REPORT ON THE ORANGE GROVE PLANTATION & CEMETERY

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I. Summary

The property now leased or owned by Air Products Blue Energy, LLC and slated for industrial development was originally the land of the Houmas Tribe. After a questionable property transaction, the Tribe relocated and the land was turned into one of the largest sugar plantations in the area, known as Orange Grove Plantation, where hundreds of people were enslaved for at least a fifty-year period. The plantation was run by absentee owners for most of its existence, which fostered horrific conditions and abuse. Those who were enslaved and died at the plantation would be buried there, along with their children—many of whom did not survive infancy. Plantation laborers who lived on the property after slavery was abolished would have been buried at the plantation site also. All who died there would have been buried at the Orange Grove Cemetery identified on current maps, or in other areas of the plantation that have not yet been identified as a burial ground.

II. History of the Orange Grove Plantation

The property that is the Orange Grove Plantation has a history as ancient and diverse as that of Louisiana itself. The first people to reside on the Orange Grove Plantation were the people of Houmas and Bayougoula tribes. The Bayougoula originally lived along Bayou Lafourche in what would become Iberville Parish. After war and diseases decimated the tribe, the remaining Bayougoulas were taken into other groups of indigenous people in the area, including the Houmas.[1]

[1] Swanton, John R. *Indian Tribes of the Lower Mississippi Valley and Adjacent Coast of the Gulf of Mexico*. Washington: Government Print Office, 1911.

When Louisiana became first a French and then a Spanish colony, colonial officials "permitted to the Indian tribes the occupation of the lands upon which their villages and fields were situated, but the Crown reserved to itself the title to the soil."[2] This changed in 1774 when Maurice Conway, a relative of Spanish governor Alexander O'Reilly, and his associate Alexander Latil, were given permission from the Spanish government to pursue possession of the land. In what remains a questionable land transfer, Chief Calafaué, representing the Houmas and Bayougoula tribes, sold the land to Conway and his partners on October 3, 1774. Notary Andres Almonaster handled the act of sale, and Jean Baptiste Rousseve and Pedro Larto acted as interpreters.[3] The Houmas likely agreed to the sale under duress. They had been experiencing encroachment on their land by Acadian settlers and the Conways. At the time, government officials in New Orleans routinely sided with settlers in land disputes with indigenous people. Historian Frances Bailey Kolb noted that the "Houmas struggled to maintain their lands and villages" and were ultimately forced onto land prone to flooding after the sale to Conway, indicating that pressure was likely placed upon them to give up their main village and the land surrounding it.[4]

William Conway, Maurice Conway's nephew, became owner of part of the Houmas grant around 1786, which included what is now Orange Grove. In his will probated March 23, 1812, William Conway divided his property among his children.[5] He gave his daughter Mary Fanny Conway, wife of Antoine Maurin, the land that is now Orange Grove. In 1823, she sold the

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[2] *The Houmas Land Claim; a Letter from John Claiborne, Esq. to the Hon. C. T. Bemiss, accompanied by a letter from the Hon. John Slidell to Mr. Claiborne*. New Orleans: Delta Mammoth Job Office, 1859.
[3] New Orleans Notarial Archives, Andres Almonsaster Notary, Sale of Land by Chief Calafaue to Maurice Conway and Alexandre Latil, authorized by Governor Unzaga; October 5, 1774, Vol. 4 #257.
[4] Kolb, Frances Bailey. Contesting Borderlands: Policy and Practice in Spanish Louisiana, 1765-1803. 2014. Vanderbilt University, Dissertation in History.
[5] William Conway, April 14, 1807, Ascension Parish Will Records, Book C #15.

property to Jean François Laville. (EXHIBIT 1) Laville struggled to make payments, and ultimately took out a mortgage on the seventy enslaved people he owned and forced into labor on the property in 1830. Wade Hampton, his neighbor and owner of what is now known as Houmas House Plantation, provided him with the mortgage. (EXHIBIT 2) Laville proved a failure as a sugar planter and the plantation, along with the sixty-four enslaved people who worked it, was sold at Sheriff's Sale to Jesse Strong in 1836. (EXHIBIT 3)

Just one year after he purchased what he had come to refer to as "Orange Grove, Strong and his partners sold the plantation and enslaved people to a group of investors from New Orleans who were either directly tied to or closely connected to banking and finance, and who were also early real estate developers in the city. These men were Godfrey Schmidt, Frederick Frey, Henry Thelkold Williams, Charles Frederick Zimpel, Joachim Kohn, and Laurent Millaudon, each receiving a share or more. At the time Orange Grove Plantation was described as being about six miles below the town of Donaldsonville on what today is considered the Eastbank, consisting of six arpents in front on the river with a depth of eighty arpents, bounded on the upriver side by the plantation of Wade Hampton's heirs and downriver side by the plantation of Michel Douradou Bringier. The bill of sale included all the buildings on the property, horses, mules, oxen, cows, wagons and carts, farming implements and tools, blacksmiths tools, barrels of corn, furniture and household furnishings, and eighty-five enslaved people. (EXHIBIT 4)

The same year Orange Grove was sold, a financial crisis swept the nation. The Panic of 1837 led to crippling losses for the new owners. Godfrey Schmidt and Frederick Frey were bankrupted, their property systematically auctioned off to pay their debts. Ultimately these investors sold out almost as soon as they had acquired the property, with the exception of

Millaudon who remained in possession of the property a few more years. For a while, Millaudon transferred ownership to his son and son-in-law. By 1841, Millaudon divested himself of his shares in the plantation, and in 1846 his son-in-law, Charles Gardanne, did the same. (EXHIBITS 5 & 6)

The next buyer was Manuel de Lizardi, one of three brothers from Mexico who started the Lizardi Brothers business in New Orleans, which was at the center of all significant financial transactions in New Orleans in the 1830s and 1840s. Lizardi was engaged in banking, real estate, and mercantile affairs. His business had headquarters in London, Paris, and New Orleans. Ultimately the Lizardis would move most of their assets to Europe. Historians Linda and Richard Salvucci explained that, in modern terms, the Lizardis would be considered "modest billionaires."[6]

Lizardi was an absentee-owner. He maintained a primary residence in Europe. He had an agent who oversaw his business dealings in Louisiana, and another agent, de Egana, who supervised the business of Orange Grove Plantation. The daily workings of the plantation were handled by an overseer. There were likely several different overseers during the seventeen years that Lizardi owned the plantation.

In 1858, John Burnside, an Irish immigrant turned New Orleans merchant who had amassed a fortune, purchased Orange Grove Plantation and the 158 enslaved people on the plantation from Lizardi. (EXHIBIT 7) He then bought adjacent Houmas Plantation—a large tract consisting of the Donaldson, Clark, and Conway places—and united them with Orange Grove to create a vast sugar cane enterprise the likes of which Louisiana had never before seen. At the

[6] Salvucci, Linda K., and Richard J. Salvucci. "The Lizardi Brothers: A Mexican Family Business and the Expansion of New Orleans, 1825-1846." *The Journal of Southern History*, vol. 82, no. 4, 2016, pp. 759–88. *JSTOR*, http://www.jstor.org/stable/44784503. Accessed 4 July 2023.

same time, he bought the large Armant Plantation on the west bank of St. James Parish. Burnside became the richest planter in Louisiana—and one of the richest in the South—and the largest slaveholder in Louisiana. Historian William Scarbarough wrote, "With 7,600 acres of improved land and a labor force of nearly 1,000 enslaved people on his five plantations, Burnside produced an average of 4,000 hogsheads of sugar in the four years before the outbreak of war. His 1861 crop of 7,652 hogsheads was by far the largest ever recorded by an antebellum Louisiana sugar planter."[7]

William Howard Russell, a British journalist, published a book about his time spent in the United States in 1861. He visited John Burnside on his Houmas holdings. Russell wrote, "I rode out with Mr. Lee, along the road by the Mississippi, to Mr. Burnside's plantation, called Orange Grove, from a few trees which still remain in front of the overseer's house." He met H.M. Seale, Burnside's agent, and Mr. Gibbs, the overseer, whom he described as "a man grim in beard and eye, and silent withal, with a big whip in his hand and a large knife stuck in his belt." Russell's interactions with Gibbs shed light on the brutal conditions for enslaved people at Orange Grove. "He leads us through a magnificent area of cane and maize, the latter towering far above our heads; but I was most anxious to see the forest primaeval which borders the clear land at the back of the estate, and spreads away over alligator-haunted swamps into distant bayous," Russell wrote. "It was not, however, possible to gratify one's curiosity very extensively beyond the borders of the cleared land, for rising round the roots of the cypress, swamp pine, and live oak there was a barrier of undergrowth and bush twined round the cane brake which stands some sixteen feet high, so stiff that the united force of man and horse could not make way against the rigid fibres, and indeed, as Mr. Gibbs told us, 'When the niggers take to the cane brake that can

[7] Scarborough, William Kauffman. *Masters of the Big House: Elite Slaveholders of the Mid-Nineteenth-Century South*. LSU Press, 2006.

beat man or dog, and nothing beats them but snakes and starvation.'" Gibbs was referring to enslaved people who attempted to run away from the plantation or engage in acts of resistance.[8]

Orange Grove Plantation was in the hands of absentee owners for most of its existence. This led to particularly horrific conditions for the enslaved. Overseers were more concerned with getting results and cared more about the size and quality of the year's crop than the quality of life of enslaved people or their long-term health and wellbeing. Russell noted, "On the Orange Grove Plantation, although the crops were so fine, the negroes unquestionably seemed less comfortable than those in the quarters of Houmas, separated from them by a mere nominal division."[9]

Russell also revealed other abuse, including sexual exploitation. "There were more children with fair complexions to be seen peeping out of the huts; some of these were attributed to the former overseer, one Johnson by name," Russell stated. "But Mr. Gibbs, as if to vindicate his memory, told me confidentially he had paid a large sum of money to the former proprietor of the estate for one of his children, and had carried it away with him when he left." Gibbs went on to explain to Russell that he could not have afforded to purchase all of his enslaved children.[10]

Russell provided a description of the plantation. "The sugar-house is the capital of the negro quarters, and to each of them is attached an enclosure, in which there is a double row of single-storied wooden cottages, divided into two or four rooms. An avenue of trees runs down the centre of the negro street and behind each hut are rude poultry-hutches, which with geese and turkeys and a few pigs, form the perquisites of the slaves. . . ."[11] Thomas West Smith, of the 11th New York Cavalry, also mentioned the layout of the plantation in his memoirs. "In the rear of the planters' houses, at the head of the low whitewashed cabins of the slave quarters, was the

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[8] Russell, William Howard. *My Diary North and South*. Boston: T.O.H.P. Burnham, 1863, 277-278.
[9] Ibid.
[10] Ibid.
[11] Ibid, 273.

residence of the overseer, in front of which was the bell which called the negroes at daybreak," Smith wrote. "Beyond the negro quarters were stables, barns and other buildings, and then the brick sugarhouses. . . ." He explained that ditches divided and subdivided the plantations, many of which were actually canals.[12]

During the Civil War, a regiment of United States cavalry was stationed on Burnside's holdings as well as across the river on Henry Doyal's holdings at Point Houmas. Encampments were located on these plantations. Sentry were stationed at Orange Grove and patrolled the area. There was a known incident in which Confederates attacked the patrol at Orange Grove in July and August 1864. At least two United States soldiers died there. Thomas West Smith wrote that "the locations of the encampments were low and malarial" so many soldiers died of diseases.[13]

After the Civil War, enslaved laborers, now free, were required by law to receive wages for their work. An organization called the Freedmen's Bureau was established to advocate for the rights of newly emancipated enslaved people, ensure that they received wages, and assist in the transition from slavery to a free labor system. On Orange Grove, as well as on all plantations throughout Louisiana, plantation owners drafted "Agreements with the Freedmen" which included compensation for work, requirements for living on the plantation, and rules and regulations that must be followed. H.M. Seale, Burnside's agent, drafted the agreement for Orange Grove, and formerly enslaved workers, most unable to sign their names due to antebellum law forbidding the enslaved from being literate, made their marks beside their names on this contract. (EXHIBIT 8)

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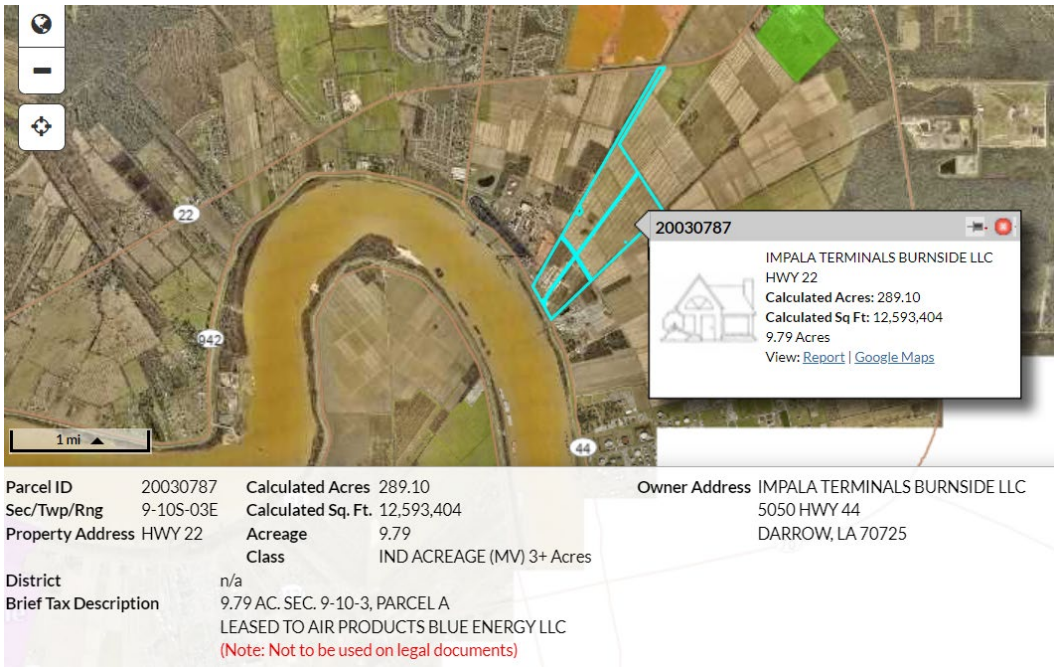
[12] Smith, Thomas West. *The Story of a Cavalry Regiment*. Veterans Association of the Regiment, 1897, 136.
[13] Ibid.

Each of the plantations on what Burnside called his Houmas holdings—Donaldson, Clark, Conway, and Orange Grove—maintained its own identity. Each plantation had its own workers, cabins, and, for a time, mills. Newspaper accounts throughout the 1870s and 1880s show they competed with each other to see who could make the best crops, grind the most sugar, and bring in the crops the fastest. While many maintained their core set of workers—typically the same people who were enslaved upon them prior to emancipation—a significant number of workers switched residences over the years, particularly those on adjacent tracts, such as Conway and Orange Grove. Families on the Houmas holdings were connected; they intermarried and had been related even in the days going back to slavery.

After Burnside's death, Orange Grove Plantation and the adjacent holdings became the possession of Oliver Beirne, Burnside's heir. Beirne subsequently passed ownership on to William Porcher Miles. In 1904, the Miles Planting and Manufacturing Company sold Orange Grove to the Schexnaydre family.[14] The Schexnaydres owned Orange Grove until the mid to late 1950s when the heirs of Berthile Schexnaydre sold the plantation to oil companies.[15] Parish records show that Air Products Blue Energy leases the front portion of the property (289.10 acres) from Impala Terminal Burnside LLC and owns the back 472.84 outright.[16] See figure 1 and 2 below.

[14] Ascension Parish Conveyance Records, May 4, 1904, Book 45, p. 533.
[15] State Times Advocate, May 27, 1958.
[16] Ascension Assessor Map, https://beacon.schneidercorp.com/Application.aspx?App=AscensionParishLA&PageType=Map



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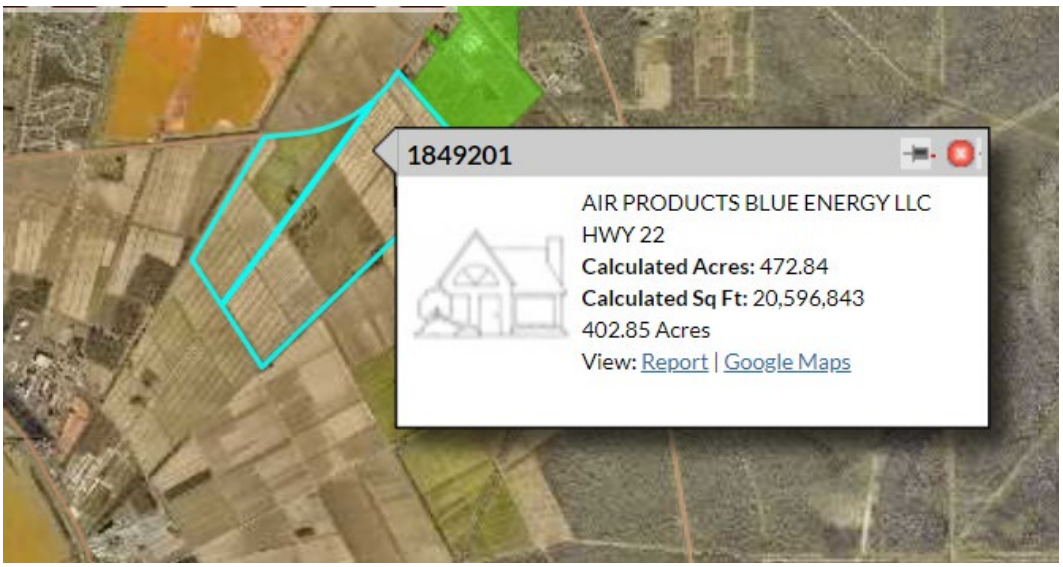
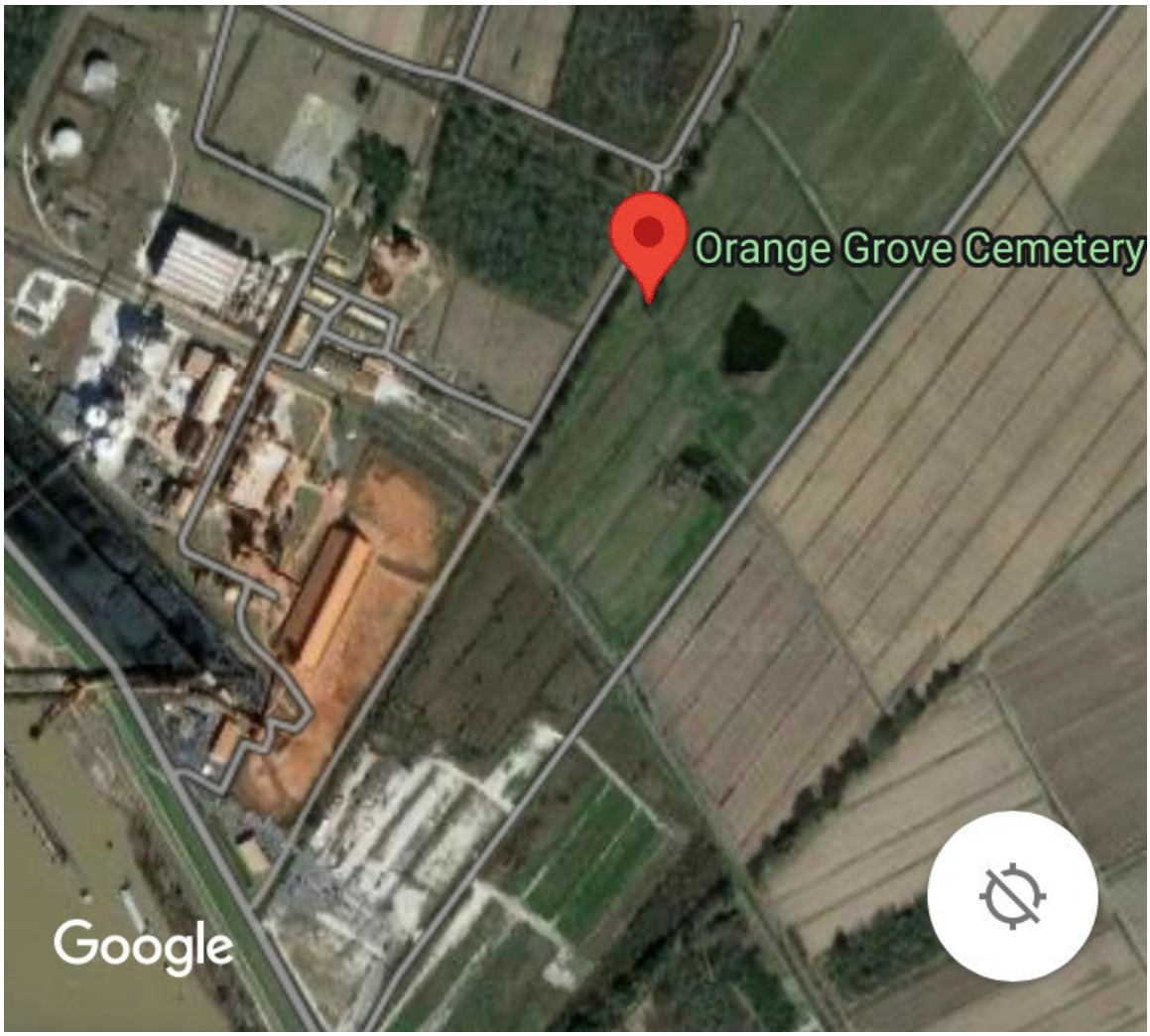


Figure 2

III. The Cemetery at the Orange Grove Plantation

Google maps shows a cemetery at the former Orange Grove site located along the upriver boundary, as well as other plantation cemeteries in the area. See figures 3 and 4 below.



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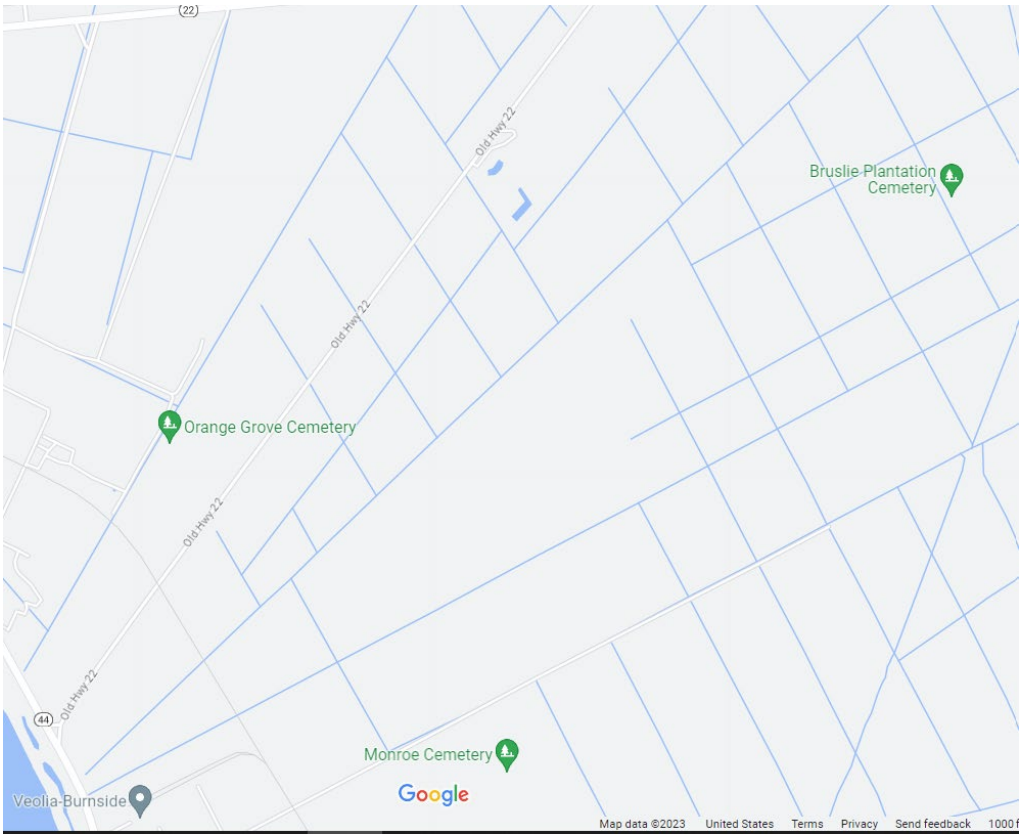

Figure 4

The cemetery at Orange Grove Plantation likely dates back to the late eighteenth century when William Conway first began to farm there. This means it has existed since the 1780s and 1790s. By 1810, Conway enslaved 27 people.[17] Any burial ground first established by Conway was likely taken over and used by all subsequent owners of the plantation and expanded.

Enslaved people and their children were likely buried at the cemetery identified as Orange Grove Cemetery on the Google map. The location of the cemetery at Orange Grove Plantation adheres to the recognized patterns of locations of cemeteries on sugar cane plantations along the Mississippi River from New Orleans to Baton Rouge. Plantation cemeteries for enslaved people were sometimes located on the boundaries of plantations and served as a burial

[17] Year: *1810*; Census Place: *Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *10*; Page: *16*; Image: *Lam252_10-0007*; FHL Roll: *0181355*

site for enslaved populations from both plantations. For instance, I have assisted in identifying cemeteries used by enslaved people and their descendants on Laura Plantation in Vacherie (St. James Parish) and Evergreen Plantation in Wallace (St. John the Baptist Parish). Laura Plantation and adjacent Magnolia Plantation shared a cemetery for enslaved people, as did Evergreen Plantation and adjacent Carroll Plantation. Orange Grove Cemetery is along the property line on a shared border with Conway Plantation. This corresponds with the location of Orange Grove Cemetery. (See EXHIBITS 16 & 17)

I am also aware of many other cemeteries in the region. Cemeteries for enslaved people on sugarcane plantations along the Mississippi River in Louisiana were located on land that would not have been used for farming—for example along shared plantation boundaries as discussed. I am aware that cemeteries were often in wooded areas located far back from the river where land was swampy, and it was not considered valuable for farming. I also know that it is possible that some plantations would have had more than one cemetery for enslaved people. I am not concluding that the Orange Grove Cemetery shown on the Google map would have been the only plantation for people who had been enslaved on the plantation. But I do conclude that enslaved people would have been buried on the plantation site because they were Protestant slaves brought to Louisiana through the interstate slave trade. The overwhelming majority of people enslaved at Orange Grove had names that were Anglo-American, not Creole. Typically Creole slaves were Catholic and as a result were required to be buried on what was considered holy ground in a Catholic Cemetery. In census records, formerly enslaved people from Orange Grove reported their places of birth as Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina, areas in the Upper South where enslaved people were sold and brought down to be sold in New Orleans. They were among the one million enslaved people forcibly relocated from the Upper South to

the Lower South through the domestic slave trade from 1810 to 1860.[18] The people enslaved at Orange Grove Plantation, in contrast to Creole slaves present on nearby plantations, spoke English and were Protestant. They would have held their own burials for friends and family members on the plantation.

We have a firsthand account of burial practices at Burnside's plantations. Russell described being brought to "a kind of forcing house, where the young negroes are kept in charge of certain old crones too old for work, whilst their parents are away in the cane and Indian corn. . . ." Russell asked the children if they could read or write or if they practiced any kind of religion. Seale, Burnside's agent, intervened and said that such things were beyond them. Russell observed, "No education—no God—their whole life—food and play, to strengthen their muscles and fit them for the work of a slave." When he questioned Seale about what happened when the enslaved children or members of their families died, Seale responded, "They are buried in that field there by their own people, and some of them have a sort of prayers over them, I believe."[19]

Enslaved people and their descendants did not have the ability or financial means to purchase grave markers that would stand the test of time. Often broken earthenware was used to demarcate graves, a tradition that goes back to West Africa.[20] Wooden grave markers might also have been used but rotted over time. Because slave cemeteries were often located in wooded areas, trees were often used as landmarks in locating the graves of loved ones. Additionally African Americans were known to plant trees over the graves of family members. Not until the twentieth century did more permanent forms of headstones become more available to formerly

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[18] Johnson, Walter. *Soul by Soul: Life Inside the Antebellum Slave Market*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1999.

[19] Russell, 395-398.

[20] Genovese, Eugene. *Roll, Jordan, Roll: The World the Slaves Made*. New York: Pantheon Books, 1974, 200.

enslaved people and their descendants. This conforms to the findings at Orange Grove, where the only extant grave markers are from the 1930s and 1940s as discussed in EXHIBIT 13.

IV. Deaths and Burials at the Orange Grove Plantation Site

The first burials on what is today Orange Grove were possibly of men, women, and children of the Houmas and Bayougoulas tribes. Whether their burial location was identical to the known cemetery at Orange Grove or if it was closer to the river remains unknown at this time. Consultation with the United Houma Nation and archaeological study are recommended to make further determinations. This is of great significance not only to Louisiana history but also to American history and should not be minimized simply because the gravesites went unmarked.

