

looking quite pretty -  
Mother is much engaged  
making garden -  
There is a long piece in the  
Cattellburg paper on my  
Masquerade party a  
tentendous suff I will  
send you a paper as soon as  
I can get some extra copies -  
Mary Ann Adams party don't  
come off till the 16<sup>th</sup> of April  
She has sent a big pile of  
notes for me to distribute in  
town - I shall have a great  
time in straightening up  
things I expect as I think  
every thing all over the house  
is in the wrong place - Let  
Sarah or George write one  
immediately now you are -  
love to Mary & George - Hoping  
this will find you able to  
walk about your room -  
Yours aff Hattie -

~~I prob wppd 2777 by  
I know not to post office  
enveloped by myself~~  
Ashland April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1868

My Dear Mother

according to  
your request I write immedi-  
ately on my return home -  
I arrived Safely about  
half past Seven this morning  
the Telegraph coming in at  
the same time I found John  
on the Bank waiting for her  
so I arrived Safely - found  
the children all well & getting  
along so finely without me  
that I was sorry I had not  
stayed longer with you - if  
I only had taken my silk  
dress with me I think  
I should have been tempted

to have stayed part of another week - Mrs Woodbridge & Mrs Somers & I all had to have the same state room nuts & delighted with their as the boat was very crowded all day - I suppose they have I expect I should have been more comfortable on the dining room a barrel of apples was just The Calicoe was not as disagreeable opened the day before I as I expected & some young ladies went & they are all eaten kept the frames in constant motion & there were any quantity of babies so altogether it was the liveliest boat I have been on for a long time - Mrs Woodbridge got off ~~before~~ early in the night so I had a state room to myself all night & slept very soundly & was quite surprised to see

Cattetting so soon after daylight The children were very much pleased with their candy & to have the same state room nuts & delighted with their as the boat was very crowded all day - I suppose they have I expect I should have been more comfortable on the dining room a barrel of apples was just The Calicoe was not as disagreeable opened the day before I as I expected & some young ladies went & they are all eaten up (in less than two weeks) & all the cake is finished except the fruit cake which I locked up - The children were delighted to see me - all but Harry who insisted on finishing his breakfast before coming to kiss his mother - I find the peach trees in full bloom - & the garden

June 1868

Saturday -

Dearest John

I found Mother  
very low indeed & failing  
very fast - She is delirious  
most of the time today  
Charles & Prescott are here  
I wish you could  
come up - Come as soon  
as you get this if you  
can - Yours Hattie

Mr John Means

W. W. Cullerton

Bama Vista July 9<sup>th</sup> 1869

Mr John Means

Ashland N.Y.  
Dr Sir

God has had a frequent drawing  
up to 12 last night, when he commenced vomiting  
and the operations of the bowels, ceasing until 12 m  
to day, he appears troubled with both now, every  
thing Medicine food - Soddy appear to lay a few  
moments & then come up, I did not feel like  
talking the responsibility of moving him without  
Medical advise, But sent twice for Shandling  
without bringing him, I sent this morning after him,  
if he does not come will send to Ashland, God I do  
not appear to think there is much the matter with  
him, but I fear there is more than he thinks, he  
appears perfectly indifferent as to what he does, dont  
want to talk & sleeps a great deal, with constant  
fever, varying in intensity, If Shandling thinks it safe  
to move him I will try it in the morning, I think he had  
better be taken home, as he will be better nursed and  
better satisfied, though every thing is done here that we know

Respectfully W.W. Cullerton

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No. 369

Ashland, Ky., 9th July 1868.

