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Bibb family.
Papers, 1760-1887.

Bibb, John Bigger.
Correspondence, June 6, 1848 -
May 6, 1849.

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Squaller Ills June 6.1847

Mr John B Bills Dear Sir I have
Paid your ofoo ~~Mr~~ R Bilels toso for
the year 1847 and the ofoo amounted
to J B Bills $3.60 & R. Bilels Amounts to $10.80
al amounting to 14 40cts and if you sea proper
to send me the amount I will send
you the Receipt at Every time
I have not heard of Mr Hail
since I heard from you - as your
land lay in Saline I got to sea the
Sheriff of Saline & thought I would
Settel it for you for fear of ~~[illegible]~~
Trouble as the Sheriff said he should
have to Advertise & so I did
him the ofoo & took a receipt -
I is that mor pas is maid is al the
News I have yours in hast John Lane
let me hear from you at
Every time when I can send
you ~~[illegible]~~

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Respectfully
Your obt. Svt.
C. C.

John B. Tilly Esq.
Eugene City
Russellville
Ky

Johnson Davis
Ph 15 – by Mail Paid

5/109.27
$20.85

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Oct 24 1873

McKinneys Station Ky
Lincoln Co Ky

Mr John. B. Bibb

Dear Sir

I received your letter and hasten to reply. I was very glad to hear you were still alive and in joying good health. This leaves me very well. I am living here in Lincoln with my only two sons Thomas and Richard they live on joining Farms they are all the Children I have living. You wish me to inform you the names

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of my Fathers Family
my fathers name was
Thomas. my Grand
fathers name was
James. my father had
4 Brothers William and
Richard an Joseph and
Edward, his sisters was
Lucy Lyon Elizabeth
Jayturn and Polly Price
and Sally Bibb that
was never married to
my knowledge. So this is
all the information I
can give you in regard
to my fathers Family
I am all the child my
father has living. I would
be very much pleased to
meate you once more
and glad to hear from
you at any time my
address is McKinneys
Station Lincoln Co Ky
hoping to heare from
you soon I remain
as ever your friend
and kinsman

James. Bibb

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(Confidential) Frankfort - Octr 27th 1848.

My Dear Sir,

The office of our "first Auditor is about to become vacant by the resignation of the present incumbent, and it is my wish to fill it by an appointment from the Green River country - I have been straining to remember some person in old Logan (God bless her) who would be suitable for the office, & who would probably accept it - Owing to my long absence from there I could not fix on any one in your county - I have also been disappointed as to some other Green river men - And this morning I have written to James, F. Buckner Esqr. of Hopkinsville, Christian county, & made him a tender of the office - I am fearful that he will not accept - And to provide myself against that contingency, I wish you would name to me some person in your county that would be suitable, if such a one you have -

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I shall be compelled to make the appointment very soon, and therefore I write to you without waiting for Mr Buckner's reply or knowing whether or not he will accept. The necessity of making an early appointment obliges me to this course, and requires also that my communications with you should be entirely private & confidential for the present. With this understanding then, & with the further assurance that any thing you may please to write me on this subject, shall be considered confidential, if you desire it, I beg you to answer this letter freely, fully & immediately — I want a capable and honest man — a man of known character, & of intelligence & energy — a man that will be agreeable & acceptable to the Green River people — Recommend to me such a man, in Logan, if you can think of such a one, & if not in Logan, then in any of your neighbouring counties — Say nothing of it even to the person recommended, as Buckner may accept, or as I may be hastened into, or induced to make another appointment; but I will endeavour

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be made for your answer.

The salary of the office is only $1250, with some little perquisites or advantages, but if I can a valuable & influential man in it, we may hope that the Legislature will the salary more adequate. The duties of the office tho' responsible & important, are not as I am told, either onerous or difficult.

Give my kindest regards to Mrs Bibb. Write to me without delay, & believe me be lev,

Truly,
your Friend &c
J J Crittenden

John, B, Bibb Esq.

In reply I recommended J. B Temple
J J C.

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Morgantown Dec. 27th 1848

Dear Sir

Yours of the 13th inst. did not come to hand till to day — Mr Hughes having gone to Frankfort I called on Mr Thomas S Chapman the Executor of Geo S Cathett dec.d and stated your request and shewed him the copy of the contract — Mr Chapman said Mr Hughes had shewn him the contract — that he had looked into the case and had requested Mr Hughes to inform you that Mr Cathett had incurred expense in obtaining the title to the land and in paying for the improvements exceeding $600 — that according to his understanding of the contract Mr Cathett was only to pay the one half of the net proceeds of the land after first deducting the expense — and that if his construction be correct, there would be nothing due on the contract — this being his construction of the contract that he could do nothing — and if that were not satisfactory that suit must be brought on the contract

As to the land below the Sycamore, he say that he knows nothing except that he finds some a bond from Dodge to Cathett for some lands in that section and has been informed Cathett received that land from Dodge in payment for the old Sandy land

