

The Filson Historical Society

Mss.

A Bibb family.
B581 Papers, 1760-1887.

19 Bibb, John Bigger.
Correspondence, May 22, 1835-Nov.
3, 1842.

63x13

I wish back to purchase 250 lbs pork for old women
Mary - & let them call on me for the money -

Decem 4th 1841.

Dr D 26.63-

(Dec. 4, 1841)
And B. B. B. B.
B. B. B. B.

Also 750 lbs for Judy

I gave back an order for the 2.66 ~~left~~ 2.66.
I made a mistake & calculated the pork at $2\frac{1}{2}$ instead of $2\frac{1}{4}$ - &
had 26.62 instead of 23.96 - difference 2.66. which must
be returned to me. - I ~~give an order for the same~~ ~~has been~~ ~~for the money.~~
L. B. B. B.

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Received of Mr. Jancy & Howard and Co
 of front 18 of December at two Mary and
 25 centy per hundred Lick & Bille

250	1500	1530	19.122
65	315	382.4	7.50
150	600	765	16.62
150	150		
750	300		

1500	750
315	2
1875	

1065	2130
22	53240
22	22662400

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Mr. B. Bible Esq.
Rupellville Kent

Illinois Land Agency
Quincy 25 April 1842

260. Sir, Our last respects was under date
of 11 Nov. last. Stating the sale to Proom & Eggers of the
NW 29. 7 N. 4 E for \$200. - we duly rec^d your esteemed fav^r
of 4 Dec. in reply, enclosing the Deeds for those men,
they deeds have been delivered & the Bonds & Mortgages
received & duly recorded & presume they will make
payments according to the Bond. John Johnson
has also executed his Bond & Mortgage for NW 36. 1 N. 7 W
& Mortgage duly recorded & Deed delivered to him.

The Certificate of Entry at Quincy Land Office No.
8892 on 16 July 1836 rec^d in yours of 4 Dec. we handed
to the Receiver on 17 Dec. who promised to give it due
attention. -

Benj^r Booth has not yet made
payment for SE 27. 1 N. 6 W. we found him to
slow, that he took his obligation to pay interest at
rate of 12 instead of 6 pct. -

The contents of your favor of 6 Dec. will
receive due attention. of course NW 29. 7 N. 4 E did not
be seen to, except to watch that it does not get into
other hands by tax sales until the purchasers make
full payment. -

we shall ere long send the tax vouchers
to & in mean time remain very truly
& Resp^t

Wm. H. Moore,
Moore, Mator & Co.

John B. Bible Esq.

Providence

Peratt

*Moor, Morton & Co.
New York May 11. 1842.*

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Mr. B. Bibb Esq.

Illinois Land Agency
Living 8 July 1862

Sir, we have this day handed
Durham Hale Esq. on your account following
Certificates of purchase at Tax Sale of 1840