BANK OF ASHLAND,

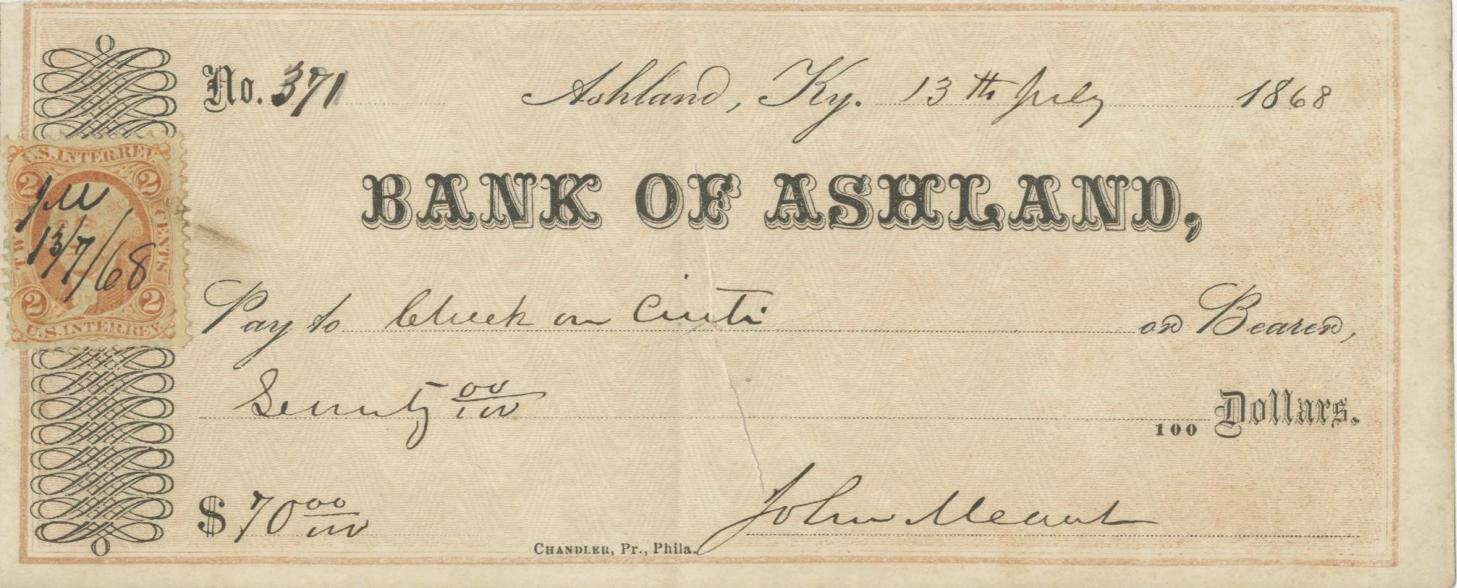


Pay to S. Leibolt Cinci. Check on Beaten,  
Sixty five <sup>32</sup> Dollars.

\$ 65 <sup>32</sup> /ir

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

Johurle and





No. 377

Ashland, Ky. 13th July

1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to Meaus Her

or Beareed,

Ouettierland

100 Dollars.

\$100.00

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

*John Meaus*



No. 372

Ashland, Ky. 14th August 1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to J. C. Leathem Drs  
Two hundred & fifty four  $\frac{27}{100}$  Dollars.

\$254  $\frac{27}{100}$

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

John Meauf



No 373

Ashland, Ky. 24th August 1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to L. T. Now  
Three hundred <sup>00</sup> <sub>in</sub>

on Demand,  
100 Dollars.

\$300.00

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

Jos. W. Cleland



[28 August 1868]

This Indenture Made and Executed  
into This 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1868  
By and Between Lewis Williams  
and Eliza Bell Williams his wife  
of the County of Dade  
in the State of Missouri  
of the First part and  
John Means of the  
County of Boyd and State  
of Kentucky of the Second  
part. Witnesseth That  
for and in consideration  
of the sum of ~~Seventeen~~  
~~two thousand Dollars~~  
~~one hundred and twenty five~~  
~~Dollars~~, in hand paid  
the receipt whereof is  
hereby acknowledged the  
parties of the first part  
have this day and doe  
by these presents grant  
has given sold and convey  
unto the party of the second part  
the following described  
tract or parcel of land  
in the County of Boyd and  
State of Kentucky that  
is the undivided  $\frac{3}{8}$  (three  
eighths) of the tract of land  
on Williams Creek ~~there~~

as the Lewis Williams  
farm, which is supposed  
to contain Two hundred  
and Two and one half  
acres more or less and the  
said Conveys the entire  
interest of the parties of  
the first part in said  
land though it may contain  
more than Two hundred  
and Two and one half  
acres to have and to hold  
the above described property  
unto the party of the sec'd  
part his heirs and assi-  
gnes forever, and the parti-  
es of the first part conve-  
ant for themselves their  
heirs and assignes that  
they have a good title  
to said land unencumbered  
and that they will war-  
rant the title themselves  
and themselves their heirs  
and all other persons what-  
ever, In Testimony Whereof  
The said Lewis Williams  
and Elizabeth Williams  
have set their hands  
and seal the day and  
date above written

Attest  
Alfred Kennedy      Lewis Williams <sup>Seal</sup>  
                        Elizabeth Williams <sup>Seal</sup>  
                        wife

