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Norwood, Ohio.

6/13/40

My "Dear Cousin"

Excuse my delay in answering your nice long letter. It was on account of my health; I have been feeling very badly since Good Friday. Don't seem to get much strength.

I think you are very nice to take as much interest in doing so much typing and sending it to me. I do appreciate it very much and love to know of all these interesting events of our dear relatives. The tomb of g. grand dad; also the homestead is fine to look at and know they ~~one~~ of us. It is well preserved and handsome. I would love to go there some.

We were not in the flood, nor the great one of '37. But the whole country and City of Cincinnati was. I cannot locate Dave White or his Dad. Don't know who they are.

If you come down this way let me know. I would like you to come see me. Would love to meet you and to know you are related to me thru our dear mother.

Dear Cousin, please excuse my poor writing. My rite hand simply won't go on. Lots of love to you, and yours.

I remain yours truly,

Mrs. W. H. Wirthlin

3956 Lindley Avenue.

Norwood, Ohio.

(Copy)

Norwood, Ohio,

12/7/08.

Mrs. Fred Lounsford:

Dear "unknown Cousin"

Last week I rec'd a letter from my cousin Sidney Ray, of St. Albans, W. Va.

Writing of the probability of ^{being} able to join The Sons & Daughters of the American Revolution.

I am a descendant alright, as mother was the late Mary Hollenbeck Barbour and granddaughter of Henry Hampton. I am the daughter of Mary Hollenbeck Barbour.

I would love to hear from you for I often heard mother speak of her relatives, the Cardwells, and I think you must be Aunt Sarah granddaughter.

Please write me the particulars and oblige, your unknown Cousin,

Mrs. W.H. Wirthlin,

3956 Lindley Avenue, Norwood, Ohio.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Sarah Waddell, widow, and relict of John Simmons, late of Guyandotte, County of Cabell and State of Virginia, deceased, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar lawful money of the United States, to me in hand paid by Charles Simmons, son of the said John Simmons, deceased, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and for divers other good reasons, and considerations, herewith being moved, have remised, released, and forever quit claimed, and by these presents do remise, release, and quit claim unto the said Charles Simmons, his heirs, executors, adm'rs and assigns all and all manner of dower and right and title of dower whatsoever, which I, the said Sarah, now have or of right ought to have or claim of in and to all and every of the lands, tenements, and ~~and~~ ~~hereditaments~~ hereditaments which now belonging to the said John Simmons, my late husband, at any time during coverature to the following premises, to-wit: One house and lot in the Town of Guyandotte, County of Cabell, and State of Virginia, also one other tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Floyd in the State of Virginia, supposed to contain Four Hundred acres or of or in any part of parcel thereof.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal ~~ix~~ this ~~seventeenth~~ day of May in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-six.

Sarah Waddell (Seal).

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

The word "Floyd" interlined between 5 and 6 lines from bottom done before signing

Joseph Drouillard,
Franklin Caret. Acknowledged 17th day of May, 1836.

(Copy).

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Morwood, Ohio.

12/12/38.

My dear Cousin:

I was so glad to receive an answer from you so soon. I feel as if we had met since our exchange of letters, altho strangers. I will tell you what I recall. There is so much to remember, being the youngest of our family.

Mother's name was Mary Hollenbeck Barbour. Father's name was Robert Barbour, both being born in West Virginia and married there, in Cabell County, April 14, 1853. Living there several years and then came to Ohio and lived here the balance of their lives, time of civil war.

Our family consisted of six children: Alvin Barbour, Rose Barbour, Lindsey Barbour, Joseph Barbour, deceased; myself, Bertha Barbour Wirthlin, and George Barbour. Mother was born October 11th, 1827; father born June 20th, 1829. Mother died April 17th, 1890; and father died Feb. 20, 1893. I don't know where my sister, Rose Johnson is, nor if she is living: haven't heard from her for about nine years. She was then living in New York.

My oldest brother, Alvin Barbour, lives in Memphis, Tenn--at the age of 83 years, and is very well and a fine man.

My brother Joe has been dead for many years. Lindsey Barbour lives in Mobile, Alabama, and George Barbour lives in Charleston, Arkansas, and I, Bertha Barbour Wirthlin, live in Morwood, Ohio for the past nine years, myself, & family lived in Cincinnati formerly. My children were born there, as I was and my husband: being the youngest, I cannot remember much, but many things and names you have mentioned I've heard mother tell many times, about her father and mother, Martin and Elenore Hollenbeck.

Marin Hollenbeck, a brother, emigrated from Holland and bought land in West Virginia and cleared it, mother told us. She also said Aunt Sarah was the oldest sister, then she and Mary Hollenbeck; then Aunt Catherine Sullivan and Aunt Eliza Hatton. There were four brothers I recall her saying: William H., Henry H., Daniel H., and John Hollenbeck.

I had four sons, my eldest, Fred Wirthlin, deceased since 1902. My oldest, living is Robert W. & Howard W. & C. R. Wirthlin, better known as Deury. Please dear cousin excuse my scribbling I have just recently recovered from a severe sickness of eight weeks. I am 72 years young-you would never believe it until my sickness and I formerly wrote well, and loved to; but you can see I am nervous. My pen just glides along.

My husband and I celebrated our Golden Wedding anniversary two years ago last March. Oh, what a happy time: the finest day in our lives. Many times Mother told us of the Hamptons, ~~kand~~ and knew of them. I must consider this proposition, and I do think it a wonderful background. And I assure you, I'm proud of my ancestors, and thank you very much for writing me. I remember my other took me to see Grandma Hollenbeck in 1873, and I was about seven years old. I do remember her for she died later.

My dear Cousin, I do not remember much more to write you but I am second cousin to you and I do remember your mother, ^{Grandmother,} Aunt Sarah and that very nice. She was like my dear mother. Perhaps I can write you a nicer letter next time. Christmas~~hater~~. I wish you and Uncle Cardwell a Merry Xmas. My other cousins, also.

(Signed) Mrs. Wm. H. Wirthlin

3956 Lindley Ave.,

Norwood, Ohio.

Norwood, Ohio, 1/24/40.

My dear Cousin:

Your nice letter rec'd and hope I can help you some, ~~xxx~~ but I'm afraid it won't be much. Excuse my delay, as I was slightly under the weather. Sidney and his wife were here in the spring. It is very nice of you to say you will make a copy of our family tree, as you call it. I sure will appreciate same. I just feel as if I came from good stock, always have. There are better things in us that must be primeal the pride and upkeep of ourselves and families. Mother Dear used to allways say we were "too proud for our purse, and I always knew and heard of the Hamptons as being fine and high spirited people--Mother used to tell us at times.

I do remember Cousin Wade, (second cousin to mother) Hampton's was in the old History of U.S. He was Governor of South Carolina. I remember I was seven years old and went to see Grandmother Hollenbeck with mother, and I think it was 1873. She lived with Aunt Katherine Sullivan and Uncle Henry, and I know it was out in the country. They lived in log houses. They slept in one and cooked and ate in the other, with sleeping rooms overhead. I remember very well Fannie Sally and I think Martha was home. Young girls I do quite remember Aunt Sara rode out from Huntington to the place in a spring wagon, and Aunt Sara came out to meet us and she nicked me up and said, "Honey, kiss your Aunt Sara". She had a pink complexion with white hair, and I loved her rite on the spot. She was more like my dear Mother, she was real stout and very kind.

You could easily have found us as you drive in to Cincinnati. You could ask the way to find Norwood: it is a suburb of Cincinnati, and anyone that is a Police Officer could direct you.

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Just about 20 minutes from Cincinnati. I surely would love to meet you. So, when you start on your trip write me, and I will tell you how to find us. So, please remember. Just me and my husband at ~~xxxx~~ home. Our sons are married. Mother has no middle name--just Mary.

My birth date is May 6, 1866,

My husband's is Oct. 18, 1861.

Our family are all Cincinnatians; born in Cincinnati Ohio.

Our wedding date, March 24, 1866.

Our oldest son, Robert Wirthlin, born Nov. 5, 1892. Was married to Kathryn Sweitzer June 30, 1918. Has one son, Robert, Jr.

William Howard Wirthlin born March 2, 1895. Was married to Gladys Pearl Martin Jan. 25, 1918. Three sons and one daughter, ~~xxxx~~ Marian Ruth Wirthlin, Howard R., Donald R. Wirthlin, and Billie Joe Wirthlin.

Charles Raymond Wirthlin born May 27, 1898. Married to Marian Wilson May 28, 1922.. One son, Charles Raymond, Jr.

I do not recall who Aunt Sara favored; but mother always said the Hollenbecks were short, stocky, built people. I daresay, the men, for mother was tall and slender in her young days of course her family being large she became stout. I often heard mother say sister Rose was a lovely child.

I want you to extend my very good wishes to Cousin Will Cardwell. If I can, I want to send him a birth-day greeting card. I do not know whether sister Rose is living; I have not heard from her for ten years. Her birth date is June 19th, 1858. Was wedded to Robert Johnson March 30, 1888. No family.

My brother Joe is dead; no family.

My Lindsey is dead; five daughters, of whom four are living by oldest brother, alive, a grand old man A. Barbour, is

84 years of age. Was born May 28, 1856; has two sons, Wm.E.Barbour and Oliver B. Barbour. Has one son, Oliver,Jr. and daughter, Frances Louise Barbour.

Wm. E. Barbour has three sons: Douglass B., Wm.B. and Rob't Barbour; has three daughters Joy B., Jean B. and Cora Jane Barbour, all of Memphis, Tenn.

P. S. I am not myself like I used to be two years ago--since my very sick spell, but trust I will get better. I was always so active. I hope you can read my letter. Love and good wishes.

(Signed) Bertha L. Wirthlin.

Wednesday night.

My dear Sydney:

Well I'm going to surprise you again and answer right ~~up~~ away. Your letter was such a good one, and the pleasant dream I had, now, taking that mountain trip you spoke of, liking me to be along. It must be a grand trip, and as for what I sent Virgil, it was up to you to take the lion's share, for I'm the same way-- I feel nearer you on account of your correspondence, and and when you left that Sunday I had a feeling I would see you again. How when, or where I could not have said. Am writing the cousin in Willmette and will get her sister's address in Washington from her and as soon as I hear will let you know. I do hope that cold is better. Mother was very sick; was afraid of bronchial pneumonia for a day; but I sure doped her good and she is about over it. If you were here I'd do you the same, but I have to be a Christian Scientist and give you absent treatment.

Now laugh this off: While I was reading your letter I burned a kettle of pears I had on cooking, so if you ate brown beans we had to eat scorched pears. I DID give mother your message, but I fudged on her a little and ~~and~~ took maybe, more than my share, as I couldn't spare too much. You will never know Sydney what a bright spot this is for me. I'm not trying to shirk any responsibility at all. They say life is what you make it, but I can't believe it is entirely true.

I always forget to tell you of some of Mother's family history. The one we are proudest of is her mother, Sarah Wheeler MacDonald was a cousin of Ella Wheeler-Wilcox, the poetess--and I can't make a rhyme.

Cora, that is mother, was 'so pleased over the picture I gave her. How did the ones you took here come out?

Jim went to Topeka today to consult a Doctor about the sore on his leg. It won't heal properly. He is going to our daughter Grace's ~~today~~ to stay awhile. Am glad mother is here. She has been in bed quite awhile ago, and I was lonely and taking it "out" on you. It is 10:45, and hope you are having pleasant dreams.

The day you came back from Lawrence was sure a happy one, and when I knew you were coming, was so sorry I had promised to pour coffee; but I left just as soon as the rush was over so I wouldn't lose any more time from our gab-fest.

Good night Sydney, and this time you won't have to do any sharing.

(Signed) Lovingly, Nellie.

(Hope you won't burn anything over this).

WILL BOOK 3, Page 33.

- LAST WILL & TESTAMENT OF ISAIAH RAY, DEC'D.
Cabell County, West Virginia, Sept. 5, 1865.

I, knowing that all men must die, and at present being of sound mind, I do hereby declare this to be my last Will and Testament.

First, that I bequeath to my beloved wife, Lucy, all my property, real and personal, during her natural life; and, at her death, my children shall share alike in all my property, first paying all just debts.

His
Isaiah X Ray
Mark.

Witnesses: Greenville Newman,
Samuel Harbour.

Recorder's Office,
Cabell Co., West Va.

The above last Will and Testament of Isaiah Ray, Dec'd, was this day presented to me, Thos. J. Hayslip, Recorder of the County and State aforesaid and being duly proven on the oaths of Greenville Newman and Samuel Barbour, the two attesting Witnesses to said Will, the same was duly admitted to record.

Given uunder my hand this 12th day of December, 1865.

(Signed) Thos. Hayslip, Recorder.

Wednesday.

My dear Sydney:

Was so glad to get your letter yesterday. Home safe and sound, and cold better. Mother took it too, and has been very miserable; but I think she is feeling better today. Went down in her chest, and she is so precious, it worries me so when she is not well. Weather has gotten cooler, and guess that affects her, too, for she is not very strong. She did enjoy all of you, and is reading the West Virginia history you sent, and so many things she knew about from Grandfather's Grandmother Ray. If you can read the letter through tears I wrote it that way, too, Sydney. For there is so much I want to say to you, and time was so short, but will look forward to another meeting in the future. Have always hope to visit West Va. and now, knowing your fine people, the urge is stronger; but I have duties and responsibilities here that that can't be put on anyone else, and will look forward to your visit next year.

Are you still putting my letters in your scrap book, and what is the difference in time between here and you and what time do you go out on your run and get back. Kinda like to know for certain times of day to know what you are up to. Only got to talk a little while with Virgil but you both are just like what I expected to see you. You have spoken of him and his preaching, and he certainly is a man of God. To think, Sydney, all of us past middle life and just beginning to know the bond between us.

Hope you got to go on your trip Sunday. I attended church in A.M. Took a drive with some friends after dinner; came back and attended a Golden wedding celebration a neighbor was having. Am sending this to Danville. Where do you wish me to mail them?

Yes, I did have a pleasant dream and I do believe in mental telepathy, and it makes me very happy, Sydney to know how you feel toward me, and if anything should ever turn up that I could make the trip, if I was financially able to come, believe me, I will. This visit of yours cements out kinship more than ever. Have played for two funerals since you were here a week ago, and another one to-morrow. Old friends.. Take good care of yourself. Give my love to Virgil when you talk to him. Keep a great big slice for yourself.

(Signed) Your cousin, Nellie.

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Tuesday.

Dear Folks:

This letter came this morning, and am sending by special delivery to you at Vera's. The Richland folks tho't you intended spending all of this week Kansas City. If you do I'll haunt you, as Vera told me over the 'phone Saturday you could only spend Sunday here. Did you have your luggage in the car Sunday If you did, I'll feel terrible about it, after anticipating your visit for so long.