J. B. Bibb Esq. Esq. Richd. Bibb Jr. - Fulton County

160 NW 12. 4 N. 1 E

d^o

d^o Mc Bar 10 NW 26. 4 N. 3 W

160 SE 13. 5 N. 4 W

$\frac{1}{8}$ NW 26. 5 N. 4 W

3 NE 36. 6 N. 4 W

160 SE 19. 7 N. 1 W

d^o

d^o Warren 160 NW 34. 9 N. 1 W

160 SE 32. 9 N. 1 W

160 SE 32. 10 N. 3 W

160 NE 12. 12 N. 3 W

160 SE 2. 11 N. 4 W

160 SE 33. 10 N. 5 W

160 NW 36. 12 N. 5 W

160 SE 36. 12 N. 5 W

d^o

d^o Knox 0 NE 7. 9 N. 3 E

30 NW 10. - -

160 NE 11. 11 N. 3 E

160 NW 12. - -

160 SE 8. 12 N. 3 E

160 SE 10. 13 N. 3 E

160 NW 20. - -

J. B. Bibb

Mc Bar 0: $\frac{1}{8}$ NE 35. 6 N. 4 W

Knox - 160 SE 28. 11 N. 3 E

160 NW 9. 13 N. 4 E

Warren - 160 SE 3. 11 N. 4 W

As. M. Bibb -

Warren - 160 NE 36. 12 N. 5 W

Knox - 160 NE 14. 13 N. 2 E

160 NW 29. 11 N. 3 E

J. B. Slaughter

Fulton 0. NW 34. 6 N. 4 E

Mc Bar 160 SE 3. 4 N. 2 W

Warren 160 NW 1. 11 N. 4 W

E. Stalling

Knox - 10. NE 21. 13 N. 3 E

J. W. Lewis

Knox - 160 NW 1. 13 N. 4 E

also Sheriff's deed Schuyler Co:

J. B. Bibb, Exr. R. Bibb f. - 2 - NE 33. 2 N. 2 W.

also order on Elk Co. Court? Court Hancock Co. for
Deeds -

J. B. Bibb - 160 - NE 26. 7 N. 7 W

J. B. Bibb Exr. R. Bibb f. $\frac{1}{2}$ SW 25. 7 N. 5 W

2 NE 1. 7 N. 6 W

160 NW 17. 5 N. 7 W

$\frac{1}{2}$ SE 30. 4 N. 8 W

2 SE 14. 5 N. 8 W

$\frac{1}{2}$ NW 8. 4 N. 8 W

4 NW 23. 7 N. 6 W

S. M. Bibb -

L. P. Haughton -

also order on Elk Co. Court? C. Stark Co.

J. B. Bibb Exr. R. Bibb f.

320 NW $\frac{1}{2}$ 24. 12 N. 6 E

160 SE 4. 13 N. 6 E

M. D. Lewis

160 - SE 22. 13 N. 6 E

also handed W. Hale - Deed recorded

Richard Bibb sent to Richard Bibb f. -

If we can get your tax receipts &
acct. ready to send to you by W. Hale we
will do so. -

Very Resp.

W. Hale

Moore, Norton & Co

9 July 1842

Dr John B Bibb in ac with Moore Morton & Co

1841		1841	
Sept 7	Do buying 1 lot E B Slaughter in 1841	3 83	July 20 By bal ofc this day 48 78
" "	" " 1 " J M Lewis "	1 59	Sept 6 " Redemption E 1/2 N 1/2 19.5 N 1/2 E. F. L. 3 18
" "	" " 1 " Certif p ^d for 1839 ✓	13	Oct 26 " Cash for letter Sept 24 70 "
" "	" " Our fee on 3 lots	3	¹⁸⁴² Jan 14 " " Redemption N 1/2 24.1 N 1/2 6 N 1/2 F. L. 4 30
Dec 20	" Postage on up letter 6 dec	25	
Nov	" Tax on 2 lots in Starks Co	6 24	
"	" " 1 " Brown "	4 48	
"	" " 5 " Knox "	14 40	
"	" " 2 " Fulton "	2 56	
"	" " 6 " Adams "	28 56	
"	" " 3 " Henderson "	7 92	
"	" " 2 " McDonk "	5 28	
"	" " 2 " Hancock "	3 45	
"	" " 2 " Knight paid	50	
"	" " Cert paid for 1839 38 19 4 N 2 W		
"	" " " N 1/2 24.5 N 1/2 4 W	50	
"	" " 1 lot Mc Donk Co	3 52	
"	" " Agency for 23 lots	23	
"	" " 4 " for 1839	4	
"	" " 1 lot Mc Donk Co	1	
"	" " bal ofc	12 05	
		126 26	126 26

Apr 13 Postage J B Bulls letter

13 1842

May 3 Purchase 1 lot Fulton 1842

4 38

forward

4 51

Apr 7 By bal this day

12 05

J. B. Bibb -

1842	To Amt brot forward	4 51
May 3	" For purchasing 1 lot Hulton	1 "
" 24	Certificate for 2 lots 1844 Hulton	50 ✓
"	Agency " " "	2 " ✓
June 13	Certificate for 1 lot 1844 Mercer	25 ✓
"	Agency " " "	1 " ✓
" 26	For 1844 1 lot Henderson Co { E. Stirling	2 76 ✓
"	Agency " " "	1 00 ✓
30	Purch 1 lot Warren 1842	85
"	" 1 " Knox "	1 73
"	Certificate 1 " " paid 1844	25
"	Agency on last 3 lots	3 00
"	bal a/c	15 78
		<u>34 63</u>