John Kennedy Elizabeth Williams <sup>and</sup>  
more

State of Missouri  
Dotte County

I Arch M Long Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County  
do certify that this instrument  
of writing from Lewis Williams  
and Elizabeth Williams his wife  
to John Grant, was this day  
produced to me by the parties  
which was acknowledged by  
the said Lewis Williams  
to be his act and deed  
and the contents and effect  
of the said instrument being  
explained to the said Elizabeth  
Williams by me separately and  
apart from her husband she  
thereupon declared that she did  
freely and voluntarily execute  
and deliver the same to me  
her act and deed and cause  
to the same right as record

=  
etc

Given under my hand and  
Seal of office this 28<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1868

Arch M Long Clerk





State of Kentucky  
Perry County

J. H. O. Hampton Clerk of the County

Court of the County aforesaid do certify that the foregoing instrument of writing from Lewis Williams and Elizabeth Williams his wife to John Means, was on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 1868 produced to me in my office, stamped as required by law, and lodged for record. Whereupon the same, together with the certificate of authentication thereto attached, and this certificate have this day been duly recorded in my office.

Given under my hand this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 1868,

J. H. O. Hampton, C. B. C.  
By W. H. Hampton A.C.

Lewis Williams  
and wife  
Deed  
to John Means.

Filed for record Sept 12<sup>th</sup>  
1868  
J. H. O. Hampton, C. B. C.  
By W. H. Hampton A.C.

Received

Recorded in Deed Book No.  
3, Page 433.

Jan 1st \$2.00  
Paid J. H. Hampton, Clerk

No. 374

Ashland, Ky. 31st August 1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,



Pay to Miller & Vagel  
Thirty eight  $\frac{1}{2}$  Dollars  
on Demand,  
100 Dollars.

\$38 $\frac{1}{2}$

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

John Meaus



No. 375

Ashland, Ky. 16th Septt 1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,

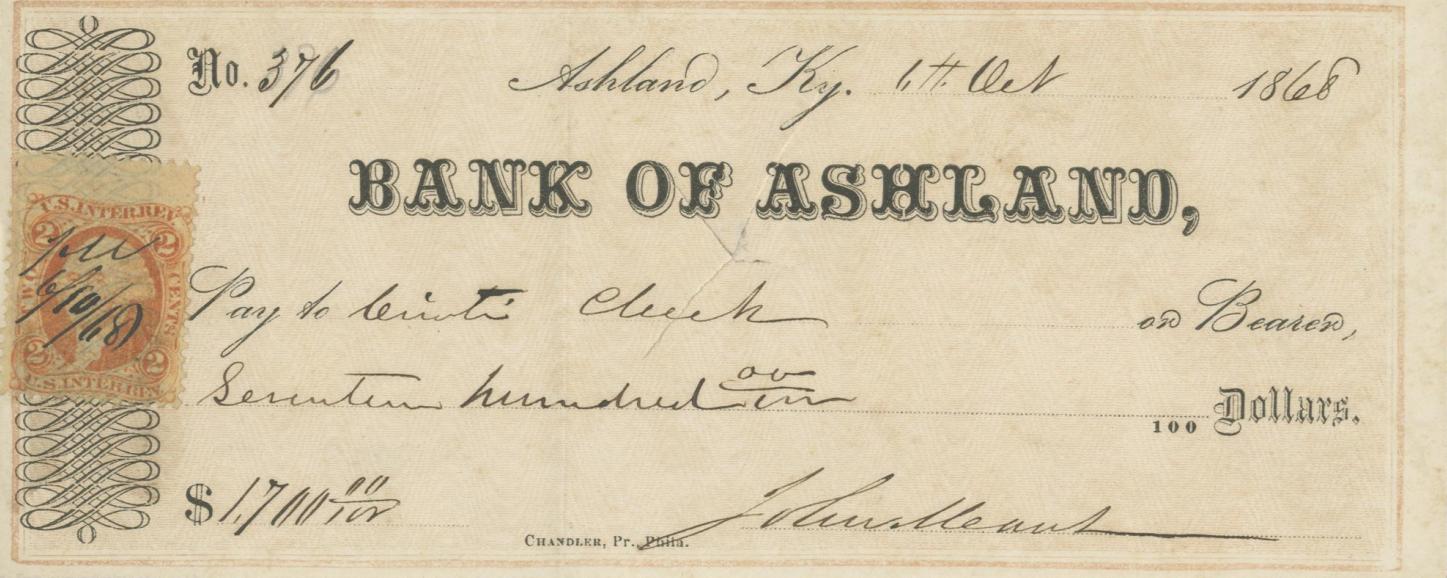
Pay to Stanley & Phister on Demand,  
Fifty <sup>00</sup> <sub>00</sub> Dollars.