Just think. If I hadn't gotten curious 18 years ago when Ada was visiting her Aunt, we wouldn't have had this knowledge of our relation-shop and besides the Mr.McGinnis this is the first real news of all of my people that I ever had when you first wrote me. There is so much I wanted to say, but not the time, and the Rochland folks said, Why didn't I tell you when Grandfather's birth-day was. I never thought of it. You know when you have a meal to put on the table you have to stop. You boys reminded me so much of my father; so many little wys and forms of speech were like him that he was brought back to me very closely. Hope you don't think I'm too selfish about this

for I fell in love with all of you, and want to know all of you better. Guess I can say this to cousins.

We have looked at the pictures dozens of times and talked everything over. Mother was so happy to see all of you. She is a wonderful woman: has had so much grief and trouble in her life, but always came through smiling. If we didn't treat you too badly, please write again.

Next time I write will tell you of some more Rays we forgot to talk about, that settled in Waverly Illinois; a descendant lives in Willmette, Ill. Elsie Agard McMillen, whose mother was Etta Ward and her mother, Etta, was a sister of Luke Ray's, my grandfather. Etta Agard lived in Topeka for a number of years, and we visited back and forth a lot, and she always spoke of Grandfather as Uncle Luke. Can you make anything out of this? Just talked to Elmer, and he said to send this to your home address, as he was sure some of them had told him you were leaving K.C. today. So if I don't do the right thing please forgive. Best love to all of you, and you will never know the pleasure we had Sunday.

(Signed) Your cousin Nell.

Jim said to tell you he forgot to thank you for the liniment.

(Copy)

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Overbrook, Kansas.

Sunday, August 20th, 1939.

Dear Cousin Joseph: Mell & Ada, and the rest
of the Ray Clan:

Pardon my delay in writing, but have been trying
to get some more information about Grandfather Ray's sister.

Some of the family records show that he had a sister
Susan, who married a man by the name of Ward. One daughter, Etta,
married a Norman Agard, both dead, at Waverly, Illinois. They had
two daughters, Elsie Agard McMillen of Wilmette, Illinois and
Grace Agard Tresize, of Washington, D.C. You did not give the
record of Eliza Ray, a brother of Luke E. Ray's. Mother says she
never heard of another sister. I saw Osborne McGinnis two weeks
ago at our Ray re-union, which was gotten up for cousin Warren Ray
and wife, of Hammond, Indiana. It was a "hurry-up" affair, as they
came unexpectedly. He says the Dunkels are living in Nebraska. I
urged him to write you folks. Steven Crockett was so delighted
with his visit with you, and said you were the image of Warren Ray.
He is a fine looking fellow; so I know what you look like.

We have wondered whether there were any twins in the
Ray family, as my daughter, Grace Ray Sullivan Friend, has twin
girls, 11 years old. The name of Ray was given Grace as a middle ~~name~~
name by my father, M.B. Ray.

Is Theodore Ray still living? After the death of my
grandfather, L.E. Ray, Theodore and Ellen lived on his farm, which
was next to father's farm. From another source I have this data:
"Luke E. Ray was the son of Benj. Ray, who came to Cabell County,
Va. from North Carolina. His children were Elisa, Isaiah, Luke, Wm.
Benj. Susan, and a Mrs. Carter." This is from a record compiled by
Madge Ray Meade, daughter of Henry Ray, oldest son of Luke E. Ray.

I do wish we could get this all correct, for I think we are all getting ancestor conscious.

I know you will have a lovely time, and I know how the Ray's can swap yarns. Uncle Geyer Ray used to say, when some of them started a big tale, "Get your hands a little closer together."

I do hope some of you can come to visit us as we enjoyed Mel, Ada and their family. Tell Ada I haven't forgotten how the kids made ice cream nearly every day, when they were here last. Also that Margaret is working in Kansas City. She was home this week-end.

When you get this all straightened out Joseph, will you please send me a record as the Kans, Clan are looking to me for all the information they can get.

With the best of wishes for a grand reunion and maybe some future time, some of us will be able to come.

As ever Your Cousin

Nelly Ray Sullivan

(Copy)

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Sunday

Aug. 25, 1940

Dear Cousin Sydney:

Received your box of maps and literature of West Virginia a few days ago and I am so very grateful to you for them. I have looked at them a number of times and loaned them to several of the Coffmans to look at and to say they were thoroughly enjoyed would be putting it mildly.

We did so enjoy Mel, Ada and Dorothy Lee, and had a nice visit trying to straighten out the Ray tribe.

Steven says for you to come to their place on a week-end as he doesn't have to work there. He was home this week-end, and I talked to his mother and you can make your plans from there, and he can bring you wherever you care to come (to get around), and we will try and make you as comfortable as possible, and will enjoy very much having you visit us.

Next week, 29--28--31 is our annual fair, and I will have company during that time; but, after that, come whenever it is convenient for you, boys. Only let me know in time to kill the old dominicher, as preachers from West Virginia, are no different from Kansas ones, I believe. Tee hee. Have been having fine weather, rainy and cool and everything looks fine.

In the West Virginia history there are Davies mentioned one has Pres. of College or University. That was my grandmother Droun Ray's mother's people. Her maiden name was Davis. and a cousin of her's my grand mother Worter R. Davies was the first President of Baker University at Baldwin, Kan. about twenty miles east of us, and some of my father's brothers and sisters were among the first graduates, of that college. Let us know when

you are coming, and how many, and will get the word around to
the Clan.

With best regards,

(Signed) Nell Sullivan.

The Rays

Benjamin Ray Sr
m.

Children:

Benjamin m. Melena Garrett

He d. May 8, 1855, Aged
38-8-14

He was a twin
to William Ray
who m. Emily Hatten.

Children:

Theodore Ray

b.

d.

m Ellen

Benjamin b.

m.

He was crippled
He d. at Rome O., where
he had a nursery

William G. Ray

Twin of Benj.

m. Ida B. —

children:

Albert L. Ray m. Elyza
Newman. She was
sister of Hays Ward's
mother - Amanda
wife of Dan Ward

Lorana Ray m. Sam Newman
a dau., lives in Portsmouth

William A. Ray
m. Emily Hallon
Children

Elizabeth m. James Wilcox

William

Lem m. Rhoda Keller,
dau. Adam.

Isaiah m. Catherine
Smith of Wayne Co

Albert m. McHenry

Jennie

America m. Israel
Hurd

Emily m. Jacob Seel

Jefferson Ray never m.

("Sel") Marcellus m. Flora
Davis. She has
a brother living
at Bowen - Emphra-
tis Davis.

Census of 1850

Isaiah Ray 42

m. Lucy Barbour 25,
da. of Elisha
and Susan Farmer
Barbour.

Jefferson Ray
never married

Children:

(See)
Marcellus married

Flora Davis

She has a brother living
at Bowen - Emporia -

Lis Davis

Joseph B. Ray

m. Lucretia Keller,
da. of Adam

3 children

Guy Ray -

Bertha R. m.

Bascom

Lucas

Benjamin m. Mary Jean

Cardwell, da. of
Manoah & Sarah Ann
Hollenback Cardwell

Children:

12 in all Sydney - St Albans
Melville - Coalgrove

Eveline ^{Child} m. C. S. Pyster

m. William Spurlock

son of Cassander

Two ch. living:

Alf. Spurlock - City
near Beverly Hills, N. S.
Carrick m. Grill

Caroline - d. in
infancy?

(Eglantine) m. James Dunkle
a son Bernie lives in
Guyandotte, no compos mentis.

(Elizabeth Butler Ray)
m. Elizabeth Mc Ginnis,
4 children only
Children of above: Keyser.
Wilder m. Lizzie Erie m. Byron Smith
Smith
Edw. ds. in infancy Ethel m. Ward, bro
to Hays

(Mary Ray) m. Edw. Mc Gin
mis. son of Samuel
5 ch. -
Osborn Ellen Mc G. James Hallibur Mc Ginnis
m. Edna - Benj Mc Ginnis
deid. lived a dau. - burned to
in Lawrence, Kansas. death
Elba Mc Ginnis - 103
Vallacher St. City
Phone.

(Sallie Ray)
m. John Porter -
Both dead - about 6 ch.
Kenneth Porter may be
in Charleston
Anna Porter - Huntington

(Millard Filmore Ray)
m. Ellen Hunter. -
(Mrs. Excell Boolean, La-
lette.) She has the
Bible record.

(Nannie Ray)
m. Sam Newman
(See Jessie Ray, Lavalette)

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Tivran Humble lives back
of Raceland, Kentucky.

Mail will to

Melb Sullivan

Overbrook, Kansas.

A gr. dau. of
Luke Ray. She
is dau. of Marcellus
and Anna Young Ray

Census of 1850

Wayne County.

123 - Benjamin Rea 32 \$1300 b. Va.

Melcena 24

Theadore 8

Eli 6

Christopher C. 4

Albert L. 2 w. Eliza Newman
Dan. Greenville

Melville 10 }
12 }

John Jones 26 \$200 b. Ky.

Nellie Adams 17

120 - Aeneas Carter 53 \$2500 b. Va.

Elizabeth 48 b. Ky.

Joseph 17

Perival 14

John W. 13

Hugh 10

His land was near mo. of
Camp Cr. where N. & W. crosses
below Lavalette & on both
sides of 12 Pole. Possibly
They are buried across 12 Pole
for new brick church

Census of 1850
Cabell County.

486 - William Ray 42
 Julia A. 43
 Mary A. 20
 Morris 19
 Andrew 15
 John 8

836 - Sarah Ray 42 \$1600. All b. Va.
 Lucy 25
 Joseph B. 7
 Benjamin 5
 Evaline 3
 Caroline 3 mos

840 - William Ray 34 Farmer \$1200.
 Emily 35 All b. Va.

Elizabeth 17 m. James Walcott

William 15 m. Sophia Davis

Isiah 13 m. Rhoda Keller
 Catherine Smith

Lemuel 10 m. Rhoda Keller

Victoria 8 m. Don't know

Albert 6 m. Mc Ginnis

America 4 m. dau. of Sam
 Israel Hurd

Virginia 2 m. Don't know

Marcella m. Flora Davis
 Jeff - Suggs and Ted
 "Peg" - Emily m. Jake
 Jennie m. ?

Ray Deaths Wayne Co.

Indiana Ray d. Nov. 24, 1917,
at 77, of J. B. m. 1845.

Mary J. Ray d. Oct. 12, 1890.
at 46. Fever, dau.
m. n. & ^(niece) J. Cardwell.

Hella Ray d. Sept. 14, 1890, at
18 mos. dau. W. E. and
Martha Perry

Elijah B. Ray d. May 27, 1917,
at 63, of J. B. m. ^{utter}

Louisa Ray d. 3-23-1930
m. Albert R. Dau. Greenville New
man. married.

Son of Melvina
Benj. Harrett. So buried
on a knob across
the pole & new father
on another.

Reginald Ray
| Son of Albert

Theodore A. Ray d. May 1,
1930, at 88, Heart.

Son of Ben Ray, Widower
Scott Ray.

Lucy Ray d. Dec. 8, 1893.
at 40, of J. B. Dau.
A. & J. Watts.

Benj. Ray d. May 8, 1855,
at 38-6-191 of
Whooping Cough. Son of
Benj. & Susan Ray.

By Melvina Ray

Mary Melissa Ray d. Nov. 26, 1944
at 75-5-16. Sundry
Dan. Hiram Mullens &
Charlotte Porter. b.
at Pikeville Ky m.

William Ray d. Aug. 7, 1946
at 99. b. Pike Co. Ky.
Son of Jimmy and
Ray. Widowed

Frimie Irby Ray
d. May 2, 1949, at
64-6-4. Dan
Charles Irby and
Mary Ray m.
Dan of "Black Eye"
Albert Ray and
Mc Simms
(Look this up)

Ray Deaths - Wayne Co.
Principal ones only

Indiana Ray d. Nov. 24, 1917
at 77, of J. B. married

Christopher C. Ray
d. March 2, 1859, at 12
Son of Benj. & Melcena Ray

Mary J. Ray d. Oct. 12, 1890, at 46.
Daughter M. N. & ~~F. Cardwell~~
(Sarah Ann Hollenback Cardwell
Butler?)

Elijah S. Ray d. May 27, 1917
at 63, of J. B.

Louisa Ray d. March 23,
1830, at 82. Daughter
of Grenville Newman
(b. 1848?)

Theodore Ray d. May 1, 1830,
at 88 of mitral insufficiency.
Son of Ben Ray. Widower.
Wife of Albert, son of Benj & Melcena

Lucy Ray d. Dec. 8, 1893,
at 60. Daughter of A. & J.
Watts. (Wife of Isaiah?)

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Benj. Ray d. May 8, 1855 - b. 10-19-16
at 38-6-19 of whooping?
Cough? Son of Benj. &

1855-5-8
38-6-19
1816-10-19

Susan Ray

By Melvena Ray.

Mary Malissa Ray

d. Nov. 26, 1944 at 75-5-16

Daughter of Hiram Mullens
and Charlotte Parker

Wm. Ray d. Aug. 7, 1946, at

99. Bone Pike Co., Ky

Son of Jimmy Ray
Widowed

Irinie Irby Ray

d. May 2, 1949, at

64-6-4. Daughter of
Charles Irby & Mary
Ray.

All except a few young ones

Wayne Co. - Ray births

✓ Oct. 1, 1853, — Ray, dau. of
Benj. & Melena Ray

Twins {
Sept. 2, 1855 - Wm A. Ray, son
of Benj. & Melena
Sept. 2, 1855 - Benj Ray, son
of Benj. & Melena
(Twins)

✓ Dec. 10, 1857. Elizabeth Ray,
dau of Melena.

— 1874, Fanny Ray, dau.
of Albert & America Ray.

June 25, 1881 - Joseph Ray, son
of Wm. & Lempa Ray.

— 1872 - Shelba Ray,
son of Albert & America
Ray

Dec. 28, 1867 - Mary A. Ray,
dau. Albert & America
(Black Al.)