July	To 2 Shffs buds Aug 1842 Adams J B Bibb	1 00
"	2 " " " " E. Slaughter	1 00
"	1 " " " " J G Lewis	50
"	Agency for 5 deeds	1 25
"	Agency on following Certs purchased	
"	handed J Hale this day	
"	Cert J B Bibb Knox Co for 2 lots	
"	" " Warren " 1 "	
"	" " McDonk " 1 "	
"	E B Slaughter " " 1 "	
"	" " Warren " 1 "	
"	" " Hulton " 1 "	
"	Order on Clk Hancock " 1 "	
"	M B Lewis " " 1 "	
"	J W Lewis " " 1 "	
"	Order on Clk Hancock 1 " J B Bibb	
"	bal a/c	2 75
		<u>13 04</u>
		<u>19 54</u>

1842	By Amt brot forward	12 05
Apr 29	" Red 2 Nov 28. 13 X 68	8 46
"	" NW 11. 12 X 37	7 94
"	" SE 27 10 X 47	6 18

1842	By bal a/c this day	15 78
"	- chge to E M Stirling	3 76

Bal a/c E. S. — 13 04

12 05
8 46
7 94
6 18

Mr. D. Bibb Esq.
Russellville Ky.

Illinois, Land Agency
 Quincy 9 July 1842

Sir, By the bearer D. Hale Esq. we
enclose sundry tax vouchers & statements
of account. - we are much pressed for
time & would write more fully, although
we have nothing particular to communicate,
please give orders for 1842 soon to oblige

Yr. ott. servt.
Moore, Norton & Co

34 63
1578
376

of stands thus, bal. due M. M & Co on 9/2

Ent. R. Bibb Jr.
due by us to S. D. Bibb genl of
S. S. bal. due M. M & Co.

27.76
13.04
34.72

19 54
13 04

1841
Sept 7

Dec 21
1842
Mech

Apr
May

g. B. Nichols-

Home, Boston Dec.

Act -
Aug - 1942

The Filson Historical Society

John B. Bibb Esq.
Russellville Kent.

Illinois Land Agency
Vincennes 15 Sept. 1842

Sir, We are in receipt of your esteemed favor of 5 inst. informing us that W. Hail had reached your place - we thought he was still on the Military tract, and daily have been looking for him at this office, as he was to bring us some important papers from Stark County - we fear he has taken them with him to Kent. - Our Gov. Andrew & Kearney have issued another Circular to prevent the Collectors from receiving any tax until next spring, as they suppose the Legislature next Winter will decrease the tax, at least one half, they now include the Bank of Shawneetown & insist that no tax shall be paid except in specie or its equivalent. - we presume none of the Collectors will take the responsibility of receiving anything else. - whether these Proclamations are founded on law or equity, it will make no difference; we are now governed by Loco foci, & shall be for the next 4 years, at all events, therefore the next Legislature will sanction all that our present Gov. sees fit to do. - we are misruled most egregiously. - you will see that nothing short of specie paying Bank paper will answer. -

as all necessaries of life have depreciated in price, we have concluded to charge but 50 cents agency for paying tax on a q. sec. for 1842, your land expenses are thus reduced all in our power. - wheat is only 31 cents, therefore you can judge

it is a poor time to sell land, - as young Hail
cannot pay taxes this fall, we shall be pleased
to receive the list of Gov: entries soon a, convenient
so that we can arrange the lots properly on our
books -

we remain very Res^tl^t.

M^r, C. T. Sew^l

Moore, Norton & Co

P. S. a Mr. Pierce was here yesterday expecting
to find title papers for a lot, he said he had
bot. of Mr. Hail - we knew nothing about it -

1842

Moore, Alorton Ho

John B. Bitt. Esq.