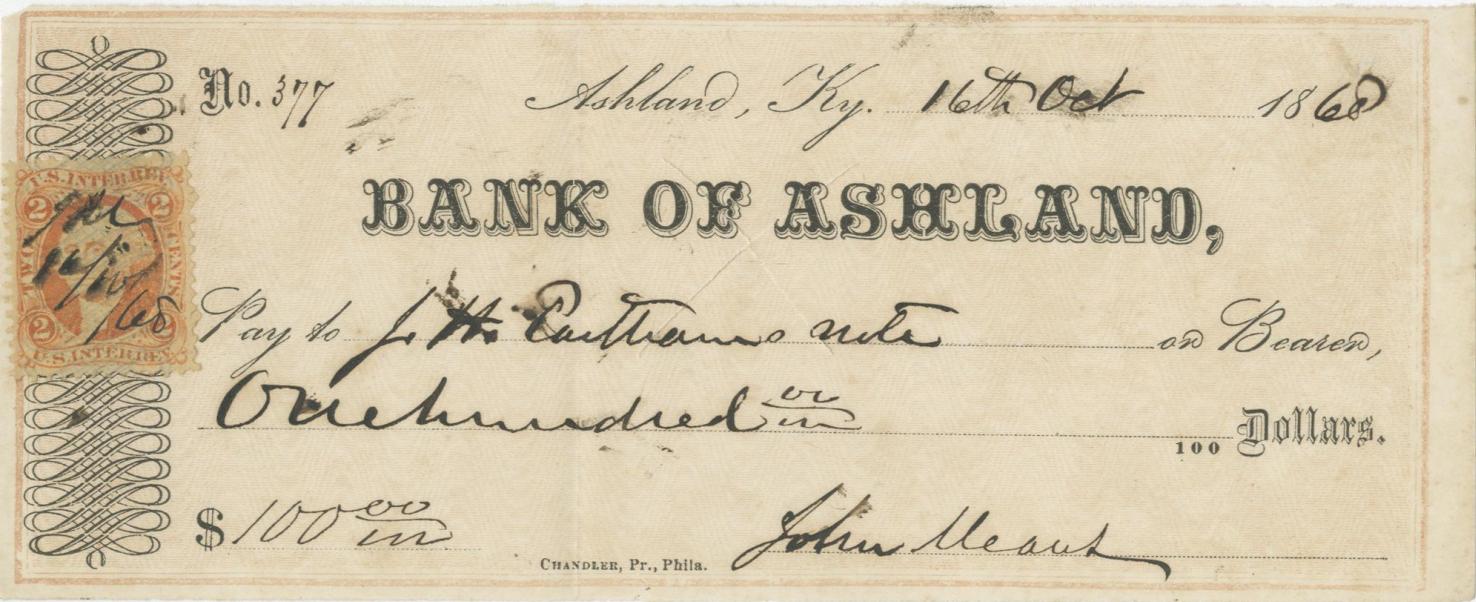
\$ 50<sup>00</sup>

CHANDLER, P.F., Phila.

John Means

Stanton & Phibbs  
and one acre  
W. Waller







No. 378

Ashland, Ky. 2 days Oct 1st 1868

## BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to Langhorne & Alexander on Demand,  
Sixty nine and 01 Dollars.

\$ 69<sup>01</sup>

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

John Meaur



No. 377

Ashland, Ky. 4th Novr 1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to Murray M. Newell, on Demand  
Two hundred and forty ~~one~~ <sup>one</sup> Dollars.

\$240<sup>00</sup>/m

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

John M. Newell



No. 179

Ashland, Ky. 10 Nov 1868



# BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to J. A. Haskell Order on Beaten,  
One hundred & thirty four <sup>89</sup> <sub>100</sub> Dollars.

\$ 134<sup>89</sup>/m

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

John Cleaver

James A. Haskell.

for Barker

Will Means

Civ. Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 1868.

Dear John

Not knowing certainly when you are to come down I have concluded to start back this morn on the Telegraph this evening. If I was sure of your coming to Fleetwood tomorrow I would wait and see you as I would always like to be at home when you come to the city. If you do come during my absence, I hope you will remember that this house is your agency, and ready to execute your commands. Don't hesitate to despise yourself plainly when the business is not done to suit you, for I desire that my men here should be kept wide awake as to their duties and responsibilities, and I know that "stern vigilance is the spur of safety". Uncle Hugh left yesterday evening intending to stop at Manchester and take the Telegraph tomorrow.