As I conclude below, there are likely at least 268 people buried at what became the Orange Grove Planation site, many of whom had been enslaved at the plantation under brutal conditions. In his in-depth study of sugar plantations in Louisiana, historian Richard Follett wrote, "Despite importing thousands of enslaved people a year to the sugar region, Louisiana was unique among the slave states in having a natural decrease in its population. While the slave population grew swiftly in the rest of the South, in Louisiana's cane world the natural growth rate may have been as low as 6 or 7 percent—a figure four times smaller than the regional average." Follett demonstrates that this appalling growth rate was caused by "the specific labor requirements of sugar production, the dearth of women, the virulence of disease, and high infant mortality rates." Brutal physical toil and poor nutrition negatively affected the health of enslaved adults.[21] Enslaved adults in Louisiana also experienced high mortality rates. Louisiana was considered the unhealthiest state in the country. The climate caused mosquito-

[21] Follett, Richard. *The Sugar Masters: Planters and Slaves in Louisiana's Cane World, 1820-1860*. LSU Press, 2005, 77.

borne diseases like yellow fever and malaria to routinely reach epidemic levels. Epidemics of cholera and smallpox also plagued the population.

During his visit to Orange Grove, Russell met an enslaved man named Boatswain. Boatswain told Russell that he and his wife Sally had fourteen children, but none were living. They had died in infancy or childhood.[22] In my book *Antoine of Oak Alley*, I discuss infant mortality rates at length and include statistics I compiled using records kept at Valcour Aime sugar plantation in St. James Parish, not far from Orange Grove. Thomas Affleck wrote of the enslaved on Louisiana sugar plantations, "Of those born, one half die under one year. . . The mortality of negro children is as two to one when compared with the whites." Fifty-eight percent of children born on Valcour Aime's plantation died. White infant mortality percentages in the United States at the same time showed that approximately twenty-two percent of white infants died.[23]

Furthermore, during the Civil War, United States soldiers died at the Orange Grove Plantation and were subsequently buried there. James Ferguson, age 37, was killed by a Confederate attack while on picket duty at Orange Grove Plantation on July 20, 1864. Thomas West Smith, a member of the 11th New York Cavalry, wrote that the area was "low, humid, swampy, and malarious; where the hand of death was laid on one man in every four and where scarcely a man escaped the fever. Although the bullet claimed but few victims in that campaign, the remains of nearly three hundred men of the regiment, the victims of disease, lie in those swampy lowlands."[24] J. S. Bennett, first lieutenant of Company H, 11th NY Cavalry, wrote to James Ferguson's widow about the night he died. "He had seven bullet holes in his body,"

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[22] Russell, 277.
[23] Shannon, Katy Morlas. *Antoine of Oak Alley*. New Orleans: Pelican Press, 2021, 108-109.
[24] Smith, 4, 137, 152.

Bennett said. "A negro man who saw the whole affair says he fought like a mad man. Loading and firing his carbine five times, before he ran, then he rode about half a mile, got off his horse, took off his Belt and stood his Sabre against the fence, tied his horse, and lay down to die all alone." He tried to provide some comfort, calling him a "brave and good soldier," and noting "I had him buried with military honors, and a Prayer read at his Grave, a nice Coffin was also made for him."[25] Thomas McManus of Company E, 11th New York Cavalry, died at Orange Grove on August 2, 1864. He was buried in the plantation cemetery.[26] Records indicate that he is likely one of many Civil War soldiers interred in Orange Grove Cemetery. (EXHIBIT 9) This means that U.S. veterans were interred on adjacent plantations and on Orange Grove, possibly in the same cemetery that is known at the Orange Grove Cemetery.

Other records show that Black people who had labored at the Orange Grove Plantation following the Civil War after slavery was abolished were buried at the Orange Grove Cemetery. Contrary to the SURA report, which stated that people buried in the cemetery were the plantation owners and managerial staff, two of the legible headstones found on the site actually belonged to the Vicknair family.[27] Charles Vicknair and his wife Sidney Ann Williams were born just before Emancipation, in the early 1860s. Sidney Ann Williams was the child of people enslaved by Burnside, and her husband came from a plantation further upriver, where his mother had been enslaved. The Vicknair family worked as laborers on Orange Grove Plantation

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[25] Widow's Pension for James Ferguson, Application No., WC64585,
Case Files of Approved Pension Applications of Widows and Other Veterans of the Army and Navy Who Served Mainly in the Civil War and the War With Spain, compiled 1861 – 1934, National Archives and Records Administration.

[26] Widow's Pension for Thomas McManus, Application No., WC101300,
Case Files of Approved Pension Applications of Widows and Other Veterans of the Army and Navy Who Served Mainly in the Civil War and the War With Spain, compiled 1861 – 1934, National Archives and Records Administration.

[27] SURA, Inc., Phase One Cultural Resources Survey of 673.9 Acres Proposed for Industrial Use, Burnside, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, Final Report ("2014 SURA Inc. Burnside Survey"), April 25, 2014.

for sixty years after the Civil War. Charles and Sidney Ann Vicknair buried several infants and her grandparents in Orange Grove Cemetery. Though they moved away from Orange Grove to seek economic opportunities elsewhere, when they died their family paid to transport their bodies back to Orange Grove Cemetery for burial. For a family with limited resources and little money, this is very significant, as it indicates that the cemetery was very important to them and was the burial place of their ancestors and family members. Many of their children and grandchildren were also buried in Orange Grove cemetery. (EXHIBIT 13)

V. Research Method

I found and utilized records from the New Orleans Notarial Archives to document the multiple sales of Orange Grove Plantation and changes in ownership, which contained inventories of enslaved individuals sold with the property, including those made in 1858, 1846, 1841, 1840, 1837, 1836, and 1830. These documents show a chain of ownership. I also demonstrate through sale documents that enslaved people were present on the land—though unnamed—as early as the late eighteenth century.

The inventories of enslaved people provide the names and ages of the people who lived and worked at Orange Grove. By amassing multiple inventories dating back to the plantation's earliest days, I demonstrate that a significant number of people—at least 223 between 1830 and 1858—were enslaved on the property. Using mortality rates and research I have uncovered about sugar plantations along the River Road between Baton Rouge and New Orleans, I establish that enslaved people on sugar cane plantations had extremely high mortality rates, especially enslaved infants. This means that many people died at Orange Grove. I compiled a spreadsheet of the names of the enslaved, tracked them over the course of several decades, and showed which

enslaved people were missing from subsequent inventories, indicating that they died and were buried at the Orange Grove Plantation.

I have established that people who are related to those who were enslaved at the Orange Grove Plantation were later buried at the plantation after slavery was abolished and that people who worked at the Orange Grove Plantation after slavery was abolished were buried at the plantation. I used my spreadsheet of enslaved people (rather like a database) to guide me in searching censuses, vital records (marriages, births, and deaths), Freedmen's Bureau records, conveyance records, and other genealogical sources to trace enslaved people and their descendants and demonstrate that they continued to live and work at Orange Grove, identified the dates of their deaths, and provided evidence that their burials must have occurred in the cemetery. I also identified workers who arrived later at Orange Grove and did the same for them.

I used records and family trees on Ancestry.com and Family Search to locate and identify descendants as well as obituaries, newspaper articles, oral histories, etc. I contacted many descendants and connected with three who wanted to be contacted about the cemetery.

Please note that the 1870 census appears to have skipped over Orange Grove; in my experience, this was not uncommon, as parts of Evergreen Plantation in St. John the Baptist Parish and Laura Plantation in St. James Parish were also skipped over. The 1890 census was destroyed by fire.

There will be discrepancies in the ages and names of individuals. The ages of formerly enslaved people tended to vary significantly across their lives, as they did not have birth certificates or written documents confirming their dates of birth. Spelling of their names also varied due to the fact that enslaved people were legally forbidden to be educated and the

descendants of formerly enslaved people frequently lived in socioeconomic situations that resulted in them being illiterate. (SEE EXHIBITS 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15)

VI. Conclusion

My research shows that there are likely at least 268 people buried at the Orange Grove Plantation. This is a conservative estimate not factoring in burials of the indigenous population or those of the enslaved community there prior to 1836. Ground penetrating radar should be used to locate graves. A robust survey and investigation that includes the use of cadaver dogs and digging below the plow line should take place around the known Orange Grove Cemetery to carefully demarcate the extent of any graves. Other areas of the site where burial grounds for the enslaved may exist should also be surveyed and investigated in this manner. Additionally the site of the former slave quarters, sugar mill, and overseer's house should be studied by archaeologists. Representatives from the United Houma Nation should be contacted as the land is potentially a burial site for their ancestors as well. Historic plaques commemorating the deaths of at least two United States soldiers on the site are also recommended. As part of the holdings of the largest enslaver in Louisiana, this important historic site would be best used as a memorial to the nearly one thousand individuals held in bondage by John Burnside. To destroy or disturb their final resting place would be to exploit these individuals all over again. Now that many of their names are known, steps should be taken to honor their memory.

Below is a list of the names of the enslaved people who would have been buried at the Orange Grove Plantation, along with laborers at the plantation and their children who were also likely buried on the planation site, and the descendants of enslaved people and laborers with headstones found at the Orange Grove Cemetery as further detailed in EXHIBITS 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15.

Deaths of people enslaved on Orange Grove Plantation from 1836-1858 who would have been buried on the plantation site:

Absalom before 1836 (exact year unknown)
Aleck before 1858
Archy before 1846
Auguste before 1836
Beckey before 1837
Betsey before 1837
Boy/Coy before 1846
Bruce before 1846
Caroline before 1858
Charles before 1836
Charles Ball before 1858
Charlotte before 1858
Charlotte before 1858
Clara before 1837
Clarisse before 1858
Colla before 1846
Crule before 1837
Daniel before 1858
Dennis before 1858
Ellena before 1836
Elodie before 1846
Fanny before 1837
Francis before 1858
Frank before 1858
George Burton before 1858
Harriet before 1840
Henry before 1846
Henry before 1858
Henry before 1836
Henry before 1858
Isaac before 1858
Isaac before 1858
Jacob before 1837
Jim before 1858
Joe before 1836
John before 1846
John Hayes before 1858
John Seldon before 1858
Kitty before 1858
Laure before 1836
Louis Thornton before 1837
Louisa before 1846
Loyd before 1836

Lucille before 1836
Lucinda before 1846
Margaret before 1846
Maria before 1858
Mary before 1837
Matilda before 1846
Moses before 1858
Nace before 1846
Ned before 1858
Nelly before 1858
Nelly (little) before 1836
Pat before 1858
Paulina before 1836
Pedro alias Dennis before 1846
Peggs/Peggy before 1858
Pierre Louis alias Marquis before 1846
Polydore before 1858
Sally before 1846
Sally before 1858
Sam before 1858
Sophy Mary before 1858
Stephen before 1846
Violet before 1858
Weney before 1837
Zachrite before 1858

Total: 70

***Likely many more because of unknown newborns due to high infant mortality rates.

Deaths of laborers who worked on Orange Grove Plantation and died between 1836-1858, and who likely would have been buried on the plantation site:

Paul Hensley
Enoch Judge
George Dier
Nathaniel Nat
John Lacoo
Big Abram
Isabella Hampton
Jack Alabama
Charles Attakapas
Old Rolley
Letty Writing
Margaret Rolley
Martha Dier

Jack Rose
Big Pompey
Minerva Hinsley

Total: 16

Deaths of people enslaved on Orange Grove Plantation from 1865-1923 who would have been buried on the plantation site:

William Dabney 1865
Sam Handy 1865
Dublin Stubbs before 1880
Flora Page before 1900
Henry Page before 1920
Joe Bedford before 1900
Maria Tyler before 1910
Nelson Conway before 1900
Eliza Conway before 1900
Pauline Brody before 1900
Peter Brody before 1900
Pompey Lightwood before 1900
Sarah Tyler before 1910
Solomon Burton before 1910
Eliza Conway before 1900
Lydia Page Richardson before 1900
Dennis Francois before 1910
Susan Bedford February 2, 1923
Cagah Abraham before 1900
Aaron Hampton before 1900

Total: 20

Deaths of laborers who worked on Orange Grove Plantation who died between 1880-1990, and who likely would have been buried on the plantation site:

Oney Abram
Christophe Miley
Lettie Bibbs
Lucius Bibbs
Benjamin McKitt
Joshua Lane
George Bracy
Robert Gould
Delphy Gould
Prince Douglass
Wilson McKenny

Pierre Antoine
Frank Umphries
Elie Bedford

Total: 14

Deaths of laborers who worked on Orange Grove Plantation who died between 1990-1910, and who likely would have been buried on the plantation site:

Thomas Brody
Ison Page
Thomas Page [husband of Elizabeth/Lizzie Page according to marriage license]
Dinah Steward
Thomas Brody
Loveann Seldon
Leania Washington
Mahala Henderson
Francie Roberson
Lysa Planty
Sam King
Dorsey Brown
William Singleton
Lettie Singleton
Hannah Gould Burton
Jane Francois

Total: 16

Deaths of laborers who worked on Orange Grove Plantation who died between 1910-1920, and who likely would have been buried on the plantation site:

Louisa James
Ellen Myers
David Lee
Mary Brody
Viney Smith
Rose Page
Jim Howard
Lavinia Howard
Ellen Lewis
Ann Wells

Total: 10

Later burials of descendants of enslaved people/laborers on Orange Grove Plantation with headstones found with their names in the Orange Grove Cemetery:[28]

Charles Vicknair 1938
Sidney Ann Williams Vicknair 1948
Cherry Alfred/Alford 1928
Bertha Vicknair 1948

Total: 4

Deaths of descendants of enslaved people/laborers on Orange Grove Plantation who based on the death certificates would have been buried on the plantation site:

Mahaley Bedford Lee
June 24, 1928

James Robertson
died June 25, 1928

Frank Stewart
died March 5, 1933

Patsy Stewart
Died January 25, 1933

Turner Bedford
Died September 30, 1936

Madeline Bedford
Died October 11, 1948

Moses Fowler
Died May 29, 1945

Total: 7

Deaths of children reported by mothers who were laborers on the Orange Grove Plantation.

Mary Brody, wife of Thomas
11 children born, 8 living = 3 dead

Sarah Tyler, widow

[28] SURA, Inc., Phase One Cultural Resources Survey of 673.9 Acres Proposed for Industrial Use, Burnside, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, Final Report ("2014 SURA Inc. Burnside Survey"), April 25, 2014 (discussing and showing images of headstones with the listed names).

4 children born, 0 living = 4 dead

Rose Page, wife of Henry
6 children born, 3 living = 3 dead

Bertha Harden, wife of Louis
4 children born, 0 living = 4 dead

Barbary Richardson, wife of Lucius
12 children born, 9 living = 3 dead

Annie Fowler, wife of Moses
9 children born, 6 living = 3 dead

Patsey Stewart, wife of Frank
12 children born, 11 living = 1 dead

Loveann Seldon, wife of Jerry
3 children born, 0 living = 3 dead

Leania Washington, widow
5 children born, 0 living = 5 dead

Mahala Henderson, widow
2 children born, 0 living = 2 dead

Frances Robertson, wife of James
10 children born, 4 living = 6 dead

Mary Louis, wife of Adam
6 children born, 3 living = 3 dead

Lysa Planty, widow
5 children born, 3 living = 2 dead

Susan Bedford, widow
11 children born, 4 living = 7 dead

Rachel Mason
7 children born, 4 living = 3 dead

Clynder Grisby, wife of Stephen
6 children born, 2 living = 4 dead

Rena Page, wife of Ison
3 children born, 2 living = 1 dead

Mahaley Lee, wife of David
13 children born, 9 living = 4 dead

Laura Louis, wife of Sanco
7 children born, 1 living = 6 dead

Julia Taylor, widow
14 children born, 3 living = 11 dead

Lettie Singleton, wife of William
3 children born, 2 living = 1 dead

Sidney Vicknair, wife of Charles
11 children born, 6 living = 5 dead

Mary Thompson
7 children born, 3 living = 4 dead

Sarah Fowler
6 children born, 4 living = 2 dead

Ella Ervin, wife of Robert
8 children born, 5 living = 3 dead

Maria Tyler, widow of Bartley
6 children born, 2 living = 4 dead

Cecilia Bracy, wife of Washington
8 children born, 1 living = 7 dead

Dinah Steward, widow
13 children born, 6 living = 7 dead

TOTAL: 111 dead children

EXHIBIT 1

1823
Mary Fanny Conway Maurin sale to Jean François Laville "Plantation in Ascension at Houmas," Ascension Parish Conveyance Records, Book 6, page 58

[illegible]

sold by [illegible]

Antony Maurice, daughter and [illegible] by her said husband Mr. [illegible], the said [illegible] before the [illegible] Judge Probate d'outre mer on the twenty eighth of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty three, was the same tract of land which she was granted to her by her father William Conway by his last will and testament admitted to probate on the twenty third of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty; and that the said tract of land was originally a part of a tract sold by Maurice Conway to the above named William Conway on the twenty ninth day of October one thousand four hundred and eighty eight and that the said tract of land is situated in the parish of Pointe Coupee on the left bank of the river Mississippi. The depth of the said tract of land extending to eighty arpents, is limited by the Concession appurtenant by the General government, and to a depth claimed by the said William Conway which if confirmed by Congress will extend to the River Mississippi

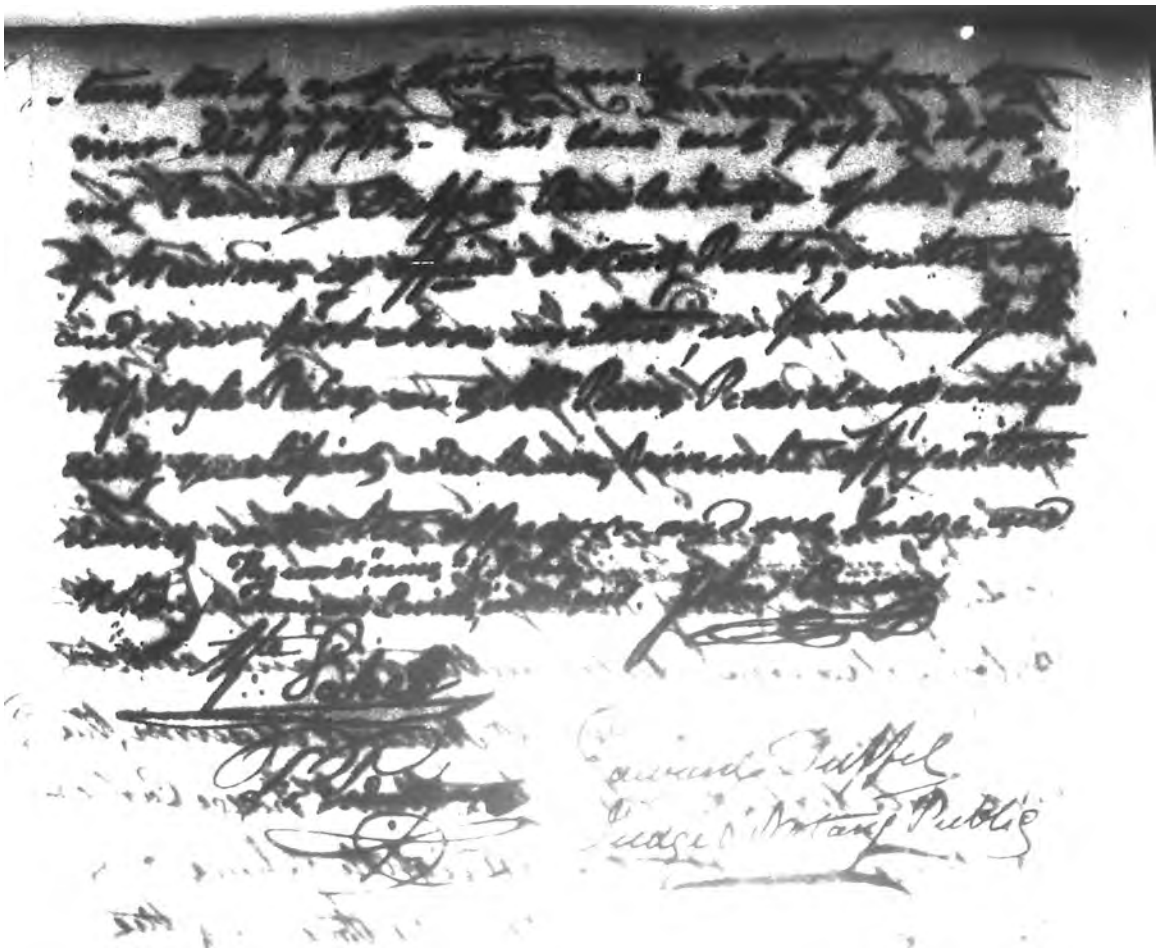


EXHIBIT 2

1830
Wade Hampton to Jean François Laville, Mortage on Plantation and Slaves, Ascension Parish Conveyance Records, Book 8, page 263

(transcription below images)

United States of America – State of Louisiana –

Be it Remembered, that on this first — day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty, and in the fifty fourth year of American Independence, —

Before me, Edward Duffel, parish Judge of the parish of Ascension, and Ex-officio notary public, Personally came and appeared Jean François Laville of the said parish Planter, and Marie Françoise Elisa De La Rocher, his wife, by him, duly authorized, who declared, that. Whereas they have this day made their joint obligation in favor of general Wade Hampton, for the sum of thirty two thousand four hundred Dollars, payable on the first day of March One thousand eight hundred & thirty five, with interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum, to commence on the first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and thirty one, and to be paid annually, on the first day of March of each and every year, at the Branch of the United States Bank at New-Orleans, as the said interest may become due, until the full and final payment of the aforesaid principal sum of Thirty two thousand four hundred Dollars, being for a loan of thirty thousand Dollars, and the first year's interest, which the said appearers acknowledge to have received from the said General Wade Hampton, and which obligation has been by me, signed "Ne Varietur" and signed, to identify it with these presents; — — — — — —

Now therefore, to secure the full and punctual payment of the said sum of money, and of all the interest, that may become due on the same, according to the tenor of the said obligation the said appearers, declared that they do, by these presents, mortgage and Hypothecate unto the said General Wade Hampton, all and singular the property hereinafter Described, to wit: — — — — —

A certain tract of land, or plantation, situated in the said parish of Ascension on the left Bank of the Mississippi River, at a place, called the Hou-mas measuring six arpents front, on the River, more or less, with all the depth thereunto belonging, opening towards the sun fifteen Degrees more or less, being the same, which the said Jean François Laville purchased of Mary Fanny Conway, wife of Antoine Maurin, by act passed before the judge of the said parish of Ascension, dated the twenty eighth day of June, One thousand eight hundred and twenty three; bounded on the upper side, by land belonging to the said Wade Hampton, and upon the lower side, by the land of Michel Doladon Bringier, formerly belonging to Mr. Lanoes; together with all the buildings, improvements, commodities and appurtenances thereon and thereunto in any manner belonging; and also the Seventy Slaves, belonging to the said appearers, and now, on the said plantation: viz: 1. Dace, a negro, aged about forty years; 2. Anthony, aged about thirty three years; 3. John Silvin, aged about twenty nine years; 4. John Hays, aged about thirty years; 5. Sam (Dr chump) aged about twenty five years; 6. William, aged about twenty three years; 7. Charles, aged about twenty years; 8. George, aged about twenty years; 9. Lajah, aged about eighteen years; 10. Lewis, aged about seventeen years; Stephen, aged about thirty years. 12.

Marquis, aged about twenty three years; 12. Peddy, aged about twenty nine years; 14. [illegible] aged about nineteen years. 15. Jacob, aged about twenty five years; 16. James, aged about thirty one years; 17. Jack, aged about twenty two years; 18. Wilson, aged about twenty nine years; 19. Charles [illegible], aged about twenty eight years; 20. Henry, aged about twenty one years; 21. Jacob, aged about twenty seven years; 22. Absalom, aged about twenty five years; 23. Joe, aged about twenty two years; 24. George Beaton, aged about nineteen years; 25. Ned, aged about twenty three years; 26. Alfred, aged about twelve years; 27. Sam (Domestique) aged about twenty five years; 28. Illena, negress, aged about twenty seven years; 29. Peggy, aged about twenty four years; 30. Rose, aged about twenty five years; 31. Betsy, aged about twenty three years; 32. Nancy, aged about twenty four years; 33. Fanny, aged about twenty one years; 34. Sally, aged about twenty one years; 35. Nelly, aged about twenty one years; 36. Little Nelly, aged about twenty years; 37. Katy, aged about twenty three years; 38. Eliza, aged about twenty two years; 39. Paulina, aged about sixteen years; 40. Mary, aged about twenty years. 41. Marguerite, aged about forty three years. 42. Rosine, aged about thirty three years. 43. Mary (house servant) aged about forty five years; 44. Letty, aged eight years. 45. Elodie, aged four years; 46. Marguerite, aged four years. 47. Sophy, aged four years; 48. Sophie, aged three years; 49. Estelle aged one year; 50. Edouard, aged one year; 51. Cora, aged one year; 52. Laure, 53. Clara, 54. Auguste, 55. Lucille & 56. Jules, infants. Also, the following fourteen slaves, subject however to the mortgages recorded against them, or either of them, by acts passed before Felix De Armas Esq. notary public of the city of New Orleans, on the fifth day of December, and twenty fourth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven & duly recorded in this parish, viz: 57. Archer, a negro, aged about forty two years; 58. Lewis Thornton, aged about twenty five years; 59. Nelson, aged about twenty five years. 60. William Bonaparte, aged about twenty six years; 61. Charles Sall, aged about twenty five years. 62. Loyd, aged about twenty two years; 63. Moses, aged about twenty three years. 64. Henry Johnson, aged about twenty two years; 65. Frank, aged about nineteen years. 66. Rolla aged about eighteen years; 67. Henry Page aged about twenty six years. 68. Violet, a negress, aged about twenty one years. 69. Emma, aged about twenty nine years, and 70. Becky, aged about twenty two years.

And the said appearers do further bind themselves not to alienate, deteriorate or incumber the said plantation and slaves, to the prejudice of this mortgage, and hereby confess judgment for the said sum of money to be paid as aforesaid, with the interest that shall accrue on the same. And the said appearers further declared, that they do, by these presents, in like manner hypothecate and mortgage to the said General Wade Hampton, all slaves, which they, or either of them, may hereafter purchase, or otherwise acquire, to secure to him the full and faithful payment of their obligation aforesaid, with interest, as aforesaid, agreeing to furnish annually the names and descriptive list of such slaves, as they or either of them may acquire, to be recorded in the office of the parish Judge of the parish of Ascension, and thereupon said slaves shall be affected by this act of mortgage, as specially and fully, as if named and described in it; and these appearers do

agree

agree further, and the vendors bind themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators to execute formal act of mortgage upon such shares as they may in future require, in favor of the said General Wade Hampton, his heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, whenever thereunto required, and in default of complying with this agreement, their obligation aforesaid, with interest and aforesaid, shall thereupon become due to, and demandable by the said Wade Hampton, his heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns. — " — " — " — " — " — " —

The said Marie Francoise Celeste Dela Roche, further declared, that in becoming a party to these presents, it is her wish and intention to release in favor of the said General Wade Hampton the above described premises and slaves, from any claim, mortgage or privilege whatsoever, which she now has, or might hereafter have, whether resulting from her marriage with the said Jean Francois Laville, or otherwise. Whereupon, I, the parish Judge aforesaid did inform the said Madam Laville, apart and out of the hearing of her said husband, that she had by law, a legal mortgage upon all the property of her said husband, for the restitution of her dotal effects, whether brought in marriage or subsequently acquired; for the restitution of her paraphernal effects, of which her said husband had the administration or enjoyment; for Debts by her contracted with her said husband, and for Nuptial presents. And the said Madam Laville did thereupon declare to me, that she was fully acquainted with the nature and extent of her claims and privilege upon the property of her said husband, & that she did persist in her intention to approve and ratify this act, and to release, all her claims, mortgages and privilege in favor of the said Wade Hampton, for the purpose aforesaid. And the said Jean Francois Laville, being now present, aiding and authorizing his said wife, in the execution of these presents, the the said Madam Laville declared, that she Did, and does hereby formally renounce in favor of the said Wade Hampton, and for the purpose aforesaid, all her said rights, claims and privileges and particularly the general & tacit mortgage, herein-after mentioned, hereby consenting to postpone her said rights, in favor of the mortgage herein granted, and binding herself and her heirs, at all times to maintain and acknowledge the — Validity of this Mortgage. — " — " — " — " — " —

The undersigned Parish Judge of the parish of Ascension, hereby certifies, in his capacity as Recorder of Mortgages (ex-officio) for said parish, that there is no other mortgage existing on the Records of Mortgages for this parish, in the name of, or, against Jean Francois Laville, on the above Described plantation and the fifty six before named Slaves, than a mortgage granted on said plantation, and forty one of said Slaves, in favor of the president, Directors & company of the Bank of Louisiana, by an act executed by the said appearers, before Theodore Turgeau Esquire, notary public for said parish, dated the twenty fourth day of March, One thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, to secure the payment by them to the said Corporation — of the —

of the sum of fifteen thousand Dollars, on the twenty fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty, being the amount of an obligation executed with said act — And the said appearers Declared, that they do, by these presents, consent to appropriate immediately to the payment of the Debt due by them, to the said Corporation, so much of the money borrowed from the said Wade Hampton, as may be necessary to pay and extinguish the Debt and mortgage aforesaid, due to the President, Directors, & Company of the Bank of Louisiana. — — — — — —

The undersigned Parish Judge further certifies in his aforesaid capacity, as Ex-officio Recorder of Mortgages for this parish, that there is no other mortgage existing in the Records of mortgages for said parish, on the fourteen lots herein before named slaves, than the mortgage granted in favor of William Talbot, by two acts passed before Felix De Armas Esquire, Notary public, of the city of New-Orleans, dated the fifth December, and the twenty fourth November Eighteen hundred and twenty seven, to secure the payment by Jean Francois Laville, of five promissory notes subscribed by him to the order of, and endorsed by Joseph Theodore Baudun, identified with the said acts, and all falling due on the first of March Eighteen hundred and thirty one, amounting together to the sum of fourteen thousand four hundred and sixty Dollars and fourteen cents. — — — — — —

And thereupon, Also personally appeared General Wade Hampton, Who declared that he does, by these presents accept the obligation of the said Jean Francois Laville, and Marie Francoise Celeste De La Roche his wife, for the sum of thirty two thousand four hundred Dollars with interest as aforesaid, and which has been identified with these presents, and also accepts the mortgage, and the agreements herein expressed as Security for the payment to him, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns of the said Sum of Money, and interest, as the same may become due.