Dupellville

Kewitt

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1842
Piquette March 3 1842
J. B. Bibb Esq.

When you receive the amount
of the claim on Bailey Peyton's hands in New Orleans
you will please pay for B. Tigger two hundred
Twenty Six Dollars ^{113/100} out of the part that
will be coming to L. S. Slaughter's estate (with int
from date) hereof

J. B. Slaughter as Exr. of
The Slaughter Decd

I am informed by Bailey Peyton that the debt above alluded
to is a safe one - & if the debt is made there will be going
to the estate of Thos. S. Slaughter as much as the above order, which
I will pay over as soon as collected by me - but do not intend
hurry to render the estate of J. B. Bibb jr or myself bound for it -

J. B. Bibb
Exr. J. B. Bibb jr.

Dr. My bill of
Groceries from Steele

Dr. Thomas

\$51.11

My Dr. Allison

103-50

Robertson

\$2.60

\$150.10

J. B. Slaughter

Order

Inc. B. B. B.

Dr. J. B. Slaughter due Besser
1 Aug. 1853

68.96

136.10

205.06

374.75

249.80

\$84.89

Aug 13 1853

Paid over in favour of \$226.67
J. B. Gray #84.80

84.80

229.86

March 1854
Received of
Jas. B. Besser bill
of groceries from
New Orleans sent
by Dr. Steele & Co.
which Steele & Co. owe
\$51.11. J. B. Besser

136.10
84.80
220.90

Due J. B. Besser
Aug. 1. 1853 when this
debt was collected \$84.89
which was paid to the
estate of R. M. B. on
account of money due it by Besser - J. B. B.

J. B. Besser
4 March 1854

The Filson

Academy Ferry Mar 14 1842

Dear

Mr. Peunsey Brown requests me to say
to you that he has made a sale of
a part of the Land his father G.R.A.
Brown bot. of your father to pay
the purchase money due you
But on acct. of some of the Children
being under age they cannot
pass the title, he requests that you
will have a bill filed to sell the
Land for the purchase money
that you shall be at no trouble or
expense but shall receive the
amt. you agreed to take the
moment the title can be thus
passed - which can be done very
soon. The father is ready to pay
any time, when he gets the title

I hope at Apl Court to reach
our Alexander Case.

Yours Henry

Jepperson Jennings -

I assumed and sold
the Contract
with Malone
with decisions to
have the matter
arranged. There
is about \$333 -
due from Malone
& the deed is to be
made when the
money is paid.

M.B. says

The money
has been paid &
M.B.

Original sealed

John B. B. B.

The Filson

John B. Byrd Esq
Russellville Ky

Missouri Land Agency
Living Oct. 26. 1844

Dr. S. Green of Sept. 24th by
Mr Hail enclosing ^{two} hundred and thirty
Dollars. is recd. & the amt. entered on
our books. as stated in your letter

Respectfully
Yrs

Moore Mother

The Filson Historical Society

John W. Webb Esq.
Russellville

Mr.

(Pay Mr. Webb)

Moore, Morton Co.
Recd. for money for
pay taxes 1841.

The Filson Historical Society

20 July 1841

John B. Bibb Esqr In q. with Moore, Morton & Co

1840	Mr. H. H. Summary	Postage since July last		29
20		Yr. per. charges by Bank collecting Apr. on New Orleans for \$89.75		25
1840	Jan. 20	Tax 1840 & Comr.	1st	J. N. Lewis 2.20
	do		1	J. B. Lewis 4.20
	do		2	L. B. Slaughter 6.80
	do		2	J. B. Bibb 3.60
	do		2	do 12.10
Mar. 7.	do		1	M. B. Lewis 3.30
	do		3	L. B. Slaughter 6.85
	do		1	J. N. Lewis 3.06
	do		1	Miller & Son 3.00
	30	Expenses Examination & particular description	IN 12. N. 7 m. L. B. Slaughter	5.00
			IN 32 1 N. 7 m. J. B. Lewis	5.00
May 10	Purchase 1841	St. L. L. B. Slaughter	6.27	10.00
	do	1	M. B. Lewis	2.91
Jan. 20	Tax 1840 & Comr.	1	L. B. Slaughter	4.28
	Purchase 1841	4	do	12.42
	do	1	M. B. Lewis	3.11
	do	1	J. B. Bibb	3.91
	Tax 1840 cur & ad	1	W. H. Lewis	1.08
	do	1	J. B. Bibb	1.25
				26.05
				92.08