32
Dec. 30, 1875, Letha L. Ray,
dan. of Albert & Louisa
Ray

Sept. 18, 1876, Polly Ann Ray
dan. of Wm & Tempa
Ray

Sept. 15, 1877, Israel Ray, son
of Albert & America
(Probably living about
Lanselle)

July 8, 1880, James H. Ray,
son of Wm & Tempa

Dec. 26, 1879, Della Ray,
dan. Albert & America

Sept. 14, 1879 — Ray son of
Albert & Louisa

Nov. 24, 1886, Thos. Ray, son of
James & Catherine

May 30, 1886, Henry L. Ray
son of Wm. & Tempa

Nov. 15, 1887, Kizzie Ray, dan
Benj. & Mary Jean
(Sister of Sidney)

Jan. 11, 1890, Joseph E. Ray, son
of ^{Edward?} E. B. & Elizabeth
Ray

Nov. 10, 1890, Nellie Ray, dau
of A. L. ^{Albert} and Louisa A.
Ray

March 31, 1890, P. A. Ray, son
of Albert & Mary A.
Ray. (Who?)

Jan. 3, 1884, Easter Ray, dau.
of Wm. & Tempy Ray

Oct. 9, 1884, son of Albert
& America Ray.

Elijah Butler Aug. 24, 1884, ^{Wilder} Butler Ray,
son of Butler & Elizabeth

April 4, 1882, Jane E. Ray, dau.
Wm. & Caroline

June 10, 1882, Ellen Ray, dau
Albert & America

Sept. 13, 1883, Bessa Ray,
dau. Millard F. and
Ellen — ~~Edson~~ E. Ray. (d young)

March 6, 1893, Earnest Ray,
many others. son of Albert & Allis "

Ray deeds - Wayne Co.

Grants:

Luke E. and Marietta 1848

Melena & Benjamin, et al 1853 (1845)

Isaiah et al 1858

Deed Bk. F. p. 330 (Family of Benj
June 4, 1860, & Melena)

Theodore Ray

Eli T. Ray

Christopher C. "

Benjamin "

Wm. A. "

Albert L. "

Melville "

Laura^{ra} " by

Millon J. Ferguson, Spec. Com.
and Greenville and Martha

E. Newman, deed

to Hugh Bailey, in suit
of Jeremiah Wellman vs. the
heirs of and creditors of
Benjamin Ray, to subject to
partition, etc.

To pay Benj. Ray's debts, by decree
of 1858, to sell 65^a. of
Land. Greenville Newman bought
same for \$6⁶⁰ (660?) Newman
sold to Hugh Bailey

Beams near Camp Cr. Church
etc. & to line of James Russell,
etc. etc

Deed Bk C. p. 464
April 16 1877,

- Albert L. and Louisa Ray, 4
- Theodore A. & Ellen 4
- Wm. A. & Ida B. 4
- Eli J. and Sarah 4
- Samuel Newman & Mary L. 4
- Leonidas H. & Flora E. Barbour

To Benjamin Ray

All of Cabell Co. except
Wm. A. & Ely J. Ray and
wives are of the State
of Ill. — 28^a. near above

(This speaks of a "dowery")

In the division of the estate,
deeds were made to ~~Benj. Hatten~~

- Benj. Hatten
- L. H. Barbour
- Albert Ray
- Benj. "
- Eli J. "
- Wm. A. "

James Bancroft
 m. Elizabeth A.
 dau. Benj &
 Melvina

Albert L. "
 (Wm. Graham?)

Study this
 again.

Elizabeth A. Bancroft

Other names to deeds

- Albert L. & Louisa A. 1889
- Son of Isarah II, Albert & Melvina (Shy) 1890
 (son of Wm. A. & Emily Hatten Ray)
- Ella & Benj. et al 1891
- E. B. & Lizzy 1893
- America Est.
- Edyjah Butler Ray m. Elizabeth Sumner et al
- Son of Albert & Mc Sumner }
 Shelby }
 (Zeriah }
 Mary M }
 Myrta et al }

No Ray wills. }
 no Turner } except as I have
 " Mc Sumner } copied.
 " Barbour }

Tempa & Lou - 1898

Shelby & Myrtle 1910

Flora 1913

Scott & Chloe 1915

Israel & Lizzie 1915

A. E. & Sadra

Indiana & Theodore

Finnie & Lou.

Idea & Edward

Ernest Ray

Phares & Hazel (Harrison)

And many others,

Albert Ray by
a former m.

Albert was a
son of Irwin
William Ray)

This Albert m —
Mc Ginnis

I was b. June 21, 1883, son of John and Martha Perry Ray.

She was a dau. of Benj. L. Perry. He was first settler on Tyler's Cr. named. It is said, from a Mr. Tyler who was killed on the creek.

John Ray was son of Benj. Ray who m. Sarah Johnson, dau. of Benj. Johnson, and sister to Andrew Johnson who m. Alcie Retherford. Andy Johnson had a bro. Jim who m. Sarah Macmillan, I think William Ray?

Benj. Ray had a brother and another brother, both of whom went to Illinois.

James Johnson's wife was named Sally. He had a son J. W. ("Dip") Johnson, a son Gordon Johnson (m. Hewitt Seiler, sister to Sunny) a son Jeff m. 2.
It no daus. — 3 sons only.

By Ray 39
Nov 26, 1946

Sherman Johnson had two sisters -
Bertie m. Lucia Johnson. Lived on
head of Coleman. One son
living Robert Johnson lives
about Russell Creek.

Margie m. Wilse Macmillan
Lived on Coleman

Sherman m. Hollie Ray, my
sister. Four children
living - Tom, Peter, Laura, — ?

George Johnson was a son
of David Johnson, bro. to
Rev. Oscar Johnson, & no
relation to us. He was
killed in a timber job
up on Cabin Cr. Thrown
off a set of trucks. He
m. Nona Butcher:

I don't know who
Sherman's father was. He
lived on Coleman.

DEED BOOK I-9. P. 381.

This Indenture, Made this first day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand, eight hundred and forty-seven between William Buffington, and Nancy, his wife, of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia, of the one part and Luke E. Ray, of the second part, of the same place,

Witnesseth: That the said William Buffington, and Nancy, his wife, in consideration of the sum of two hundred and twelve dollars of lawful money to them in hand paid, or secured to be paid, have bargained and sold, and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said Luke E. Ray, a certain piece, or parcel of land situate in the County of Cabell on the waters of the third branch, emptying into Guyandotte, above the mouth on the west side, adjoining the military survey granted to John Savage and others, and bounded as followeth, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake on the exterior line of said military survey, being the Southwest corner of the tract of one hundred acres which was conveyed to the said Luke E. Ray by John Everett and wife; thence leaving said military survey and running south one degree and a half west about 76 poles to a stake on the south line of a tract of 80 acres conveyed to said Buffington to by James L. Watson, and on the north line of a tract conveyed by James Brown, as Agent for said Watson's heirs to the said Luke E. Ray; thence with the line between said tracts about N 82-1/2 W. 78 poles to a white oak on, or near said Watson's exterior line, corner to a tract of 90 acres granted to said Buffington, thence leaving said Watson's land, and with the line of said 90 acres east ten poles to two white oaks N 56 E about 36 poles to a stake; then leaving the line of said 90 acre tract N. 13-1/2 W. about 64 poles to a stake, being the S.E. corner of

the said tract of one hundred acres conveyed by John Everett and wife to said Ray; thence, with a line of said tract, being the exterior line of said military survey N 89 W 93 poles to the Beginning, containing fifty-one acres, be the same more or less with its appurtenances.

To have and to hold the said fifty-one acres of land be the same more or less, unto him, the said Luke E. Ray, his heirs and assigns forever with all and singular, the premises and appurtenances thereunto belonging, free from the claim, of the said Wm. Buffington and Nancy, his wife and their heirs, and all persons claiming under them, the said William Buffington will warrant and forever defend by these presents, and the said Wm Buffington for himself and his heirs will covenant and agree with the said Luke E. Ray, his heirs and assigns that if ever the said Luke E. Ray his heirs or assigns should be evicted by any course of legal proceedings and the judgment of any of the Superior Courts of this Commonwealth from the said 51 acres of land by any person claiming superior and adverse to the title of the said Wm. Buffington that then and in that case the said William Buffington or his heirs shall refund and repay to the said Luke E. Ray, his heirs or assigns so evicted the said sum of two hundred and twelve dollars in case of a total eviction and a ratiable proportion thereof per acre in the event of a partial eviction, but without interest thereon in either case.

In Testimony whereof, the said Wm. Buffington and Nancy his wife, have signed, sealed, and delivered these presents the day and year first above written.

Wm. Buffington (Seal)
Nancy Buffington (Seal).

Cabell County, to-wit:

We, Benjamin Brown and John Everett, Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid, and State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Wm. Buffington party to a certain deed bearing date on the first day of March, 1847 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Cabell County in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hand and seals this 15th day of March, 1847.

Benjn Brown, (Seal)

John Everette (Seal).

Cabell County, to-wit:

We, Benjamin Brown and John Everett, Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Nancy Buffington, the wife of Wm. Buffington, parties to a certain deed bearing date on the first day of March 1847 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before me in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Nancy Buffington acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 15th day of March, 1847.

Benjn Brown (Seal)

John Everett (Seal).

THIS INDENTURE, Made the first day of December, 1846

Between the heirs of James T. Watson of the first part and Luke E. Ray, of the second part.

Witnesseth: That, whereas, by a decree of the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for Wayne County, at the Oct. term, in 1845, in pursuance of an Act passed Feb. 21st, 1845 entitled An Act for the Relief of the Heirs of James T. Watson & others, James M. Brown, was appointed a Commissioner to sell and convey the lands of said Watson lying in the Counties of Cabell, Wayne and Jackson. Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises and for and in consideration of Fifty-two Dollars to them secured to be paid, they, the said parties of the first part do give, grant, bargain and sell and convey unto the said Luke E. Ray a certain parcel of land lying in Cabell County on the waters of Four Pole creek, containing one hundred and four acres, more or less, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a white oak and two beeches on the N. E. side of the branch of 4 Pole Creek the road turns up from the farm where Benjamin Ray formerly lived. trending on the hill side on the exterior line of James T. Watson's land, and being a corner to land conveyed by said Watson to said Benj'n Ray; then with said Watson's exterior line N. 17 W. 90 poles to two white oaks a few poles south of a branch, corner to land conveyed by Watson to William Buffington; then with his line N. 87-1/4 W. 135 poles to a stake between a large and small white oak on the gap of a ridge on a line of the land conveyed to William McCoy, and with said line S. 2 E 70 poles to a stake on a line of said land conveyed by Watson to said Benjamin Ray, and with his lines S 70 E 155 poles to two white oaks, corner to said Benj. Ray, still with his line N 71 E. 70

poles to a stake on a line of said land conveyed by Watson to said Benjamin Ray, and with his lines S. 70 E 155 poles to the Beginning.

To have and to hold the said parcel of land unto him, the said Luke E. Ray and his heirs forever, with its appurtenances; and the said parties of the first do covenant and agree to warrant and defend the title to the said land against all persons, whatever.

In Testimony whereof, they the said parties have hereto set their hands and seals this day and year above written.

James T. Watson's Heirs (Seal)
by James H. Brown, Com'r.

Cabell County Court Clerk's office Dec'r 29, 1846.

The foregoing Deed was this day presented to me, the Clerk of the Cabell County Court and was duly acknowledged by James H. Brown, Commissioner, the same is admitted to record.

Teste:
John Samuels, Clerk.

DEED BOOK I-9. Page 325.

THIS INDENTURE, Made this 19th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and forty-six Between John Everett and Sarah, his wife of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia, of the one part, and Luke E. Ray, of the same place, of the other part.

Witnesseth: That the said John Everett and Sarah, his wife in consideration of the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars of lawful money to them in hand paid by the said Luke E. Ray, they the said John Everett and Sarah, his wife have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said Luke E. Ray, his heirs and assigns, a certain piece or parcel of land situate in the said County of Cabell, on the State Turnpike road lying mostly between the second and third of Guy-endotte, above its mouth on the West side, and being the south part of a tract of 192 acres which the said John Everett purchased from Philip C. Buffington and wife, and bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at three small white oak bushes on a hill side a few poles West of a left hand drain of said Second Branch, standing on the partition line between the lots laid off for Thomas and Joel Buffington in the Division of the Savage lot in the grant to said Savage and others therein, running with the said partition line between the lots laid off for Thomas and Joel Buffington in a partition among the claimants of said Savage's Lot B. 1-1/2 degrees, N. 17 poles and two links, crossing the West end of a large rock on the South side of a branch to a stake on the back line of said Savage's Grant, thirty-eight links south of said rock; and another large rock lies S. 33 degrees to 31 links from said stake; thence with said back line S. 39-3/4 degrees E. 93 poles to a stake

on the 19th September, 1846, and hereto annexed, personally appeared before me in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Cabell County in order that the said deed may be recorded.

Given under our hands and seals this 21st day of Sept. 1846.

Fred'k S. L. Beuhring (Seal)

John A. Hite (Seal).

Cabell County, To-wit:

We, F.S.L. Beuhring and J.A.Hite, Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Sarah Everett, the wife of John Everett, parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 19th Sept. 1846, and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us, in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her said husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she, the said Sarah Everett acknowledges the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 21st day of Sept., 1846.

(Signed) Fred'k S.L. Beuhring (Seal)

J. A. Hite (Seal).

Cabell County Clerk's office Nov. 24, 1846.

The foregoing deed was this day presented to me, the Clerk of Cabell County Court, together with the certificates of acknowledgement thereon, the same is admitted to record.

Teste:—

John Summels, Clerk.

DEED BOOK G-7. Page 94.

THIS INSTRUMENT, made and entered into this 26th day of April, in the year of Christ, 1838 between Benjamin Ray, of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia, of the one part, and William Topping, of the same County and State, of the other part. Witnesseth That the said Benjamin Ray for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars, to him in hand paid by the said William Topping, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said Benjamin Ray have granted, bargained and sold, and do by these presents grant, bargain and sell unto the said William Topping a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Cabell, and State of Virginia, and bounded as followeth, being situated on Four Hole creek and adjoining the and owned by the said William Topping on said Four Hole, and adjoining the same on his lower line on Four Hole, and running down said creek about three quarters of a mile to just above a large hollow and at an old crossing place in said creek, containing about fifty acres, be the same more or less.

To have and to hold the said granted premises with all its appurtenances to him, the said William Topping and his heirs forever, and they the said Benjamin Ray, for himself and his heirs, and all and every other person to support and forever defend the said granted premises.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the date first above written. Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

Benjamin H. Ray (Seal)
 Clerk.

Cabell County, to-wit:

Me, John L. White and Benjamin Brown, Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify

that Benjamin Ray, a party to a certain deed bearing date 26th of April, 1838 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Cabell in order the said Deed may be recorded.

Given under our hands and seals this 26th day of April, 1838.

John T. Hite (Seal)

Benjamin Brown (Seal).

Cabell County Court Clerk's Office Aug't 28, 1838.

This Deed from Benjamin Ray to William Topping was this day presented to me, the Clerk of Cabell County Court, together with the Certificate of the acknowledgement thereon endorsed, the same is admitted to record.