Thus Done and passed, at the parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, on the day first above mentioned, prior of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty, in presence of Adolphe Seghers and Edouard Duffel, duly matured witnesses. — In testimony whereof the said parties and witnesses have hereunto subscribed their names, with me, the parish Judge aforesaid. — — — — — —

Laville née De Laroche

Lorogue Fergeau

F. Laville

Ad. Seghers

W. Hampton

Edouard Duffel

Judge & Notary Public

Pardevant moi, Edouard Duffel, juge de la paroisse de l'Ascension, Etat de la Louisiane, y résidant et exerçant d'office les fonctions de notaire public, et en présence des témoins ci-après nommés & soussignés — Fut présent John N. West, de la paroisse d'Est-Baton

Transcription

January 1, 1830

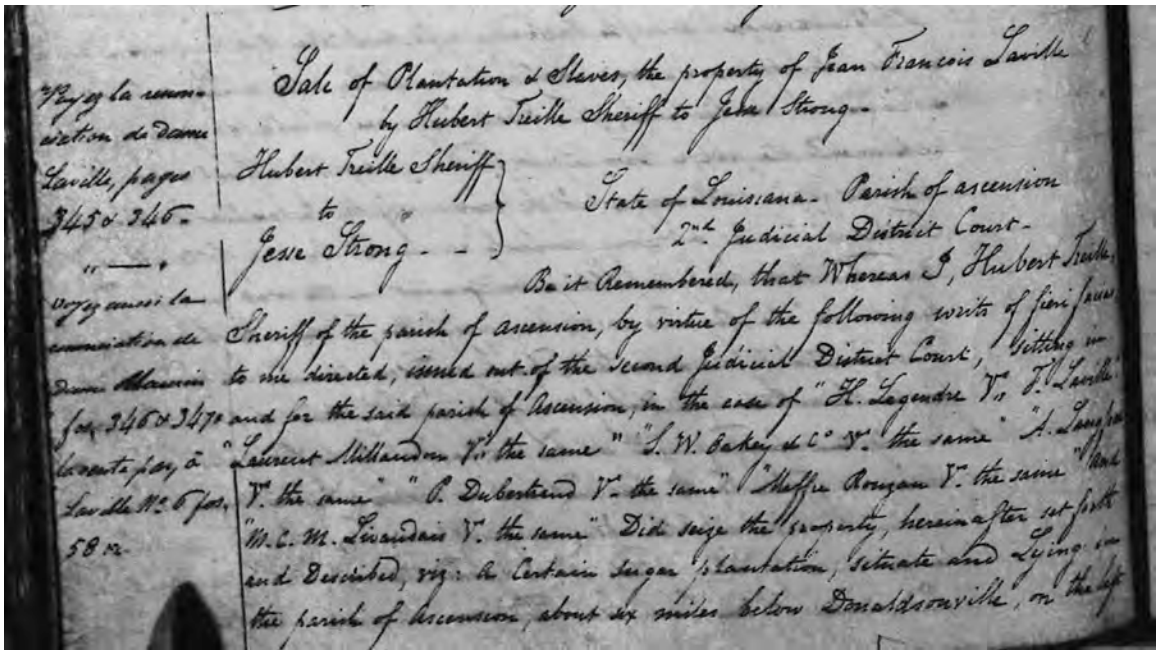
Isaac 40
Anthony 33
John Selden 29
John Hays 30
Sam (of the field) 25
William 23
Charles 20
George 20
Cajah 18
Lewis 17
Stephen 30
Marquis 23
Pedro 29
Dublin 19
Jacob 25
James 31
Jack 22
Wilson 21
Charles Martin 28
Henry 21
Daniel 27
Absalom 25
Joe 22
George Burton 19
Ned 23
Alfred 12
Sam (domestic) 12
Ellena 27
Peggy 24
Rose 25
Betsey 23
Winney 24
Fanny 21
Sally 21
Nelly 21
Little Nelly 20
Katy 23
Eliza 22
Paulina 16
Mary 20
Marguerite 43
Rosine 33

Mary (house servant) 45
Letty 8
Elodie 4
Marguerite 4
Sophy 4
Sophie 3
Estelle 1
Edouard 1
Cora 1
Laure infant
Clara infant
Auguste infant
Lucille infant
Jules infant
Archer 42
Lewis Thornton 25
Nelson 25
William Bonaparte 26
Charles Ball 25
Loyd 22
Moses 23
Henry Johnson 22
Frank 19
Rolla 18
Henry Page 26
Violet 21
Jenny 29
Becky 22

EXHIBIT 3

February 1836
Sale of plantation and slaves property of François Laville by Hubert Treille, Sheriff, to Jesse Strong, Ascension Parish Conveyance Records, Book 13, page 3

(transcription below images)



Voyez la commission de Dame Laville, pages 345 & 346.

" — "

Voyez aussi la commission de Dame Allemand pag. 346 & 347 & le reste pag. à Laville No 6 pag. 58 &c.

Sale of Plantation & Slaves, the property of Jean Francois Laville by Hubert Treille Sheriff to Jesse Strong.

Hubert Treille Sheriff to Jesse Strong

State of Louisiana. Parish of ascension
2nd Judicial District Court.

Be it Remembered, that Whereas I, Hubert Treille, Sheriff of the parish of ascension, by virtue of the following writs of fieri facias to me directed, issued out of the Second Judicial District Court, sitting in and for the said parish of Ascension, in the case of "H. Legendre V. J. Laville" "Laurent Millaudon V. the same" "S. W. Bakey & C° V. the same" "A. Langham V. the same" "P. Dubertrand V. the same" "Maffie Rougan V. the same" "Mark" "M. C. M. Livaudais V. the same" Did seize the property, hereinafter set forth and described, viz: a Certain sugar plantation, situate and lying in the parish of Ascension, about six miles below Donaldsonville, on the left

Bailliff of the Mississippi, bearing date the twenty sixth day of the last March
then, duly taken by the hand of M. D. Wilkinson, bearing my exponents
that same could with Rights on Depot, and opening fifteen Degrees, more
or less the buildings, appurtenances, rights & appurtenances thereto and there
unto belonging, Seven Thirty blade of work Horses, six horses and six mules
and a quantity of farming utensils, all attached to the said plantation
also the following Sixty four Negroes of different ages and sexes, to
wit: Isaac, aged about forty three years, Ben Henry, forty years; Lagah,
twenty five years; John Malvin thirty six years; Moses aged twenty two
years; John Hays, aged thirty seven years; Moses, aged twenty nine years;
Sam, aged thirty years; Ridley, aged forty seven years; William, aged
thirty years; Louis Thornton, aged thirty years; George Lee, aged twenty
seven years; Nelson, aged thirty years; William Bonaparte, aged thirty
one years; Charles Cole, aged thirty years; Frank, aged twenty four years;
Billy, aged twenty three years; Henry Page, aged thirty one years; Stephen,
aged thirty seven years; Pedro, alias Dennis, aged thirty five years; Pierre
Louis, alias Marquis, aged twenty nine years; Henry Hutson, aged twen-
ty seven years; Jim Pike, aged twenty two years; James, aged thirty seven
years; William, aged thirty eight years; Jack, aged twenty years; Jacob, aged
thirty years; Charles Martin, aged thirty five years; Daniel aged thirty one
years; George Benton, twenty five; Alfred, Eighteen years; Noah, twenty seven
years; Sam, thirty years; Rose, thirty two years; Peggy, thirty one;
Betsey, thirty years; Winey, aged thirty one years; Fanny, twenty eight
years; Katey, aged thirty years; Sally, aged twenty eight years; Nelly,
aged twenty eight years; Liza, aged twenty nine years; Letty, aged
fourteen; Fanny, aged thirty five years; Becky, aged twenty seven years;
Violette, aged twenty six; Mary, aged twenty eight years; Rosine, thirty
five years; Marguerite aged forty eight years; Mary aged fifty two years;
Marguerite aged Eleven years; Sophie aged three years; Mary, aged ten
years; Esther, aged seven years; Edward, nine years; Lolle, nine years, Clara,
seven years; Caroline, five years; Flora, five years; Mathilde, one year;
Cecile, aged one year; Two infant children, a boy and a girl; & Rodie
aged ten years; all seized, as the property, of the Judgement Debtor, Jean
Francois Laville, & having previously announced the sale of the above
described property, by a public advertisement, in the manner required
by law, On the day and at the hour appointed for the sale of said property,
I proceeded to lay the same, after having read in an audible and distinct
voice, the nature and description of it, and the terms of sale, and after
having then complied with all the formalities by law directed, and the
Amount offered by the last and highest bidder at said time, not having
reached two thirds of the appraisement, previously made of the said
property, as by law required, I postponed the sale of said property, for
and during fifteen days, computed from the date of the first legal notice,

at the expiration of which new notice, and at the hour, and on the day
and the place, specified by the New advertisement, I proceeded to sell
the said property, the conditions of sale being a credit of twelve Months
purchaser being required to furnish good and sufficient joint security
the purchase Money, and a special mortgage on the property to be sold
Amount last and highest bid, to bear an annual interest from the
day of the adjudication, at the same rate, as that allowed, by the Judgment
respectively. And Jesse Strong, being the last and highest bidder, I adjudicated the said property to him, for the sum of Eighty five Thousand
and two hundred & Dollars; and the purchaser that the day furnished me, his Bonds, with good and sufficient security, for the Amount
due to the Judgment creditors, above enumerated respectively, as follows: to wit
One bond for the sum of five thousand four hundred and Seventy six Dollars,
& fifty nine cents, to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Ambrose Longpaz, —
payable in twelve months from the date of sale; Another bond, for the sum
of Eighteen hundred & Seventy Eight Dollars, and Eighty one cents, to satisfy the
[illegible]t in favor of H. Legendre, payable also, in twelve Months from date;
Another Bond, for the sum of Two thousand One hundred and Eighty one Dol-
lars, and thirty three cents, to satisfy the judgment in favor of M. Bongan,
payable also in twelve months from the same date; Another Bond, for
the sum of Eighteen hundred and Eighty two Dollars and thirty one cents to
satisfy the Judgment in favor of J. W. Oakey & Co: payable also in twelve
Months from the date of sale; Another Bond, for the sum of three thousand
and Seven hundred & ninety Dollars, and Sixty Eight cents, to satisfy
the Judgment, in favor of J. Millandon, payable also in twelve Months
from the date of the sale; Another bond, for the sum of three thousand
Eight hundred and fifteen Dollars and Eight Cents, to satisfy the Judgment
in favor of M.C. M. Livaudais, payable also in twelve Months from
the date of sale; And another Bond, for the sum of four thousand three
hundred & Ninety four Dollars and ten cents, to satisfy the Judgment
in favor of Pierre Dubertrand, payable in twelve Months from the
Date of the sale; And another bond for the sum of One thousand fifty
four Dollars and twenty two cents, to satisfy the costs, in all the above
mentioned suits: All the said bonds, being made, payable to me sheriff,
and secured by Special Mortgage, on the property sold, until final
payment; Besides the personal security of Henry Mc Clark, and
James Conway, who have signed the said Bonds, in solido, with the said
purchaser; He the said purchaser retaining in his hands, the Amount
of the privilege & special mortgages, preferable and anterior to the Claims of
the suing creditors, as by law he is authorized to do. — —

Immediately before Exposing the said property for sale, I the said sheriff
did read aloud the certificate, which I obtained for the purpose, from the
Recorder of Mortgages, in and for the parish of Ascension, bearing

date the 27th January 1836, by which it appears, that on the day of said sale, No other mortgages or privileges appearing inscribed against the property of the said Jean Francois Laville, than the following, to wit: 1st Special Mortgage to secure the payment of his promissory note drawn & dated 5th December 1827, to the order of, and Indorsed by Joseph Theodore Bandure, payable 2nd March 1831, at the Bank of Louisiana, in New Orleans, with ten per cent interest per annum after it becomes due if not then paid, & identified with an act of sale & Mortgage, before Felix De Armas, Notary public, in New Orleans, dated 5th December 1827. Recorded 13 December 1827 - said note for the sum of two thousand one hundred & Eighty seven Dollars and a half ($2187-50) The said Mortgage being on the slaves, named Henry, 26 years old; Jean, 20 years; & Pierre 19 years old.

2nd A special mortgage in favor of William Talbert, or the bearer of the following Described notes viz: four promissory notes, subscribed by him to the order of, & Indorsed by Joseph Theodore Bandure, dated 24th November 1827, & identified with an act of same date, passed before Felix de Armas, Notary public New-Orleans, & payable at the Bank of Louisiana in New Orleans, on the 1st day of March 1831, with ten per cent interest thereon, per annum, after they become due, if not then paid - The first note for four thousand Dollars ($4000-00) the second for three thousand Dollars, ($3000) The third note for two thousand Dollars; (2000) and the fourth note for three thousand two hundred seventy two Dollars, sixty cents ($3272-60) making together twelve thousand two hundred seventy two Dollars and sixty cents ($12272-60) said mortgage, affecting the following Described negroes & their issue, to wit: Archer, aged forty years: Fielding 24 years; Lewis Thornton 23 years; Nelson 23 years; William 24 years; Lewis Denton, 24 years; Charles, 23 years; Lloyd, 20 years; Moses, 21 years; Isaac 24 years; Henry (blind of an Eye) 20 years: Frank, 17 years; Rolla 16 years; Isaac, 15 years; Jenny 27 years, & Becky 20 years (sixteen slaves)

3rd A special Mortgage in favor of General Wade Hampton his heirs and assigns, on the following Described property: viz: A Sugar plantation situated in the parish of Ascension, on the left Bank of the Mississippi River, at a place called the Houmas, measuring six arpents front more or less with all the Depth thereunto belonging, opening fifteen Degrees more or less being the plantation he purchased from Mrs Antoine Maurin bounded above by lands of Wade Hampton, and below by lands of Michel Dosadon Bridgier, with the buildings, commodities and appurtenances thereon and thereto belonging, and on the seventy Slaves Employed on the place, To wit: (The Negroes named) Isaac, 40 years; Anthony, 33 years; John Selden, 29 years; John Hays, 30 years; Sam, (Duchamp) 25 years; William 23 years; Charles 22 years; George, 20 years; Cajah, 18 years: Lewis 17 years;

Stephen 30 years; Marquis 23 years; Cadio, 29 years; Dublin 19 years;
25 years; James 31 years; Jack, 22 years; Wilson, 21 years; Charles
26 years; Henry 21 years; Daniel 27 years; Abraham, 25 years; Jim
George Benton, 19 years; Ned, 23 years; Alfred, 12 years; Thomas Bennett
25 years; Ellisia, 27 years; Peggy, 24 years; Rose, 25 years; Betty, 22
Winny 26 years; Fanny, 21 years; Sally, 21 years; Nelly 21 years;
Little Nelly, 20 years; Katy, 23 years; Eliza 22 years; Cadiene, 16 years;
Mary, 20 years; Marguerite, 45 years; Rosilina, 33 years; Ruby, servant,
45 years; Letty, 8 years; Elodie, 4 years; Marguerite, 1 year;
Sophy 4 years; Sophie, 13 years; Estelle, 8 year; Edward 1 year; Cora
1 year; Laure, Clara, Augusta, Lucille, & Jules Infants, making
fifty six slaves (and also the following fourteen slaves, mortgaged to
Wm. Talbert, as stated in certificate No. 1 & 2) viz: Rocker, 66 years;
Lewis Thornton, 25 years; Nelson, 25 years; William Bonaparte, 26 years;
Charles Ball, 25 years; Lloyd 22 years; Moses, 23 years; Henry Johnson 21
years; Frank, 19 years; Rolla, 18 years; Henry Page 26 years; Willis
years; Jenny, 29 years, & Becky 22 years; A Mortgage is also given
by said act on _____ which Laville may purchase or acquire
said special Mortgage granted by Jean Francois Laville & wife, to secure
the payment of an Obligation, identified with the act passed before me, as
notary on the 1st January Eighteen hundred and thirty, for the sum of
thirty two thousand four hundred Dollars ($32400 00) payable on the
first of March One thousand Eight hundred & thirty five; with Eight per
cent interest per annum, payable on the first of March annually; from
and after the first of March Eighteen hundred & thirty one, at the Branch
Bank of the United states, in New Orleans. _____

4th A special mortgage, on the above described plantation and Seventy
Slaves, Mortgaged as stated to Genl. Wade Hampton, to secure the payment
of Nine promissory notes, identified with an act of Mortgage, in favor of
Pierre Dubertrand, passed before me, as notary, the 23 fevrier mil huit cent trente
deux, subscribed by him, to the order of, & Endorsed by said Pierre Du-
bertrand, of which six notes, are dated 15 February Eighteen hundred & thirty
one, of the sum of two thousand Dollars each: Three of said notes, payar-
ble one year after date, and the others, in two years from Date. The oth
three notes payable one year after date, dated 17th February Eighteen
hundred and thirty one, viz: one of three thousand Dollars, and two of
fifteen hundred Dollars each; forming together the sum of Eighteen thou-
sand Dollars (18000 $) All of said notes to bear interest after ma-
turity, if not then paid, at the rate of ten per centum per annum —

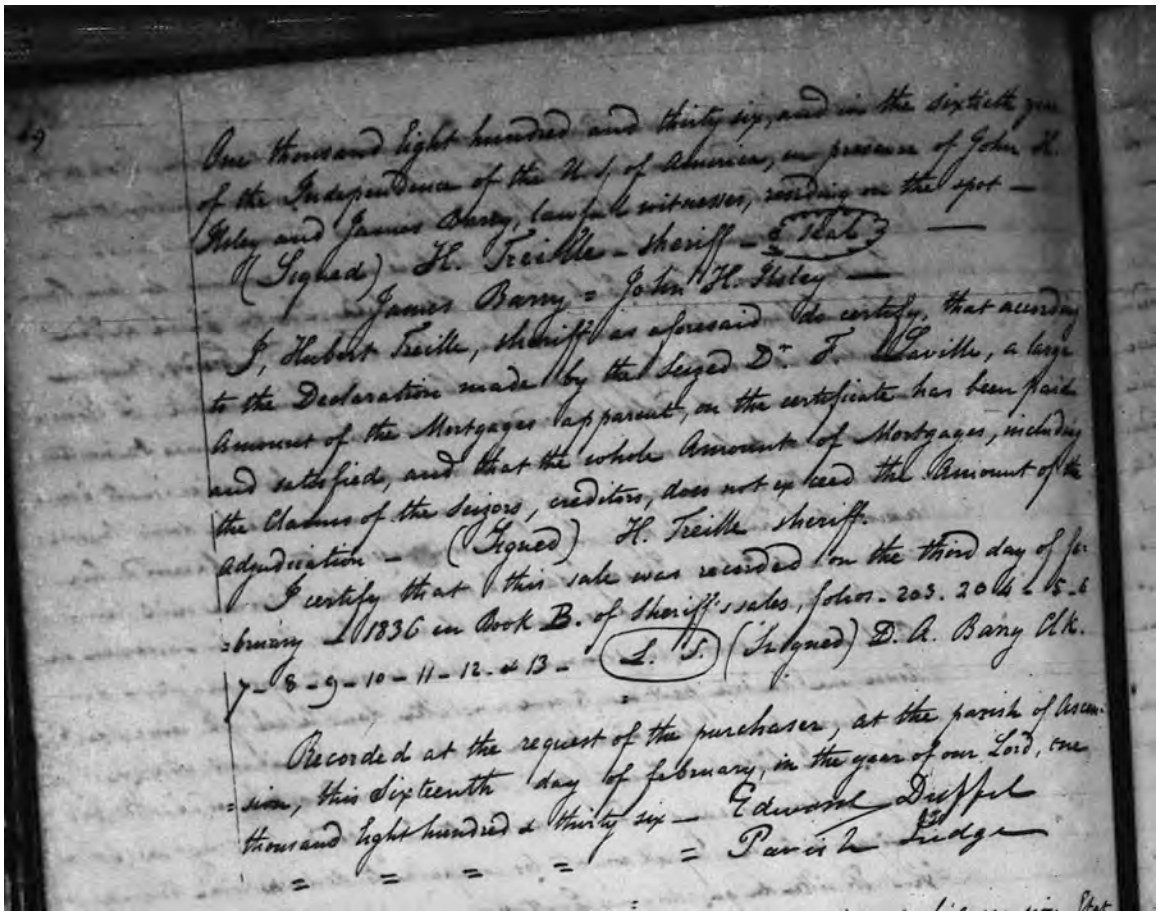
5th A special Mortgage in favor of Pierre Dubertrand & Henry
Legendre, in partnership, on the same plantation & Seventy Slaves
already referred to, to secure them from the Effects & Consequences of
All Endorsements, which they have given for his favor, or may hereafter

grant in his favor, to the amount of forty thousand Dollars ($40000--) said Mortgage granted by and before Theodore Hughes, Notary public New Orleans 7 February 1833, and Recorded by me, on the 12th February Eighteen hundred and thirty three. ——

6th. Seven Judicial Mortgages, to wit: One in favor of Ambroise Langlois, for five thousand Dollars ($5000--) with legal interest on two thousand Dollars, from 18 February 1834, on fifteen hundred Dollars from 1st March 1834, and the Remainder from 18 april 1834 & costs of suit — One in favor of Henry Leglandre, for seventeen hundred & fifty Dollars ($1750--) with legal interest from 12 august 1834 & costs of suit — One in favor of Pierre Dubertrand, for four thousand Dollars ($4000--) with legal interest from date of Notarial protest of the respective notes, costs of protest and of suit, & special mortgage on the land & slaves, mentioned in the copy of the act of Mortgage filed in the suit — One, in favor of Heffre Rougeau, for two thousand Dollars, with legal interest from 18. april 1834, costs of protest & of suit — One in favor of J. W. Oakey & Co. for seventeen hundred & fifty Dollars ($1750--) with legal interest from 12 august 1834, costs of protest & suit — One in favor of L. Millandon, for three thousand five hundred Dollars, ($3500--) with legal interest from 17 May 1834, costs of protest and of suit — The above Mortgages recorded 17th October 1835 — And a judicial mortgage, in favor of M. C. Marigny d'Livandais, for three thousand five hundred Dollars, with legal interest, from 18th april 1834, costs of protest & of suit; the plantation & slaves mortgaged in favor of P. Dubertrand, by Jean Francois Laville, on the 7. February 1833, subject to be seized and sold to pay said Judgts. Recorded 19th October 1835 — ——

Now therefore, Know all men by these presents, that I, Hubert Treille, sheriff aforesaid, in consideration of the premises, and by virtue of the writs of Execution and the statutes in such case made and provided have granted Bargained & sold, and by these presents do grant, Bargain & sell, unto the said Jesse Strong, and his heirs & assigns forever, All the land, slaves, rights & appurtenances hereinbefore particularly set forth and Described, and all the Estate right, title & interest which the said Francois Laville had in the said property now sold, on the day of the seizure thereof, or at any time since had, or now hath. To have and to hold, the said Land and appurtenances and Slaves unto the said Jesse Strong, his heirs and assigns forever, as fully and absolutely, as I, the said Hubert Treille, sheriff aforesaid, and under the authority aforesaid might, could or ought to, sell and Convey the same — ——

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, at the parish of Ascension, on the third day of february



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One thousand eight hundred and thirty six, and in the sixtieth year
of the Independence of the U. S. of America, in presence of John H.
Ilsley and James Barry, lawful witnesses, residing on the spot —
(Signed) H. Treille - Sheriff - L. S.
James Barry - John H. Ilsley —
I, Herbert Treille, sheriff as aforesaid do certify, that according
to the Declaration made by the Seigneur D. T. Caville, a large
amount of the Mortgages has passed, on the certificate has been paid
and satisfied, and that the whole Amount of Mortgages, including
the Claims of the seigors, creditors, does not exceed the Amount of the
adjudication — (Signed) H. Treille Sheriff.
I certify that this sale was recorded on the third day of fe-
bruary 1836 in Book B. of Sheriff's sales, folios - 203. 204 - 5 - 6
7 - 8 - 9 - 10 - 11 - 12 - & 13 - L. S. (Signed) D. A. Barry Clk.

Recorded at the request of the purchaser, at the parish of Ascen-
sion, this Sixteenth day of february, in the year of our Lord, one
thousand eight hundred & thirty six — Edward Duffel
= = = = = Parish Judge

Transcription

Isaac 47
Anthony 40
Cagah 25
John Seldin 36
Louis 22
John Hays 37
Moses 29
Sam 30
Archy 47
William 30
Louis Thornton 30
George Lea 27
Nelson 30
William Bonaparte 31
Charles Bala 30
Frank 24
Rolla 23
Henry Page 31
Stephen 37

Pedro alias Dennis 35
Pierre Lousi alias Marquis 29
Henry Johnson 27
Dublin 22
James 37
Wilson 38
Jack 20
Jacob 30
Charles Martin 35
Daniel 31
George Burton 25
Alfred 18
Ned 27
Sam 30
Rose 32
Peggy 31
Betsey 30
Weney 31
Fanny 28
Katey 30
Sally 28
Nelly 28
Liza 29
Letty 14
Fanny 35
Becky 27
Violette 26
Mary 28
Rosine 35
Marguerite 48
Mary 52
Sophie 3
Mary 10
Esther 7
Edward 9
Colla 9
Clara 7
Caroline 5
Flora 5
Mathilda 1
Crule 1
Infant boy
Infant girl
Elodie 10

EXHIBIT 4

New Orleans Notarial Archives, Theodore Seghers Notary, Sale of Plantation and Slaves, Jesse Strong, William Gilmore and Jacob Hollingsworth to Laurent Millaudon, Henry Schmidt, Frederick Frey, et al.; March 20, 1837, Vol. 20 #282.

(transcription below images)

No. 282.

20 Mars 1837.

Vente d'habitation & d'esclaves par Strong & autres à Millaudon & autres.

NB. Schmidt's ninth part was sold to Slidell, on the 26 June 1839 before Grima not. pub.