Fuly Yours  
W<sup>m</sup> Means



No. 379

Ashland, Ky. 17 Nov

1868

# BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to Gould Leupus on Beare,  
One hundred and Sixty  $\frac{2}{5}$  Dollars.

\$160  $\frac{2}{5}$

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

John Means

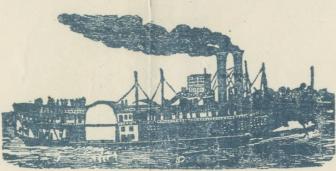


INCORPORATED BY

N.Y.

THE STATE OF OHIO.

1/7 Shares



POMEROY SALT COMPANY,

POMEROY, MEIGS COUNTY, OHIO.



CAPITAL STOCK  
\$75,000.



This Certifies, That Miss Mary A. Ross  
is entitled to Four and One Sixth Shares of the Capital Stock in  
the POMEROY SALT COMPANY, transferable on the books of the Company in person  
or by Attorney, at their office in Pomeroy.

Witness The Seal of the Corporation and the Signatures of the  
President and Treasurer, in the Town of Pomeroy, this 17<sup>th</sup>  
Day of November, A. D. 1888.

H. S. Horton Pres't.

G. F. Pomeroy

Treas'r.

"Telegraph" Print, Pomeroy, O.

For Value Received, sell to the  
Stock above mentioned, and authorize  
same on the Books of the Company.  
Witness hand and seal this Second day of March  
In presence of W. H. Howard

Attorney to transfer the

A. D. 1887

Mary H. Edgerton Seal  
Mrs Ross.



No. 381

Ashland, Ky. 20 Nov

1868

# BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to Cash on Demand  
One hundred and twenty five ~~one~~ <sup>100</sup> Dollars.

\$125<sup>00</sup>

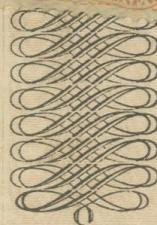
J. Mullens

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.



No. 380

Ashland, Ky. 20th Nov 1868



# BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to Kirby in R.R. on Beared,  
Twenty five on 100 Dollars.

\$ 25<sup>00</sup>

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

J. W. Meaus



No. 384

Ashland, Ky. 1 December

1868

# BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to W. J. Gaylord & Co. order on ~~Bank~~,  
Eleven hundred ~~on~~ 100 Dollars.  
~~on~~

\$1,100 ~~on~~

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

*John Meant*

W T Gaylord Texas



No. 385

Ashland, Ky. 4th Decem 1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to Cheeks or Compt<sup>r</sup> on Demand  
One hundred and fifty six <sup>74</sup> <sub>100</sub> Dollars.

\$156 <sup>74</sup> m

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

John Mead



No. 386

Ashland, Ky. 7th Decemr 1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to G. E. W. Warner or his Order ~~as Bearer~~  
Thirty three ~~00~~ <sup>00</sup> ~~one~~ <sup>100</sup> Dollars.

\$33 ~~00~~ <sup>00</sup>

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

John Mead,

L. E. M. Warner

Wardrobe

A vertical strip of U.S. Interest-Free postage from 1863. The strip is framed by decorative borders at the top and bottom. In the center is a large, circular postmark with the text "U.S. INTEREST-FREE" around the perimeter and "1863" in the center. The main body of the stamp contains the text "U.S. INTEREST-FREE" and "1863".