Teste:

John Samuels, Clk.

DEED BOOK NO. 6. PAGE 553.

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I, James Kirk, of Cabell County, Virginia, for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which I bear to Rhody Spaulding, of said County, as well as for the further consideration of One Dollar to me in hand paid by the said Rhody Spaulding, at or before the en sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have given and granted, and by these presents do give, grant unto the said Rhody Spaulding, her heirs and assigns, the following property, to-wit. One worn saddle, two feather beds and bedding, one large kettle, one oven, and small kettle, six bee hives, plates, dishes, and other shelf ware, one certain lot or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Cabell and State aforesaid, adjoining Fleming Spaulding and Joseph Harkam including all my property, real and personal, except my home plantation.

To have and hold the said property, both real and personal unto her, the said Rhody Spaulding, her heirs and assigns forever against the claim, or claims of him, the said James Kirk, and against all persons whatsoever, till payment and default. In witness whereof, the said James Kirk has hereunto set his hand and seal the 21th day of July, year 1838.

his
 James Kirk
 Kirk.

This Indenture, Madethis 23d day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand, Eight hundred and seventy-five between Jesse Ray, and Levine, his wife, of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia, of the first part and Jeremiah Stephenson, of the other part.

Witnesseth: That the said Jesse Ray and Levine, his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar to them in hand paid, by the said Jeremiah Stephenson, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell with alien release, and convey and confirm unto the said Jeremiah Stephenson, his heirs, administrators, executors or assigns forever the South-east moiety of a certain tract of land on Four Hole creek, lying and being in the County of Cabell, and State of Virginia which was patented to James Hays and conveyed to sd Jesse Ray unto the said Stephenson, his heirs, administrators, executors and assigns, with all and singular, appurtenances thereto belonging, and the said Jesse Ray and Levine, his wife for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators do warrant and forever defend all that tract or parcel of land whereon the said Stephenson now lives containing eighty acres from the said Jesse Ray, his heirs, administrators, executors forever and no other. It therefore understood that if said land is lost by an adverse claim is no more accountable, and in Testimony whereof, we do set our hands and affix our seals this date above written.

Jesse Ray (Seal)

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

Levine Ray

us:

DEED BOOK D-4. Page 344.

This Indenture, Made the 26th day of March in the year of our Lord Christ 1827 between Elijah Ray, and Catherine, his wife and Muntilda Jarrett, of the County of Cabell and the State of Virginia of the one part, and Jacob Baumgardner, of the County and State aforesaid, of the other part. Witnesseth: The said Elijah Ray and Catherine his wife, and Muntilda Jarrett have granted bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the aforesaid Jacob Baumgardner, his heirs and assigns, the undivided sixth part of a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying, and being on Mud River in the said County of Cabell, the whole tract supposed to contain about seventy-four acres, and also being the same tract that the said Elijah Ray inherited by his wife and the said Muntilda Jarrett inherited from her father, David Jarrett, Dec'd, with other heirs to the same tract, with all and singular, the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only use and behoof of the said Jacob Baumgardner, his heirs and assigns forever; and the said Elijah Ray and Catherine, his wife and Muntilda Jarrett for themselves and their heirs do hereby covenant to and with the said Jacob Baumgardner that they will warrant and defend the aforesaid two undivided sixth parts of said tract of land free from the claim, or claims of themselves and their heirs, and from all other person or persons, whatsoever, and forever warrant and defend the title thereto by these presents.

In Testimony whereof, they have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and year first above written.

Elijah Ray	(Seal)
Her	
Catherine H Ray	(Seal)
mark.	
Her	
Muntilda H Jarrett	(Seal)
mark.	

THIS INDENTURE, Made the 9th day of August in the year of our Lord 1842 between Edward Shy of the County of Cabell and the State of Virginia, of the first part, and James Poteet of the second part, and Benjamin Ray, of the County and State aforesaid of the third part.

Whereas, the said Edward Shy, of the first part is justly indebted to the to the said Benjamin Ray in the sum of twenty-four dollars and 95 cents due by note of hand under a seal, being a correct bill, date 1st. this Decr, as will appear by a reference to said note which sum of money with whatever interest may accrue, thereon the said Edward Shy is willing and desires to secure to the said Benjamin Ray, now this Indenture Witnesseth:

That for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar to him the said Edward Shy in hand paid by the sai James Poteet as or before the sealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the said Edward Shy ~~xxxx~~ has granted, bargained, and sold unto the said James Poteet, his heirs and assigns, forever, all his present estate of every kind and description, to-wit:

1 acre and six smaller logs, three beds and steeds, with the furniture thereunto belonging, consisting of coverlets, blankets, quilts, sheets, pillow cases, &c. 3 chairs, 1 table, one large and one small wheel, together with the miller, on board, and kitchen furniture consisting of skillet, colander, kettle, and one or two tin buckets, and also plow & gear plow &c, and also now growing to have and to hold, all and every kind of the above described property to him, the said James Poteet and his heirs and assigns forever, free from him, the said Edward Shy, and all and every other person claiming, under, through or by him, the said Edward Shy

upon trust, Never-the-less, that the said James Lotect shall permit the said Edward Sny to remain in quiet and peaceable possession of all the above described property until the 30th day of December, 1844, at which time the above mentioned note becomes payable and upon the further trust that the said James Lotect shall and will, in the case of the said Edward Sny failing to pay and settle the said debt or note before the 30th day of Dec'r, 1844 sell to the highest bidder for ready money as soon thereafter as the said Benjamin Sny may request all the before mentioned property, so much thereof as may be of value sufficient to pay and satisfy the before mentioned debt, the said James Lotect having first given ten days previous notice by advertising on the Court House door of said County of Cabell; and out of and out of the monies rising from said sale pay off and satisfy the before mentioned debt with legal costs, and the ballance if any arising from said sale pay to the said Edward Sny, or his legal representatives; but if the said Edward Sny shall pay off and satisfy the said sum of twenty-four dollars 90 cents, with before the day of sale then this Indenture to be void, and of no effect.

In witness whereof, the said parties to this Indenture have hereunto set their hands and seals this the day and year first above written.

Interlined with the seal in hand
 paid by the said James Lotect of
 five 75 cents for signing and seal-
 ing the same.
 Teste: N. McGinnis (Signed).
 Edward H. Sny
 Clerk.

Cabell County Court Clerk's Office 10th August, 1843.

This Deed of Trust from Edward Sny to Benjamin Sny was this day presented to me the Clerk of Cabell County Court and was duly acknowledged by the said Edward Sny to be his act and deed, the same is admitted to record.

John Samuels, Clk C. C.

first day of January, 1843 after the same is payable so that no default of payment of the said One Hundred Dollars be made then this indenture to be void; else to remain in full force and virtue.

In Witness whereof, the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year above written.

Gilbert Stephenson (Seal).

Sealed and delivered in presence of

Joseph E. Malcomb,
Abraham J. Mintz,
his
Eduard H. Stephenson
mark.

Cabell County Court Clerk's office, 24th Jany, 1842.

This Deed of Trust from Gilbert Stephenson to Luke E. Ray Benjn. Drown was this day presented to me, the Clerk of Cabell County Court and was duly acknowledged by the said Gilbert Stephenson to be his act and deed, the same is admitted to record.

Teste.

(Signed) John S. Scales, CK C. C.

property hereby conveyed and take the profits hereof to his own use until Default be made in the payment of the said sum of One Hundred dollars, either in the whole or in part, and then upon this further trust that they or either of them or the survivor of them, or the heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns of such Survivor shall and will so soon after the happening of such default, of payment, as they, or either of them, or the survivor of them or the heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns of survivor may think proper, Or the said Benjn Ray, his executors, administrators or assigns, and shall request sell the above mentioned gray mare, ~~xxx~~ one rifle gun, 1 cupboard, 1 bureau, two bedsteads one bed and bedding and fall leaf and stand tables, one set of cooper's tools, one cross cut saw and felling axe or such part thereof of the hereby granted premises as the trustees, or their representatives hereby authorized to act, shall think sufficient for the purpose and shall think proper and sell to the highest bidder for ready money at Public Auction after having fixed the time and place of sale at their discretion, and given sixty days notice thereof in one, or more, of the newspapers printed in Charleston and also notified the same by advertisement to be set up at the door of the Court House of Cabell County or some Court Day previous to the day of sale, and out of the monies arising ~~thence~~ from such sale shall after satisfying the charges thereof, and all other expenses attending the premises, pay to the said Benjn Ray, his executors, or assigns, the sum of One Hundred dollars which may lawfully accrue thereon; and the balance, if any, shall, shall pay to the said Gilbert Stephenson, his heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns; but if the whole of the sum of One Hundred dollars shall be fully paid off and discharged to the said Benjn Ray, his executors, administrators, or assigns on or before the

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This Indenture, Made this 3rd day of Septr. in the year of our Lord, 1841, Between Gilbert Stephenson of the first part, Luke E. Ray and Benj'n Drown, Trustees, of the second part and Benjn Ray, the creditor of the third part.

Whereas, the said Gilbert Stephenson is justly indebted to the said Banjn Ray in the sum of one hundred dollars due by note, ad and payable on or before the first day of January, 1842 and the said Gilbert Stephenson is willing and desires to secure now this this Indenture.

Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of the premises and also, the further consideration of One Dollar of lawful money of Virginia, the said Gilbert Stephenson in hand paid to the said Luke E. Ray and Benj. Drown, Trustees at and before the ensealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged he, the said Gilbert hath given, granted, bargained and sold, delivered and certified confirmed, and by these presents doth give grant bargain and sell

and release and confirm to the said Luke E. Ray and Benj. Drown, their heirs and assigns forever. one grey mare, one rifle gun, one cupboard, one bureau, two bedsteads and beds and bedding, one full leaf table, one stand table, cooking tools, cross cut saw and axe and other personal property now in her possession hereby conveyed unto the said Luke E. Ray and Benjamin Drown, Trustees, their heirs, administrators, executors, and against all persons whatsoever, shall, and will warrant and defend by these presents, upon trust, nevertheless that the said Luke E. Ray and Benj. Drown, their heirs, executors and administrators shall permit the said Gilbert Stephenson to remain in quiet and peaceable possession of the aforesaid

sents .

In Testimony whereof, the said Luke E. Ray and Marietta, his wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and year first above written.

Luke E. Ray (Seal)

Marietta Ray (Seal).

Cabell County S.C.

We, Hiram Chadwick and Benjamin Drown, Justices-of-the Peace in the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Luke E. Ray, a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 13th day of January, 1841 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his Act and Deed and desires us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Cabell in order that the said deed may be recorded.

Given under our hands and seals this 10th day of July, 1841.

Hiram Chadwick (Seal)

Benjamin Drown (Seal).

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THIS INDENTURE, Made this 13th day of June, in the year of our Lord, 1861, between Luke E. Ray, and Marietta, his wife, of the County of Cabell and State of Va., of the one part, and and William Ray, of the County and State aforesaid, of the other part.

WITNESSETH: That the said Luke E. Ray, and Marietta, his wife, in consideration of One Hundred Dollars of lawful money of the Commonwealth, to them in hand paid have bargained and sold and by these presents do and each of them will bargain and sell unto the said William Ray, his heirs and assigns, a certain tract, or parcel of land willed to Luke E. Ray by Benj. Ray, lying and being in the County of Cabell, State of Virginia and on Four Pole creek, containing 100 acres, being the south-east moiety of a tract of land purchased by Benj. Ray of Manuel Bostice and where William Ray now lives, bounded as follows: Commencing at Mr. Toppin's lower line on said creek, almost 1-1/2 miles Wm. Ray's; thence down said creek to Wm. Ray's line.

To have and to hold the said hundred acres of land be the same more or less, and every part and piece thereof, with every of their eighths, members and appurtenances unto the said William Ray, his heirs and assigns forever, and the Luke E. Ray and Marietta, his wife for themselves and their heirs, the said tract or parcel of land with all and singular, the premises and appurtenances before mentioned unto the said William Ray, his heirs and assigns forever, free from the claim or claims of them the said Luke E. Ray, and Marietta, his wife or either of them their's or either of their heirs and of all person, or persons whatsoever, and shall, will, and to warrant defend by these pre-

DEED BOOK G- Page 432.

This Indenture, Made this 21st day of March, in the year of our Lord 1840, Between Jno. W. Griffin, Abraham Trout, Benjamin Swann and Nancy, his Wife, Henry Walker, Elijah Ray & Betsy. Wm. Saxton & Polly, his wife, William Garrett, William Garrett, Malinda Garrett, and Jas. Garrett, of the first part, & Jacob Baumgardner, of the County of Cabell and the State of Virginia.

Witnesseth: Whereas, By a decree of the County Court of Cabell County Court pronounced on the 28th day of October, 1839. Among other things, it was decreed that the above named parties of the first part on or before the 1st day of December then next ensuing make, execute and acknowledge for record a Deed, with special warranty, in fee simple unto the said Jacob Baumgardner, who was the complainant in said suit for the land described in the Bill by the metes and bounds following as lying on Mud River,

Beginning at the end of a bottom, where the said river makes a short turn, and known by the name of the brushy bottom, and running up and down said river for quantity, and supposed to contain Twenty-five acres of land ; and on the failure of the first named parties to make such deed, that then John Samuels, , who was by the said decree, appointed a Special Commissioner for that purpose, should in their name and on their behalf make, execute, and acknowledge for record a Deed with like warranty for the Land aforesaid. Now, therefore, this Indenture Witnesseth: That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the premises and for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar to them in hand paid, by the said Jacob Baumgardner the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, they, the said parties of the first, have granted, bargained, and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said

Jacob Baumgardner, his heirs and assigns forever, a certain tract of land lying and being in the County of Cabell on Mud River, and which is bounded as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the end of a bottom where said river makes a bend and known by the name of the bushy bottom, and running up and down said river for quantity supposed to contain Twenty-five acres of Land , Together with all and aingular, the appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining.

To the only proper use and behoof of the said Jacob Baumgardner, his heirs and assigns forever. And the said parties of the first part do hereby covenant, and agree to and with the said Jacob Baumgardner and his heirs, that they, the said parties of the first part will warrant and defend the title to the said Land free from the claim of claims of themselves & their heirs, and free from all persons claiming under them, but not against the claim of any other person, whatever.