Be it known that on this day before Me Theodore Seghers notary public duly commissioned and sworn for the City and parish of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, and in presence of the undersigned witnesses: _____

Personally came and appeared Jesse Strong, William Gilmor, and Jacob Hollingsworth, all residents of the parish of Ascension: Who declare that they have sold and they do hereby sell, bargain and convey forever with full warranty of the title against all claims, evictions and incumbrances whatsoever.(1) _____

Unto Laurent Millaudon, Henry ~~W~~ Godfrey Schmidt, Frederick Frey, Henry Rickell Williams, Charles Frederick Zimpel, Joachim Kohn, and John Slidell, all here present and accepting in the proportion of three ninths for Laurent Millaudon and one ninth part for each of the other purchasers: _____

A certain plantation with slaves described in manner following: to wit: First, a certain tract of land and plantation situate in the parish of Ascension on the left bank of the river Mississippi, at about six miles below the town of Donaldsonville, containing six arpents more or less on the front line with eighty in depth more or less between lines which diverge fifteen degrees, bounded on the upper side by the plantation of the heirs of Wade Hampton and on the lower side by the plantation of Michel Dourado Bringier, together with all the buildings, improvements, rights, servitudes and appurtenances to said property belonging, including about sixteen horses and mules, about thirteen yoke oxen, three cows and one calf, two waggons, seven carts, fourteen ploughs, forty four hoes, thirty six axes, thirty spades, four cross cut saws, blacksmiths tools, about twelve hundred barrels corn, three ox-chains, and also, all the beds, tables, chairs, sofa, and all house hold and kitchen furniture generally and all the farming utensils and implements on the place, and in fact every thing attached to said plantation as immovable by destination of law. _____

And secondly, eighty five slaves attached to said plantation whose names and ages are as follows: 1. Isaac forty seven years old. 2. Antony forty years brick layer. 3. Cagah, sickly, twenty five years old. 4. John Silden, thirty six years old, Driver. 5. Louis twenty two years old. 6. John Hayes thirty seven years old. 7. Moses twenty nine years old. 8. Sam, thirty two years old. 9. Archy, forty seven years old. 10. William thirty years old. 11. George Lee, twenty seven years old. 12. Nelson thirty years, cooper. 13. William Bonaparte, thirty one years. 14. Charles Bahl, thirty years. 15. Henry Johnson twenty seven years. 16. Frank runaway twenty four years. 17. Rolla, twenty

three years. 18. Henry Page, thirty one years old. 19. Stephen thirty seven years. 20. Pedro alias Denis thirty five years. 21. Pierre Louis (Morris) twenty nine years, engineer. 22. Dublin twenty two years. 23. James thirty seven years. 24. Wilson twenty eight years. 25. Jack twenty nine years. 26. Charles Martin thirty four years. 27. Daniel thirty one years. 28. George Benton twenty five years. 29. Ned twenty seven years. 30. Alfred eighteen years. 31. Sam thirty years. 32. Peggy thirty one years. 33. Rose, thirty two years. 34. Fanny twenty eight years. 35. Sally twenty eight years. 36. Nelly twenty eight years. 37. Kitty thirty years. 38. Eliza twenty nine years. 39. Letty fourteen years. 40. Violet twenty six years. 41. Mary, twenty eight years. 42. Rosine, thirty five years. 43. Margaret, palsy, forty eight years. 44. Jinny, thirty five years. 45. Elodie, ten years. 46. Margaret eleven years. 47. Sophy nine years. 48. Sophy Mary ten years. 49. Esther seven years. 50. Edward nine years. 51. Colla nine years. 52. Caroline five years. 53. Flora five years. 54. Matilda one year. 55. Aaron two years. 56. Pauline two years. 57. Robert seven years. 58. Lucinda one year. 59. Sally one year. 60. Nancy two months. 61. Henny eight months. 62. Isaac twenty four years. 63. Dennis twenty four years. 64. Nace twenty five years. 65. Polydore nineteen years. 66. Isaac seventeen years. 67. John Eighteen years. 68. Horace nineteen years. 69. Jim, thirty five years. 70. Henry forty years. 71. Boy or Coy thirty years. 72. Bruce, nine years. 73. Sam eight years. 74. John twelve years. 75. Henry thirteen years. 76. Kitty fifty five years. 77. Sally twenty eight years. 78. Charlotte twenty four years. 79. Isabel fifteen years. 80. Harriett, eleven years. 81. Charlotte ten years. 82. Nat seven years. 83. Louisa four years. 84. Susan six years. 85. Rachel one year. _____

Which plantation belongs to the said three vendors jointly each for one undivided third part, as having been purchased in whole by Jesse Strong at the public sale made by the Sheriff of the parish of Ascension in January Eighteen hundred and thirty six, by virtue of several writs of fieri facias issued out of the Second judicial District Court sitting in and for the parish of Ascension in the case of H. Legendre vs P. Laville, Laurent Millaudon vs the same and in other cases as appears from the deed made by H. Freillo Sheriff of the parish of Ascension in favor of Jesse Strong, dated the third day of february Eighteen hundred and thirty six, duly registered on the same day by the clerk of the said Court in book B of Sheriff's sales page 203 to 213. And the said Jesse Strong conveyed two thirds thereof to Gilmor and Hollingsworth by an act passed on the tenth of february Eighteen hundred and thirty six before John H. Isley Notary public in the parish of Ascension. As for

I hereby certify that there are no mortgages recorded in my office against Isaac Strong, William Gilmer & Jacob Hollingsworth, on a certain tract of land situate in the parish of Iberville on the left bank of the river Mississippi about Six Mile below Donaldsonville bounded above by the land of the late Genl. Wade Hampton & below by the land of Michel D Bringier, measuring Six arpents front more or less & Eighty arpents in depth, and the Sixty four Slaves named & described in the Sheriffs Sale of said land & Slaves made on the third day of February Eighteen hundred and thirty Six, except the Special mortgage in favor of General Wade Hampton by act passed before me as Notary on the first of January Eighteen hundred & thirty to secure the payment of a certain obligation made by Jean François Laville & wife for the sum of Thirty two thousand four hundred dollars payable 1 March Eighteen hundred & thirty five with eight per cent interest per annum from 1 March Eighteen hundred & thirty one and a mortgage granted by said Isaac Strong William Gilmer & Jacob Hollingsworth to secure the payment of a promissory note given by them to the order of Edmund Preston Esq. representing the distributees & legatees of the late Wade Hampton, payable at the Bank of Louisiana on the 1 March 1836 for the sum of forty five thousand eight hundred & eighty five dollars & eighty one cents, with eight per cent interest from 1 March 1837, as per act before John H Isley Esq Notary Public said note given to liquidate the debt secured by mortgage above mentioned made by Laville to Hampton and assumed by said Strong, Gilmer & Hollingsworth, amounting in capital & interest to said sum of forty five thousand eight hundred eighty five dollars & eighty one cents to 1 March 1837 – To secure the payment of the debt of Laville assumed by Isaac Strong, Wm Gilmer & Jacob Hollingsworth the following Slaves employed on & attached to said plantation are specially mortgaged by the act before John H Isley Esq above referred to, to Wit. Dunicy 24 years old, Charlotte 24 years & her child Bruce aged 2 years, Susan 4 years, John 8 years, Mary 11 years, Isaac 25 years, Mary 35 years, Isaac 45 years, John 32 years, Cyrus, 32 years, Isaac 25 years

Sandy 25 years, Polydore 19 years, Harry 17 years —
John 17 years, Isaac 16 years, Sam 7 years —
Nathan 3 years, Betty 55 years, Sally 24 years, Isabel
14 years, Harriet 6 years, Charlotte 4 years,
Laura 3 years & Charly 7 years — twenty seven Slaves —
I further certify that all the mortgages stated in
my certificate of Mortgages mentioned in the Sheriffs
Sale of the land & twenty seven Slaves to Isaac Strong
on the 3 February 1836, have been duly raised
cancelled & annulled on my records upon the
Special mortgage in favor of Wade Hampton —

Given under my hand & Seal of Office at
the parish of Rapides State of Louisiana
the eighteenth day of January Eighteen hundred
and twenty Seven

= Samuel Duffel
Judge & Recorder of Mortgages

the slaves, they were mostly purchased with the plantation. — The aforesaid Sheriff's sale was duly homologated by the district Court sitting at the parish of Ascension by a decree bearing date 12th April 1836 after monitions advertised according to law in Rule N° 801. — The aforesaid land had been acquired by said Laville by purchase from Mrs. Mairin by an act executed before Carlos Doutremar Judge of the parish of Ascension on the twenty eighth June Eighteen hundred and twenty three. ——

This sale is made for and in consideration of the sum of One hundred and seventy seven thousand dollars, on which amount the purchasers have paid in cash in the presence of the Notary and witnesses, thirty thousand dollars unto the vendors who hereby acknowledge the receipt thereof. And as to the balance, the said purchasers promise and bind themselves to pay the same in three equal instalments at one, two and three years from the sixteenth day of february Eighteen hundred and thirty seven, and they further bind themselves to pay interest on the first instalment at the rate of eight per centum per annum from the said day (sixteenth february last) until paid; Each instalment will therefore be forty nine thousand dollars, the first payable at one year with the aforesaid interest, the second payable at two years without interest, and the third payable at three years without interest. And to secure the payment of the said three instalments and interest, the said plantation and slaves remain specially mortgaged. ——

Whereas there is a mortgage on said plantation and slaves in favor of Wade Hampton's legal heirs, for forty five thousand eight hundred and eighty five dollars and eighty one cents, due on the first of march Eighteen hundred and thirty eight with interest at eight per cent. per annum from the first of March Eighteen hundred and thirty seven, as per act before John H. Ilsley Notary public in the parish of Ascension under date of the Eleventh of february Eighteen hundred and thirty seven, the purchasers agree and promise to pay the said amount at maturity to the heirs of Hampton or to the holders of the bond identified by the said Notary Ilsley with the aforesaid act of mortgage; and to deduct the amount of said mortgage from the first instalment and pay the balance to the vendors. ——

The purchasers shall have the privilege, after paying the first instalment, of discounting the two last payments at the rate of eight per centum per annum if they see proper. ——

And after the first instalment of forty nine thousand dollars with interest shall have been paid, the mortgage shall be released and raised off the slaves, the land and improvements being a sufficient security for the two last instalments. —

From the certificate of the parish judge ex officio recorder of mortgages for the parish of Ascension, dated the eighteenth January 1837, it appears that the only mortgage on the said land and slaves, is the one in favor of the heirs of General Wade Hampton, as herein before mentioned. ——

The vendors declare that there is no tacit lien or mortgage against them.

The said Jeff Strong and William Gilmor declare moreover that they never married, and the said Jacob Hollingsworth promises to procure within nine months a renunciation # by his wife to her rights whatsoever on the said property.

See the renunciation annexed to an act of 3d March 1838 here.

Now therefore the vendors transfer to the purchasers all their right and title in and to the aforedescribed moveable or immoveable property with subrogation to their rights and actions of warranty against whom of right: to have and to hold the same to the purchasers forever. And they acknowledge possession from the sixteenth february last. ——

Thus done and passed at New Orleans, in my office, on the twentieth March Eighteen hundred and thirty seven, in the sixty first year of American Independence in the presence of Wolmar Bon and Louis Quemper, residing in this city witnesses. In faith whereof, the parties have hereunto set their hands with me the Notary and with the witnesses after due reading hereof. ——

+ in due form of law. — (1) and all other warranties of law. — These two references approved. —

W. G.
J. G.
J. H.

Jacob Hollingsworth
Jeff. Strong
William Gilmor
Wolmar Bon
John Liddle
H. H. Williams
Louis Quemper
H. G. Schmidt
Fred. Fry
Joachim Nolan
Ph. Sighers Not. Pub.
E. P. Jumel

Transcription

Isaac 47
Antony 40 bricklayer
Cagah 25 sickly
John Silden 36 driver
Louis 22
John Hayes 37
Moses 29
Sam 32
Archy 47
William 30
George Lee 27
Nelson 30 cooper
William Bonaparte 31
Charles Bahl 30
Henry Johnson 27
Frank 24 runaway
Rolla 23
Henry Page 31
Stephen 37
Pedro alias Denis 35
Pierre Louis (Marquis) 29 Engineer
Dublin 22
James 37
Wilson 28
Jack 29
Charles Martin 34
Daniel 31
George Burton/Benton? 25
Ned 27
Alfred 18
Sam 30
Peggs 31
Rose 32
Fanny 28
Sally 28
Nelly 28
Kitty 30
Eliza 29
Letty 14
Violet 26
Mary 28
Rosine 35
Margaret 48 palsy
Jinny 35

Elodie 10
Margaret 11
Sophy 9
Sophy Mary 10
Esther 7
Edward 9
Colla 9
Caroline 5
Flora 5
Matilda 1
Aaron 2
Pauline 2
Robert 7
Lucinda 1
Sally 1
Nancy 2 months
Henny 8 months
Isaac 24
Dennis 24
Nace 25
Polydore 19
Isaac 17
John 18
Horace 19
Jim 35
Henry 40
Boy or Coy 30
Bruce 9
Sam 8
John 12
Henry 13
Kitty 55
Sally 28
Charlotte 24
Isabel 15
Harriet 11
Charlotte 10
Nat 7
Louisa 4
Susan 6
Rachel 1

EXHIBIT 5

New Orleans Notarial Archives, Felix Grima, Sale of Plantation and Slaves, Laurent Millaudon to Philippe Millaudon in Marseilles, France; February 29, 1840, Volume 28, Act 118.

(transcription below images)

Etat de la Louisiane,
NOUVELLE-ORLEANS.

N° 118

29 Février 1840.

Vente d'habitation & esclaves
Laurent Millaudon
à
Philippe Millaudon.

En la Ville de la Nouvelle-Orléans, dans l'Etat de la Louisiane ce vingt neuf Février — mil huit cent ~~quarante~~ quarante et dans la soixante quatrième année de l'Indépendance des Etats-Unis d'Amérique.

Pardevant FELIX GRIMA, Notaire Public, dûment commissionné et assermenté, dans et pour la Ville et Paroisse de la Nouvelle-Orléans, y résidant, et en présence des témoins ci-après nommés et soussignés,

A personnellement comparu Monsieur Laurent Millaudon, demeurant en cette ville; lequel a par ces présentes vendu, cédé, quitté et transporté avec garantie de tous troubles, dons, dettes, hypothèques evictions, aliénations et de tous autres empêchements généralement quelconques

A Monsieur Philippe Millaudon, ci-devant résidant à Marseilles dans le Royaume de France, actuellement en cette ville, à ce présent et acceptant, acquéreur pour lui ses héritiers ou ayans cause.

1° Les quatre neuvièmes indivis d'une habitation établie en sucrerie, située dans la paroisse Ascension en cet état, sur la rive gauche du fleuve Mississippi, à environ six milles au dessous de Donaldsonville, mesurant environ six arpens tiers en mains de face au fleuve sur une profondeur d'environ quatre vingts arpens, entre deux lignes courant de quinze degrés, bornée à la limite supérieure par une terre ou habitation appartenant aux héritiers de Monsieur Wade Hampton et à la limite inférieure par une autre terre ou habitation appartenant à Monsieur Michel Doradon Bringier; ensemble les quatre neuvièmes indivis de toutes les bâtisses et améliorations qui s'y trouvent, ainsi que les animaux, instrumens aratoires, droits, actions et privilèges qui en dépendent sans aucune exception ni réserve.

Et 2° Les quatre neuvièmes indivis des quatre vingts cinq esclaves attachés à ladite habitation et dont les noms et ages suivent, savoir: Isaac âgé d'environ quarante neuf ans, Anthony d'environ quarante deux ans, bigueur, Cajah d'environ vingt sept ans, John Sidler d'environ trente huit ans, cocher, Louis d'environ vingt quatre ans, John Hayes d'environ vingt neuf ans, Sam d'environ vingt quatre ans, Archy d'environ quarante neuf ans, William d'environ

trente huy ans, George Lee d'environ vingt neuf ans, Nelson d'environ trente huy ans
tonnelier, William Bonaparte d'environ trente trois ans, Charles Bahl d'environ
trente huy ans, Henry Johnson d'environ vingt neuf ans, Frank d'environ vingt
six ans, marinier, Rollo d'environ vingt cinq ans, Henry Page d'environ trente
trois ans, Stephen d'environ trente neuf ans, Pierro alias Denis d'environ trente sept
ans, Pierrep Louis Morris d'environ trente neuf ans, ingénieur, Dallas d'environ
vingt quatre ans, James d'environ trente neuf ans, Wilson d'environ trente ans, Jack
d'environ trente un ans, Charles Martin d'environ trente six ans, Daniel d'environ
trente trois ans, George Boston d'environ vingt sept ans, Ned d'environ vingt
neuf ans, Alfred d'environ vingt ans, Sam, d'environ trente huy ans, Peggo
d'environ trente trois ans, Rose d'environ trente quatre ans, Fanny d'environ trente
ans, Chilly d'environ trente ans, Nelly d'environ trente ans, Kitty d'environ trente
huy ans, Eliza d'environ trente un ans, Betty d'environ seize ans, Violette d'environ
vingt huit ans, Mary d'environ trente ans, Rosine d'environ trente sept ans,
Marguerite d'environ cinquante ans, paralytique, Jimmy d'environ trente sept
ans, Eloise d'environ onze ans, Marguerite d'environ treize ans, Sophie
d'environ onze ans, Sophie Mary d'environ onze ans, Esther d'environ neuf
ans, Edouard d'environ onze ans, Celia d'environ onze ans, Caroline d'environ
sept ans, Flora d'environ sept ans, Mathilda d'environ trois ans, Aaron d'environ
trois ans, Pauline d'environ quatre ans, Robert d'environ neuf ans, Lucinda
d'environ trois ans, Sally d'environ trois ans, Nancy d'environ deux ans, Henry
d'environ trois ans, Isaac d'environ vingt six ans, Denis d'environ vingt six
ans, Noel d'environ vingt sept ans, Polydore d'environ vingt un ans, Isaac
d'environ dix neuf ans, John d'environ vingt ans, Horace d'environ vingt un
ans, Jim d'environ trente sept ans, Henry d'environ quarante huy ans, Boyer Boy
d'environ trente huy ans, Bruce d'environ onze ans, Sam d'environ dix ans,
John d'environ quatorze ans, Henry d'environ quinze ans, Kitty d'environ
vingt six ans, Isabelle d'environ dix sept ans, Henrietta d'environ treize ans, Charlotte
d'environ onze ans, Nan d'environ neuf ans, Louisa d'environ six ans, Suzanne
d'environ huit ans, Rachelle d'environ trois ans, Marie d'environ trente un ans,
Sally d'environ trente ans & Charlotte d'environ vingt six ans.

Le dit sieur Laurent Millandon déclare ici que les quatre neuvièmes indivis des esclaves ci-après dénommés ont été achetés par lui en vertu des actes ci-après mentionnés, et que quelques esclaves pouvant être morts ou nés sur la dite habitation depuis les dites acquisitions ; en conséquence il est de convention entre les parties aux présentes que les quatre neuvièmes indivis appartiennent au dit sieur Laurent Millandon dans les esclaves qui pourront être nés sur la dite habitation, ainsi que dit est, sont compris dans la présente vente, et que le dit sieur Philippe Millandon n'aura droit d'exercer aucune réclamation contre le dit sieur Laurent Millandon pour les quatre neuvièmes indivis de ceux des dits esclaves qui pourront être morts sur la dite habitation depuis la date des acquisitions par lui faites des quatre neuvièmes indivis des dits esclaves ainsi qu'il sera ci-après établi. ——

Le dit sieur Laurent Millandon est propriétaire de trois neuvièmes indivis de la dite habitation et des dits esclaves au moyen de l'acquisition qu'il en a faite des sieurs Jesse Olney, William Gilmore & Jacob Vollingsworth par acte au rapport de Théodore Seghers notaire en cette ville le vingt mars mil huit cent trente sept, et de deux autres neuvièmes indivis de la dite habitation et des dits esclaves au moyen de l'acquisition qu'il en a faite du sieur John Hidden, par acte en cette étude du onze février courant. ——

La présente vente est faite et acceptée pour et moyennant la somme de Soixante quinze mille piastres, en déduction de laquelle le vendeur reconnaît avoir reçu en espèces ayant cours, comptées & délivrées hors la vue des notaires et des témoins soussignés, des mains du dit acquéreur la somme de quinze mille piastres, dont quittance et décharge d'autant. — Et pour la balance savoir, la somme de soixante mille piastres, le dit acquéreur a produit et fourni six billets chacun de la somme de Dix mille piastres, souscrits par lui en date de ce jour, à l'ordre du sieur Laurent Millandon, et payables au domicile du dit sieur Laurent Millandon en cette ville, à un, deux, trois, quatre cinq et six ans de leur date ; lesquels billets après avoir été contresignés et paraphés ne varietur par le notaire soussigné pour les identifier avec le présent acte ont été reçus, reçus et retirés par le dit sieur Laurent Millandon qui le reconnaît ——

Transcription

Laurent Millaudon to Philippe Millaudon in Marseilles four-ninths of a plantation and slaves, $75,000

Inventory of Slaves

Isaac	49	
Anthony	42	brickmaker
Cajah	27	
John Silden	38	coachman
Louis	24	
John Hayes	29	
Sam	24	
Archy	49	
William	32	
George Lee	29	
Nelson	32	cooper
William Bonaparte	33	
Charles Bahl	32	
Henry Johnson	29	
Frank	26	runaway
Rolla	25	
Henry Page	33	
Stephen	39	
Pedro al. Denis	37	
Pierre Louis Morris	39	engineer
Dublin	24	
James	39	
Wilson	30	
Jack	31	
Charles Martin		36
Daniel	33	
George Burton	27	
Ned	29	
Alfred	20	
Sam	32	
Peggs	33	
Rose	34	
Fanny	30	
Sally	30	

Nelly		30	
Kitty		32	
Eliza		31	
Letty		16	
Violette		28	
Mary		30	
Rosine		37	
Marguerite		50	paralyzed
Jinny	37		
Elodie		12	
Marguerite		13	
Sophie		11	
Sophie Mary		12	
Esther		9	
Edouard		11	
Colla		11	
Caroline		7	
Flora		7	
Mathilda		3	
Aaron		3	
Pauline	4		
Robert		9	
Lucinda		3	
Sally		3	
Nancy		2	
Henry		3	
Isaac		26	
Denis		26	
Noel		27	
Polydore		21	
Isaac		19	
John		20	
Horace		21	
Jim		37	
Henry		42	
Boyer Coy		32	
Bruce		11	
Sam		10	
John		14	
Henry		15	
Kitty		26	
Isabelle		17	
Henriette		13	
Charlotte		12	
Nat		9	
Louisa		6	

Suzanne	8
Rachel	3
Moses	31
Sally	30
Charlotte	26

Later property was retroceded to Laurent Millaudon

New Orleans Notarial Archives, Louis T. Caire, Retrocession of Plantation and Slaves, Philip Millaudon to Laurent Millaudon; December 29, 1841, Vol. 28 #84.

Then sold a few months later to Lizardi

New Orleans Notarial Archives, Felix Grima Notary, Sale of Plantation and Slaves, Laurent Millaudon to Manuel Julien de Lizardi; June 14, 1841, Vol. 34 #355.

EXHIBIT 6

New Orleans Notarial Archives, Louis T. Caire, Sale of Plantation and Slaves, Charles Casimir Gardanne to Manuel Julien de Lizardi; January 15, 1846, Vol. 101 #21.

(transcription below images)

1846
15th January
Sale of 5/9th of a
Plantation & Slaves
By
Chas. C. Gardanne
To Mr. Manuel
Julian de Lizardi

United States of America

State of Louisiana
City of New Orleans.

Be it remembered, that this day the Fifteenth, of the month of January, One thousand eight hundred and forty six, and in the Seventieth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Before me Louis F. Claire, a Notary Public, in and for the City and Parish of New Orleans, duly commissioned and Sworn and in presence of the witnesses hereafter named and subscribed.

Personally appeared:

Mr. Charles Casimir Gardanne, residing in the parish of Jefferson State aforesaid, who declared and said that for the consideration hereinafter stipulated he does by these presents grant, bargain, sell, convey, transfer, abandon and set over under all and every lawful guaranty.

Unto Mr. Manuel Julian de Lizardi, now absent from this State but represented by Mr. Alexander Garden and Juan F. de Ogana specially authorized by letter bearing date the third December eighteen hundred & forty five which they now hold in their possession, here present and accepting for the said Manuel Julian de Lizardi, his heirs and assigns, and acknowledging possession.

A Five undivided sixth parts of a cane Sugar Plantation, situate in the Parish of Assension in this state on the left bank

Copie pour les enregistrements remise à Mr. Le Gendre de Ogana. Recorded in the Parish of Assension. Book No. 20 page 135 & following on the 16th day of March 1846.

of the river Mississippi six miles or thereabout below Donaldsonville, State aforesaid, measuring more or less without any special guaranty for the measure, six arpents front on the river Mississippi and about eighty arpens in depth, between lines opening in the rear about fifteen degrees bounded at the upper limit by a plantation belonging to the heirs of the late Wade Hampton, and at the lower limit by the plantation belonging to Mr. Michel Doradon Bringier. The Plantation presently sold is generally known and designated by the name of Orange Grove together with the five undivided ninth parts of the buildings and improvements of any nature soever now on the land, their dependences and appurtenances and the rights, privileges, ways, usages and servitudes to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining but under the reservation of the use and enjoyment of the road and parcel of Ground herein after more fully described.

Also the five undivided ninth parts of the Stock of Cattle, Horses and other animals now on the said plantation appertaining thereto belonging, with the exception however of the Sugar and molasses now on the said plantation and not included in the present sale.

Slaves.

2d. The five undivided sixth parts of eighty six heads of Slaves to wit forty one males, twenty three females and twenty two Children named and aged as follows or thereabout according to the Statement made by J. Crumbaker the Overseer of said plantation in the Sixteenth January last past and hereto annexed for reference.

Males.

John Seldon, driver	44. years.	Billey	31. years.
John Lewis, blacksmith	43. "	Jim Perry	45. "
Antony	48. "	Moses	37. "
Nelson, cooper	38. "	Frank	32. "
Harris, cooper	27. "	Wilson	38. "
Charles Ball	38. "	Isaac big	25. "
Ned	35. "	Henry Griffin	49. "
Isaac	53 "	Dennis Jackson	32 "
Sam	40. "	Bonaparte	39. "
Jack	37. "	Caulkin	30 "
Henry Page	39. "	Charles Marlin	42 "
Cajah	33 "	Ike	33 "
John Hase	45 "	Sam Tyler	37 "
Henry Johnson	35 "	Jim Thomas, one leg	43 "
William	37 "	Henry	19 "
George Burden	37. "	John	16 "
Daniel	39. "	Edward	15 "
Cyrus	39. "	Flora	12 "
George, Sec	35. "	Ned	10 "
Pitts	27. "	Charles	10 "
Alfred	25 "		

Women.

Rose,	39. years.	Eliza,	35. years.
Sally,	33. "	Eidel,	34 "
Mary,	34. "	Rosina,	37. "
Nelly, mulg.	35. "	Jane,	43. "
Peggy,	38 "	Sophy Mary,	18. "
Betty	22 "	Sophy Betsey,	17. "
Sallay,	33. "	Isabella,	22. "
Charlotte,	32. "	Cara,	14. "
Margarett,	19. "	Clarijse,	12. "
Fanny	35 "	Suzanna,	12. "
Kitty,	37 "	Charlotte,	13 "

Estelle 17 years.

Children

Moses,	12. years.	Pillis,	12. years.
Pat,	7 "	Nancy,	10. "
Rachel,	5 "	Jerry,	6. "
Moses,	1. "	Bob,	10. "
Grace,	6. "	Judy,	5. "
Zacharie	1. "	Maria,	8. "
George,	7. "	Barkley,	5. "
Becky	3. "	Lydia,	5. "
Jacob	1. "	Bill,	6. "
Francis,	6. "	John,	3. "
Peter,	1. "	Henry,	5. mutt.

And whereas said slaves are well known of the purchaser it is well understood that Mr. Cardanne gives no guaranty for the vices and maladies prescribed by law;

The said appearers do hereby acknowledge and declare that the lands in the rear of the afordescribed plantation known under

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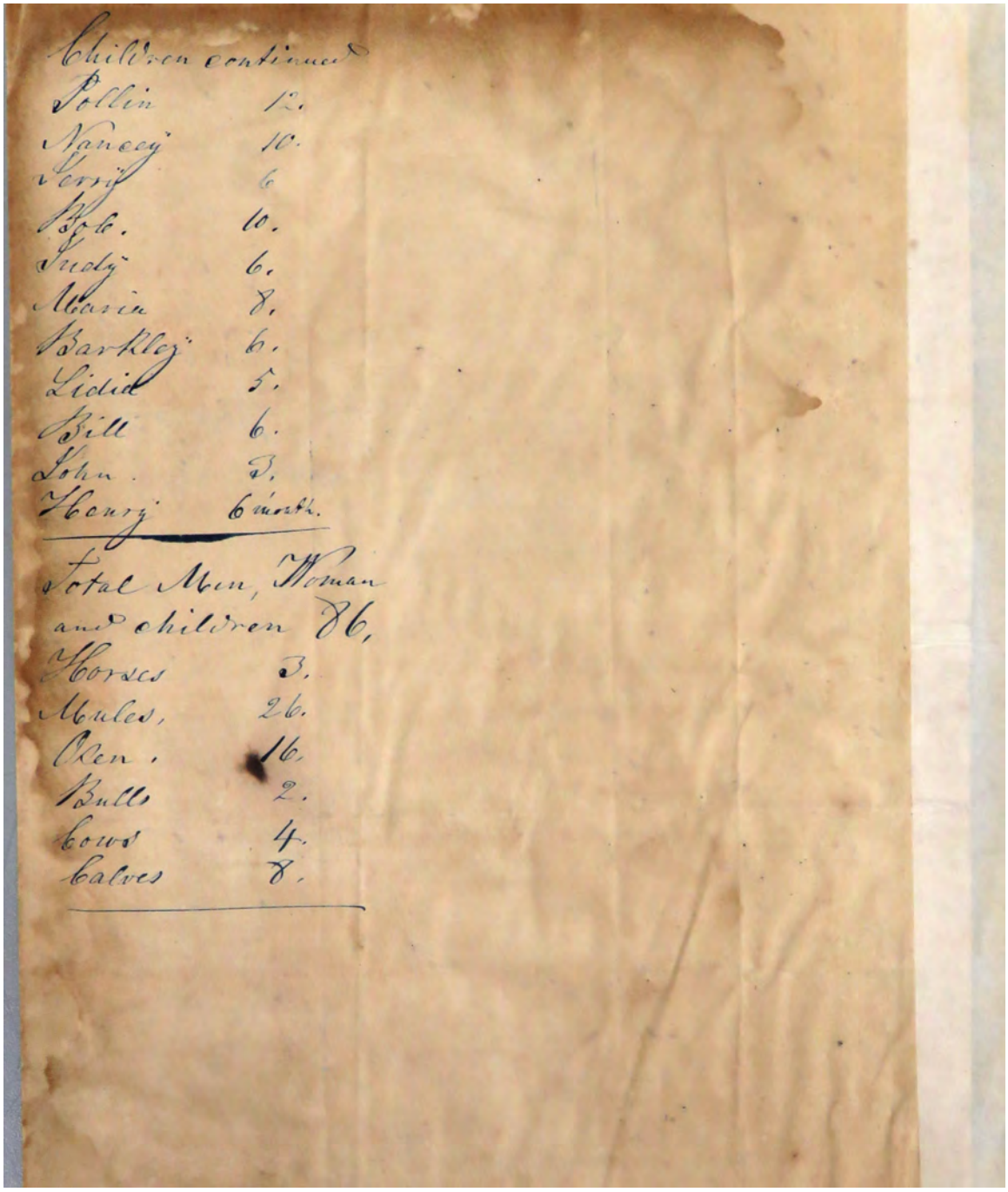
Slaves on Orange Grove plant^n 16 Jan. 1846.