credit

1840	July 17	By Bal. of ind. this date	90.86	
	Nov. 16	for remittance p. letter 22 Oct.	50.00	140.86

1840 July 20. Bal. due J. B. B. this date E. & Co. \$48.78

J. B. Bibb Esqr.
Bellville Kent

William Land Agency
Des Moines 20 July 1841

Dear Sir, In another letter of this date we have enclosed
tax vouchers &c for Edw. Rich. Bibb & wrote fully
to the effects of our limitation law. Meanwhile
and upon acct. showing bal. due you of \$48.78

1840	July 25. 6 N. 4 W. J. B. Bibb	160	SE 37. 1 S. 2 W. J. B. Lewis
	July 28. 7 N. 6 W.	160	NE 24. 5 N. 4 W.
	July 30. 6 N. 4 W.		
	Aug 1. 21 N. 4 W.		
	Aug 2. 12 N. 3 E.		
	Aug 15. 11 N. 3 E.		

Very Resp. M. B. Lewis
Moore Morton & Co

Moore Morton 660.
Set of taxes paid Ab.
Ab. 1840 - 2 lands
bought in 1840

John
B. Pitts Esq
Rushville
Kent

May 1. 1840

John B. Bibb Esq. for the Heirs of

R. Bibb Sen. In ac. with Moore, Morton & Co.

1839

May 8 Co Bat on ac stated this date 48.77

July 15 " Recording Deeds Hancock Co deeds in

R. Bibb Sen. to L. B. Slaughter 1.50

" " Geo. M. Bibb 1.50

" " J. B. Bibb 1.63

Court & Postage 3.90 8.53

Aug 8 " Postage J. B. Bibb letter 24 July " 50

" 27 " Recording Deeds as follows

R. Bibb Sen. to L. B. Slaughter, Brown Co 1.50

" " Geo. M. Bibb Fulton Co 1.50

" " Lewis & others Schuyler " 1.50

Court & Postage 4.90 9.40

Sept. 18 " Recording Fulton Co. Deeds

R. Bibb Sen. to Lewis & al Court & Postage 3.00

Oct. 16 " Recording Mercer Co. Deeds

R. Bibb Sen. to J. B. Bibb Court & Postage 3.35

" 21 " Postage J. P. A. Bibb letter 9th Oct. " 25

Dec 27 " Recording Sundry deeds in

R. Bibb Sen. to Lewis & al Brown Co 1.50

" " G. M. Bibb M^o Don^t " 1.50

Court & Postage 2.85 5.85

1840 Jan 20 " Postage A. J. Burnly letter 10th Jan'y " 25

Feb 28 " " " " 8 Feb'y " 25

Mar 9 " Recording Sundry deeds in

over 2 charges } R. Bibb Sen. to J. B. Bibb Kent Co 1.50

" " G. M. Bibb Starke 1.63

" " Lewis & al " 1.50

Court & Postage 4.50 9.13

" 19 " Recording Mercer Co. deed

R. Bibb Sen. to G. M. Bibb Court & Postage 3.00

Apr 6 " Disct 1/2 per. on Louisville city. Exp. for 1840 " 90

Jun 30 " Taxes 1839, Pay^d at tax sales 1840. & Court on the

following described lots for sundry persons; to wit

En Jno. B. Bibb

Lot 1. 2 N. 6 W 1.50 2.27 160 3.77

(Sax) Lot 2. 1 N. 6 W 2.50 3.07 160 5.57

Court over 93.18

63x13

Dr. B. Bibb Esq. for Hens &c. Debit Cont?