In Testimony whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of

John W. Griffin
By John Samuels, Com'r (Seal)

Abram Inout, by
John Samuels, Spl Comr. (Seal)

Benjamin Swann, by
John Samuels, Dep. Comr (Seal)

Fancy Swann, by
John Samuels, Spl. Comr. (Seal)

Fancy Swann, by
John Samuels, Spl Comr. (Seal)

David Smith, by
John Samuels, Spl. Comr. (Seal)

Senia Smith, by
John Samuels, Spl. Comr.. (Seal)

Cabell County Court, 23d
March, 1840.
This Deed from
Henry Walker, and others to
Jacob Baumgardner was this day
presented in Court, and was
duly acknowledged by the said
Henry Walker, and others, by
John Samuels, Spl. Comr to be
the act and deed of the said
Henry Walker & others, and
which is ordered to be recorded.

Henry Walker, by (Seal)
John Samuels, Spl. Comr.

Elijah Ray, by (Seal)
John Samuels, Spl. Com'r.

Betsy Ray, by (Seal)
John Samuels, Spl. Comr.

Wm. Saxton, by (Seal)
John Samuels, Spl. Comr.

Folly Saxton, by (Seal)
John Samuels, Spl. Com'r.

William Garrett, by (Seal)
John Samuels, Spl. Comr.

Melinda Garrett, by (Seal)
John Samuels, Spl. Comr.

James Garrett, by (Seal)
John Samuels, Spl. Com'r.

Teste:

John Samuels, Clk C.C.

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E. T. Watson's Heirs

to (Deed.

Willian Ray, et al

This Indenture, Made this 31st day of June, 1866, between the heirs of James T. Watson, deceased, by James E. Brown, Com'r of the first part, and James H. Hoags, respectively of the County of Sebell, of the second part. Witnesseth, That, whereas, by a decree of the Circuit Superior Court of law and chancery for Wayne County rendered at the October term, 1845 in pursuance of an Act for the relief said heirs, and others February 31, 1845 the said Brown was appointed a Commissioner to sell and convey the lands of said Watson. And, whereas, the said Brown as Commissioner on the 2nd day of July, 1847 agreed to sell to one Henry Hollenbeck a certain parcel of said Watson's land estimated to contain one hundred and eighty acres at the price of one hundred and thirty-five dollars and fifty cents, with interest, from that date, who, failing to pay for the same, sold it to W. G. L. Beuhning in consideration that he would pay the original purchase money and interest due thereon to the said Brown, Com'r, which he agreed and undertook to do. And, whereas, also the said Brown Com'r as such Commissioner, on the 1st day of September, 1846 agreed to sell to one G. W. L. Hoags a certain other parcel of said Watson's land adjoining the aforesaid parcel, estimated to contain one hundred and thirty acres at the price of 1150 dollars with interest thereon from this date, who, failing to pay for the same, sold it to W. G. L. Beuhning in consideration that he would pay the original purchase money, and interest due thereon to the said Brown, Com'r which he agreed and undertook to do, which said sales to Hollenbeck

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And Adams, respectively, were reported to the said Court by said Com'r at the October term 1845 and Whereas, since the death of the said his executors, John Leidley and Wm. Johnson sold to the said Mr. Ray a certain tract containing 92 acres and 92 poles, parcel of the said Hollenback and Adams tracts. And whereas the said Brown, as Com'r, as aforesaid, afterwards, to-wit:

On or about the 6th day of May, 1850, sold and conveyed to Messrs. Todd and DeVol all the residue of the Watson then unsold in the Counties of Cabell and Wayne, or not contracted to be sold, reserving and excepting from the operation of said sale and conveyance to Todd and DeVol forever, all the tracts or parcels of land heretofore sold, or agreed to be sold to other parties, reserving the right to carry said prior sales and agreements into execution and make deeds for the said parcels in like manner as if the said sale and conveyance had never been made. And, whereas, the said parcels of land mentioned were, and still are in the condition above specified in the said reservation and conveyance to Todd and DeVol nor intended so to be.

And, whereas, it has been agreed by and between John Leidley and W. Johnson, executors of the will of said Leuhning, deceased, and the said Mr. Ray and James H. Long, and others the said Com'r, Com'r upon the payment to him of the said purchase money and interest should make the deed for said parcels of land should make the deed to the said Ray and Long, respectively in severalty. And the said Brown, Com'r, being willing to comply with the wishes of the said parties and carry out their agreement and understanding in the premises by making by making the deed to them, respectively, in severalty, for their respective parcels instead of to the said executors or heirs of said Leuhning,

reserving in the said Deed the vendor's lien on the said land for the purchase money and interest aforesaid, but without releasing or affecting in any way any right or security against any person or estate amount for the same until the same shall be actually

And Whereas, the said parties, viz. the said Ray and Poage and the said Executors have had the parcels of land surveyed and laid off to them, respectively, by metes and bounds in severalty by James Melin, Surveyor of Cabell County and furnished his certificate to said Brown, Com'r with request to make the conveyance accordingly, but without discharging any of the trustees or or any estate or any part of said land from the whole, or any part of the purchase money and interest until the whole should be actually paid to the said Brown, Com'r. And, Whereas, the said F.O.L. Beuh-ring, on the 16th day of October, 1858 in a settlement of

due and owing from him and executed his bond and due the same day to the said J.H. Brown for the sum of two thousand and two hundred and ninety-seven dollars and seventy-seven cents the balance then found due in which said sum and bond and as thereof and included the purchase money and interest to that date on the said two hundred and forty seven acres and twenty-two poles of land apportioned as aforesaid the said purchase money and interest then amounting to the sum of (\$222.46), two hundred and ninety-two dollars and forty-six cents no part of which said bond has yet been found and as a security for which said sum of \$222.46 and interest thereon, the title to the said land has been retained. And now as intended and agreed the Vendor's^d lien on the said 342 acres and 22 poles and upon every part thereof is hereby reserved to secure

the payment of the said \$292.46 with interest thereon from the said 16th day of October, 1858 till paid; Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises, and of the said sum of \$292.46 thus secured to be paid the said parties of the first do do grant, bargain sell and convey with special warranty but subject to the lien aforesaid reserved to the said parties of the second part, respectively in severalty the said 247 acres and 32 poles, apportioned as aforesaid, and an situated in the County of Cabell, on the East side of of the old McCoy road, on the waters of Four Hole creek, and adjoining and conveyed to John R. Flowers, dated June 20, 1866, that is to say, namely: to the said Lillian Ray the southern portion of said 247 acres and 32 poles, and adjoining the said Flowers, and bounded as follows, viz. Beginning at a stake on the west side of the old McCoy Road, on a line of a survey made for John Quincy Adams, and now or lately owned by Albert Laidley; thence with the same N 5 W 52 poles to two white oak stumps at the intersection of the old McCoy road with the old Kentucky trace, and in the gap on the ridge, corner to said Laidley; also corner to land sold to F.G.L. Bauhring to parties of the first part; and thence with the same N 20-1/2 W 14 poles to a dead white oak on the side of a knob and thence along the McCoy road N. 31 E. 62 poles to a white oak and chestnut oak N 34 E 21 poles to two black oaks, corner to Harles, now Poage; thence with the same S 35 East 43 poles to two white oaks, corner as it is surveyed to Gramm and course continued 58 poles further: in all 106 poles to a black oak S 72 E 92 poles to a big white oak on a gill side, said to be corner to Chatterson thence with the same S 55 W 20 poles to two hickories S 7 W. 71 poles to a broken chestnut oak near the foot of a hill corner to John R. Flowers, and with his land along the meeting

house road N.24 W. 14 poles to a black oak or spotted oak N.38 W. 30 poles to a white oak on a flat ridge S 59-1/2 W 38 poles to a small black oak N. 45 W. 43 poles to two chestnut oaks N 76-1/2 W. 44 poles to a black oak N 88-1/2 W. 42-1/2 poles to a spotted oak in a drain west of McCoy Road and in the line of land Albert Esidley, which is the Beginning where the stake is called for by also corner Flowers, containing 98 acres and 22 poles, more or less.

To have and to hold the same with the appurtenances in severalty to him, the said Mr. Ray and his heirs forever, subject, however, the lien aforesaid. And to the said James H. Poage the northern portion of said 247 acres and bounded as follows, viz:

Behinning at two black oaks near the McCoy road, corner to Mr. Ray; and also corner to sold, to sold, Beuhring, west of said road; thence leaving Ray and with the line of Beuhring along the McCoy road N 42 E 46 poles to a chestnut oak N 23 E 27 poles to three white oaks by said road N 12 W 46 poles to a white LN. 3-1/2 E 25 poles to a white oak near the McCoy road, on a high knob N 77-1/2 E. 40 poles to two white oaks on a hill side E 28 W 108 poles to a white oak and small hickory by road, corner to Beuhring, now Lopping and Lovejoy, and with Lovejoy's land S 88 E 123 poles to a stake by a drain S 3 W. 10 poles to a hickory root, corner to Graham, and with his lines S 5 W 152 poles to a white oak, ash and dogwood S 40 W 147 poles to 2 white oaks, corner to Ray; and with his line N 35 W 48 poles to the Beginning, containing 155 acres, more or less. To have and to hold the same with the appurtenances in severalty, to him, the said James H. Poage and his heirs forever, subject, however, to the lien aforesaid, Witness the following signatures and seals the day and year above witten.

James T. Watson, heirs (Seal)

By James H. Brown, Com'r (Seal).

State of West Virginia, {
County of Kanawha { Viz:

I, John Williams, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the County aforesaid and Township of Charleston do certify that James H. Brown, Com'r for the heirs of James T. Watson, whose names is signed to the above writing bearing date on the 21st day of June 1866, has acknowledged the same before me in my said County and Township aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 29th day of June, 1866.

(Signed) John Williams J.P.

Recorder's Office,
Cabell County, West Virginia.

This Deed from James H. Brown, Commissioner to Ray and Foage was this day presented to me, the Recorder of the County and State aforesaid, together with the Certificate of Acknowledgement thereon, endorsed. The same is admitted to record.

Given under my hand this 4th day of August, 1869.

(Signed) Jno. W. Church Dept.

For Thomas J. Hayslip, Recorder.

This Indenture, Made and entered into this 14th day of September, in the year of Christ, 1942, between Elias Ray, and Rachel, his wife, James McAnderson and Lynour, his wife (late Lucinda Ray) and heirs of the late Jesse Ray, deceased, of the first part and John W. Hite, of the second part, Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of the sum of forty-five dollars, to them in hand paid, by the said John W. Hite, that is to say, the said Elias Ray and Rachel, his wife, the sum of fifteen dollars and the said James McAnderson and Lenora, his wife, the sum of fifteen dollars, and thid Elias Jefferson Ward and Lucinda, his wife, the sum of fifteen dollars, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, they the said parties of the first part hath given, granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain and sell unto the said John W. Hite all their undivided interest, right and title which they have in and to a certain tract or parcel of land situate in the County of Cabell, on the waters of Four Pole Creek and Guyandotte, , being one-eighth each of said tract, and also all the interest that may accrue to them in future as heirs-at-law of the said tract, or parcel of land supposed to contain about 75 or eighty acres the said Jefferson Ray, dec'd died seized of in fee. To have and to hold unto the said Jno. W. Hite the said three eighths, as aforesaid, the said Jno. W. Hite the said three eighths, as aforesaid, the said Jno. W. Hite, his heirs and assigns forever, as well as any and every interest that may accrue to them in future, as heirs-at-law of the said Jesse Ray, dec'd to the only proper use and behoof of him, the said Jno. W. Hite, his heirs and assigns forever together with all the rights, privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining and the said Elias Ray and Rachael, his wife, James McAnderson and Lenour, his wife (late Leonard Ray) and

This Indenture, Made and entered into this 9th day of June, 1842, Between Nathal S. Adam and Pauline, his wife, of the first part, and Jno. W. Hite, of the other part, all of the Town of Guyandotte and County of Cabell in the State of Virginia, Witness-eth: That the said Nath'l S. Adam and Pauline, his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of Six Hundred dollars, to them in hand paid, by the said Jno. W. Hite, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, , they, the said Nath'l S. Adams and Pauline, his wife, have given, granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain and sell unto the said Jno. W. Hite, his heirs and assigns forever, the the North half of Lot No. in the Town of Guyandotte, which said half lot was conveyed by John W. Hite, and others to Henry H. Terrell, and by the said Henry H. Terrill and wife to Joseph J. Mansfield, in Trust, to secure the payment of certain sums of money therein mentioned to John D. Cameron, and by the said J.J.Mansfield to the said Nath'l S. Adam, all of which deeds of conveyance a record can be had from the County Court Clerk's office for a more full description of said Lots together with all and singular, the appurtenances thereunto belonging in any wise appertaining unto the said John W. Hite, his heirs and assigns forever. To the only proper use and behoof of him, the said John W. Hite, his heirs and assigns forever, free from the claim, or claims of them the said Nath'l S. Adams and Pauline, his wife, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and free from the claim or claims of all and every other person or persons whatever, will warrant and forever defend by these presents.

In Testimony whereof the said Nath'l S. Adams and Pauline,
his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year
above written.

E. S. Adams (Seal)

Pauline Adams (Seal).

THIS INDENTURE, Made and entered into the second day of March Eighteen Hundred and Forty between Richard McAlister and Sarg McAlester of the one part and William Ray, of the other part.

Witnesseth: That the said Richard McAlister Sary McAlister for and in consideration of the sum of seventy five dollars, to him i n hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said William Ray, his heirs and assigns forever, a certain tract or parcel of land lying on bare creek, a branch of Guyandotte river, and bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning on twd white oaks on the side of Waugh's; thence poles, crossing said creek at right angles to the line of the boundary of the land conveyed by John Laidley to said McAlister, thence with the lower lines of the same to the Beginning, supposed to contain fifty or sixty acres, be the same more or less, to have and to hold the above described land unto the said William Ray, his heirs and assigns forever; and the said Richard McAlister and Mary McAlister, his wife, for themselves, and doth covenant and agree to and with the said William Ray to warrant and forever defend the title to the above said granted land, free claim of himself and all and every person claiming the same in, through, or by him, whatever. In Wirness whereof, I have hereto set my hand and seal this day and year first above written.

Richard McAlister (Seal)

Sarry McAlister (Seal)

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THIS DEED, Made the 15th day of August, 1857 Wm. Everett Feazel and Amacetta V., his wife, of Cabell County, Va. of the first part and Isaac Ray, of the same place, of the second part.