That Mr Chapman is mistaken in the construction he puts upon his contract, I do not doubt — If you desire to prosecute the claim

you will forward the original Bond, the letters testamentary or of administration upon the estate of your Brother as well as the letter of Mr Cathcart of 1843

Pray tender to Mrs Bibb my best regards he assured that it would afford me much pleasure to visit me in the Spring but do not believe I shall have it in my power to do so – I have intended for the last twelve months to have gone to Washington to live, but have not been able to get off but may do so in January – but may do so in January

A L Freeman & John G Finnie of this place will wind up any of my unfinished professional business – If you should conclude to provide for your claim pray confer it to them I will assure you that your interests will be strictly & promptly attended

With sentiments of great regard

Your friend

Ham Casey

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Casey. – draft of contract's contracted
Enclosed the contract
to Fannie Freeman
to commencement, 1869

John D Pitt Esq
Richmond
Kentucky

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If not called for in Ten Days,

RETURN TO

GEO. & JOS. CHANDLER,

Attorneys at Law.

INDEPENDENCE, KANSAS.

INDEPENDENCE KAN. 9

THREE CENTS 3

John P. Gibb, Esq.,

Frankfort,

Kentucky.

$245 collected & accounted for.

$55 = accounted for

300 —

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Lexgr. 26. 1829

Dr Sir.

I have this morning looked over the calculation by which we settled on yesterday, and find a mistake of $10.24. – the error occurred, not so much in the calculation of interest which is correct enough, but in transferring the amt. of Ewings debt to be added to the others – you will see that pr. & int. amounted by yr. calculation $356.53 – but in putting it down to be add to the others you by mistake put it 365,53, which makes the mistake – ~~these~~ mistakes often occur with me and I am not at all surprised that they do with others, even the most accurate, as I have sometimes seen.

With respt. & esteem
I am yrs. &c. Jno. B. Bibb

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100
6
600
500

Int. from 28th Dec. '46 — debt 791.— 2 yr. 26 days

791
6
47.46
2
95.92
3.42
983.4
791.
889.34

791
26
4746
1582
6 | 20566
3.42

= 889.34
825.32
64.02
53.78
Due 10.24

J. Beyer — 100 Int. 1 yr. 9 m. 24 ds

100
6
600
450.
40
10.90
100
110.90

100
4½
400
50
4.50

24
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110.95
140.29
356.51
192.15
25.42
825.32

J. B. Bibb 130 Int. 7 y. 3 m. 25 ds

010.29
140.29

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7.80
2.49
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54

Qwery 322.65 — Int. 1 y 9 ms.

33.86
356.51

322.65
6
19.35.90
14.51
33.86

322.65
4½
1290.60
161
14.51

111.40
140.29
356.54
192.15
25.42
825.77

889.34
825.77
63.57
Cash 53.80
9.77

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180. Int. 1 yr. — 35 ~~days~~ 45 ~~days~~

10.80
1.35
192.15

180
6
10.80

180
45
900
720
6 | 8100
1.35

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25. Int. from Oct. 11. 48 to Sept. 25

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00.5
25.42

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12½
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318.83½
472.16½
791.00

Atkerson bought 100 acres land sold under a decree against W. Qwery in favour of Bibb Qwery — $791. The above is memd. of settlement with Atkerson

Papers about the
money recd from
Atkinson for town land
Ewings debt $322.65

All settled with Atkinson

Mr Atkinson

At home.

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Elizabethtown 25 March 1849

Gents

You will recollect that I wrote to you some time ago in relation to a suit you have in the Lake Circuit Court vs Lad Churchill ~~for~~ on a note or bond assigned to your Testator by Jas Wilson of your county the paper not being an assignable one suit was brought in Wilsons name for your benefit. Churchill now claims to have been lately paid Wilson the money will you be so good as to see Wilson & let me know immediately if Wilson has received the money & if he has any right to the note & if you are not the sole owners direct your letter to Hopenville as I will be there by the time your letter reaches here

Yours &c

J M Flora

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Hon. Lewis Cass
Capt. Charleston —

Mr B. Bibb & Esqrs
Mr Ewing — Bibb
Executors of —
Russellville
Ky

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Morganfield May 5th 1849

Mr John B. Bibb

Dear Sir

Yours of 17th ult: was handed me a few days ago by Mr Finnie during our Court which must be my apology for not answering your letter sooner, as I was not much acquainted with the business and needed the assistance of the Clerk to enable me to make the necessary examination in the office. I find the Land sold to George F. Cottill by Meredith McLardy has been in Law since 1821 or until 1847 (after the death of J. U. Waring who claimed it)