93 18

	for Dr. B. Bibb Cont?	Cap. Hens &c. Cont?	Acres sold	Cost of Hens	Debit by another
1812 1 S. 5M	75	1.25	no sale	2.00	
1819 4 N. 2M	75	1.25	no sale	2.00	
1835 6 N. 4M	2.90	3.27	1/8	6.17	
1824 13 N. 1M	1.17	1.40	Paid	2.57	
184 13 N. 6 E	2.10	1.25	160	3.35	
1826 7 N. 7M	1.50	1.87	160	3.37	
1828 11 N. 3 E		3.47	160	3.47	
189 13 N. 4 E		3.87	160	3.87	
1863 11 N. 4M	1.10	1.87	160	2.97	
1827 10 N. 4M	1.46	2.11	160	3.57	42 68

For Lucy B. Slaughter

1812 1 N. 7M	2.91	160	2.91	
1828 1 N. 6 M	1.25	no sale	1.25	
189 2 N. 7M	3.63	160	3.63	
1823 7 N. 6M	4.83	4	4.83	
1811 11 N. 3 E	1.25	no sale	1.25	Bought 1.918
1815 11 N. 3 E	1.25	no sale	1.25	Bought 1.828
183 4 N. 2M	4.87	160	4.87	
1833 6 N. 4M	4.42	Paid	4.42	Bought 1.841
181 11 N. 4M	3.07	160	3.07	
1821 11 N. 4M	1.25	no sale	1.25	
1834 6 N. 4 E	5.31	0	5.31	
1817 2 S. 4M	1.25	no sale	1.25	35 29

For Dr. M. Lewis

1832 1 N. 7M	2.37	160	2.37	2 37
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For M. Loving

188 11 N. 3 E	3.07	Paid	3.07	
1811 12 N. 3 M	3.87	160	3.87	6 94

For Building M. Lewis

1824 1 N. 6M	2.55	80	2.55	
181 13 N. 4 E	3.87	160	3.87	
1819 5 N. 1 E	1.25	no sale	1.25	7 67

For Mary B. Lewis

1824 5 N. 4M	1.25	no sale	1.25	
1827 1 S. 2M	1.25	no sale	1.25	
1822 13 N. 6 E	3.97	160	3.97	6 47

Contd up

194 60

18 July 1840

Mr. B. Bibb Esq. for heirs as Debit Cont.

194 60

For Elizth Starling

NE 25 1 N. 6 W

C. Tal. Cont.

State Tax, com.

Acct. paid

Total Expend

NE 21 13 N. 3 E

4.35

160

4.35

NE 5 9 N. 4 W

4.67

0

4.67

1.25

no sale

1.25

10 27

For Geo. M. Bibb

NE 35 2 S. 6 W

1.25

no sale

1.25

NE 35 2 N. 6 W

4.35

160

4.35

NE 21 1 N. 6 W

4.35

160

4.35

NE 35 3 S. 6 W

2.91

160

2.91

NE 8 4 N. 8 W

3.71

1/2

3.71

NE 29 11 N. 3 E

2.47

160

2.47

NE 14 13 N. 2 E

5.47

160

5.47

NE 20 7 N. 1 W

3.62

Paid

3.62

NE 36 12 N. 5 W

3.07

160

3.07

NE 24 14 N. 3 W

1.25

no sale

1.25

NE 10 5 S. 3 W

1.25

no sale

1.20

NE 4 7 N. 1 W

3.62

Paid

3.62

37 27

1840

July 20 By Natl. Deposit. fr. A. S. Burnlip letter

10 Sauf. fr. G. J. D. Bibb

208. "

" do. to p. A. S. Burnlip "

125. "

S. Geby

July 17 To Bal^d due J. D. B. this date E. E.

90 86

333. "

333. "

Mr. B. Bibb Esq.
for the heirs of R. Bibb Sen.
Russellville Kent.