Witnesseth: That in consideration of Two Hundred and fifty dollars the said Feazel and wife doth hereby grant unto the said Ray sixty acres of land lying in the Dry Branch of Guyandotte, and bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning on three beeches and a white oak about 1/4 of a mile from the mouth of said branch (said branch sometimes called "Luster's Branch") thence N 45 west 24 poles to a black oak S 47, W. 116 poles to 2 white oaks on a ridge S. 33 E 154 poles to 3 beeches and a white oak N 56 E 38 poles to 2 white oaks and a beech N 20 W. 130 po 2 sourwood white oak and dogwood N 40 E. 50 po to a poplar and beech and thence N. 33 west six poles to the Beginning, but it is distinctly understood, covenanted, and between the parties hereto that said Feazel and wife retain the fee simple to all the coal and the right to mine the same in the land hereby conveyed. And the said Feazel and wife hereby warrant generally the title to the tract of land hereby conveyed to the said Isaac Ray, his heirs and assigns forever.

Witness the following signatures and seals.

Wm. E. Feazel (Seal)

Amacetta V. Feazel (Seal).

DEED BOOK L-12. P. 594.

THIS DEED, This 16th day of November in the year of Christ 1856 between John Leidley, Special Comr. of the first part and William Ray of the second part, all of Cabell County, Virginia.

Whereas, by a decree of the Circuit Court of Cabell County, pronounced on the 12th day of April, 1856 in the case of Wm. Ray vs. Alexander McCallister et others among others it was decreed as follows, to-wit:

It is therefore adjudged, ordered and decreed that Richard McCallister do prepare execute, and acknowledge for record an apt and proper deed conveying to the plaintiff the tract last above described, with with covenants of General Warranty and that Alexander McCallister release to the complainant, with covenants of special warranty, all his right, title and interest under the deed from said Richard McCallister to that part of the said land described in the plat of C. Latten, as lying within the lines designated by the letters A C B and D., and on their failing to make such deed and release, or either of them within thirty days from the date that John Leidley, who is hereby appointed a Special Commissioner for that purpose, do in like manner, prepare, execute and acknowledge ~~release~~ deed and release for the said Richard McCallister and Alexander McCallister, or such of them as may fail to release and convey, as aforesaid.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises and for the further consideration of One Dollar the same John Leidley for and on the behalf of Richard McCallister, doth doth hereby grant and for and on behalf of the said Alexander McCallister, doth hereby release to the said William Ray all that tract of land included within the bounds of the lines of the plat A C D B A filed

said course and bounded as follows, to-wit: Beginning at two white oaks on the South Waynes 48 E. 27-1/2 poles to a white oak in the head of a drain, thence S 77-1/2 E 64 poles to a sugar tree at the mouth of a drain South 47-1/2 E 45-1/2 poles to a pine; thence or 78 ~~feet~~ W. 117-1/2 poles to the Beginning. And the said John Laidley, for and on behalf of Richard McCallister doth hereby warrant generally, the title to the tract of land aforesaid to the said Wm. Ray, and for and on behalf of the said Alexander McCallister, doth quit claim, warrant and specially and release.

Witness the following signatures and seals.

Richard McCallister (Seal)

By J. Laidley a Spl Comr.

Alexander McCallister (Seal)

By J. Laidley, Spl Comr.

This Indenture, Made the second day of January, in the year One Thousand, Eight Hundred and Forty-five, Between Benjamin Ray and Malinda, his wife, of Wayne County and State of Virginia, of the one part, and and John L. Keller, of Cabell County, of the other part, Witnesseth: The said Benjamin Ray and Malinda his wife in consideration of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars of lawful money of this Commonwealth, to them in hand paid by the said John L. Keller at and before the ensembling and delivery of these presents (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) have bargained and sold, and by these presents do and each of them doth bargain and sell unto the said John L. Keller, his heirs and assigns, a certain tract or parcel of land containing ninety-five acres, situated in Cabell County, on the east side of the main left hand fork of Four Pole creek, bounded as follows, ~~xxxxxx~~ viz: Beginning at a sugar tree on the East Bank of the said fork, corner to a survey of 25 acres made for James McGinnis, standing about two poles N.E. of the upper corner of a survey of 150 acres made for James Mays; thence with a line of said 25 acres survey S.40 E 136 poles to a white oak on branch; thence, leaving said survey N.31 E. 122 poles to three small white oaks on a hill N. 9 W. 74 poles to a white oak on a hill side S.78 W. 126 poles to a white oak by a drain; thence S. 19 W. 55 to the Beginning, with it's appurtenances. To have and to hold the same tract of land with its appurtenances .

To have and to hold the same tract of land with its appurtenances hereinbefore mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold and every part an parcel thereof, with with every of these rights, members and appurtenances unto the said John L. Keller, his heirs and assigns; and the said Benjamin Ray and Malinda, his wife, for themselves and their heirs the said tract of land, with all and

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singular, the premises before mentioned unto the said John S. Keller, his heirs and assigns will forever warrant and defend.

In Witness whereof, the said Benjamin Ray and Melcona, his wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and year first above written.

Benjamin Ray (Seal)

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of

Melcona Ray (Seal).

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Deed from Luke Ray to Benjamin Ray

THIS INDENTURE made and entered into this 28th. day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven. Between Luke Ray of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia of the first part and Benjamin Ray of the same place of the second part, witnesseth that the said Luke for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to him in hand paid by the said Benjamin Ray the receipt is hereby acknowledged, he the said Luke Ray hath this day granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said Benjamin Ray his heirs and assigns forever a certain piece or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Cabell on Four Pole Creek it being the south east morety of a certain tract sixty acres which land was patented to John Mayo and by heirs conveyed to Jesse Ray and by the said Ray to Jeremiah Stephenson and by the said Ray to Jeremiah Stephenson and by the said Stephenson to Edward Shy. To have and to hold the said morety of the 160 acres of land unto him the said Benjamin Ray his heirs and assigns forever, to and for the only proper use and behoof of him the said Benjamin Ray his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Luke Ray for himself and his heirs doth hereby covenant and agree to and with the said Benjamin Ray and his heirs that he the said Luke Ray will warrant and defend the said land free from himself and his heirs and all persons claiming under them, but not against any other claim. In witness whereof the said Luke Ray has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed and delivered

Luke E. Ray (SEAL)

in presence of

Cabell County Clerks office 28th. August 1837.

This deed from Luke E. Ray to Benjamin Ray was this day presented to me

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the clerk of Cabell County and was duly acknowledged by the said Luke Ray to be his act and deed the same is therefore admitted to be recorded.

Teste. John Samuels CK. C. C.

Deed from Edward Shy to Luke Ray

This indenture made this 13th day of September in the year of our Lord 1836, between Edward Shy and Elizabeth his wife of the first part and Luke Ray of the second part all of Cabell County Virginia, witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to them in hand paid by the said Luke Ray, the receipt where of is hereby acknowledged, they the said Edward Shy and wife have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said Luke Ray his heirs and assigns for ever a certain piece or parcel of land situate lying and being in the said County of Cabell on Four pole creek it being the south east morety of a certain tract of land on four pole creek, containing in all one hundred and sixty acres, which land was patented to John Mays and by him conveyed to John Ray and by the said Ray to Jeremiah Stephenson and by the said Stephenson to the said Edward Shy to have and to hold the said morety of the said 160 acres of land unto him the said Luke Ray his heirs and assigns for-ever, to and for the only proper use and behoof of him the said Luke Ray his heirs does hereby covenant and agree to and with the said Luke Ray and his heirs, that the said Shy will warrant and defend the said land free from himself and his heirs and all persons claiming under them, but not against a third party claim. In witness whereof the said Edward Shy and wife have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and date first above written.

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Cabell County to wit.

Edward Shy (Seal)

Elizabeth Shy (Seal)

We Benjamin Drown and Solomon Thornburg Justices of the peace in the

County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Elizabeth Shy the wife of Edward Shy parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 13th day of December 1836 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privately and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Elizabeth Shy acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands this 20th day of January 1837.

Benjamin Drown (SEAL)

Solomon Thornburg (SEAL)

Cabell County Court clerks office 13th. September 1836.

This deed from Edward Shy and wife to Luke Ray was this day presented to me the clerk of Cabell County Court together with the certificate of acknowledgment there on endorsed, the same is admitted to record.

John Samuels CL. C. C.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

HOTEL:

Sept. 11 to Sept. 22, inclusive

4 nights @	\$2.50	\$ 10.00
7 "	2.00	<u>14.00</u>
	Total	\$24.00.

Bus Fares, &c.:

Huntington to Wheeling by

B & O. train	\$ 8.84
Wheeling to Washington, Pa.	1.15
Washington to Uniontown, Pa.	1.38
Uniontown to Hagerstown, Md	<u>4.85</u>
Hagerstown to Cumberland, Md	2.56
Hagerstown to Charlestown W. Va	1.04
Charlestown to Winchester, Va	.86
Winchester to Woodstock	.80
Woodstock to Mt. Jackson	.42
Mt. Jackson to Staunton	1.05
Staunton to Huntington	<u>11.05</u>
	Total \$35.60

← Meals: Sept. 11, 1950	
Sept. 12, 1950 - - - -	\$ 1.25
13	2.00
14	2.00
15	2.00
16	1.85
17	2.00
18	2.00
19	2.00
20	2.00
21	2.00
22	2.00
23	<u>1.25</u>
	Total \$22.35

Grand total \$61.95. _____

Ray marriages Cabell Co.

Edmund Ray m. Elizabeth Amos

April 24, 1814

David Harbour.

Nancy Ray m. James Garrett

Dec. 19, 1816

John Ray m. Tabitha Partlow

March 9, 1819

John Morris.

Sally Rea m. John Byes

1819, Jos. Barrett

m. Tina?

Kezy Ray m. Geo. Callaway

June 26, 1828

Stephen S.

Kessiah Ray m. Aeneas Carter

March 7, 1829

Bishop Elias Humphreys

William Ray m. Emily Hatten

Feb. 14, 1832. Stephen S.

Anderson Ray m. Sarah Stever

Nov. 1, 1832

Thos. Harmon

Isaiah Ray m. Sarah Reel

Dec. 4, 1834

Thos. Harmon

✓ Luke E. Ray m. Mariella Brown
1839. Edmund McGinnis.

Elizabeth Ray m. James Wilcox
1851 "

Mary Ann Ray
m. Wm. B. Perry
Oct. 27, 1852
Ransom Lueaster
M.E. South.

Martha Ray m. Wm. Beckell
Feb. 6 1859 (2-9) 56 & 34
See dau. of John Ray.
Wm. McComas
Widowed & single. Son of
She G. Lawrence Co., O., He
Cabell. She resided Lawrence Co.
He son of James & M. Beckell

Eva W. Ray m. Wm. E. Spurlock.
March 23, 1865 (2-13) 22 & 19
Rev. Daniel Waddell
He G. Wayne Co. He son of
Cassender & Betsey Spurlock. She
dau. Sarah & Lily Ray

Eglantine J. Ray m. James H.
Hunkle. 21 & 18

Sept. 27 1865 (2-14) He G.
Wayne Co. Son of John &
Matilda Hunkle. Dau. of Isaac
& Lucy Ray

Morris Ray m. Lelia Ashworth

Dec. 7, 1865 (2-15) 30 & 2.
Both G. & resided in Cabell Co.
Both single. He son of
Wm. & Julia Ray. She dau.
Henry & Ashworth
Melcher Morris

Benj. Ray m. Mary J. Cardwell

May 9, 1866 (2-16) 21 & 20
Both b. & resided in Cabell. He son
of Sarah & Lucy Ray. She dau m. &
of Sarah Cardwell

Mary E. Ray m. Edward Mc Ginnis

May 10, 1866 (2-16) 18 & 14
He b. Wayne Co. He son of Samuel
& Mary A. Mc Ginnis. She dau. of
Sarah & Lucy Ray. - John Kelley.
America Ray m. Isaac Hurd

Aug. 5, 1866 (2-16) 21 & 17?
Rev. John Kelley. He b. Montgomery Co., Ill. She
Cabell. He resided in Cabell
& son of Wm. & Sarah Hurd. She
dau. of Wm. & Emily Ray. Perry
John Ray m. Martha J. Perry

1868 (2-19) 26 & 19
Both single & resided in
Cabell. He son of W. & J. A.
Ray. She dau. Benj. L. & B. A.
Perry.

Emily J. Ray m. Jacob H. Teel

July 30 1868 (2-19) She
dau. Benj. L. & B. A.

Virginia Ray m. Paul Davis

July 4, 1872 (2-26)
Each 22. b. & resided in Cabell
He son of H. & L. Davis. She dau
of W. & E. Ray. W. H. K. Dick.

J. Ray m. F. Carter

Dec. 25 1872 (2-27) 26 & 16
Both b. & residents of Cabell.
He son of H. F. & E. Ray. She dau
L. P. & L. Carter. He an artist

Joseph B. Ray m. Luora L. Kelley

Aug. 27, 1873 (2-28) 29 & 2
Both b. & resided in Cabell
(All.) D. Waddel

Sallie R. Ray m. John H. Parler
m. Joseph H. Parler
Aug 28 1873 (2-29) 23 & 15
He b. Kentucky. She Cabell.
He resident of Wayne Co
D. Waddell

Blackburn Ray
m. Cynthia A. Perry
April 7, 1874 (2-30) 23 & 18
He resident of Lincoln Co.
J. D. Carter.

Greenville Ray
m. Emily V. Mudgett
May 21, 1874 (2-31)
22 & 17

Henry Ray m. Nancy Cremons
July 11 1876 (2-35)
Each 50; she b. Mason Co

Marcellus Ray m. Flora F. Davis
Oct. 19, 1876 (2-36)
20 & 16

Jefferson Ray m. Edna Davis
Nov. 12, 1876 (2-36)
20 & 12, Cabell Co

Georgia A. Ray
m. John Blewins
May 3, 1877 (2-37)
24 & 15 J. J. Tramer
He b. Wise Co., Va.

Sarah Ray m. Cornelia Scales

Oct. 4, 1882

E. J. Mitchell C. P.

Melard F. Ray m. Ellen E. Hunter

Jan. 18, 1883 (2-57)

James W. Rowsey.

Francis M. Ray

m. Mrs. Eliza A. Wheeler

Dec. 9, 1883 2-58

W. P. Walker

Wilson Ray m. Margaret Jordan

Aug. 26, 1884 (2-57)

Thos Hawkins.

Cornelia Ray m. Simeon Plybon

March 18, 1886 (2-58)

Lucretia S. Ray m. James W. Insko

April 7, 1887 (2-73)

Jos. H. Jackson

Katie Ray m. Mellon Kite

April 27, 1887

Jos. H. Jackson

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Elizabeth Ray m. Jesse M. Davis
Aug. 28, 1889 (2-89)
W.W. King

America Ray m. David Gibson
Oct. 25, 1890 (2-93)
J. W. Sanders

Emma E. Ray m. John Reif
March 1, 1891. (2-95)
J. A. Black

Marion Ray m. Mary F. Martin
April 19, 1881 E. A. Davis

All to 1892

Cabell Co. Deaths 1890, reported
to Charleston

Lemuel Ray 28, d. June 1890

DEED BOOK G-7. P. 403.