Men.		Wilson	38.	Fanny.	35.
John Sellor Driver	44	Isaac. big.	25	Hetty.	37
John Lewis Blacksmith	43.	Henry Griffin.	49.	Eliza	26
Antony.	48	Dennis Jackson.	32.	Violet.	34
Nelson cooper.	38	Bonaparte.	39.	Rosina.	37
Harris cooper.	27	Doublin.	30	Jane.	43.
Charles Ball.	38	Charles Morton.	42	Sophy Mary	18.
Ned.	35-	Ike.	23	Sophy Betsey	17
Isaac.	53.	Sam Tyler.	37.	Isabella.	22.
Sam.	40	Jim Thomas one leg	43	Cara.	14.
Jack.	37.	Henry.	19	Clarissa	12.
Henry Page.	39.	John.	16.	Susanna.	12
Cajah.	33.	Eduard.	16	Charlotte	10.
John Hase.	45.	Flora.	12	Estell.	17.
Henry Johnson	35	Ned.	10	Children.	
William	37.	Charles.	10.	Tom.	12.
George Burden.	37.	Woman.		Pat.	7.
Daniel.	39.	Rose.	39	Rachel	5.
Cyrus.	38	Sally.	33.	Moses	1.
George Lee.	35-	Mary.	34	Grace.	6.
Waldo.	27.	Nelly one leg.	35.	Zacahrith	1.
Alfred.	25.	Peggy	38	George "	7.
Kelly	21.	Betty.	22.	Becky	5.
Jim Perry	45.	Sally	35	Jacob.	1.
Moses.	27.	Charlotte	32.	Francis	6.
Frank.	32.	Margaret.	19	Peter.	1.



Children continued

Pollin	12.
Nancy	10.
Jerry	6
Pete.	10.
Judy	6.
Marin	8.
Barkley	6.
Lidia	5.
Bill	6.
John.	3.
Henry	6 month.

Total Men, Woman and children 86,

Horses	3.
Mules,	26.
Oxen.	16.
Bulls	2.
Cows	4.
Calves	8.

Transcription

Statement made by J. Crumbaker overseer
“86 heads”
41 males, 23 females, 22 children

John Seldon driver 44
John Lewis blacksmith 43
Antony 48

Nelson cooper 48
Herris cooper 27
Charles Ball 38
Ned 35
Isaac 53
Sam 40
Jack 37
Henry Page 39
Cajah 33
John Hase 45
Henry Johnson 35
William 37
George Burden 37
Daniel 39
Cyrus 38
George Lee 35
Poldo 27
Alfred 25
Rolley 31
Jim Perry 45
Moses 37
Frank 32
Wilson 38
Isaac big 25
Henry Griffin 49
Dennis Jackson 32
Bonaparte 39
Doublin 30
Charles Marton 42
Ike 23
Sam Tyler 37
Jim Thomas, one leg 43
Henry 19
John 16
Edward 16
Flora 12
Ned 10
Charles 10

Women
Rose 39
Sally 33
Mary 34
Nelly, one leg 35
Peggey 38
Letty 22

Salley 35
Charlotte 32
Margarett 19
Fanny 35
Ketty 37
Eliza 36
Violet 34
Rosina 37
Jane 43
Sophy Mary 18
Sophy Betzey 17
Isabella 22
Cara 14
Clarisse 12
Suzanna 12
Charlotte 13
Estelle 17
Children
Aron 12
Pat 7
Rachel 5
Moses 1
Grace 6
Zachrite 1
George 7
Becky 3
Jacob 1
Francis 6
Peter 1
Pollin 12
Nancy 10
Jerry 6
Bob 10
Judy 6
Maria 8
Barkley 6
Lydia 5
Bill 6
John 3
Henry 6 months

EXHIBIT 7

New Orleans Notarial Archives, Theodore Guyol, Sale of Plantation and Slaves, M. J. de Lizardi to John Burnside; May 22, 1858, Vol. 41 #53.

(transcription below images)

No 53

22. May 1858

Sale of Orange Grove Plantation

Manuel J. de Lizardi

to

John Burnside.

Be it known that on this Twenty second day of the month of May in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the Eighty second.

Before me, Theodore Seyd, a Notary Public duly commissioned and sworn for the Parish of Orleans State of Louisiana and in presence of the Witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, /

Personally came and appeared Juan Ygnacio de Egaña, of this City, herein acting as the Agent and Attorney in fact of Manuel Julian de Lizardi, of the City of Mexico, by virtue of a Power of Attorney executed in said City, on the Twenty eighth day of March Eighteen hundred and fifty seven, and annexed to an Act passed in this Office on the Seventeenth day of April in the same year, /

Who declared that for the consideration hereinafter set forth, he does by these presents, in his said Capacity, grant, bargain, sell, convey, transfer, assign and deliver with full warranty,

Unto John Burnside, also of this City, here present, accepting and purchasing for himself, his heirs and assigns, and acknowledging possession,

A certain Sugar Plantation, situate in the Parish of Ascension, in this State, on the left bank of the Mississippi River, about Six miles below Donaldsonville, having Six Arpents, more or less, front on said River by about Eighty Arpents in depth, between lines opening in the rear about fifteen Degrees, bounded on the upper side by the Houmas Plantation formerly belonging to the Heirs of Wade Hampton, but now owned by the said Burnside, and on the lower side by the Plantation lately owned by Michel Dourado Bringier.

Together with the buildings and improvements, engines,

machinery and apparatus, Stock, Cattle, oxen, horses, mules, farming utensils, implements of husbandry and other appurtenances of the said Plantation, which is known and designated by the name of Orange Grove, and all the rights, privileges, customs, servitudes, way and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining; it being well understood by the parties to these presents that the Heirs and assigns of Charles Casimir Gardanne have a right to the use and enjoyment for ever of a free road of at least thirty feet through the said plantation on the lower boundary line thereof, and of a space of ground one arpent Square at the termination of said road fronting the river for the purpose of a free communication and deposit with the lands at the rear of the said Plantation.

And also One Hundred and fifty Slaves attached to and employed on the said Plantation, whose names and ages are as follows, to wit:

Edward (driver) aged about Twenty eight Years.
Sam. (carter) do Fifty Years
Jerry do do Nineteen Years
Nat do do Twenty eight Years
Florian d. d. Twenty Years
Aaron d. d. Twenty Years
Henry d. d. Twenty five Years.
Alfred d. d. Twenty eight Years
Dick Champe (carter) aged about Twenty nine Years
Henry Page do do Forty Years.
Baptiste (sugarmaker) do Forty Years
Bartley, aged about Eighteen Years.
Jack Alabama, aged about Fifty Years
Moses, aged about Forty Years.
John Long, aged about Twenty eight Years.

Joseph	aged about	Thirty five	Years	
Raleigh	do	Forty five	do	Badly ruptured
George	do	Twenty	do	
Ned	do	Forty	do	
Raleigh	do	Thirty	do	
Enoch	do	Forty	do	Ruptured
Jack	do	Forty five	do	
George	do	Forty	do	
Abraham	do	Forty five	do	
Peter	do	Forty five	do	
Hector	do	Forty	do	
Oxford	do	Forty	do	
Jack	do	Forty	do	
Auguste	do	Fifty	do	
Charles	do	Twenty	do	
Rogers	do	Forty	do	
James Smith	do	Forty five	do	
Pauldo	do	Forty	do	
Nero	do	Fifty	do	
Ishmael	do	Forty five	do	
William	do	Fifty	do	
Joney	do	Forty five	do	
Cagey	do	Fifty	do	
Dublin	do	Fifty five	do	
Pompey	do	Fifty	do	Crippled
Charles Ball	do	Fifty	do	
Bob	do	Twenty	do	
Pompey	do	Twenty five	do	
Dennis	do	Thirty	do	
Ephraim	do	Twenty	do	
Jacob	do	Twenty five	do	
Burrell	do	Thirty	do	
Horace	do	Forty	do	Blacksmith. Cooper &c

Bill,	aged about	Twenty	Years.	Cooper
Gregory	do	Forty five	do	do
Nelson	do	Forty eight	do	do crippled
Henry John	do	Fifty	do	do do
Dennis	do	Thirty	do	
James Percy	do	Fifty five	do	
Sam	do	Fifty	do	
Anthony	do	Seventy	do	nearly blind
Pompey	do	Fifty	do	Crippled
Henry Griffin	do	Sixty	do	Injured
Jacob	do	Fifty	do	Hostler
Bonaparte	do	Eighty	do	
Big Sam	do	Fifty	do	has sore shin
Bill	do	Fifty five	do	Injured
Wilson	do	Fifty	do	Blind
John Lewis	do	Seventy five	do	
Little John	do	Eighteen	do	
Little Jacob	do	Sixteen	do	
Silvey	do	Twenty five	do	
Mary	do	Fifty five	do	
Nancy	do	Twenty five	do	
Beck	do	Eighteen	do	
Elizabeth	do	Twenty	do	
Mary	do	Twenty five	do	
Estelle	do	Thirty five	do	
Fanny	do	Fifty	do	
Liddy	do	Twenty	do	
Martha	do	Thirty	do	
Grace	do	Twenty	do	
Maria	do	Thirty	do	
Susan	do	Thirty five	do	
Letty	do	Forty	do	
Cora	do	Forty	do	

Amanda,	aged about	Twenty years		
Sarah	do	Twenty five	Years	
Judy	do	Twenty	do	
Martha	do	Forty	do	
Isabella	do	Forty	do	
Rilla	do	Forty	do	
Pauline	do	Thirty five	do	
Mary	do	Twenty	do	
Sarah	do	Twenty five	do	
Hannah	do	Forty	do	
Lizzy	do	Fifty	do	
Mary	do	Twenty	do	
Ellen	do	Forty five	do	Cook
Sophia	do	Thirty	do	House servant
Rose	do	Sixty	do	Hospital Nurse
Eliza	do	Sixty	do	Children's Nurse
Rosina	do	Sixty five	do	do
Jane	do	Sixty five	do	Crippled
Sally	do	Fifty	do	Cook
Margaret	do	Forty	do	do
Rachel	do	Sixteen	do	Crippled
Emily	do	Sixteen	do	
Lorina	do	Twenty	do	
Eleonor	do	Thirty one	do	
Rosalind	do	Thirteen	do	
Charles	do	Seven	do	
Sunday	do	One	do	
Thomas	do	Six	do	
Joseph	do	None	do	
James	do	None	do	
Caroline	do	Six	do	
Mathilde	do	Three	do	
Abraham	do	Five	do	

Grace,	aged about	Two	years
Solomon	do	Eight	do
Jack	do	Five	do
Raleigh	do	Four	do
Hayley	do	Eight	do
Mitchell	do	Four	do
Emma	do	Three	do
John	do	One	do
Heloïse	do	Three	do
Jenny	do	Two	do
Jane	do	Two	do
Joseph	do	Two	do
Suckey	do	Seven	do
Rhoda	do	Five	do
Delia	do	Three	do
Aleck	do	One	do
Lucas	do	Three	do
Ananias	do	Two	do
Harriet	do	Three	do
Jones	do	Six	do
Joseph	do	Four	do
Mary	do	Two	do
Catherine	do	Nine	do
Henry	do	Eight	do
Richard	do	One	do
Arthur	do	One	do
Letty	do	One	do

And Eight other children aged from one month to six months.

All fully guaranteed against the redhibitory vices maladies and defects prescribed by law, except where otherwise stated.

And also, all the right, title, interest, property,

claim and demand whatsoever, but without any warranty except as regards his own acts and deeds, of the said Manuel Julien de Lizardi, of, in and to the One undivided Ninth part of a certain Tract of land forming a portion of that generally known by the name of the "Houmas Grant" situated in the rear of the three Plantations in the Parish of Ascension on the left bank of the Mississippi, to wit, the one herein conveyed and there formerly owned by Michel Donradon Bringier and the Heirs of Wade Hampton, commencing on the rear of the two former plantations at the distance of Eighty arpents from the River, and on the rear of the last mentioned plantation at the distance of One hundred and twenty arpents from said River, and extending therefrom to the Lake Maurepas and to the Amite River; which said Tract contains Ninety Thousand four hundred and thirteen 24/100 Superficial arpents, according to a Plan certified by H. T. Williams Surveyor General of the United States for the State of Louisiana, on the Seventh day of May Eighteen hundred and thirty six, and annexed to an act passed before Felix Grima, late Notary in this City, on the Seventeenth day of the same month and year, by which Laurent Millandon purchased three undivided Ninths parts of the said Tract from Abraham Francis Righter and Elizabeth Ann Conway his wife.

The said Orange Grove Plantation and from Eighty to Ninety of the said Slaves, and the said One Ninth part of the rear Tract above described, were acquired by the said Manuel Julien de Lizardi by purchase from different persons, as follows, to wit:

One Ninth of the plantation & Slaves and the One Ninth of the rear tract from Laurent Millandon by an act passed before Felix Grima, Notary, on the Fourteenth day of June Eighteen hundred and forty one.

Two ninths of the said Plantation & Slaves from the said Millandon by act before the same Notary, on the Twentieth day of October Eighteen hundred & forty two./ One ninth thereof from Alexander Gordon by an act passed before Lucien Hermann, late Notary in this City on the Twenty second day of January Eighteen hundred and forty four.

And the remaining Five ninths from Charles Casimir Gardanne, by an act passed before Louis T. Caire late Notary in this City, on the Fifteenth day of January Eighteen hundred and forty six.

By reference to the annexed Certificate of the Recorder of Mortgages for the said Parish of Ascension it will appear that the said Plantation, Slaves &c are free from encumbrance.

To have and to hold the above described landed property, Slaves &c unto the said purchaser, his heirs and assigns for ever.

And the said Eganna in his capacity aforesaid hereby binds his said Constituent and his heirs to warrant and for ever defend the said Orange Grove Plantation Slaves &c from and against all legal claims and demands whatsoever: and he moreover cedes and transfers unto the said purchaser all and singular the rights & actions of warranty and others to which his said Constituent is or may be entitled against all the former owners of the property, Slaves &c herein described and conveyed hereby subrogating the said purchaser to the said rights and actions to be by him enjoyed and exercised in the same manner as his said Constituent might or could have done./

This Sale is made and accepted for and in consideration of the price and sum of Three Hundred

Recorder's Office,
Parish of Ascension

_____ "A certain sugar Plantation situate in the Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, on the left bank of the River Mississippi, at about six miles below the Town of Donaldsonville, measuring about six arpents, more or less front on said River, by a depth of about Eighty arpents, between two lines opening fifteen degrees, bounded on the upper side by the Plantation of Wade Hampton, and on the lower side by the Plantation of Mr. M. D. Bringier, together with the buildings and improvements thereon and Eighty five slaves attached to said Plantation." _____

_____ I, the undersigned Recorder in and for the Parish of Ascension, do hereby certify, that according to the Records of mortgages of this Parish the above described Sugar Plantation and Eighty five slaves attached thereto, are free of mortgage or encumbrance in the name of Manuel Sulian de Lizardi.

_____ In testimony whereof: _____
Witness my Official seal & signature.
Ascension 12th May 1858 _____
John F. Nyraud Recorder

Thousand Dollars ($ 300.000.) and Interest as hereinafter expressed: Seventy five Thousand Dollars of which have been paid in ready money by the said purchaser and in order to represent the balance and to fix the time of payment thereof, he has furnished his Twenty four promissory notes drawn to the order of and endorsed by himself, dated this day and made payable respectively as follows, to wit:

Five for the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars each and one for the sum of Six Thousand two hundred and fifty Dollars, in One Year after date;

Six for the like amounts in Two Years after date:

Six for the like amounts in Three Years after date:

and Six for the like amounts in Four Years after date:

All bearing Interest at the rate of Six per cent per annum from date until maturity, and if not then punctually paid, are to bear Interest thereafter at the rate of Eight per cent per annum until final payment.

Which said Notes after having been pareaphed by me, said Notary, to identify them with this act, were delivered to the said Egaron, who, in his said capacity, hereby acknowledges the receipt thereof, as well as of the said ready money.

And in order to secure the punctual payment of the said Notes and of all Interest which shall become thereon, the said Purchaser hereby specially mortgages and hypothecates the said Plantation, Slaves &c in favor of his said Vendor, and to ennure to the use and benefit of any and all future holder or holders of the said promissory notes, promising and binding himself and his heirs and assigns not to sell, alienate or encumber the said Plantation, Slaves &c or any part thereof, to the prejudice of this Mortgage.

Done and passed in my Office in the City of New Orleans aforesaid, on the day, month and year first above written, in the presence of Paul Abat and William S. Latham, competent Witnesses, who have signed with the said parties and me the said Notary, after reading the whole.

Juan B. de Iguera

W. S. Latham

P. Abat

J. Burnside

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Transcription

Manuel Julien Lizardi of Mexico City represented by Juan Ygnacio Egana to John Burnside, Orange Grove Plantation, $300,000

Inventory of Slaves on Orange Grove Plantation

Name	Age	
Edward	28	driver
Sam	50	carter
Jerry	19	
Nat	28	
Florian	20	
Aaron	20	
Henry	25	
Alfred	28	
Dick Champe	29	carter
Henry Page	40	
Baptiste	40	sugar maker
Bartley	18	
Jack Alabama	50	
Moses	40	
John Long	28	
Joseph	35	
Raleigh	45	badly ruptured
George	20	
Ned	40	
Raleigh	30	
Enoch	40	ruptured
Jack	45	
George	40	
Abraham	45	
Peter	45	
Hector	40	
Oxford	40	
Jack	40	
Auguste	50	
Charles	20	
Rogers	40	
James Smith	45	
Paul Smith	40	
Nero	50	
Ishmael	45	
William	50	

Toney	45	
Cagey	50	
Dublin	55	
Pompey	50	crippled
Charles Ball	50	
Bob	20	
Pompey	25	
Dennis	30	
Ephraim	20	
Jacob	25	
Burrell	30	
Horace	40	blacksmith, cooper
Bill	20	cooper
Gregory	45	cooper
Nelson	48	cooper, crippled
Henry John	50	cooper, crippled
Dennis	30	
James Percy	55	
Sam	50	
Anthony	70	nearly blind
Pompey	50	crippled
Henry Griffin	60	injured
Jacob	50	hostler
Bonaparte	80	
Big Sam	50	has sore shin
Bill	55	injured
Wilson	50	blind
John Lewis	75	
Little John	18	
Little Jacob	16	
Silvey	25	
Mary	55	
Nancy	25	
Beck	18	
Elizabeth	20	
Mary	25	
Estelle	35	
Fanny	50	
Liddy	20	
Martha	30	
Grace	20	
Maria	30	
Susan	35	
Letty	40	
Cora	40	
Amanda	20	

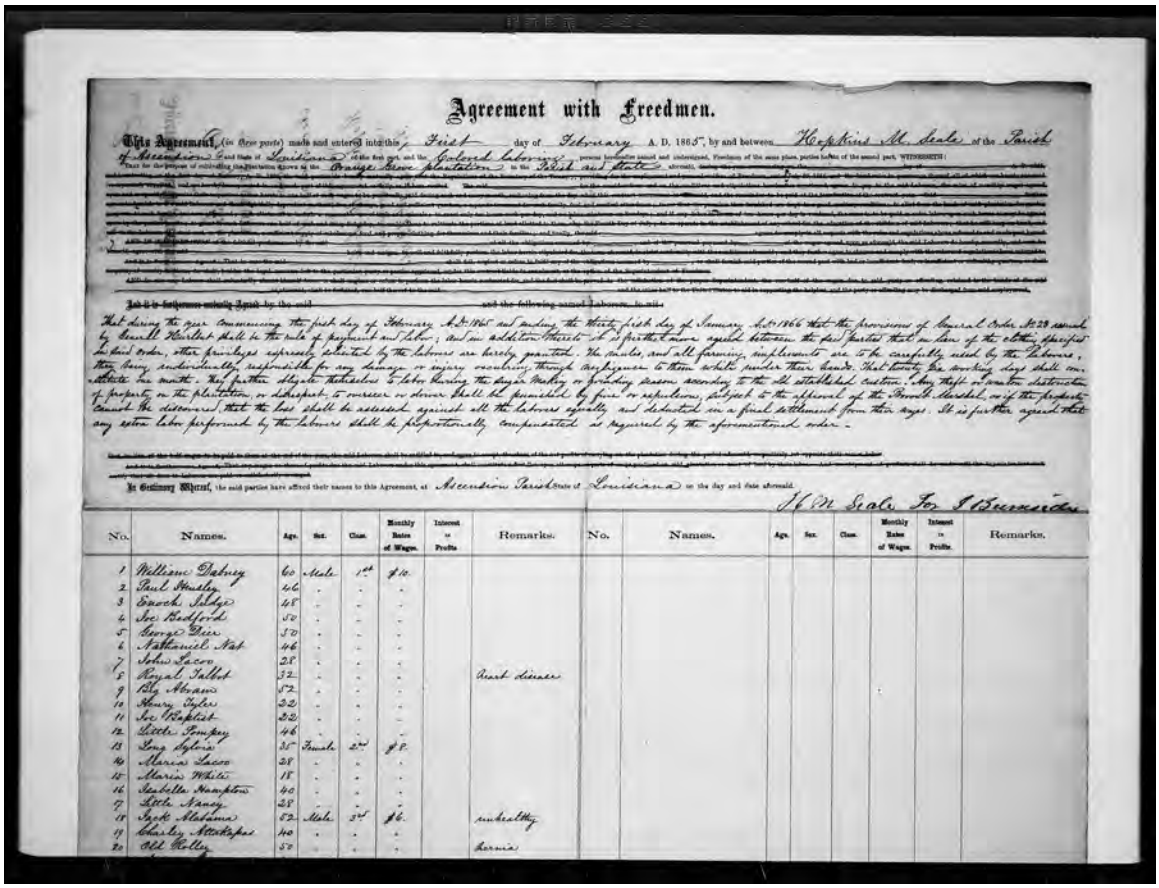
Sarah	25	
Judy	20	
Martha	40	
Isabella	40	
Rilla	40	
Pauline35		
Mary	20	
Sarah	25	
Hannah	40	
Lizzy	50	
Mary	20	
Ellen	45	cook
Sophia	30	house servant
Rose	60	hospital nurse
Eliza	60	children’s nurse
Rosina	65	children’s nurse
Jane	65	crippled
Sally	50	cook
Margaret	40	cook
Rachel	16	crippled
Emily	16	
Lorina	20	
Elenor	31	
Rosalind	13	
Charles	7	
Sunday	1	
Thomas	6	
Joseph	4	
James	4	
Caroline	6	
Mathilde	3	
Abraham	5	
Grace	2	
Solomon	8	
Jack	5	
Raleigh	4	
Hayley	8	
Mitchell	4	
Emma	3	
John	1	
Heloise	3	
Jenny	2	
Jane	2	
Joseph	2	
Suckey	7	
Rhoda	5	

Delia	3
Aleck	1
Lucas	3
Ananias	2
Harriet	3
Jones	6
Joseph	4
Mary	2
Catherine	9
Henry	8
Richard	1
Arthur	1
Letty	1

And 8 other children aged from one month to 6 months

EXHIBIT 8
Freedmen's Bureau Records

(transcription below images)



Agreement with Freedmen.

This Agreement, (in three parts) made and entered into this First day of February A. D. 1865, by and between Hopkins M. Seale of the Parish of Ascension and State of Louisiana of the first part, and the Colored laborers, persons hereinafter named and undersigned, Freedmen of the same place, parties hereto of the second part, WITNESSETH:

That for the purpose of cultivating the plantation known as the Orange Grove plantation in the Parish and state aforesaid, [illegible]

[illegible]

~~Job it is furthermore mutually agreed by the said~~ and the following named laborers, to wit:

That during the year commencing the first day of February A.D. 1865 and ending the thirty first day of January A.D. 1866 that the provisions of General Order No 29 issued by Brevet Maj Genl Hawkins shall be the rule of payment and labor; and in addition thereto it is further agreed between the said parties that no loss of the crop specified in said order, other privileges expressly granted by the laborers are hereby granted. The tools, and all farming implements are to be carefully used by the laborers; they being individually responsible for any damage or injury resulting through negligence to them while under their hands. That twenty five working days shall constitute one month. They further agree to labor during the days Monday or finishing season according to the old established custom; any theft or wanton destruction of property on the plantation, or disrespect to overseer or driver shall be punished by fine or repulsion, subject to the approval of the Bureau Marshal, or if the property cannot be discovered that the loss shall be assessed against all the laborers equally and deducted on a final settlement from their wages. It is further agreed that any extra labor performed by the laborers shall be proportionally compensated as required by the aforementioned order.

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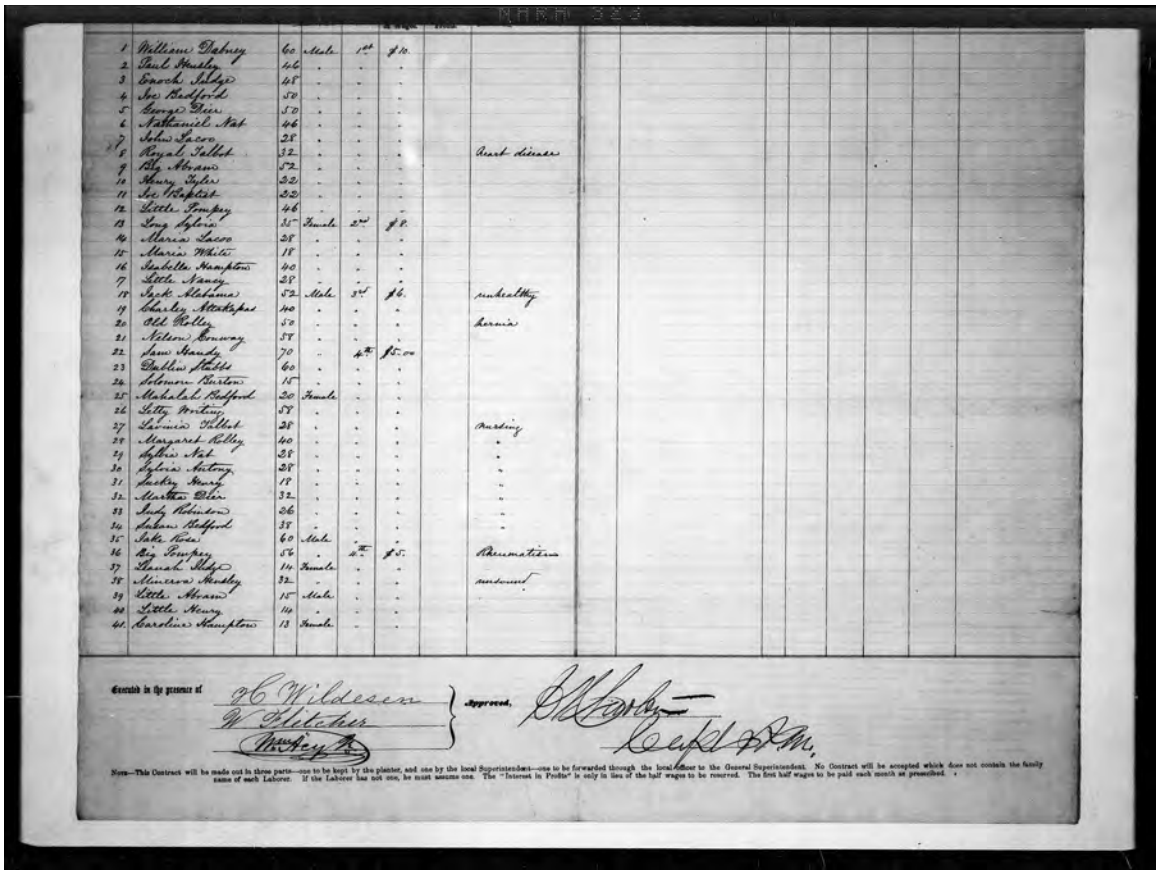
In Testimony Whereof, the said parties have affixed their names to this Agreement, at Ascension Parish State of Louisiana on the day and date aforesaid.