Illinois Land Agency
Minneapolis 18 July 1840

Sir, we enclose Deed duly recorded in the several Counties, N^o 4072 R. Bibb Sen. to Geo. M. Bibb, we also enclose sundry tax receipts for 1839 & Certificate showing why we could not pay on some lots & why we could not purchase them in at tax sale 1840, we also annex Statement showing what we bot. in at tax sale 1840 & in whose names, which includes all the lands except one tract in Brown County, in which County the sales will take place next fall - we also annex Statement of account showing balance due you on this account \$90.⁸⁶/₁₀₀, To pay taxes

For 1840 on what we have bot. in & buy in the
others at next sale, will require as near as
we can estimate at present about \$100.—
which you can remit soon as convenient,
we have had much better success at the
tax sales than we anticipated, as you will
notice we generally got whole tracts when
they went to sale - a considerable number
did not go to sale, which we can only account
for, by the collector, marking them paid on
his book when we only paid the County tax,
we consider it unfortunate that you ordered us
to pay the County taxes & not the State, the collectors
are generally very blundering. - we shall
use every exertion to keep this business straight.

Very Respf. Wotthens,

Moore, Norton & Co.

= 4. =

Moore, Norton & Co.
Statement of
Jan 1st to 1st
1839

Inclosed to John J. Scott, Paris Ky. ^{22 May 1835} on
the 22nd of May 1835

One note for \$100 N. States Bank, letter
K. N. 1803 - Philadelphia 3rd Apr. 1830.

One for \$20. letter A. N. 2488. Natchez —
— Nov. 29th 1831.

One for \$20. letter D. N. 2298 - Natchez
July 4th 1831 -

I deposited the above notes in a letter
as above, in the Post-office Russellville Ky.
on the 22nd May 1835 -

J. B. Bibb


1837

W. B. Bibb Esq

Received

25
25

J. J. Scott

Mem^o of
money incl^d
to him

Marionb. Ill^o Nov. 3. 1842

Dear Sir

By the laws of Illinois a widow is entitled to one third of her husbands lands for life, unless a devise or bequest in the will, which she omits to renounce within six months.

2. The mode of dividing lands among heirs or devisees, is to apply to the Circuit Court ~~where~~ ~~of the County~~, who will appoint three commissioners to make the division.

3 This proceeding may be had in the County, where the whole or a part is situated, and McDonough County being central in the tract would be as convenient as any other.

4 Dower is assigned by application to the Circuit Court in which the land lies, by 3 commissioners appointed by the Court: but this rule and agreement also apply to the Court to assign the widow her dower.

The division and allotment of dower might be confirmed by the Court by satisfying the commissioners, that the Guardians & Widow were satisfied.

and the division appearing
reasonable

The law will not allow lands
in fee to a Dower; in this
State the law is as in Kentucky.

There is no peculiarity in our
laws as to the power of Ex-
ecutors. If a division by the
laws of Kentucky would destroy
the power of Executors to sell
it will do so here. Therefore
satisfy yourselves by taking the
Kentucky laws into consideration
as I presume you only need
my opinion upon questions
depending upon the peculiar
laws of this State

As to the lot in Carthage, I
Mr Tho^s Morrison, who was
formerly in partnership
with you, has attended
to the case, lives in Carthage
knows the lot, & can give
you all requisite information;
please correspond with him

on that subject -

Lastly & politically, there is not a greater contrast under the Sun, than exists in Illinois; between what Nature has done for, ~~the~~ and what erring legislative Man has done against Illinois.

Our proclamations have generally suspended the collection of the Revenue, till the meeting of our Legislature, when some fiscal currency will be provided. What will be done I cannot predict. I hope for good laws but fear worse. Relief Repudiation, may be the result, Commonwealths bank, endorsement law, valuations laws, and denial of the obligation of our State to pay her debts may, but hope will not be the result. I cannot I repeat predict; the power is greatly in the hands of Force party, Govrs Quorum in both houses, & they will be entitled to the credit if they achieve any good in Legislation
Yours with Sent of Respect
Cyrus L. Walker

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