THIS INSTRUMENT, Made the 20th day of May in the year 1839 between Luke E. Ray and Marietta, his wife, of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia of the one part, and Benj. Ray, Jr. of the County and State aforesaid, of the other part,

WITNESSETH: That the said Luke E. Ray and Marietta Ray, his wife in consideration of Dollars of lawful money of Virginia, to them in hand paid by the said Benj. Ray, Jr. at or before the enrolling and delivering of these presents, do, and each of them both bargain and sell unto the said Benj. Ray, Jun. his heirs and assigns, a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the said County of Cabell, containing fifty acres by survey situate on the South Side of Four Pole creek adjoining a survey of 150 acres made by James Mays, bounded as follows:

Beginning at a white oak and beech on a line of said survey near Edwar Gyres house, thence with said survey N. 15, W. 71 poles to a white oak and dogwood on a point, N. 72, W. 96 poles to a beech & sugar tree on the south side of 4 pole creek near Benj. Ray's upper line S/12 E. 20 ~~xxxx~~ poles to an ash on a hill 3.36 E. 120 poles to a beech N. 36, E. 70 poles to the Beginning.

Also one other tract of land containing ninety acres, situate in the County aforesaid on the east side of the main left hand fork of 4 Pole Creek, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a sugar tree on the east bank of said fork, corner to a survey of 25 acres made for James McGinnis, thence with a line standing about two poles north-east of the upper corner of a survey of 150 acres made for James Mays; ; thence with a line of said 25 acres S 40

E 136 poles to a white oak on a branch; thence leaving said survey N. 31 E. 127 Poles to three small white oaks on a hill N.7 W. 74 poles to a white oak on a hill side S.87, W. 126 poles to a white oak by a drain; S. 19, W. 53 poles to the Beginning, together with all and singular, the appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold the said tracts or parcels of land with the tenements, hereditaments, and all and singular other, the premises hereinbefore mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold and every part and parcel thereof, with every of their rights, appurtenances and members as unto the said Benj. Ray, Jun. his heirs and assigns forever; and the said Luke Ray and Marietta, by his wife forthemselves and their heirs the said lands with all and singular the premises and appurtenances before mentioned unto the said Benj. Ray, Jun, his heirs and assigns free from the claim or ~~xxx~~ claims of them, the said Luke Ray and Marietta, his wife or either of their heirs and of all other person, or persons claiming under, by, or through them.

In Testimony they have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Luke L. Ray (Seal)

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of

Marietta Ray (Seal).

Cabell County, To-wit:

We, Hiram Chadwick and Jphn Plymale Justices of the Peace in said County aforesaid, do hereby certify that Marietta Ray, the wife of Luke Ray, parties to a certain deed bearing date the 30th of May, 1839 & hereunto annexed, personally appeared before me

in our County aforesaid, and being examined before me privily and a-part, from her husband, & having this deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Marietta Ray acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same & that she wishes not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 31st day of May, 1839.

(Signed) John Flymale (Seal)

Benj. Drown (Seal).

Cabell County Court Clerk's Office 24th Feb'y, 1840.

This Deed from Luke Ray and wife to Benj. Ray was this day presented to me, the Clerk of Cabell County Court, together with the certificates thereon endorsed. The same is admitted to record.

Teste:

John Samuels, Clk. C. C.

DEED BOOK G-7. P. 138.

THIS INDENTURE, Made and entered into this 14th day of November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-eight between Peter Ray, of the first part and Elias Ray of the second part and Levina Ray, of the third part, all of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia.

Whereas, the said Peter Ray is justly indebted to Levina Ray in the sum of One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars, due by note payable on the 14th day of November, 1839 with interest thereon, which debt with the legal interest thereon the said Peter is willing and desirous to secure. Now this Indenture Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of the premises and for the further consideration of One Dollar to the sd Peter Ray in hand paid by Elias Ray (the Trustee) the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Elias Ray, the following property, to-wit: One horse, sorrel, 1 cow and four calves, 1 bed and bedding, One plough, 1 Log chain, 1 hoe, 1 wedge, 1 axe and 3 frenks also 1 saddle & bridle unto him the said Elias Ray, his heirs and assigns forever Upon Trust.

Nevertheless, if the said Peter Ray shall pay or cause to be paid unto the said Levina Ray the said sum of One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars on or before the 14th day of November, 1839, and the interest which may accrue thereon, then this Indenture to be void but should he fail to pay all, or any part thereof when the same is due and payable it shall be the duty of the said Elias Ray (having first been called on by the said Levina Ray to advertise the sd property for ten days on some Public Place previous to the day of Sale to the highest bidder for ready money, and out of the proceeds

first pay to Levina Ray the said sum of One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars and interest with all costs attending this deed. And the ballance if any pay to the sd Peter Ray or his order.

In Witnesswhereof, the parties hereunto set their hands and seals the day and date first above written.

Peter Ray (SEAL)

Elias Ray (SEAL)

Levina Ray (SEAL).

Cabell County Court Clerk's Office Nov. 17, 1853

Deed of Trust from Peter Ray to Elias Ray for the use and benefit of Levina Ray was this day presented to me, the Clerk of Cabell County Court, and was duly acknowledged by the said Peter Ray to be his act and deed, the same is admitted to record.

Teste:

John Samuels, Clk.

DEED BOOK G-7. P. 137.

THIS INDENTURE, Made the fifty day of November, in the year of our Lord Eight Thousand One Hundred and Thirty-eight, between Peter Ray and Charlotte, his wife, of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia of the first part, and Levine Ray, of the County and State aforesaid, of the other part.

Witnesseth: That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One Hundred Dollars in hand paid by the said parties of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, , have bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell and convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, all the interest they hold in the lands of ^{Jesse} ~~John~~ Ray, Dec'd, including as well the lands purchased of Meadows, as of his own right, being three undivided eighth parts in the estate aforesaid, , lying and being in the County of Cabell and State of Virginia, together with all and singular , the appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold the said undivided interest in the said tract or parcel of land, with the tenements, hereditaments, and all and singular other the premises herein before mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold, and every part and parcel of the same , with every of their rights, members and appurtenances unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, and the said parties of the first part for themselves and their heirs the said undivided interest in the said tract or parcel of land aforesaid, with all and singular, the premises and appurtenances before mentioned unto the said Party of the Second Part, her heirs and assigns, free from the claim or claims of the said party of the First Part or either of them, their, or either of their

heirs of all and every person or persons whatsoever shall, will and do Warrant and forever defend by these presents.

In Witness whereof the said Parties of the First Part have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and date first above written.

Peter Ray (Seal)
His
Charlotte K Ray
mark.

Gabell County, to-wit:

We, Ezekeiah Atkins and Benjamin Brown Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Charlotte Ray, the wife of Peter Ray, Parties to a certain deed bearing date ~~the~~ on the 5th day of November, 1858, and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she, the said Charlotte Ray, acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she has willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same and that she wishes not to retract it.

Given under our hands and seals the 15th day of November, 1858.

Ezekeiah Atkins (Seal)

Benjamin Brown (Seal).

Gabell County Court Clerk's Office 17 Nov 1858.

This Deed from Peter Ray to Levina Ray was this day presented to me, the Clerk of Gabell County Court and was duly acknowledged by the said Peter Ray to be his act and deed, the same is admitted to record.

Teste:

John Samuels, Clk.

Deed Book G-7. P. 101.

THIS INDENTURE, Made and entered into this 31 day of May, in the year of Christ One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-eight between Frances Tiernan and Athalia Tiernan, his wife, of the City of Philadelphia of the first part and James Russell and Luke Ray of the second part.

Witnesseth: That the said James Tiernan and wife for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars, to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, they have given, granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do give, grant, bargain and sell unto the said James Russell and Luke Ray a certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Cabell and the State of Virginia, on Twelve Pole creek, including the place known as the Buffalo Shoals and which was conveyed to the said Francis Tiernan by John Thompson by deed bearing date on the 10th day of February, 1834 and recorded in Cabell County Court, being all the right and interest which which the said John Thompson had in the Verdue tract of land including the mill seat and which was laid off as the share of Frederick Blanchard, Edward and Vergus Verdue and conveyed to said John Thompson by William Allison, containing sixty-three acres and one-half .

To have and to hold the above tract or parcel of land situate^{te} lying, and being in said County of Cabell unto the said James Russell and Luke Ray, their heirs and assigns forever to the only proper use and behoof of them the said James Russell and Luke Ray, their heirs and assigns forever, , and the said Francis Tiernan and wife for themselves and their heirs, doth covenant and agree to warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above tract or piece of land, free from the claim of themselves, and all others claiming under, or through them as well as from the claims of

every other person to the above piece of land so far as the same is contained within John Thompson deed from William Allison, and from him, the said Thompson to said Tiernan, and as to the one acre of land and the mill seat thereon, they, the said Francis Tiernan and wife only covenant to Warrant against those claiming under through them, but against no other claim.

In Testimony whereof they have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Francis Tiernan (Seal)

Athalia Tiernan (Seal).

City of Philadelphia.

We, Samuel Eadyer and John Binns Alderman and exoficio Justice of the Peace for the City of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania do hereby certify that Thomas Tiernan a party to a certain deed and hereunto annexed, bearing date on the 3rd day of May 1838 personally appeared before me in our said City and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify same to the County Court of Cabell County in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands this 7th day of June, 1838.

Sam'l Eadyer, Jr. Ald

Exoficio Justice of the Peace.

John Binns, Ald

Exoficio Justice of the Peace.

This Inienture, Made the 17th day of July in the year of our Lord, 1838 between John Meadows, of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia, of the first part and Peter Ray, of the County and and state aforesd of the other part.

Witnesseth: That the said John Meadows, for and in consid-
eration of the sum of Seventy-five Dollars, to him in and paid,
by the said Peter Ray, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,
he, the said John Meadows hath granted, bargained and sold & by
these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said Peter Ray,
his heirs and assigns forever all the interest he holds in the
lands of Tepe Ray, Dec'd which he purchased by deed from Edward
Daniels Ray by Deed dated the 3rd day of February, 1838 now of re-
cord in the Clerk's Office of Cabell County Court, being the two
un divided eighth part of said land; also all the interest which he
the said John Meadows holds in said land which he purchased from
Elias Ray for which he has said Ray's title land being one eighth part
part of said land of which Tepe Ray by deed seized, together
with all and singular the appurtenances hereto belonging, or in any
wise appertaining, and the said John Meadows hereby warrants and
defends the said three undivided eighth parts of said land
free from the claims of himself and his heirs and from all persons
claiming under him.

In witness whereof, the said John Meadows hath hereunto
set his hand and seal this day and date above written.

His
John Meadows (Seal)
Mark.

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of (

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Second Tract.

DEED BOOK 4. Pages 556-7.

DEED TO BENJ. RAY, SR.

THIS INDENTURE, Made this 16th day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand, Eight hundred and Twenty-seven between James T. Watson, of the City of New York, of the first part, and Benjamin Ray, of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia, of the second part.

Witnesseth: That the said James T. Watson, in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars, secured, to be paid to his attorneys in fact Lewis Summers and Mancah Postick, at or before the ensembling and delivery of these presents, (the receipt and security of which is hereby acknowledged) hath bargained and sold, and by these presents

doth bargain and sell unto the said Benjamin Ray a certain piece or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Cabell and State of Virginia, on the right hand fork of four pole creek, and is part of a tract of twenty thousand, two hundred and two acres granted by the Commonwealth of Virginia to Samuel W. Hopkins by letters patent, bearing date the 2nd day of July, 1796, which part of said tract hereby bargained and sold is bounded as followeth, to-wit:

Beginning at two white oaks on the bench of a hill on the east side of said fork, corner to a tract of land heretofore conveyed to said Ray, and with a line of the same N. 40, E. 48 poles, crossing said fork to two small sour woods by a large rock on the side of a point below a drain S 40 degrees E. 90 poles to two white oaks, hickory and maple on a hill side by large rocks S. E. E. 30 poles, crossing a branch to a white oak and ash by roads S 25 E. 240 poles to a Lynn, two ashes and hickory on an east hill side S. 4 E. 95 poles to a white oak, beech, maple and sugar tree on a branch N. 65 E. 40 poles down said branch to two white oaks and maple, then leaving said branch

S 35 E. 22 poles to a white oak and sugar tree at the foot of a
 hill E 63 E 50 poles , crossing said fork twice to three beeches
 and red oak on the bank just above the mouth of a small branch N.
 30 E. 133 poles to a white oak gum, poplar and black oak on the
 south side of a drain in the line of the said tract of 70, 302
 acres granted to Samuel Hopkins; thence with said line N. 16-1-2 W.
 crossing said fork at 52 poles 70 poles to three white oaks and pine;
 , then leaving said line and turning down ~~the~~ along the hill side
on the East side of said fork S. 30 W. 113 poles to a stake on said
 hill side N. 33 W. 330 poles to a stake on said hill side N. 40 E.
 50 poles to the Beginning, containing two hundred and thirty-five ~~xxx~~
acres, be the same more or less, with its appurtenances,

To have and to hold the said 235 acres of land, with the
 tenements, hereditaments, and all and singular, the premises and
 appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining there-
 unto unto the said Benjamin Ray, his heirs and assigns forever. And
 the said James T. Watson, for himself and his heirs doth covenant
 and agree to and with the said Benjamin Ray, , his heirs and assigns
 that he, the said James T. Watson, the said two hundred and thirty-
 five acres of land with all and singular, the premises and appurte-
 nances hereby heretofore and sold unto the said Benjamin Ray, his
 heirs and assigns, free from the claim, or claims of him, the said
 James T. Watson, , his heirs or assigns, and of all and every per-
 son or persons, whatsoever claim in, or to a claim in, through, or
 under him or them, or either of them, shall will and do by these
 presents, warrant and forever defend. And it is further covenanted
 and agreed by and between the said James T. Watson, for himself and
 his heirs and the said Benjamin Ray and his heirs that if ever the
 said Benjamin Ray, his heirs or assigns, or either of them should be
 evicted by any

course of legal proceedings and the judgment of any of the superior ¹⁰²
Courts of the Commonwealth, or of the United States from the said
two hundred, thirty ~~xxxxx~~ five acres of land by any person claiming
superior and adverse to the title of the said James T. Watson, that
then and in that case the said James T. Watson, ~~that then and in~~
~~that case the said James T. Watson~~ or his heirs shall refund and
repay to the said Benjamin Ray, his heirs or assigns so evicted
the sum of fifty dollars in case of a total eviction and a ratiable ?
proportion thereof per acre in the event of a partial eviction, but
without interest in either case.