No. 387

Ashland, Ky. 19th December 1868

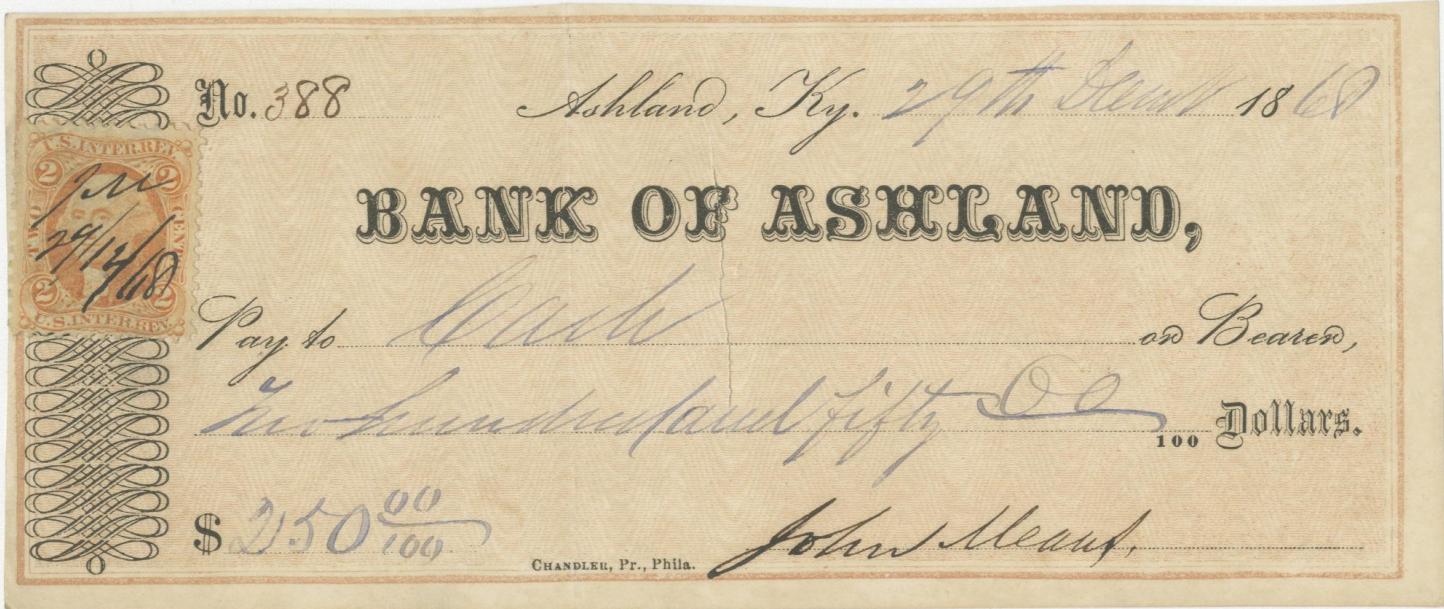
# BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to Cearle  
Fifty ~~on~~

on Beaten,  
100 Dollars.

\$ 50<sup>00</sup>/yr

CHANDLER, Fr., Phila.





No. 391

Ashland, Ky. 31st December 1868

BANK OF ASHLAND,

Pay to W. C. Condit or order  
One hundred <sup>00</sup> Dollars.

John Meaus.  
100 Dollars.

\$100<sup>00</sup>

CHANDLER, Pr., Phila.

W. C. Condit

CITY BANK OF BOSTON.

100.  
Dollars.

For Value Received, I do hereby assign unto Thomas W. Meany  
all my interest in and to ~~the Capital Stock of the Lexington and Big Sandy Railroad Company Eastern Division~~ Shares in the Capital Stock of the  
Lexington and Big Sandy Railroad Company Eastern Division, and hereby appoint  
W. J. Sayard my lawful Attorney to make the transfer on the books of  
the Company, dated at Ashland Ky the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 1868.

In presence of John D. Bassett  
Hugh A. Scott

for his  
benefit  
as my  
attorney  
in this  
matter

Thomas W. Meany

Certified copy

This was attached to  
certificate No 18 - dated 28th May 1868

John Meant

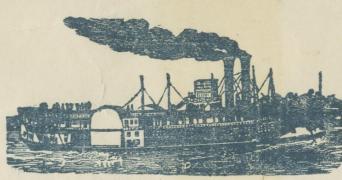


INCORPORATED BY

N.Y.

THE STATE OF OHIO.

5 Shares



POMEROY SALT COMPANY

POMEROY, MEIGS COUNTY, OHIO.



CAPITAL STOCK  
\$75,000.



SHARES  
\$100.00 EACH.

This Certifies, That Mrs. Harriet E. Means  
is entitled to Eight and one Third Share of the Capital Stock in  
the POMEROY SALT COMPANY, transferable on the books of the Company in person  
or by Attorney, at their office in Pomeroy.

Witness The Seal of the Corporation and the Signatures of the  
President and Treasurer, in the Town of Pomeroy, this 1<sup>st</sup>  
Day of November, A. D. 1868.

L. R. Pomeroy

Treas'r.



H. S. Hartson Pres't.

"Telegraph" Print, Pomeroy, O.

For Value Received,

sell to

the

Stock above mentioned, and authorize  
same on the Books of the Company.

Attorney to transfer the

Witness hand and seal this

day of

, A. D. 18

In presence of

H. E. Mead  
Pomeroy Salt Co.