H M Seale For & Burnside

No.	Names.	Age.	Sex.	Class.	Monthly Rates of Wages.	Interest in Profits	Remarks.	No.	Names.	Age.	Sex.	Class.	Monthly Rates of Wages.	Interest in Profits.	Remarks.
1	William Dabney	60	Male	1st	$10.										
2	Paul Stanley	46	"	"	"										
3	Enoch Selby	48	"	"	"										
4	Joe Bedford	50	"	"	"										
5	George Weir	50	"	"	"										
6	Nathaniel Nat	46	"	"	"										
7	John Jacob	28	"	"	"										
8	Royal Talbot	52	"	"	"		Weak disease								
9	Ely Abraw	52	"	"	"										
10	Henry Tyler	32	"	"	"										
11	Joe Baptist	32	"	"	"										
12	Little Pompey	46	"	"	"										
13	Long Sylvia	25	Female	2nd	$8.										
14	Maria Jacob	28	"	"	"										
15	Maria White	18	"	"	"										
16	Isabella Hampton	40	"	"	"										
17	Little Nancy	28	"	"	"										
18	Jack Alabama	52	Male	2nd	$6.		unhealthy								
19	Charley Stockpot	40	"	"	"										
20	Old Polly	50	"	"	"		Aunnie								



1	William Dabney	60	Male	1st	$10.											
2	Paul Hendley	46	"	"	"											
3	Enoch Tolefer	48	"	"	"											
4	Joe Bedford	50	"	"	"											
5	George Dees	50	"	"	"											
6	Nathaniel Nat	46	"	"	"											
7	John Lacoo	28	"	"	"											
8	Royal Talbot	32	"	"	"		Heart disease									
9	Big Abram	52	"	"	"											
10	Henry Tyler	32	"	"	"											
11	Joe Baptist	30	"	"	"											
12	Little Pompey	46	"	"	"											
13	Long Sylvia	35	Female	2nd	$8.											
14	Marian Lacoo	28	"	"	"											
15	Marian White	18	"	"	"											
16	Isabelle Hampton	40	"	"	"											
17	Little Nancy	28	"	"	"											
18	Jack Alabama	52	Male	3rd	$6.		unhealthy									
19	Charley Attaway	40	"	"	"											
20	Old Polly	50	"	"	"		hernia									
21	Nelson Conway	58	"	"	"											
22	Sam Handy	70	"	4th	$5.00											
23	Dublin Stubbs	60	"	"	"											
24	Solomon Burton	15	"	"	"											
25	Mahalah Bedford	20	Female	"	"											
26	Betty Portney	58	"	"	"											
27	Lavinia Talbot	28	"	"	"		nursing									
28	Margaret Kelley	40	"	"	"		"									
29	Sylvia Nat	28	"	"	"		"									
30	Sylvia Antony	28	"	"	"		"									
31	Lucky Henry	18	"	"	"		"									
32	Martha Elder	32	"	"	"		"									
33	Judy Robinson	26	"	"	"		"									
34	Sabina Stafford	28	"	"	"		"									
35	Jake Rose	60	Male	"	"											
36	Big Pompey	56	"	4th	$5.		Rheumatism									
37	Hannah Abby	14	Female	"	"											
38	Minerva Hendley	32	"	"	"		undersized									
39	Little Abram	15	Male	"	"											
40	Little Henry	14	"	"	"											
41	Caroline Hampton	13	Female	"	"											

Executed in the presence of P C Wildesen, W Fletcher, Mark his X

Approved, [illegible]

Note—This Contract will be made out in three parts—one to be kept by the planter, and one by the local Superintendent—one to be forwarded through the local officer to the General Superintendent. No Contract will be accepted which does not contain the family name of each Laborer. If the Laborer has not one, he must assume one. The "Interest in Profits" is only in lieu of the half wages to be reserved. The first half wages to be paid each month as prescribed.

Transcription

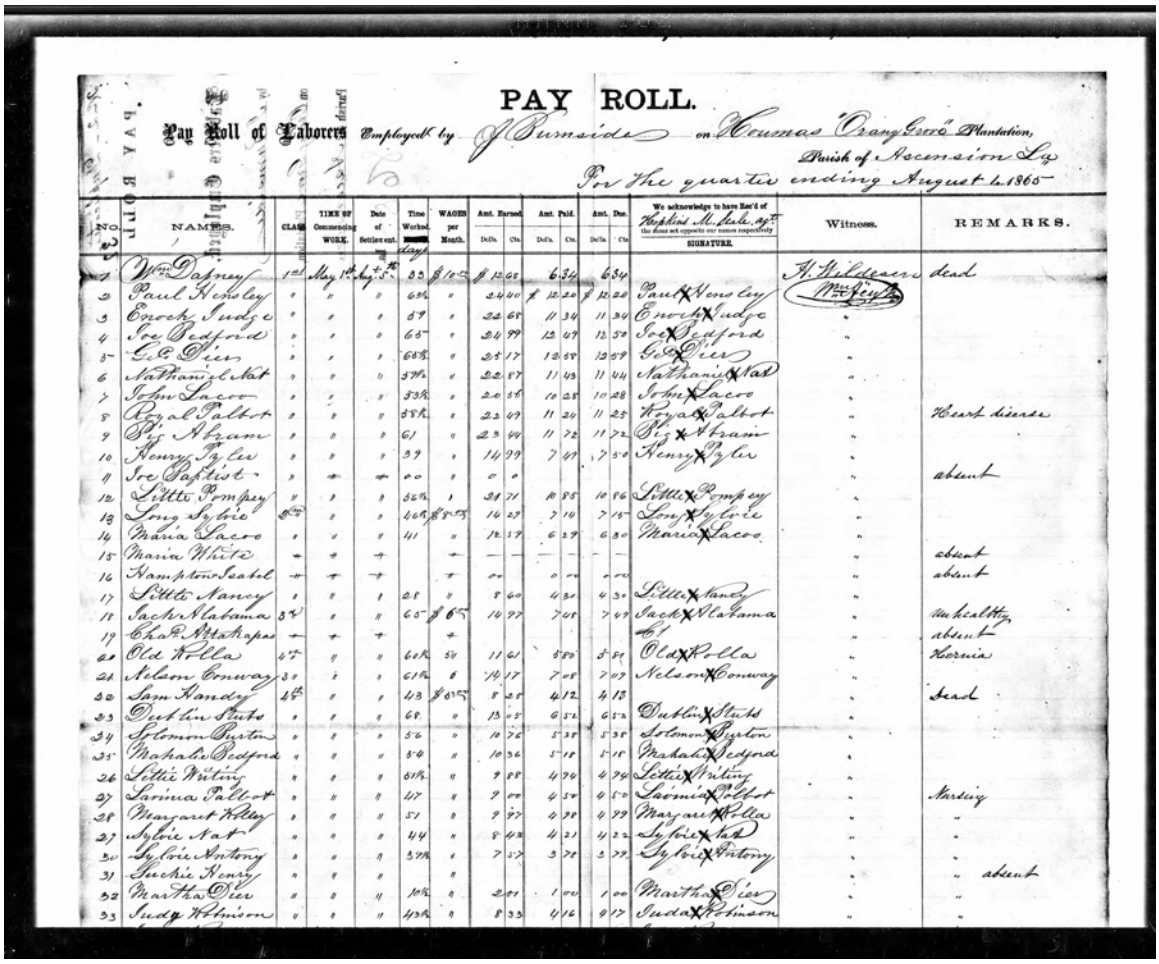
AGREEMENT WITH FREEDMEN
1 February 1865
between Hopkins M. Seale [representative of John Burnside] of the Parish of Ascension and state of Louisiana of the first part, and the colored laboring persons hereinafter named and undersigned, Freedmen of the same place, parties hereto of the second part,
WITNESSETH:
That for the purpose of cultivating the Plantation known as the Orange Grove Plantation in the parish and state aforesaid
That during the year commencing the first day of February 1865 and ending the thirty first day of January 1866 that the provisions of General Order No. 23 issued by General Hurlbut shall be the rule of payment and labor; and in addition thereto it is further more agreed between the said parties that in lieu of the clothing specified in said order, other privileges expressly solicited by the laborers are hereby granted. The mules, and all farming implements are to be carefully used by the laborers, they being individually responsible for any damage or injury occurring through negligence to them while under their hands. That twenty six working days shall constitute one month. They further obligate themselves to labor during the sugar making or grinding season according to the old established custom. Any theft or a wanton destruction of property on the plantation, or disrespect, to overseer or drier shall be punished by fine or expulsion, subject to the

approval of the Provost Marshal, or if the property cannot the discovered that the loss shall be assessed against all the laborers equally and deducted in a final settlement from their wages. It is further agreed that any extra labor performed by the laborers shall be proportionally compensated as required by the aforementioned order.
H. M. Seale or J. Burnside

William Dabney	60	male	1st class laborer	$10	
Paul Hensley	46	“	“	“	
Enoch Judge	48	“	“	“	
Joe Bedford	50	“	“	“	
George Dier	50	“	“	“	
Nathaniel Nat	46	“	“	“	
John Lacoo	28	“	“	“	
Royal Talbot	32	“	“	“	heart disease
Big Abram	52	“	“	“	
Henry Tyler	22	“	“	“	
Joe Baptist	22	“	“	“	
Little Pompey	46	“	“	“	
Long Sylvia	35	female	2nd class laborer	$8	
Maria Lacoo	28	“	“	“	
Maria White	18	“	“	“	
Isabella Hampton	40	“	“	“	
Little Nancy	28	“	“	“	
Jack Alabama	52	male	3rd class laborer	$6	unhealthy
Charles Attakapas	40	“	“	“	
Old Rolley	50	“	“	“	hernia
Nelson Conway	58	“	“	“	
Sam Handy	70	“	4th class laborer	$5	
Dublin Stubbs	60	“	“	“	
Solomon Burton	15	“	“	“	
Mahalah Bedford	20	female	“	“	
Letty Writing	58	“	“	“	
Lavinia Talbot	28	“	“	“	nursing
Margaret Rolley	40	“	“	“	“
Sylvia Nat	28	“	“	“	“
Sylvia Antony	28	“	“	“	“
Suckey Henry	18	“	“	“	“
Martha Dier	32	“	“	“	“
Judy Robinson	26	“	“	“	“
Susan Bedford	38	“	“	“	“
Jake Rose	60	male	“	“	
Big Pompey	56	“	4th class laborer	$5	rheumatism
Lanah Judge	14	female	4th class laborer	$5	
Minerva Hensley	32	“	“	“	unsound
Little Abram	15	male	“	“	
Little Henry	14	“	“	“	

Caroline Hampton 13 female “ “

Source: "Louisiana Freedmen's Bureau Field Office Records, 1865-1872," images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-99G2-KYV9?cc=2333781&wc=STRY-PTL%3A1444308002%2C1444317201: 20 January 2015), Subordinate office (plantation department) > Roll 40, Labor contracts-agreements with freedmen (Ascension and Assumption), 1864-1868 > image 323 of 915; citing NARA microfilm publications M1905 and M1483 (Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.).

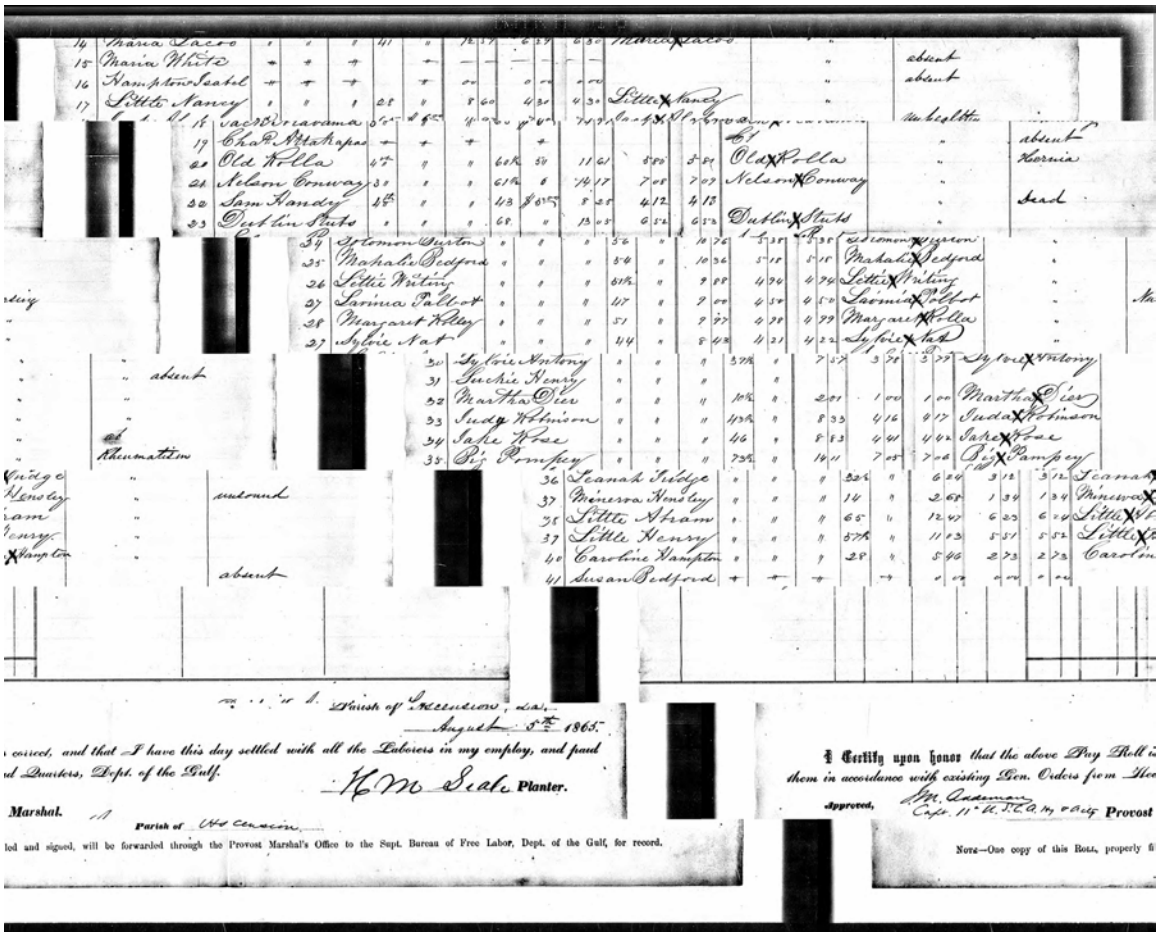


PAY ROLL.

Pay Roll of Laborers Employed by J. Burnside on Thomas Gray Grove's Plantation, Parish of Ascension La

For the quarter ending August 1st 1865

No.	NAMES.	CLASS	TIME OF Commencing WORK.	Date of Settlement.	Time Worked. days	WAGES per Month.	Amt. Earned Dolls.	Cts.	Amt. Paid. Dolls.	Cts.	Amt. Due. Dolls.	Cts.	We acknowledge to have Rec'd of Hopkins M. Dale, Ag't the sums set opposite our names respectively SIGNATURE.	Witness.	REMARKS.
1	Wm Dabney	1st	May 1st	Aug 5th	83	$10	$12	00	6	34	6	34		H. Hildreth	dead
2	Paul Henley	"	"	"	69½	"	24	40	$12	20	$12	20	Paul X Henley	Mc Leod	
3	Enoch Judge	"	"	"	67	"	22	68	11	34	11	34	Enoch X Judge	"	
4	Joe Bedford	"	"	"	66	"	24	99	12	49	12	50	Joe X Bedford	"	
5	G. G. Dier	"	"	"	66½	"	25	17	12	58	12	59	G. G. X Dier	"	
6	Nathaniel Nat	"	"	"	57½	"	22	87	11	43	11	44	Nathaniel X Nat	"	
7	John Lacoo	"	"	"	53½	"	20	56	10	28	10	28	John X Lacoo	"	
8	Royal Talbot	"	"	"	58½	"	22	09	11	24	11	25	Royal X Talbot	"	Heart disease
9	Pic Abram	"	"	"	61	"	23	44	11	72	11	72	Pic X Abram	"	
10	Henry Tyler	"	"	"	39	"	14	99	7	49	7	50	Henry X Tyler	"	
11	Joe Baptist	"	—	—	00	"	0	0						"	absent
12	Little Pompey	"	"	"	52½	"	21	71	10	85	10	86	Little X Pompey	"	
13	Long Sylvie	boy	"	"	46½	$8	14	25	7	10	7	15	Long X Sylvie	"	
14	Maria Lacoo	"	"	"	41	"	12	57	6	29	6	30	Maria X Lacoo	"	
15	Maria White	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—				"	absent
16	Hampton Isabel	—	—	—		—	00		0	00	0	00		"	absent
17	Little Nancy	"	"	"	28	"	8	60	4	30	4	30	Little X Nancy	"	
18	Jack Alabama	3d	"	"	65	$6	14	97	7	48	7	49	Jack X Alabama	"	unhealthy
19	Chas. Attakapas	—	—	—		—								"	absent
20	Old Rolla	6th	"	"	60½	5	11	61	5	80	5	81	Old X Rolla	"	Hernia
21	Nelson Conway	3d	"	"	61½	6	14	17	7	08	7	09	Nelson X Conway	"	
22	Sam Handy	4th	"	"	43	$6	8	25	4	12	4	13		"	dead
23	Dutlin Stutts	"	"	"	68	"	13	05	6	52	6	53	Dutlin X Stutts	"	
24	Solomon Burton	"	"	"	56	"	10	76	5	38	5	38	Solomon X Burton	"	
25	Mahala Bedford	"	"	"	50	"	10	36	5	18	5	18	Mahala X Bedford	"	
26	Lettie Witing	"	"	"	61½	"	9	88	4	94	4	94	Lettie X Witing	"	
27	Larinia Talbot	"	"	"	47	"	9	00	4	50	4	50	Larinia X Talbot	"	Nursing
28	Margaret Kelly	"	"	"	51	"	9	77	4	88	4	89	Margaret X Rolla	"	"
29	Sylvie Nat	"	"	"	44	"	8	42	4	21	4	22	Sylvie X Nat	"	"
30	Sylvie Antony	"	"	"	57½	"	7	57	3	78	3	79	Sylvie X Antony	"	"
31	Suckie Henry	"	"	"		"								"	" absent
32	Martha Dier	"	"	"	10½	"	2	01	1	00	1	00	Martha X Dier	"	"
33	Judy Robinson	"	"	"	43½	"	8	33	4	16	4	17	Juda X Robinson	"	"



NOTE:
1865 Payrolls show that William Dabney and Sam Handy died

FINAL PAY ROLL.

Final Pay Roll of Laborers, Employed by Hopkins M. Seals Agent. on the Hermes "Orange Grove" Plantation,
Parish of Ascension La.
February 1st 1866.

No.	NAMES.	CLASS.	TIME OF Commencing WORK.	Date of Settlement	Time Worked. Days Months	WAGES per Month.	Amt. Earned During the year. Dolls.	Cts.	Amt. Paid. 1st. Quarter. Dolls.	Cts.	Amt. Paid. 2d Quarter. Dolls.	Cts.	Amt. Paid. 3d Quarter. Dolls.	Cts.	Amt. Due & Paid at Final Settlement. Dolls.	Cts.	We acknowledge to have received of Hopkins M. Seals Agent the sums set opposite our names respectively. SIGNATURE.	Witness.	REMARKS.
1	William Quincy	1st	July 1st 1865	July 1st 1866	76	$10	33	00	12	16	6	34	4	00	11	50	William X Quincy	Wm Seals Jr.	dead, Paid to his wife
2	Paul Hamilty	"	"	"	2442	"	73	17	11	38	12	20	4	71	58	43	Paul X Hamilty		
3	Enoch Jeoffs	"	"	"	258	"	77	50	12	16	11	38	13	36	62	43	Enoch X Jeoffs		
4	Joe Bradford	"	"	"	2573	"	77	37	12	20	12	50	12	28	61	19	Joe X Bradford		
5	Jerry Dixon	"	"	"	2582	"	77	29	12	16	12	57	12	47	61	65	Jerry X Dixon		
6	Wilfamel Cox	"	"	"	245	"	70	07	11	25	11	94	12	00	57	11	Wilfamel X Cox		
7	John Lacoon	"	"	"	216	"	53	12	10	05	10	25	10	36	51	35	John X Lacoon		
8	Royal Talbot	"	"	"	217	"	53	50	7	73	11	25	10	67	53	68	Royal X Talbot		Heart disease
9	Ely Abram	"	"	"	256	"	76	48	10	16	11	76	13	16	62	84	Ely X Abraham		
10	Henry Ogden	"	"	"	205	"	73	02	8	26	7	58	12	40	50	55	Henry X Ogden		
11	Joel Baptist	"	"	"	157	"	61	10	7	23	8	00	10	67	41	30	Joel X Baptist		
12	Little Pompey	"	"	"	256	"	78	67	11	63	10	50	11	12	56	41	Little X Pompey		
13	Lewis Sylvain	2nd	"	"	153	$5	47	01	5	72	7	15	6	07	29	30	Lewis X Sylvain		
14	Nelson Lazer	"	"	"	124	"	52	57	6	72	6	35	7	22	31	36	Nelson X Lazer		
15	Marie Voltz	"	"	"	71½	"	30	25	3	61	4	00	6	07	20	29	Marie X Voltz		
16	Isabelle Hampton	"	"	"	4½	"	3	43	1	72	0	00	0	00	1	72	Isabelle X Hampton		
17	Little Henry	"	"	"	152	"	56	42	7	31	4	50	6	46	38	36	Little X Henry		
18	Jack Alabama	3rd	"	"	213½	$6	59	55	7	26	7	49	7	55	37	27	Jack X Alabama		Unhealthy
19	Charley Philadelphia	"	"	"	116	"	31	34	5	30	4	00	3	12	22	12	Charley X Philadelphia		
20	Old Ritz	"	"	"	203½	"	53	36	5	99	5	11	7	43	34	55	Old X Ritz		Nervous
21	Milton Gurney	"	"	"	246	"	59	31	5	17	7	03	6	74	35	31	Milton X Gurney		
22	Sam Haywood	2nd	"	"	90	$5	20	16	5	76	4	13	5	00	14	03	Sam X Haywood		dead, Paid to his wife
23	Dublin Stubbs	"	"	"	264	"	51	55	6	54	6	53	6	48	32	02	Dublin X Stubbs		
24	Solomon Burton	"	"	"	207	"	39	15	4	13	5	30	5	14	20	62	Solomon X Burton		
25	Mahalah Bedford	"	"	"	224	"	42	77	4	55	5	18	5	76	27	17	Mahalah X Bedford		
26	Letty Morley	"	"	"	117½	"	35	75	4	33	4	70	4	70	22	02	Letty X Morley		
27	Liana Talbot	"	"	"	162	"	31	10	2	12	4	50	2	67	17	18	Liana X Talbot		Nursing
28	Margarett Kelley	"	"	"	161	"	30	37	3	60	4	77	3	22	13	05	Margarett X Kelley		"
29	Olivia Hall	"	"	"	127	"	26	65	4	32	4	22	2	53	15	30	Olivia X Hall		"
30	Sylvia Notary	"	"	"	124½	"	26	15	3	70	3	37	2	58	15	34	Sylvia X Notary		"
31	Lucky Henry	"	"	"	57	"	13	05	2	79	0	00	4	07	11	18	Lucky X Henry		"
32	Martha Wick	"	"	"	66	"	12	65	5	34	1	00	0	00	6	34	Martha X Wick		"
33	Judy Robinson	"	"	"	92½	"	17	33	4	66	4	17	0	14	8	77	Judy X Robinson		"
34	Lucien Bedford	"	"	"	0	"	0	00	0	00	0	00	0	00	0	00	Lucien X Bedford		"
35	Jake Cole	"	"	"	252	"	44	53	7	50	4	42	4	57	20	27	Jake X Cole		
36	Pat Tinsley	"	"	"	211	"	53	35	7	05	7	06	6	48	32	39	Patrick X Tinsley		Rheumatism
37	Lucinda Stewart	"	"	"	114½	"	25	58	3	31	3	10	4	79	14	12	Lucinda X Stewart		
38	Lincoln Stewart	"	"	"	115	"	25	03	4	76	1	30	2	35	16	17	Lincoln X Stewart		Unsound
39	Little Abram	"	"	"	240	"	47	60	5	16	6	20	5	07	27	71	Little X Abram		
40	Little Henry	"	"	"	244½	"	46	36	5	13	5	52	6	25	27	03	Little X Henry		
41	Dorothea Hampton	"	"	"	8½	"	1	65	5	10	2	55	0	00	7	55	Dorothea X Hampton		

EXHIBIT 9

Civil War Documents

Widow’s Pension of James Ferguson

Doyal's Plantation La.
Aug. 13th 1864

Mrs. Ferguson,

I return to you a letter for your Husband, He was killed while on Picket Duty, at Orange Grove, the 20th of July

He had seven Ballet holes in his Body. — A Negro man who saw the whole affair says he fought like a mad man —

Loading and firing his Carbine five times, before he run, then he rode about half a mile, got off his horse, took off his Belt and stood his Sabre against the fence, tied his horse, and lay down to die all alone.

He was a Brave and good Soldier I had him buried with Military honors, and a Prayer read over his Grave, — A nice coffin was also made for him.

I am Madam
With Respect
Your
Jas. Bennett
1st Lt. Co. midg. Bn 36
Scotts Div

From Civil War Widows Pension, Widow of Thomas McManus

as follows

Capt Joseph C
Hyat Co E Scotts 200
N Y Cavelry Depart
of the Gulph New
Orleans

L A

please ancer this so I
may know that you
received information
also inform his friends
if you know where
they are No more at preas
from A friend
Michael Sullivan

Dire A to [redacted]
Michael Sullivan
Co E Scotts 200 N Y Cav
department of the gulph
New Orleans L A

Orange Grove
Agust 4th 1864

Dear Sir

I take my pen
in hand to adress those
few lines to you feling it
my duty as A companion
to thomas McManus to
inform you of his death
I have not been acquanted
with him before we met
in this reigment but as
we have always been
togeather it seems to me
as if he were my brother
therefore finding your adress
on the receipt which he
got from the express Co
for the last money he
sent to you I now take

the opportunity of writing
those few lines, it has been
very ~~unhealthy~~ unhealthy
here lately but thomas has
always been fit for duty
since he has been in the
reigment infact the ~~climate~~
climate here appeared to
agree with him better than
it did farther north but
he was taken rather of a
sudden infact he was
almost gone before we
thought about his being
very sick and as our head
doctor was sick and the
other was at new Orleans
we could not do much
for him he did not suf-
er much he is buried
on this plantation he was
buried better than would

expected all the compan
that is in this detachment
turned out mounted and
attended to the burial
according to military
custom he was the first
one that has died out of our
company although they are
dying very fast out of
the reginment at present
we were calculating to
get up a supeription in
the company to send his
body home but the weath
is so very warm and we
are in rather an inconvenie
ant place so that it was
impossible to get the body
to New Orleans soon enough
to embalmed, in order
to draw his back pay and
bounty you want to direct

EXHIBIT 10

1880 United States Census Records
Orange Grove Plantation
African American workers
[separated by households; number listed is age]
Year: *1880*; Census Place: *5th Ward, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *447*; Page: *102B*; Enumeration District: *095*

Ascension Parish Ward 5 page 6

Cager Abram 75
Oney 51
--
Colbin Steff 45
--
George Milton 40
--
Christophe Miley 55
--
Johnnie Hang Chinese 35
[WHITE WORKERS]
Matilda Boyd 15
Nancy Seldon 40 mother
Nat Page 8 cousin
Leroy Cantrell 1 6/12 son
--
Lettie Bibbs 58
Locius 60 brother
--
Lamb Sparrow 22
--
Jeff William 21
--
Thomas William 23
--
Edward Lewis 45
--
Chin Coin 21 Chinese
Chiner Tom 23 Chinese
--
Dennis Francois 54
Jane Ben 40
Barbary 17
Madeline 3
Mary Gould 3

--
Joseph Roberson 22 house servant
--
James Carter 35 carpenter
--
Logan Williams 40
[WHITE WORKER]
Owen Wallace 48 blacksmith
Lucy 41
--
Benjamin McKitt 60
--
Flora Page 45 male
Elizabeth 45
Elizabeth 15
Flora Jr. 10
Lurinda 7
Dina 6
James I. 4
--
Joshua Lane 60
Adeline 45
Martha Johnson 12 granddaughter
Lizzie Hayes 6 granddaughter
--
Nelson Conway 65 cooper
Eliza 70 wife
John Cornet? Conol? Son
--
David Lee 30
Mahaly 21
Patience 9
Margaret 7
Charity 5
Dennis 3
Anne 9/12
--
Joseph Bedford 48
Susan 45
Rachel 11
Elie 15
Turner 18
--
Mike William 26
Louisa 23
Cherry 7

Georgana 5
Ellen 4
Albert 1 4/12
--
Sarah Fowler 41
Robert Irwin 3 son
Stephen Lebray 29
Darchus 23 wife
Sarah Turner 21 daughter
Fred Johnson 23 son
Henry 20 son
--
Solomon Burton 28
Hannah 24
Ella 7
Adeline 6
Solomon 4
Martha 2
--
David Ellis 33
Amy 28
Delphy 8
Marie 7
Elizabeth 4
Isae 3
James H 3/12
--
William C. Gordon 18
--
Nelson Ellis 20
--
Pompey Lightwood 50
--
Mary Alfred 30
Delphine Mickens 15 daughter
John Alfred 10 son
Mary 8 daughter
Lucinda 3 daughter
Fred Johnson 18 son
--
Arann Hampton 60
--
General W. Bracy 27
Cecilia 20
Sam Tyler 16 brother in law
--

Ann Roberson 23
W. Leander 2 son
--
George Bracy 80 hostler
Lucinda 11 daughter
Cilly 16 daughter
--
Robert Gould 80 collarmaker
Delphy 60 wife
Sidnee Williams granddaughter 17
--
Charles Henry Lebray 31
Hannah 28
Marilla Johnson 10 stepdaughter
Daniel Nelumn stepson 7
Lucinda Dillard 6 stepdaughter
Dennis 4 stepson
Adele Lebray 17 daughter
--
Andrew Gould 22
Celestine 18
--
William Cottin 23
Martha 18
Annie 2
--
Dennis Hayes 27
Silvy 24
Clara Stewart stepdaughter 6
Mary McNeal 15 sister-in-law
--
Diner Steward 50
Norah 21 son
John 16 grandson
Dina Hall 16 granddaughter
--
James Howard 28
Louvenia 24
Ophelia 4
Paul A ½
--
Prince Douglass 66
Sibb 40
Hettie 15 daughter
Prince 14 son
Sally 10 daughter