It appears from depositions filed in one of said suits that Cottill paid McLardy fifty dollars, it appears from Davidsons deed that Cottill gave him $200. but if now but the $50. was paid to McLardy, Mr Cottill paid previous to March 1833 three hundred and fifty seven dollars ($357.00, to Jno Stone for improvements which he had to do to get possession of the Land, this makes $407 dollars paid to say nothing about costs of suits & other expenses, it also appears of record that there were six suits about this Land & from the length of time they were pending & from the nature of the suits as you are aware they were warmly contested and as matter of course many Lawyers were necessarily employed & of course also under such circumstances they would charge high

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fus, If I am Correct that R Bibb Jr has to pay half the expense of obtaining possession & for improvements &c Certainly the balance, $193.00 to make out the five hundred dollars which he valued the Land at in exchange for other Land would not pay him back the amt he thus expended, if upon the contrary Mr Catlett pays all expense & gets half the Land he will be poorly paid for the troublesome & vexatious suits he attended to, & the amt that he would now have to pay would be a total loss

I would be very glad to have an amicable adjustment of this matter & can assure you that I find no interest in the matter more than to do for the family of Mr Catlett what seems to me right & the law authorise, I think it very clear however from the contract that Bibb must pay half for the improvements costs of suits &c which in my opinion will cover all, if you think so Messrs Freeman and Dinnie & myself will endeavor to make out the amts expended by Mr Catlett & see how they stand, it has been on hand so long that it will be very troublesome to make out an exact account, but I presume it can be done, for should there be a suit about this matter it must necessarily be a very troublesome & expensive one

Yours Respectfully Thos. S. Chapman

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MORGANFIELD
MAY
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KY.

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Mr John B. Bibb
Exor of R Bibb Jr
Russellville
Kenty

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Morganfield Ky
May 6th 1849

Dear Sir

Yesterday Mr Chapman and ourselves made an examination in the Clerk's office regarding the suit in which Mr G. Leattell has been engaged with the land he purchased of Mr Lardy, and Mr Chapman sent you a Statement. It is impossible now to tell what construction would be given Leattell's obligations by a Court of Law. We are clearly of opinion that you are entitled to one half the proceeds of the sale. $300. But should the Court give it a different construction, still you are entitled to something as it appears that the only expense Leattell necessarily incurred, after executing his obligation to Richd Bibb, was the $357. paid to our Stone for improvements. Stone appeared in open Court, and acknowledged the receipt from G. Leattell of $357 in discharge of the value of his improvement opened in 1828, this acknowledgment was in March 1833, nine months after the date of Leattell's obligation. It does not appear that Leattell ever instituted suit against Stone for "mesne profits" as ought certainly to have been, and the forbearing to bring which is usually set off against the value of the improvements. We cannot think Leattell knowing that he was entitled to 6 years back rent, would have given it up when he had to pay $357. for improvements to the very same man from whom the rent was due. It appears that soon after Leattell purchased from Mr Lardy, suit was brought, and the plaintiffs nonsuited. Suit was a second time instituted, and after Mr Lardy's death was revived in the name of James Davidson Exor & sole devisee, and by this suit Stone, the tenant in possession was Ejected. On the 11th day of July 1832, Davidson conveyed the land to Leattell. In the deed the Bond to Mr Lardy is set forth, the assignment to Bibb, and Bibb's relinquishment to Leattell in consideration of Leattell's obligation to him. The consideration

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expressed in the deed is $200 paid to McDaray in his lifetime, and $300. paid to Richd Bibb. of course Leattett never paid these sums as stated in the deed, at least he could not have paid Bibb $300 — for the whole consideration of the first Bond is discharged by the payment of $500. yet at the same day he executes his obligation to Bibb for one half the proceeds of the sale of the land. If he had then paid the $500, and afterwards $357 for improvement, he would have paid more than the land sold for — which of course he never did — You can pursue such a course in this matter as you may think proper it will be attended with some difficulty, but if you wish suit brought forward no the papers and it shall receive our prompt attention — We would like to see Leattett's letter to you in 1843 — The next Common Law Term of our Court is in Oct —

Yours respectfully

Finnie & Freeman

Jno B Bibb Esq

P.S. If suit has to be brought, send us a copy of the will of Richd Bibb, or appointing you Executor, and the record of your qualification as such from the Office of the Clerk of the County Court — Leattett's obligations, letters &c —

F & F.

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May 23, 1849

Deear master sir I am redy at
this time thoes persons that have ben
dorn for me wants ther pay with
is $5.00 to this woman Elizabth that
kirus hear besides I want same more
money to pay some other little debts
that I am wnot do need Amount
About $5.00 or $6.00 dollars the tote
Amount $10.00 or $11.00 dollars
Your umel Serven Matson Bill
May the 23 1849 witness that this
is Matson request this day
Hector W Sawyers

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Logan county to wit
John Bill the
23 day of May 1817

Paid on this order to Elizabeth
Jane Walters sent heir Three —
24th May 1817 J B Webb

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