In testimony whereof, the said James Watson has sealed
and delivered these presents the day and year first above written.

Sealed and delivered in the

presence of

James T. Watson (Seal)

By his Attorney-in-fact

I. Summers.

Cabell County Court Clerk's Office October the 16th, 1827.

This Deed of Bargain & Sale from James T. Watson to Benjamin
Ray was this day presented to me, the Clerk of Cabell County Court
and was duly acknowledged by Lewis Summers, the Attorney-in-fact for
the said James T. Watson: the same is admitted to record.

Teste.

John Daniels, Clk. C.C.

WILL OF BENJAMIN RAY, SENIOR.

I, Benj. Ray, of the County of Cabell and State of Virginia do hereby make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following, that is to say. First, desire that all my personal property be immediately sold after my decease & out of the monies arising therefrom all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid.

2dly I give my son Benjamin and his heirs forever, the lower part of my farm upon which I now live from the Water Gap down four pole creek, upon this condition, that he pay to my son Elijah Ray & James Rayrett ^{James?} who married my daughter Nancy, each the sum of Twenty Dollars, so soon as they or their legal representatives demand the same. 3rdly, I give to my sons Luzke Ray and Wm. Ray, to be equally divided between them and their heirs forever, the tract of land that William now lives on, being the same I purchased of Bostick T. Simmons, at my second and last purchase from them. It is my desire that William have the lower end of said land where he now lives, and that Luke have the upper end.

4thly, I give to my son, Isaiah Ray the balance of the farm on which I now live & the farm I lately purchased from my son Luke Ray, to be enjoyed by him and his heirs forever, upon this condition: that the said Isaiah Ray pay to my two grandchildren Lemuel Preston Carter & Angela ^{use} Carter, at the time they arrive at full age, each the sum of One Hundred Dollars with interest from the time of my death.

5thly, All the rest of my estate, both real and personal of what nature or kind soever it may not be herein before particularly disposed of, after paying my debts I desire may be equally divided between my two sons, William and Luke, which I give to them and their heirs forever.

And, lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my son, Isakah Ray, Executor of this my last Will & Testament.

Signed, sealed, published and His
Benj. Ray (SEAL).
Mark.
declared by Benjn Ray as & for his last Will
& Testament in the presence and hear-
ing of us who at his request & in his pres-
ence, have subscribed our names as Witnesses.
S. Thornburg, F. F. Summers, Merlin Dillon).

At a Court held for the County of Cabell the 25th day of November, 1839, This last Will & Testament of Benjn. Ray, was presented in Court, & was proved by the oaths of Ferdinand Summers and Merlin Dillon, which is ordered to be recorded.

Teste: John Samuels, Clk C.C.

Witnesses

*Solomon Thornburg
Ferdinand F. Summers
Merlin Dillon.*

THE LAST WILL & TESTAMENT

Of

Isaiah Ray, Dec'd.

Cabell County, West Virginia, Sept. 5th, 1865.

I, knowing that all men must die, and at present being of sound mind, I do hereby declare this to be my last Will & Testament.

First, I bequeath to my beloved wife, Lucy, all my property, real and personal during her natural life, and at her death my children shall share alike in all my property, first paying all just debts.

Witnesses:

Greenville Newman,
Samuel Barbour.

His
Isaiah Ray
Mark.

Recorder's Office
Cabell Co. West Va.

The above last Will & Testament of Isaiah Ray, Dec'd, was this day presented to us, Thos. J. Hayslip, Recorder of the County and State aforesaid and being duly sworn on the oaths of Greenville Newman and Samuel Barber, the two attesting witnesses to said Will, the same was admitted to record.

Given under my hand this 12th day of December, 1865.

(Signed) Thos. J. Hayslip, Recorder.

None of his children were named in this will.

First Tract

DEED BOOK 3-A. Pages 449, 450.

This Indenture, Made this _____ day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and twenty-two between James T. Watson, , of the City of New York of the first part and Benjamin Ray, of Cabell County and State of Virginia, of the second part.

Witnesseth: That the said James T. Watson in consideration of the sum of four hundred dollars secured to be paid to his attorneys in fact, Lewis Summers and Manosh Bostick, at or before the en sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt and security of which is hereby acknowledged, hath bargained and sold, and by these presents doth bargain and sell unto the said Benjamin Ray a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Cabell, on Four Hole creek, and is part of a tract of twenty thousand, two hundred and two acres granted by the Commonwealth of Virginia to Samuel M. Hopkins, by letters patent, bearing date the second day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand, seven hundred and seventy-six, which parcel of land hereby granted and sold is bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at two white oaks on a hill side, about twenty poles southwest of a spring in the forks of a right hand fork of Four Hole creek, thence N. 68 degrees W 18 poles, crossing two branches of Four Hole to three white oaks by a large rock near a branch at 3 degrees W. 182 poles to two small Sugars N. 14 degrees, E 36 poles, crossing Four Hole creek to a white oak and beech at the foot of a hill just above a branch S 7 degrees E 15 poles to two white oaks on a hillside opposite Ray's upper field W 71' E. 70 poles to two beeches and white oaks on the said Watson's line

line and with it S. 16-1/2' E. 255 poles to a stake; then leaving said line due West 210 poles, to the Beginning, Containing four hundred acres of land, be the same more or less, and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders yearly and other cents pieces and profits thereof, to have and to hold the sd. four hundred acres of land with the covenants, hereditaments, and all and singular, the premises hereinbefore mentioned as bargained and sold and every part and parcel thereof unto the said Benjamin Ray, his heirs and assigns forever to the only proper use and behoof of him, the said Benj. Ray, his heirs and assigns forever, and the said James T. Watson for himself and his heirs and every one of them, doth covenant and agree to and with the said Benjamin Ray, his heirs and assigns that he the said James T. Watson the said four hundred acres of land with all and singular, the premises hereby bargained and sold unto the said Benjamin Ray, his heirs and assigns, free from the claim or claims of him, the said James T. Watson, his heirs and assigns, and all and every person or persons whatsoever claiming, or to claim from, through, or under him or them, or either of them shall will and do by these presents forever warrant and defend, ; and it is further covenanted and agreed by and between the said James T. Watson for himself and his heirs that if ever the sd. Benj. Ray, his heirs or assigns, or either of them should be evicted by any course of legal proceedings and the Judgment of any of the Superior Courts of Commonwealth, or of the United States from the said four hundred acres of land claiming or to claim the said parcel of land, or any part thereof by any title superior and adverse to the title of the said James T. Watson, that then and in that case the said James T. Watson or his heirs shall refund and repay to the said Benjamin Ray, his heirs or assigns so

evicted the sum of four hundred dollars in the event of a total
eviction and a reatable portion thereof per acre in the event of a
partial eviction, but without interest thereon in either case.

In Testimony whereof, the said James T. Watson has sealed
and delivered these presents **thisayday** and year first above written.

Signed and sealed in {
presence of {

James T. Watson (Seal)

By his attorneys, L. Summers

Manoah Bostick.

Cabell County Court Clerk's office,

12th Apl. 1822.

This deed of Bargain and Sale from James T. Watson by
his attorneys in fact, Lewis Summers and Manoah Bostick to Benjamin
Ray was this day, the Clerk of Cabell County Court and was duly ack-
nowledged, the same is admitted to record.

Testes

(Signed) John Samuels, Ck C. C.

The Rays

By Sidney Ray ¹⁰⁹
b. April 3, 1877.

Isaiah Ray b. Oct. 1808

Son of Benj. Ray who
m. (Catherine —)

Benj. Rays mother was Penuelia
Cash. They came from Franklin
Co., so they said, really from
Bedford Territory, Bedford being
part of Franklin.

My mother's mother's mother
was Eleanor ~~Hampton~~ ^{Cary} ~~Henry~~
~~Hampton~~ lived at 2730
Orchard Ave., (Wayne Co.) just
above the Vinson place. He
built it for her, Sept 1811,
She (Eleanor) m. ~~Henry~~ Martin
Hollenback, all Hollenbacks gone
See W. Bert Sullivan, Russell, Ky.
knows, all of them, all about
them.

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Ray Wills

Will Bk 1 p. 78 & 9

Jesse Ray - Appraisal & Sale

Dec. 24, 1827

Rec. Jan. 28, 1828

He was a fairly prosperous farmer. He had several horses, cows, oxen, hogs, saw, rifle gun, kettle, pot, oven and lid, skillet, baker,

wool, curry comb, clevis, bell, 1 pair gears, flax wheel, barrels, churns an old cotton wheel, 20 sheep, 1 Ry(e) stack, stack of flax sled, some tobacco.

Lavenia Ray made the report and it was accepted by James Mc Sumis & John Carler.

Bidders were:

Lavenia Ray

Ninrod Smith

John Lucy —

Samuel Hallen

Benjamin Ray.

Daniel Lovejoy

Jesse Blankenship.

Two hogs sold to John Everett, and two killed in driving them to Everett's

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Benjamin Ray - Will Bk. 1 p. 237, 239, 254
Nov. 25, 1839

1. All personal property to
be sold, debts paid,
etc.

2. Benj & heirs forever given
the lower part of his
farm on which I now
live from the Water
Gap down Four Pole Creek
upon this condition
that he pay to my son

(3) Elijah Ray &

(4) James ^{Garrett} Ray^{ll.}? who m.
my dau. Nancy each
\$20 as soon as they are
their legal representative
demand the same.

5. Sons Luke & Wm Ray,
the tract (equally divided
that William now lives
upon, it being the same
I purchased of Bostic
& Summers, at my second
and last purchase of
them. Wm. to have the
~~the~~ lower end, Luke the
upper.

6 I give to ^{Isaiah} ~~Luke~~ Ray (so
the balance of the farm I now live
on & the farm I lately
purchased of Bostic & Summers

Will Bk 3 p. 333 V 193.
1865.

Isaac Ray

Will Bk 3 p. 193

~~Not~~ Dated but recorded
April 11, 1882.. Recorded May
11, 1882.

To Son William - My roan mare, Puss.

" " Albert - A horse which
his mother will pur-
chase provided they
remain at home with
their mother until of
age.

My dau. Sallie \$100, as her
support as my executrix
may see fit, provided
she never marries and
remains at home with
her mother

To son H. Buffington Ray
\$200 on same terms as
above

and should there be any
further issue, while living, it
has \$200, etc, at the discretion of
my executrix. The foregoing
amounts to be given in
to their share of my estate

with other children

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The rest of my estate (personal)
I give to my beloved wife
Catherine Ray, also to her the
proceeds of my farm, her
natural life.

If wife ever marries,
children to have proceeds of
farm, etc., annually.

All ^{my} children to share equally
in my real est. whenever
sold.

Witnesses

John H. Eves

Wm. E. Ray

Will Bk. 1 p. 254

Dec. 6, 1839, Will of
Benj. Ray. (P. Sr.?)

Witnesses

Wm. Ray

Aeneas Carler + ^{Probably}
Lula E. Ray _{Son-in-law.}

Marlin Dillon

Wm. R. Simmons

Lewis Hood (Hodd)

Jefferson Bowen

Wm. Dillon

Wm. Toppings

Isarah Ray:

John Adams

F. J. Summers = Ferdinand Summers

John Debon? - Hillon?

Lucinda Turner? (Turner?)

Elizabeth Shy

Calvary Stephens

James Pickett

Wm Jarrel?

Notes on

William Stephenson

Wm Shy

Bury. Stephenson

Jeremiah Shy.

Rec. Feb. 24, 1840

Will Bk. 2 p. 270

Jan 10, 1857, app. of
est. of David Ray, by
Wm. Huchman, Adm.

Property sold same date,

Bidders:

Silas B. Ray

Wm. B. Perry

Manis Ray

Wm. Ray

Alex McCallister

Catherine Ray, Widow.

A. W. Williams

Absalom Bias

Edward Adkins

James Alford

Windsor Register

John W. L. & 2.
drove down:

Thurs. Jan 2, 1896

p. 1 - Old Times - Sunday
School, etc. Protostat

" see p. 5 Col 3 - A
River Day

p. 3 - near back
col 1

Educational -
Old Times in Windsor,
Rome & Union

Thurs. Jan 9, 1896

p. 1 Col 1 - Old Times
of Burlington - No 27.

" Another page on
Burlington torn out.

Thurs. Jan 16, 1896

p. 1 - Same as above
No. 28

p. 6 - Same.

Thurs Jan. 23, 1896

p. 1 No. 29 Same
(Palmyra Sermons
running)

Thurs. Jan 30, 1896

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n. 1 - Same no. 30
& others further

Feb. 6, 1896

n. 1 - Old Times -
Seavery, etc

Feb. 13, 1896

n. 5 Col 3
Another Project
(Some railroad
news.)

Feb. 20, 1896

n. 1 Col. 1

Old Times - mail
& Post Offices

Feb. 27, 1896

n. 1 Old Times Col. 1

The Flood of 1847

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March 5, 1896

p. 1 Col 1 - Old Times

37 Slaves from Va. to
Burlington, in 1849.

From Madison Co Va.

See Wall of James
Twyman.

May 12, 1896

p. 1 Col 1 - No. 38

Old Times.

Incidents in Court Week

March 19, 1896 -

p. 1 Ironton Philips, etc

March 26, 1896

p. 1 - Old Times -

a Bear story
about 4 miles above
Guyandotte on Guyan R.

April 2, 1896

p. 1. Col. No. 38

Indian Story on
Twelve Pole (W. Va.)
(Aug 1, 1895, mentions
"Horseless Carriage")

April 9, 1896
p. 1 Col 1 - Old Times
jails, etc

April 16, 1896
p. 1 Col 1, Old Times
Lecturers and Engrs, etc

April 23, 1896
p. 1 Col. 1
Old Times - Roads
& Bridges.

April 30, 1896
p. 1 Col. 1 Old Times.
Incidents in Pioneer
Life.

May 7, 1896
p. 1 Col 1 - Old Times
Schools, etc as
per grandfather

(Evangelist J. E.
Schoolfield, Danville
Va.)

May 14, 1896

n. 1 Col. 1 - Old Times
How Our Forefathers
Lived No. 44

May 21, 1896

n. 1 Col. 1 - Old Times -
A Strange Murder

May 28, 1896

n. Col. - near
back. "Old Times"
"Barring Out the Teacher"

June 1, 1896

n. 1 Col. 1
"Politician of Auld
Lang Syne"
Death of Capt
Houshell, Burial
at Callensburg - his
home

June 11, 1896

n. 1 Col. 1 - No. 48 - Old
Times, Ten Weeks in a
Block House.
Col. 4 - A new
boat for the Bays.