Richard 7 son
Ned 5 son
--
Amelia Boyd 29
George Goins 3 son
Millon Page 6/12 son
--
Charles Vicknair 20
--
John Tyler 19
--
Ben LeBray 26
Mary 21
--
John Richardson 40 carpenter
Lydia 30
Prophet Isaiah 18 son
Henry Page 21 brother-in-law
William Ross 12 nephew
Victoria Steward 3 granddaughter
Lurena Stewart granddaughter
--
Loudon Washington 34
Leanna wife 30
Wilson McKenny 50 boarder
--
Silvey Hill 30 divorced
Moses Fowler 15 son
Evelene Hill 6 daughter
Robert Mickeen 35
Louisa 20
Manena 5
Robert 1
--
George James 48
Louisa 39
Ellen Meyer 20 stepdaughter
--
E. W. Lawless [WHITE AGENT & FAMILY]
--
Sockey Hills 14
Pierre Antoine 60 grandfather
--
Isaac Hooper 40
Sarah Ann 30
Philis 13

--
Peter Brandy/Broady 55 driver of farm
Pauline 40
Lucy 16
Mary 12
Pauline 12
James 5
--
Frank Umphries 56
Jane 39
Marinda 17
Louisa 14
Umphrey 7
Agnes 6
Victoria 3
Hannah 3/12
Hamp Hodge 23 boarder
--
Damsel Colonay 20 divorced
Henry 3
Mary Benton 3/12 daughter
--
John McKee 23
Augustine Rannette 19
Sam Jones 23
Ellen Marony 35

EXHIBIT 11

1900 United States Census Records
Orange Grove Plantation
African American workers
[separated by households; number listed is age]
Year: *1900*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 5, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *557*; Page: *13*; Enumeration District: *0008*

Ascension Parish Ward 5

Thomas Brody 52 foreman
Mary 52
John 27
Willy 27
Moses 20
Thomas 18
James 16
Celine 10
Terrasa 6
Annah 4
Henry Ellis nephew 4
--
Sarah Tyler 63 widowed
Adelline Jackot 18 cook
--
Henry Page 55
Rose 25
Malinie Duglass stepdaughter 14
Cammie Duglass stepdaughter 7
--
Lizzie Page 47 widowed
Lizzie 20
Lucy 18
--
Joseph Alexander 24
Celina 18
Victoria 1
--
John Brody 24
Ophelia 23
Elvine 4
Richard 2
Emai 1/12
--

Louis Harden 27
Bertha 23
--
Lucious Richardson 40
Barbary 40
Flora 17
Jane 16
Celina 14
Esther 12
Rebecca 11
Lizbeth 10
Celestine 5
Matthew 8
--
Moses Fowler 34
Annie 30
Josephine 12
Silva 9
Lillie 8
Alice 4
Rosa 2
Moses 10/12
--
Frank Steward 50
Patsy 45
Frank 18
Bertha 14
James 11
John 9
Peter 7
Liddie 5
Dyna 4
Andrew 1
Laura 1 4/12
Robert 15
--
Jerry Seldon 60
Loveann 57
--
Jos William 26
Sarah 21
--
Leania Washington 55 widowed
--
Francois Joseph 56 widowed
--

Mahala Henderson 55 widowed
Silvana niece 16
Lizzie niece 1
--
Louisa James 70 widowed
Samuel Porter grandson 10
--
Solomon Burden 50
Hannah 45
Stella 16
Edellina 7
Elvana 5
Robert 2/12
--
John Charles 23
Luvinia 20
Joseph 3
--
James Robertson 60
Francie 55
Nic 20
Carl 19
John 18
Gus 16
--
Adam Lewis 35
Mary 12
Sam 9
Eddie 1
Lysa Planty mother in law 61 widowed
Sam King 85 widowed uncle
Henry Smith 19 nephew
George nephew 17
--
Dorsey Brown 51
--
John Dickerson 50
[WHITE WORKERS]
Susan Bedford 70 widowed
Rchael Mason 35
Jessie 15
Henderson 13
Cornelius 10
Arthur 8
James Turner 18
--

Stephen Grisby 50
Clynder 38
Agnes 11
Arthur 3
--
Ison Page 25
Rena 20
Bessie 3
Lucindie 1
--
Davy Lee 52 carpenter
Mahaley 47
Kaziah 18
Dorsey 11
Esiah 10
Orpher Walker grandson 6
Olivia granddaughter 5
Stella 9
--
Sanco Louis 38 blacksmith
Laura 39
Julia Taylor mother in law 84 widowed
--
William Singleton 50
Lettie
--
Charles Vicknair 37
Sidney 36
Dora 14
Nelson 12
Illinois 8
Ernest 6
Joseph 3
Clara B. 9/12
--
Mary Thompson 50
Luvinia 14
Thomas 13
--
Sarah Fowler 65 widowed
Robert Ervin 55 son
Ella 35
Robert 12
Phillip 11
Cecilia 7
Randolph 3

Bessie 1
--
Paul Trims 40
--
Pierce Eliser
--
[WHITE WORKERS]
W. John Stephenson 39
Estelle 33
Irena 10
James 7
Eunice 2
--
Myria Tyler 67 widowed
Silia Bracy 35
Wash son-in-law 38
--
Henry Williams 34
Carolina 25
Henry 9
George 8
Orilia 7
Isic 5
--
James Graves 20
Maggie 18
Viola 1/12
--
John Welton 46
--
John Ross 40
Mary 35
Carmelite 14
Westly 3
--
James Howard 45
Luvinia 39
Paul 20
Augustine 16
James 10
Dyna Stuard mother in law 80 widowed
Charles nephew 18

EXHIBIT 12

1910 United States Census Records
Orange Grove Plantation
African American workers
[separated by households; number listed is age]
Year: *1910*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 5, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *T624_507*; Page: *22b*; Enumeration District: *0008*; FHL microfilm: *1374520*

James Brandy [Brody] 17
Mary mother 75
--
John Brandy/Brody 30
Agnes 20
--
Moses Brandy/Brody 30
Patsy 24
--
Louis Williams 25
Rena 36
Beulah Page stepdaughter 13
Lucinda Page stepdaughter 11
Patsy stepdaughter 4
Alisa stepdaughter 2
--
George Clark 23
Lydia 16
Frank Stewart 29
Silvia 26
Rosetta 8
Liberta 5
Rowena 3
James 9 months
--
Viney Smith 77 widowed [Lavinia]
Henry 25 son
Louisa James 74 widowed
Ellen Myers daughter 50 widowed
--
Frank Steward 56
Patsy 54
John 23
Peter 22
Andrew 20
Stephen 18
Dina 14

Bertha Bedford 22 daughter with her children
Mack 7
Martha 2
Thelma 6 months
Lucinda Page 11
Wilfred Davenport 16 grandson
--
Wilson Butler 55 widowed
Celestine daughter 10
Celia Clark 45 widowed
Etienne Joseph 16 son
Frank 10 son
--
Steve Grisby 63
Clara 44
Arthur 14
Violet Charles 75 mother-in-law
--
Jim Poll 45
Cornelia 23
Aristiline Hall stepson 6
Rosaline Stepdaughter 3
Charley Fisher 20
--
Virginia Davis 41
Ananias Jacob 22
Amos 17
Lucy 11
Fanny 7
Charley Jacob 41
--
Charley Vicnair 42
Sidney 47
Nelson 22
Illinois 18
Ernest 15
Joseph 13
Mary 5
George Williams 2 grandson
--
Willie Scott 48
Larcis Herbert 38
Augustine wife 23
Laurence 1
--
Spencer Washington 62 widowed

Elisabeth 19 daughter
Spencer Robertson 3 grandson
--
Henry Page 50
Rose 57
Edward Lewis 24
Malisha wife 22
Laura 7
Emma 6
Edward Jr. 7 months
--
Jim Howard 62
Louvinia 60
Paul son 29
Jimmie son 21
Elvira Brandy granddaughter 16
Richard grandson 13
Clarisa granddaughter 9
--
Halley Johnson 25
Philis 21
Cecilia 2
Henry Glover 54 widowed
--
Louis Holmes 37
Lubertha wife 26
Lye Roberson father in law 50 widowed
Dempsy Wesby 24
Betsy Lewis 44 widowed
Juliana Taylor mother 87 widowed
--
Isaac Williams 37
Lizzie 21
Isaac infant
Ellen Lewis 94 widowed
Eugene Guaran 30
Nellie 25
Cora Antoine adopted daughter 9
Ann Wells 98 widowed

EXHIBIT 13

Vicknair Family History and Descendants

THE VICKNAIR FAMILY

Charles Vicknair	and	Sidney Ann Williams Vicknair
(ca.1860-1938)		(ca. 1863-1948)

NOTE: The ages of formerly enslaved people tended to vary across their lives, as they did not have birth certificates or written documents confirming their dates of birth. Spelling of their names also varied due to the law making it illegal to teach an enslaved person to read and write.

1880 Census Ascension Parish 5th Ward p. 8 collar maker
Robert Gould age 80 Black Male
Delphy age 60 Black Female
Sidney Williams age 17 Black Female granddaughter
[several households away]
Charles Vicknair age 20 Black Male laborer
Year: *1880*; Census Place: *5th Ward, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *447*; Page: *103D*; Enumeration District: *095*

Louisiana Marriage Index
Charles Vicknair married Sidney Ann Williams in Ascension Parish
January 21, 1883

1900 Census Ascension Parish 5th Ward p. 30
Charles Vicnaire Black Male born April 1863 age 37 farm laborer
Sidney Black Female born November 1863 gave birth to 11 children, 6 are living
Dora age 14 farm laborer
Nelson age 12 farm laborer
Illinois age 8
Ernest age 6
Joseph age 3
Clara B. age 10 months
Year: *1900*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 5, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *557*; Page: *15*; Enumeration District: *0008*

1910 Census Ascension Parish 5th Ward p. 44
Charley Vicner age 42 farm laborer
Sidney age 47 gave birth to 17 children, 10 living
Nelson age 22 farm laborer
Illinois age 18 farm laborer
Ernest age 15 farm laborer

Joseph age 13
Mary age 5
George Williams grandson age 2
Year: *1910*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 5, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *T624_507*; Page: *23B*; Enumeration District: *0008*; FHL microfilm: *1374520*

1920 Census Ascension Parish Ward 5 page 6
Charley Vicknair age 59 laborer on farm
Sidney age 54
Theala granddaughter age 8
Year: *1920*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 5, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *T625_604*; Page: *7B*; Enumeration District: *10*

Moved to St. James Parish by 1930

DEATH CERTIFICATE
Charles Vicknair
Colored Married
Age 78 born in Laplace in 1860 died May 18, 1938 at Union, St. James Parish
Spouse Sidney Williams
Father Edmond Vicknair
Source: "Louisiana Deaths, 1850-1875, 1894-1960," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F3ST-NLB : 4 March 2021), Charles Vicknair, 18 May 1938; citing Union, St. James, Louisiana, certificate number 6486, State Archives, Baton Rouge; FHL microfilm 2,266,858.

DEATH CERTIFICATE
Sidney Vicknair
Colored age 78 born around 1869 [NOTE: off by several years]
Spouse Charlie Vicknair
Died February 4, 1948 in New Orleans
Source: "Louisiana, Orleans Parish Death Records and Certificates, 1835-1954", database, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:ZQ44-WCPZ : 22 April 2020), Sidney Vicknair, 1948.

THE BODIES OF BOTH CHARLES VICKNAIR AND SYDNEY VICKNAIR WERE BROUGHT BACK TO ORANGE GROVE AND BURIED IN THE CEMETERY. THIS IS VERY SIGNIFICANT. FOR A FAMILY WITH LIMITED RESOURCES AND LITTLE MONEY THIS INDICATES THAT THE CEMETERY WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO THEM AND WAS THE BURIAL PLACE OF THEIR ANCESTORS AS WELL AS THE CHILDREN AND INFANTS THEY LOST.

NOTE: Their son Charles Jr. was either called by a different name in census records or doesn’t appear with the family in census records because he was older and living and working on his own. There is a 20-year gap between 1880 and 1900. The United States 1890 census was destroyed by fire.

DEATH CERTIFICATE
Bertha Vicknair
Age 54 colored
Born around 1895 at Burnside
Died June 18, 1948 in New Orleans
Parents Prince Kelson and Caroline
Spouse Charles Vicknair

Source: "Louisiana, Orleans Parish Death Records and Certificates, 1835-1954", database, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:ZMKP-GJW2 : 19 April 2020), Bertha Vicknair, 1948.

Interment in Garden of Memories.

VICKNAIR—At Charity hospital, on Friday, June 18, 1948, at 6:05 o'clock p. m., MRS. BERTHA VICKNAIR, beloved wife of Charles Vicknair; mother of Mrs. Ceolia Thomas; daughter of Mrs. Caroline White; sister of Mrs. Cora Sbots, Rev. Doran White, Vincent Kelson, all of Burnside, La.; sister of Mrs. Viola Kelson of Reserve, La., aunt of Mrs. Gladys Bill and Mrs. Luella Sanders; sister-in-law of Miss Lucille and Ernest Vicknair and other relatives and friends.

Relatives and friends of the family, also pastor, officers and members of St. John's Fourth Baptist church, are respectfully invited to attend the wake services on Sunday, June 20, 1948, at the funeral home of Verrett and Anderson, 2512 La Salle street, and funeral services on Monday, June 21, 1948, at New Zion Baptist church at Burnside, La. Remains to be shipped via Southern Pacific railroad to Burnside, La., at 6:30 a. m. Monday, June 21, 1948. Funeral services will be held at New Zion Baptist church at Burnside, La., on Tuesday, June 22, 1948, Rev. Doran White officiating, assisted by Rev. Willie Moore of Gonzales, La.

Interment in Orange Grove cemetery at Burnside, La.

Arrangements by Verrett and Anderson funeral home, 1225 La Salle street.

WARNER—At Mount Carmel Pa., on

Interment of Bertha Vicknair in Orange Grove Cemetery
New Orleans States, June 21, 1948

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

EXHIBIT 14

Bedford Family History & Descendants

Susan Bedford and Joseph Bedford were both enslaved at Orange Grove. You will find their names in the inventories attached to the sales of the plantation in this report. They are also present in Freedmen's Bureau records, including the "Agreement with the Freedmen" and payroll documents. They had many children. Four survived to adulthood: Mahala, Elie, Rachel and Turner.

1880

David Lee 30
Mahaly 21
Patience 9
Margaret 7
Charity 5
Dennis 3
Anne 9/12
--
Joseph Bedford 48
Susan 45
Rachel 11
Elie 15
Turner 18
Year: *1880*; Census Place: *5th Ward, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *447*; Page: *103C*; Enumeration District: *095*

1900

Susan Bedford 70 widowed
Rachel Mason 35
Jessie 15
Henderson 13
Cornelius 10
Arthur 8
James Turner 18
Year: *1900*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 5, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *557*; Page: *15*; Enumeration District: *0008*

1920 Census
Thomas Brody 18 laborer
Mahala Lee grandmother 45
Susan Bedford great grandmother 107

Year: *1920*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 5, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *T625_604*; Page: *7B*; Enumeration District: *10*

Death Certificates:

Susan Bedford age about 90 years
Died February 2, 1923 at Burnside, Ascension Parish, Louisiana
Born Ascension Parish
"Louisiana Deaths, 1850-1875, 1894-1960," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FS15-15Y : 4 March 2021), Susan Bedford, 02 Feb 1923; citing Burnside, Ascension, Louisiana, certificate number 1055, State Archives, Baton Rouge; FHL microfilm 2,367,142.

Mahaley Lee age around 79 years
Died June 24, 1928 in Darrow, Ascension Louisiana
Father was Joe Bedford
Husband Dave Lee
"Louisiana Deaths, 1850-1875, 1894-1960," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F3MB-F75 : 4 March 2021), Mahaley Lee, 24 Jun 1928; citing Darrow, Ascension, Louisiana, certificate number 7135, State Archives, Baton Rouge; FHL microfilm 2,385,560.

Turner Bradford [name misspelled] age around 70 years
Died September 30, 1936 Sorrento, Ascension, Louisiana
Mother Susie Bradford
Spouse Madeline Francois
"Louisiana Deaths, 1850-1875, 1894-1960," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F3MK-9K8 : 4 March 2021), Turner Bradford, 30 Sep 1936; citing Sorrento, Ascension, Louisiana, certificate number 11266, State Archives, Baton Rouge; FHL microfilm 2,203,836.

Madeline Bedford age around 85
Died October 11, 1948 Sorrento, Ascension, Louisiana
Parents Denis and Jane Francois
Spouse Turner Bedford
"Louisiana Deaths, 1850-1875, 1894-1960," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FS1B-ZZ7 : 4 March 2021), Madlin Bedford, 11 Oct 1948; citing Sorrento, Ascension, Louisiana, certificate number 615, State Archives, Baton Rouge; FHL microfilm 1,409,309.

Newspaper Clipping
Dennis Francois/Francis was the father of Madeline Francois Bedford and Barbara Francois Richardson

State *vs.* Scipt Smith, for rape, the prosecuting witness being a young colored girl named Barbary Francois, and the crime alleged to have been committed at Burnside's Orange Grove place on the 20th of January, 1876. Judge Marks having represented the State at the preliminary examination as District Attorney, recused himself and appointed Hon. John A. Cheevers. as Judge *ad hoc.* The case was called Thursday afternoon and continued until midnight, closing with able arguments by District Attorney Earhart and E. N. Pugh, Esq., for the State and defense respectively. The jury were not long in agreeing upon a verdict of acquittal, and those most familiar with the character of the accused and prosecutor, and the circumstances attending the alleged offense, were nearly unanimous in approving the verdict. Scipt had been in jail a year, and was naturally well pleased to be at liberty again.

Donaldsonville Chief January 27, 1877

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EXHIBIT 15

CHERRY ALFORD

**Note: Alford is a misspelling/phonetic spelling of Alfred. Also Cherry is an unusual name; it appears that census takers misunderstood and wrote the name as a more traditional one, i.e. Sarah, Charity.

DEATH CERTIFICATE
Cherry Alford
Age 49 Married Negro
Died October 21, 1924 in Lutcher, St. James Parish
Born around 1875 in Burnside
Spouse John Alford
Parents Mike and Louisa Williams
Source: "Louisiana Deaths, 1850-1875, 1894-1960," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F379-GSM : 4 March 2021), Cherry Alford, 21 Oct 1924; citing Lutcher, St. James, Louisiana, certificate number 13097, State Archives, Baton Rouge; FHL microfilm 2,367,763.

1880 Census Ascension Parish Ward 5 p. 7
Mike Williams mulatto male age 26 laborer from South Carolina
Louisa black female age 23 parents from Virginia
Cherry mulatto age 7
Georgiana mulatto age 5
Ellen mulatto age 4
Albert mulatto age 1
[several households over]
Mary J. Alfred age 30 laborer
Delphine Mickens age 15
John Alfred age 10
Mary Alfred age 8
Lucinda Alfred age 3
Fred Johnson age 18
Year: *1880*; Census Place: *5th Ward, Ascension, Louisiana*; Roll: *447*; Page: *103C*; Enumeration District: *095*

MARRIAGE INDEX
John Alfred married Cherry Williams
March 13, 1890 Ascension Parish

1900 Census St. James Parish, Ward 1
John Alfred born 1871 age 29 laborer at saw mill
Sarah Alfred born 1871 age 29 never gave birth to any children
George Williams born 1881 age 19 laborer at sawmill
James Smith born 1895 age 4 boarder

Year: *1900*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 1, Saint James, Louisiana*; Roll: *580*; Page: *21*; Enumeration District: *0052*

1910 Census St. James Parish
John Alfred age 37 laborer at saw mill
Chinney age 36
Mike Williams boarder age 19 laborer at saw mill
Another Williams orphan age 17 farm laborer
James Smith orphan age 16 farm laborer
Clarence Smith orphan age 13
Year: *1910*; Census Place: *Lutcher Ward 1, Saint James, Louisiana*; Roll: *T624_528*; Page: *15A*; Enumeration District: *0066*; FHL microfilm: *1374541*

1920 Census St. James Parish
John Alford age 45 laborer in the swamp
Charity wife age 40
James Smith nephew age 24 farm laborer
Rose friend age 21 laborer in swamp
Year: *1920*; Census Place: *Police Jury Ward 9, St James, Louisiana*; Roll: *T625_629*; Page: *26B*; Enumeration District: *47*

EXHIBIT 16

2020 United States Geological Survey Map
Based on data from 1983

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

The National Map
US Topo

GONZALES QUADRANGLE
LOUISIANA - ASCENSION PARISH
7.5-MINUTE SERIES

Produced by the United States Geological Survey

North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83)
World Geodetic System of 1984 (WGS84). Projection and
1 000-meter grid: Universal Transverse Mercator, Zone 15R

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Imagery.....NAIP, November 2020
Roads.....U.S. Census Bureau, 2017
Names.....GNIS, 1980 - 2020
Hydrography.....National Hydrography Dataset, 1999 - 2018
Contours.....National Elevation Dataset, 2018 - 2019
Boundaries.....Multiple sources; see metadata file 2018 - 2019
Public Land Survey System.....BLM, 2019
Wetlands.....FWS National Wetlands Inventory 1988

UTM GRID AND 2019 MAGNETIC NORTH DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

Grid Zone Designation
15R

SCALE 1:24 000

CONTOUR INTERVAL 5 FEET
NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM OF 1988

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A metadata file associated with this product is draft version 0.6.18

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Expressway
Secondary Hwy
Ramp
Local Connector
Local Road
4WD
Interstate Route
US Route
State Route

1 Saint Gabriel
2 Prairieville
3 French Settlement
4 Carville
5 Sorrento
6 Belle Rose
7 Donaldsonville
8 Convent

ADJOINING QUADRANGLES

GONZALES, LA
2020


Orange
Grove Cem
1124
RIVER RD
44
River
25
50
25
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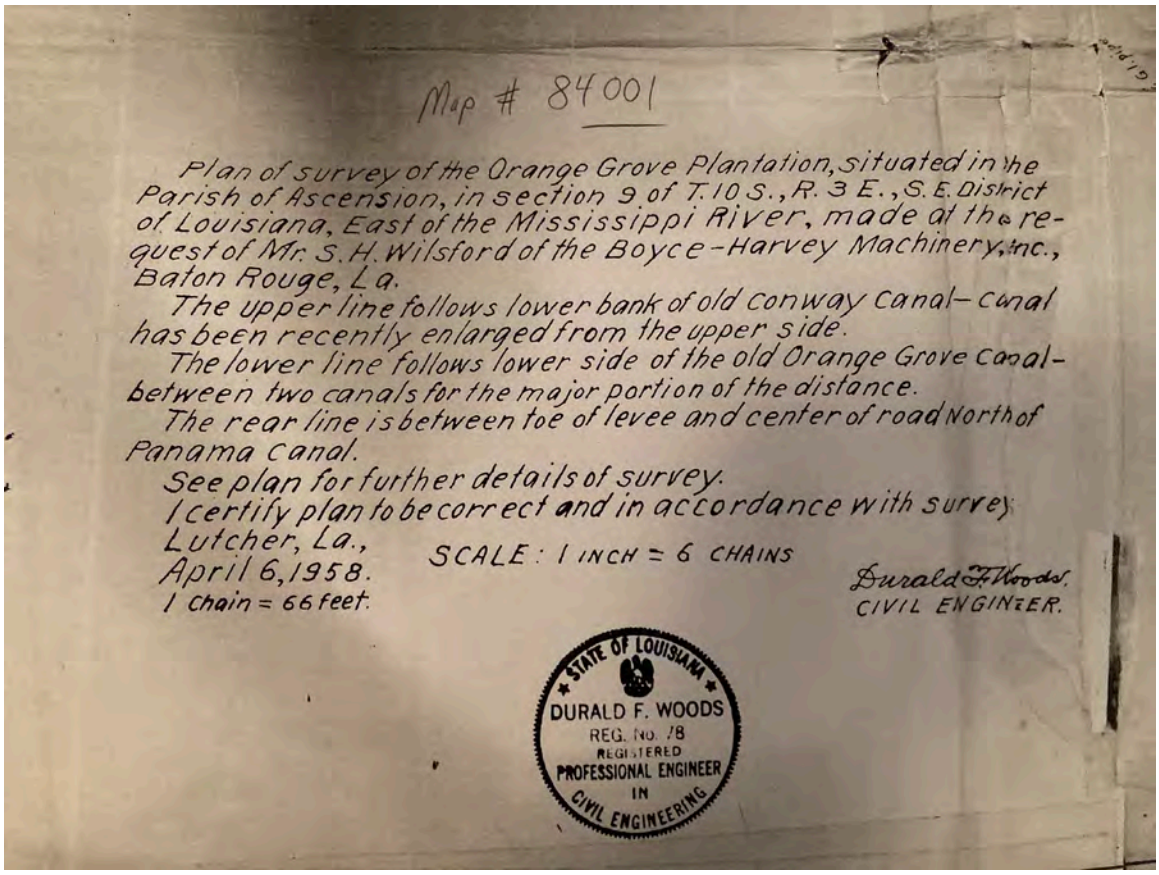
EXHIBIT 17

1958 Map of Orange Grove located in Ascension Parish Clerk of Court Office

Notice that the cemetery is referred to as “Old Graveyard”



Map # 84001

Plan of survey of the Orange Grove Plantation, situated in the Parish of Ascension, in section 9 of T. 10 S., R. 3 E., S. E. District of Louisiana, East of the Mississippi River, made at the request of Mr. S. H. Wilsford of the Boyce-Harvey Machinery, Inc., Baton Rouge, La.

The upper line follows lower bank of old Conway Canal—canal has been recently enlarged from the upper side.

The lower line follows lower side of the old Orange Grove Canal—between two canals for the major portion of the distance.

The rear line is between toe of levee and center of road North of Panama Canal.

See plan for further details of survey.

I certify plan to be correct and in accordance with survey

Lutcher, La.,
April 6, 1958.
1 chain = 66 feet.

SCALE: 1 INCH = 6 CHAINS

Durald F. Woods
CIVIL ENGINEER.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
DURALD F. WOODS
REG. No. 78
REGISTERED
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER
IN
CIVIL ENGINEERING

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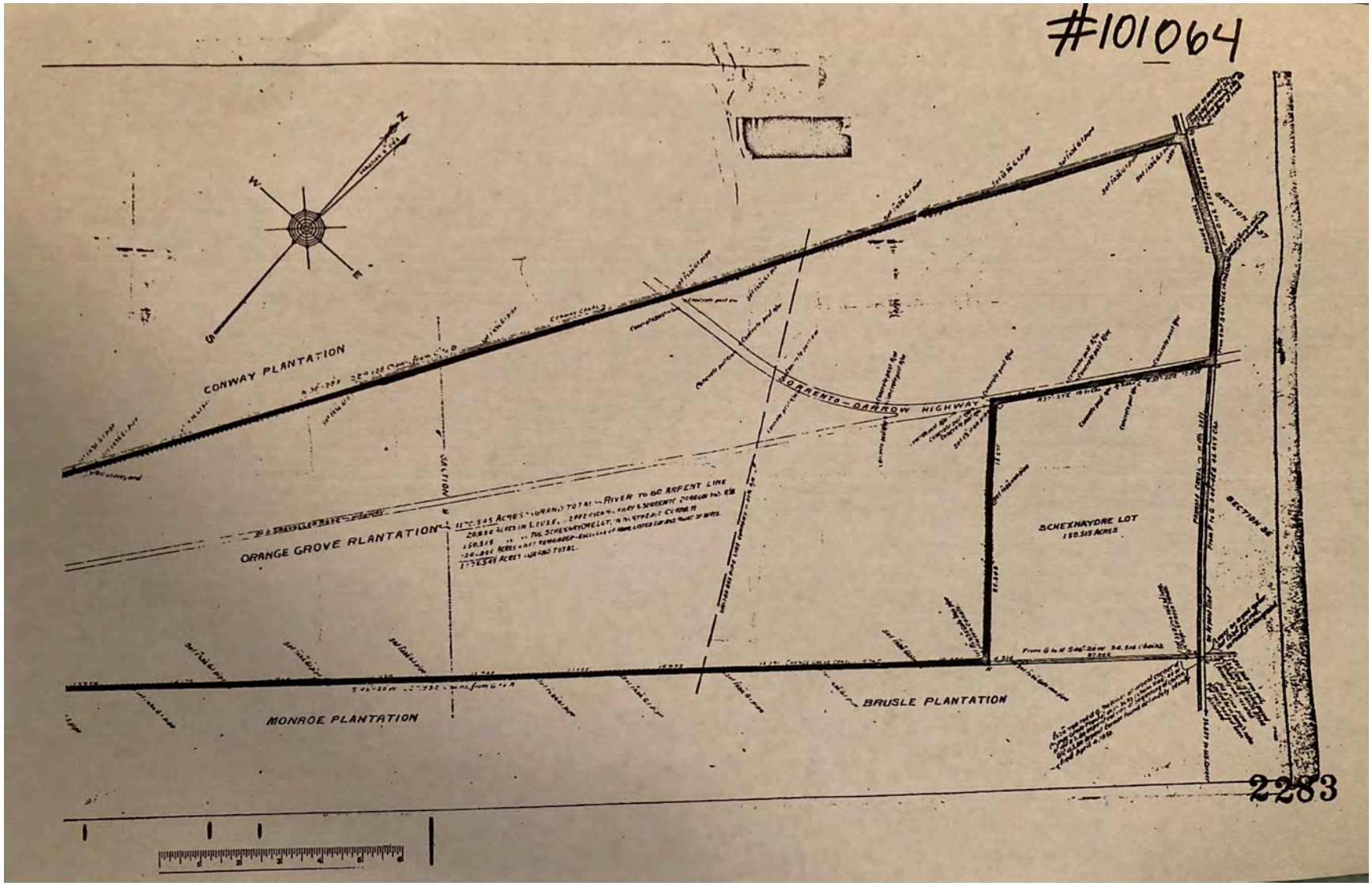
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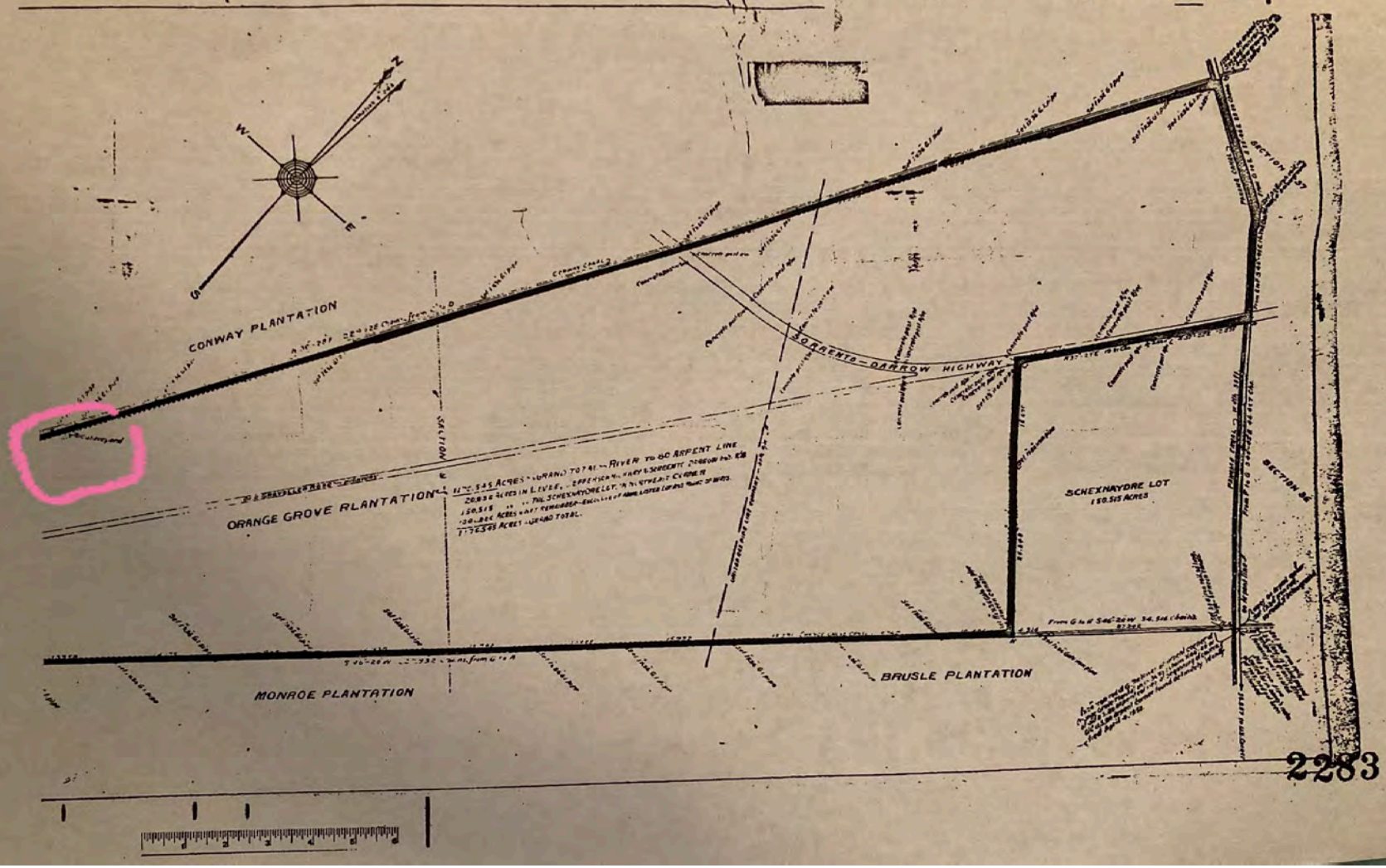
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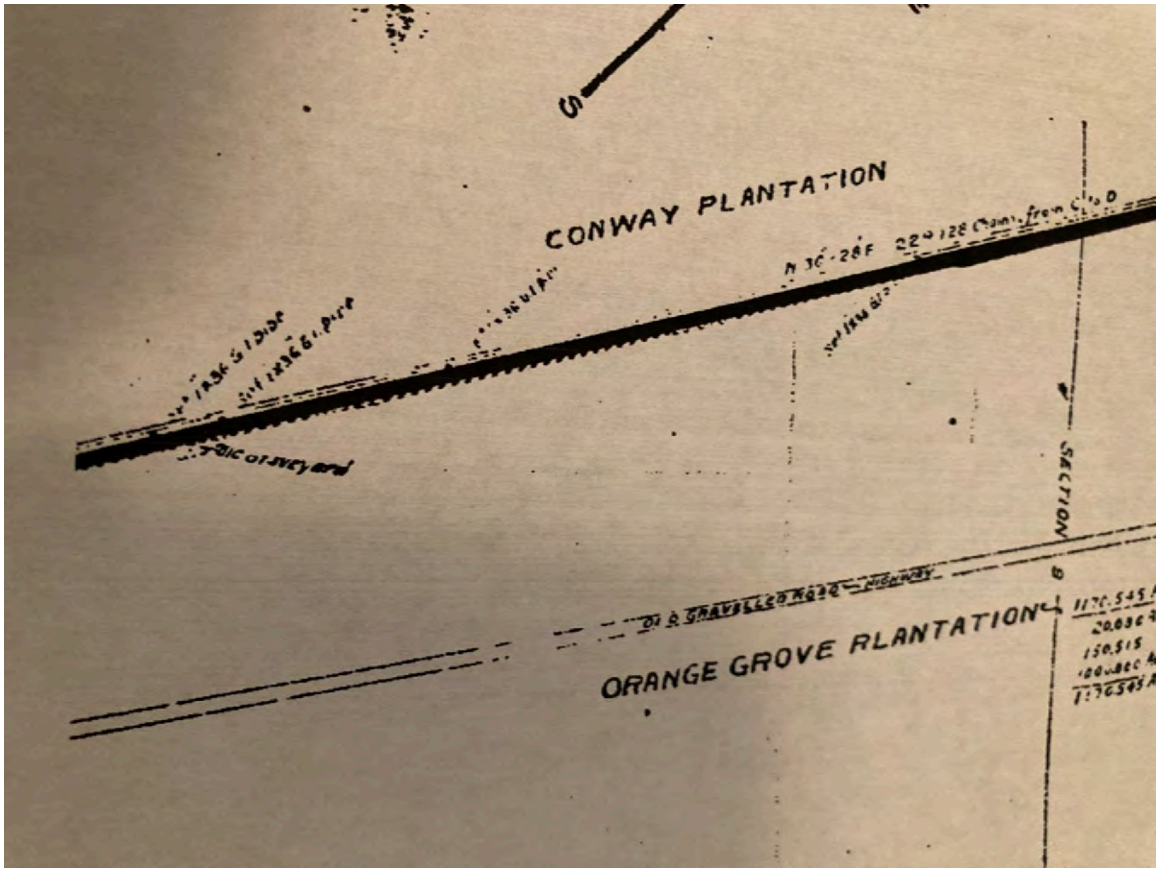
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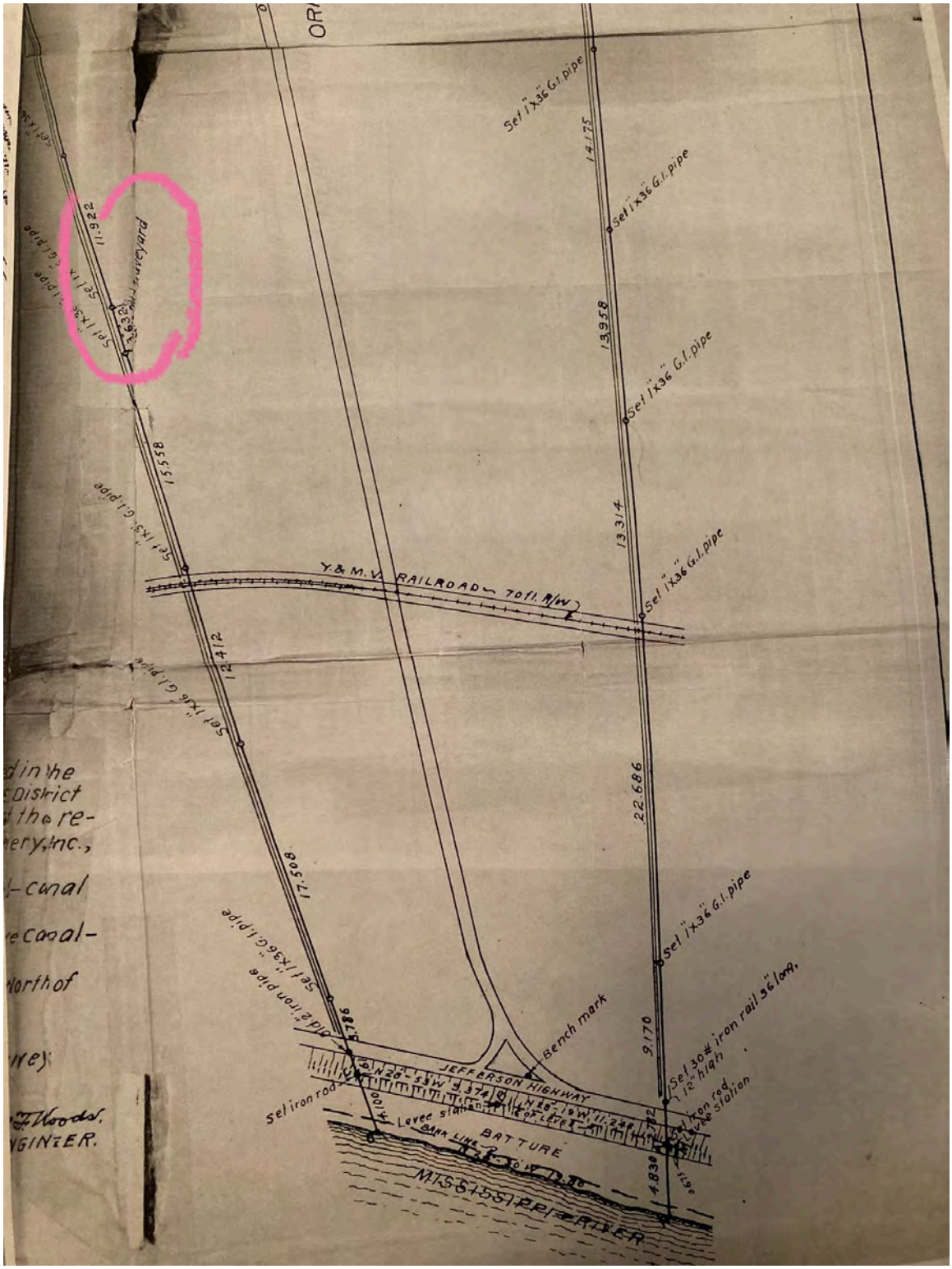
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Bench mark
JEFFERSON HIGHWAY
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N28°-10W 11.248
Set iron rod
Levee station
Set iron rod
Levee station
BATTURE
MISSISSIPPI RIVER
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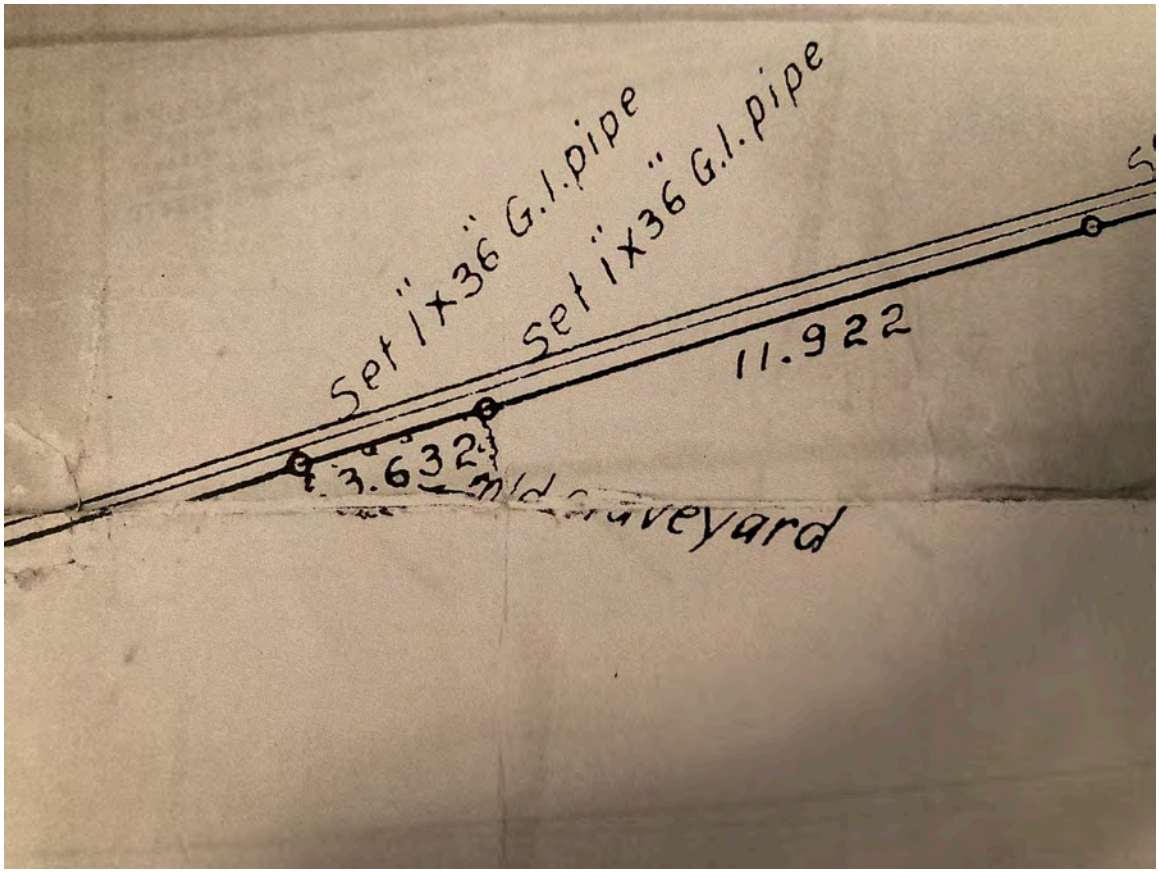
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Old Graveyard

EXHIBIT 18

Printout of database

NAME	Birth Year (Approx.)	Death Date (or approximation)	1830 Inventory	1836 Inventory	1837 Inventory	1840 Inventory	1846 Inventory	1858 Inventory	Freedmen's Bureau Records 1865	1880 US CENSUS	1900 US CENSUS	1910 US CENSUS	1920 US CENSUS	FAMILY & LIFE AFTER CIVIL WAR
Aaron	1835	before 1900			2	3	12	20		Arann Hampton				
Abraham	1813							45						
Abraham	1853							5						
Absalom	1805	before 1836	25	X										
Aleck	1857							1						
Alfred	1819	before 1858	12	18	18	20	25	X						
Alfred	1830							28						
Amanda	1838							20						
Ananias	1856							2						
Antony	1797		33	40	40	42 brickmaker	48	70, nearly blind						
Archy	1790	before 1846	Archer 42	47	47	49	X							
Arthur	1857							1						
Auguste	1808							50						
Auguste	1830	before 1836	infant	X										
Baptiste	1818							40 sugar maker						
Bartley	1834					Barkley 6		18						Bartley Tyler; Married Mariah, had children CeciliaTyler Bracy and Sam Tyler
Beck	1843						Becky 3	18						
Beckey	1808	before 1837	22	27	X									
Betsey	1807	before 1837	23	30	X									
Big Sam	1799	1865						59 sore shin	Sam Handy, dead by August 1865					
Bill	1838						6	20 cooper						
Bill	1803							55 injured						
Boy or Coy	1807	before 1846			30	32	X							
Bruce	1828	before 1846			9	11	X							
Burrell	1828							30						
Cagah	1812	before 1900	Cajah 18	25	25, sickly	Cajah 27	33	Cagey 50		Cager Abram, age 75, with wife Oney				
Caroline	1832	before 1858	Cora 1	5	5	7	Cara 14	X						
Caroline	1852							6						
Catherine	1849							9						
Charles	1836						10	20						
Charles	1851							7						
Charles	1810	before 1836	20	X										
Charles Bahl/Ball	1807		Charles Ball 25	Charles Bala 30	30	32	38	50 Charles Ball						

Charles Martin	1803	before 1858	28	35	34	36	42	X						
Charlotte	1813	before 1858			24	26	32	X						
Charlotte	1827	before 1858			10	12	13	X						
Clara	1837	before 1837	infant	7	X									
Clarisse	1858	before 1858					12	X						
Colla	1828	before 1846		9	9	11	X							
Cora	1818							40						
Crule	1837	before 1837		1	X									
Daniel	1806	before 1858	27	31	31	33	39	X						
Delia	1855							3						
Dennis	1828	before 1910						30		Dennis Francois age 54, Jane (40), Barbary (17), Madeline (3), Mary Gould (3) cousin	Dennis Francois (75), Jane (65), Elizabeth Richardson granddaughter (9)			Dennis Francois; wife Jane, children Barbara and Madeline
Dennis	1828							30						
Dennis	1813	before 1858			24	26	Dennis Jackson 32	X						
Dick Champe	1829							29 carter						
Dublin	1815		19	22	22	24	30	55	Dublin Stubbs					
Edward	1828		1	9	9	11	16	28 driver						
Elenor	1827							31						
Eliza	1808	before 1900	22	Liza 29	29	31	36	60 children's nurse		age 70, with husband Nelson Conway (65) and son John				Eliza Conway, husband Nelson Conway, son John
Elizabeth	1838							20						
Ellen	1813							45				Ellen Lewis, age 94, widowed, gave birth to 16 children, none living		
Ellena	1803	before 1836	27	X										
Elodie	1827	before 1846	4	10	10	12	X							
Emily	1842							16						
Emma	1855							3						
Enoch	1818							40 ruptured [hernia]						
Ephraim	1838							20						
Esther	1830		1	7	7	9	Estelle 17	Estelle 35						
Fanny	1809		21	28	28	30	35	50						
Fanny	1801	before 1837		35	X									

Flora (male)	1832			5	5	7	12	Florian 20		age 45 w/wife Elizabeth (45), children Elizabeth (15), Flora Jr (10), Lurinda (7), Dina (6), James (4)				Son of Henry Page; Wife is Elizabeth; children Elizabeth, Flora Jr., Lurinda, Dina, James
Francis	1840	before 1858					6	X						
Frank	1813	before 1858	19	24	24	26, runaway	32	X						
George	1839						7	20						
George Burton/Benton	1812	before 1858	19	25	25	27	George Burden 37	X						
George Lee	1810		20	George Lea 27	27	29	35	40	possibly George Dier					
Grace	1840						6	20						
Grace	1856							2		age 20, husband John Baptist(21), Jacob (28) brother				
Gregory	1813							45 cooper						
Hannah	1818							40						
Harriet	1826	before 1840			Henriette 13	X								
Harriet	1855							3						
Hayley	1850							8						
Hector	1818							40						
Heloise	1855							3						
Henry	1825	before 1858				15	19	X						
Henry	1837	before 1846				3	X							
Henry Page	1824				13	33	39	40 Henry Page						Wife Rose; children Henry, Flora(Florian)
Henry	1850							8		Henry Page Jr., age 21, living with sister Lydia and her husband John Richardson	Henry Page, age 55, wife Rose 45, stepdaughters Malinie Douglas (14) and Cammie Douglas (7)	Henry Page, age 50, wife Rose, age 57, Edward Lewis 24, Malina 22, and children		Henry Page, son of Henry Page, husband of Rose
Henry	1846						6 months	25						
Henry	1809	before 1836	21	X										
Henry	1797				40	42	Henry Griffin 49	Henry Griffin 60 injured						
Henry Johnson	1810		22	27	27	29	35	Henry John, cooper, crippled, 50						
Henry	1806	before 1858	26	31	31	33	39	X						

Horace	1818				19	21	Harris cooper 27	40 blacksmith and cooper						
Infant	1858							unnamed						
Infant	1858							unnamed						
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Infant	1858							unnamed						
Infant	1858							unnamed						
Infant	1836			boy										
Infant	1836			girl										
Isaac	1790	before 1858	40	47	47	49	53	X						
Isaac	1813	before 1858			24	26	Isaac big 25	X						
Isaac	1820	before 1858			17	19	Ike 23	X						
Isabel	1822				15	17	Isabella 22	40	Isabella Hampton					
Ishmael	1813							45						
Jack	1808		22	20	29	31	37	Jack Alabama 50	Jack Alabama					
Jack	1813							45						
Jack	1818							40						
Jack	1853							5						
Jacob	1833							25						
Jacob	1805	before 1837	25	30	X									
Jacob	1808							50 hostler						
James	1800		31	37	37	39	Jim Perry 45	James Percy 55						
James	1854							4			James Howard age 45, wife Luvinia (39), Paul (20), Augustine (16), James (10), Dyna Stuard (80) widowed mother in law, Charles (18) nephew	Jim Howard age 62, wife Louvinia 60, children Paul (29), Jimmie (21), grandchildren Elvira, Richard, & Clarisa Brandy		James Howard, wife Lavinia, children Paul, Augustine, James
James Smith	1813							45						
Jane	1856							2						
Jenny	1856							2						
Jerry	1840						6	19			Jerry Seldon age 60 and wife Loveann (57)			Jerry Seldon; son of John and Peggy
Jim	1802	before 1858			35	37	Jim Thomas 43 one leg	X						

Jinny/Jane	1802				35	37	Jane 43	Jane 65 crippled						
Joe	1808	before 1836	22	X										
John	1819	before 1846			18	20	X							
John	1825				12	14	16	John Long 28						
John	1857							1		John Tyler, age 19				
John Hayes	1800	before 1858	John Hays 30	John Hays 37	37	29	John Hase 45	X						
John Silden/ Seldon	1801	before 1858	John Selden 29	John Seldin 36	36	38 coachman	John Seldor driver 44	X						
Jones	1852							6						
Joseph	1823							35	Joe Bedford	age 48, w/wife Susan (45), children Rachel (11), Elie (15), Turner (18)				
Joseph	1854							4						
Joseph	1856							2						
Joseph	1854							4						
Judy	1840						6	20						
Jules	1830		infant											
Kitty	1807	before 1858	23	Katey 30	30	32	37	X						
Kitty	1782				55	56								
Laure	1830	before 1836	infant	X										
Letty	1823		8	14	14	16	22	40	Letty Writing					mother of Jake
Letty	1857							1						
Liddy	1841	before 1900					Lydia 5	20		age 30, husband John Richardson (40), son Prophet Isaiah (18), William Ross (12) nephew, Henry Page (21) brother, Victoria Steward (3) grandchild, Lurena Stewart grandchild				Lydia Page Richardson, father Henry Page, husband John
Little Jacob	1845						1	16						Jake Burden, mother Letty
Little John	1843						3	18						
Lizzy	1808							50						
Lorina	1838							20						
Louis	1815		Lewis 17	22	22	24	John Lewis 43 blacksmith	John Lewis 75						
Louis Thornton	1805	before 1837	25	30	X									
Louisa	1833	before 1846			4	6	X							

Loyd	1808	before 1836	22	X										
Lucas	1855							3						
Lucille	1830	before 1836	infant	X										
Lucinda	1836	before 1846			1	3	X							
Margaret	1789	before 1846	43	Marguerite 48	48	50 paralyzed	X							
Margaret	1826		4	Marguerite 11	11	13	19	40 cook	Margaret Rolley					
Maria	1828							30						
Maria	1838	before 1858					8	X						
Martha	1828							30						
Martha	1818							40						
Mary	1809		20	28	28	30	34	55						
Mary	1833							25			Myra Tylier age 67 widowed with Sillia Bracy (35) and Washington Bracy (38) son in law			Maria/Mary Tyler, husband Bartley Tyler, children Cecilia Tyler Bracy & Sam Tyler
Mary	1838							20						
Mary	1838							20						
Mary	1856							2						
Mary	1785	before 1837	45 house servant	52	X									
Mathilde	1855							3						
Matilda	1836	before 1846		1	1	3	X							
Mitchell	1854							4						
Moses	1808		23	29	29	31	37	40						
Moses	1845	before 1858					1	X						
Nace	1812	before 1846			25	27	X							
Nancy	1837				2 months	2	10	25	Little Nancy	age 40, living w/Matilda Boyd (15), Nat Page (8) cousin				Nancy Seldon, parents John & Peggy Seldon, husband Peter Boyd, children Matilda & Celestine
Nat	1830				7	9		28						Nathan Fowler; wife Sylvia, child Moses
Ned	1810		23	27	27	29	35	40						
Ned	1836	before 1858					10	X						
Nelly	1809	before 1858	21	28	28	30	35 one leg	X						
Nelly little	1810	before 1836	20	X										
Nelson	1807		25	30	30 cooper	32 cooper	38 cooper	48 cooper, crippled	Nelson Conway	age 65, cooper, w/wife Eliza (70) and son John				
Nero	1808							50						
Oxford	1818							40						

Pat	1839	before 1858					7	X						
Paul Smith	1818							40	Paul Hensley					
Paulina	1814	before 1836	16	X										
Pauline	1835				2	4	12	35		age 40, husband Peter Brandy/Brody, age 55 driver), Lucy (16), Mary (12), Pauline (12), James (5)				husband Peter Broady, children Lucy, Mary, Pauline, James
Pedro/ Denis	1802	before 1846	Pedro 29	35	35	37	X							
Peggs/ Peggy	1806	before 1858	Peggy 24	Peggy 31	31	33	Peggey 38	X						
Peter	1813							45		Peter Brandy/Brody, age 55 driver, wife Pauline (40), Lucy (16), Mary (12), Pauline (12), James (5)				Peter Broady; wife Pauline, children Lucy, Mary, Pauline, James
Peter	1845	before 1858					1	X						
Pierre Louis/Marquis	1808	before 1846	Marquis 23	Pierre Louis alias Marquis 29	29 engineer	39 engineer	X							
Polydore	1818	before 1858			19	21	Poldo 27	X						
Pompey	1808							50						
Pompey	1833							25		Pompey Lightwood, age 50				
Pompey	1808							50 crippled						
Rachel	1836				1	3	5	16 crippled						
Raleigh	1828					25		30						Royal Tolbert, wife Lavinia, Children Joe
Raleigh	1854							4						
Rhoda	1853							5						
Richard	1857							1						
Rilla	1818							40						
Robert	1830				7	9	Bob 10	Bob 20						
Rogers	1818							40						
Raleigh or Rolley	1814		18	Rolly 23	23	29	Rolley 31	Raleigh 45	Old Rolley					"Old Rolley," wife Margaret
Rosalind	1845							13						
Rose	1805		25	32	32	34	39	60 hospital nurse						
Rosine	1802		33	35	35	37	37	65 children's nurse						
Sally	1809		21	28	28	30	33	50 cook						

Sally	1836	before 1846			1	3	X							
Sally	1809	before 1858			28	31	35	X						
Sam	1805		of the field 25	30	32	24 possible transcription error	40	50 carter						
Sam	1807		domestic 25	30	30	32		50						
Sam	1829	before 1858			8	10	Sam Tyler 23	X						
Sarah	1833							25			Sarah Tyler age 63, widowed, born in Georgia			Sarah Tyler
Sarah	1833							25		age 41 w/ children Robert Irwin (13), Stephen Lebray (29), Sarah Turner (21), Fred Johnson (23), Henry Johnson (20)	age 65 widowed, with son Robert Ervin (55), his wife Ella (35) & their children			Sarah Fowler
Silvey	1833							25	Sylvia Anthony	Silvey Hill, age 30 divorced with children Moses Fowler (15) and Evelene Hill (6)				
Solomon	1850							8	Solomon Burton	Solomon Burton age 28 with wife Hannah (24), Ella (7), Adeline (6), Solomon (4), Martha (2)	Solomon Burden (50), Hannah (45), Stella (16), Edellina (7), Elvana (5), Robert (2 months)			Solomon Burden/Burton; Wife Hannah Gould, children Stella, Adeline, Solomon, Elvana, Robert, Martha
Sophy	1828		3	3	9	11	Sophy Betzey 17	30 house servant						
Sophy Mary	1827	before 1858	4	10 listed as "Mary" 10	10	13	Sophy Mary 18	X						
Stephen	1800	before 1846	30	37	37	39	X							
Suckey	1851							7						
Sunday	1857							1						
Susan	1831	2-Feb-23			6	8	Suzanna 12	35	Susan Bedford	age 45 w/husband Joe (48), children Rachel (11), Elie (15), Turner (18)	age 70, widowed, withdaughter Rachel Mason (35) & grandchildren		Susan Bedford age 107 living with grandson Thomas Brody (18) and daughter Mahala Lee (45)	
Thomas	1852							6						Thomas Brody
Toney	1813							45						
Violet	1811	before 1858	21	26	26	28	34	X						

Weney	1806	before 1837	24	31	X									
William	1807	1865	23	30	30	32	37	50	William Dabney; dead by August 1865					
William Bonaparte	1806		26	31	31	33	Bonaparte 39	80? Possible transcription error						
Wilson	1809		21	38	28	30	38	50 blind						
Zachrite	1845	before 1858					1	X						