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MT. SYPHON - A HAVEN IN THE HILLS OF HARDIN COUNTY

(The following article appeared in The Elizabethtown News, Aug. 2, 1895)

Perhaps in the State of Kentucky there is not a more picturesque summer home than Mt. Syphon, the fine property of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Mantle, at Colesburg. Mt. Syphon is so named from the syphon spring that forms one of the many attractive natural features of the place. The tract of land includes 600 acres, comprising seven of the foothills of the celebrated Muldraugh's Hill.

Mt. Syphon is on a hill crest that overlooks the village of Colesburg. For miles the white houses, for there are a number of them, with red tops and green shutters that make a rare picture, show up over the green hilltops and attract attention of every chance visitor to that section. Leading to the top of the hills is a winding road that brings one, after many ins and outs, to the white gate and picket fence that lead directly into an expanse of evenly shorn bluegrass, where the many stretched nets mark the tennis court.

Around one of the houses used as the dining-room is a pagoda 100 feet long. Surrounding that is a locust grove, where many hammocks are hung on the overspreading branches. Scattered over the mountains are never failing springs of mineral water that vie in their icy coolness and quality. The grounds extend two miles on a plane along the Louisville and Nashville [Rail]road. Mr. Mantle has inclosed 150 acres of this into a driving park such as is found only around the fine old estates of England. This park at great labor has been cleared from a dense forest, and is bordered with overhanging grape vines, chestnut, walnut,

pinus and swamp elms. It is in fact an arboretum of Kentucky trees. The trees are trimmed artistically and are in clumps, affording restful pictures, as under them browsing in the shade are the herds of fine Jerseys with which the place is well stocked. Besides the driving park, there is a boulevard that extends direct from the yard of the houses and takes one to the thrifty fruit orchards. Mr. Mantle has over twenty thousand peach trees, not to mention the number of apple, plum and pear trees grown in other orchards. The smaller fruits, acres of garden and melons, also abound.

Mr. Mantle declares that out of the money he has saved by taking his family to Mt. Syphon he has paid for the property, which of itself has been a source of unexpected revenue from the sales of his fruit. There are some years when the fruit has failed, as it unfortunately has this year, but last year he made \$10,000 profit. His orchards were so fruitful and such a source of profit, supplying work to the people around Colesburg, that he was compelled to employ a large force of men to ship the fruit. It was pulled, boxed and shipped without Mr. Mantle's supervision, the shipper simply keeping the vouchers and sending the checks to him. Mr. Mantle lives truly like a lord on his grand property, and not only is surrounded by his own family, but friends from this city and at a distance enjoy his hospitality. Ex-Gov. S. B. Buckner and wife will spend some weeks there this summer. Mr. Mantle will also entertain a number of the G. A. R. visitors during their visit, as he has a large acquaintance among them. He will decorate his mountain home quite prettily in honor of the encampment, having already hoisted from his house-top an enormous flag.

ELIZABETHTOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES 1830 (con't)

October 2nd 1830

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Elizabeth Town on Saturday the 2nd day of October 1830
Present Daniel K. Haycraft, Samuel Haycraft and Lloyd Harris Trustees

Whereas a certain Mr. John Raisner is about to Exhibit certain wax figures in this Town for profit
Ordered that he pay to the clerk of this board the sum of Three Dollars for the time he Shall Exhibit them for profit

Ordered that the board adjourn

Saml. Haycraft

December 14th 1830

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Elizabeth Town on Tuesday the 14th day of December 1830

Present H. G. Wintersmith, Lloyd Harris, and Daniel K. Haycraft Trustees

Whereas a certain Mr. Brown a Traveling Comedian is about to perform in this Town for profit
Ordered that he pay to the Clerk of this Board the sum of Two Dollars as a Tax levied against him for said performance

Ordered that the Board adjourn

Lloyd Harris

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HARDIN COUNTY TEACHERS AND WHERE THEY TAUGHT

The following list of teachers in Hardin County and the schools to which they were assigned appeared in The Elizabethtown News Sept. 23, 1898:

Elizabethtown, A. R. Thomas, J. L.
Pilkenton, Maggie Jenkins,
Frances Smith, Katie Sweets,
Stella Hazard.

Valley Creek, Mrs. Jas. Campbell.

Locust Grove, Lizzie Funk.

Sand Spring, Eugenia Robertson.

Hagan, Nannie Sinclair.

Oakland, Maggie Sweets.

Glendale, Ella Jeffries.

Clear Run, J. W. Fowler.

Red Mills, Clara Tucker.

Nolin, Madge Gillon.

Sonora, W. H. Sprigg, Mrs. W. H. Sprigg.

Upton, D. E. McClure.

Lucas, Lela Wyatt.

Sandy, B. F. Rider.

Shiloh, Cleora Cox.

Shady Bower, Annie Kennady.

Kinkead, Ollie Richardson.

Watson, Tishie Howell.

Hayden, Hays Dillard.

Red Oak, Martin W. Cofer.

Deckard, S. Pusey Bailey.

Hinton, Damon Cooper.

Cecilia, Lena Jeffries.

Long Grove, C. M. Vertrees.

Star Mills, Lucy Burch.

Swan, Robert S. Wortham.

Center Point, J. P. Hoover.

Flint Ridge, J. E. Nall.

Akers Valley, Byrde Jeffries.

Lee, Della Portman.

Enterprise, J. M. Shively.

White Mills, J. R. Hood.

Stephensburg, R. A. Buckles.

Franklin X Roads, C. A. Nelson.

Sutzer, Mabel Arnold.

New Union, Mattie Elliott.

Moore, Mrs. Sudie Coyle.

Hardin Springs, A. Addie Adams.

Pleasant Grove, Bridget Portman.

Bethel, Singleton Cralle, Jr.

Pole Bridge, Mattie Oliver.

Mt. Carmel, C. L. Kerfoot.
 Mt. Zion, Jula Barnes.
 Old Union, Carrie Riley.
 Hardaway, Agnes Vertrees.
 Hall, R. E. Goodman.
 Howevalley, Essie Board.
 Harris, J. H. Skillman.
 Rineyville, C. V. Wiseman.
 Minter, Minnie Best.
 Nallton, Sallie Wathen.
 Osborne, H. E. Miller.
 Miller, N. M. McCoy.
 Salem, G. D. Scifres.
 Ridge Spring, Zora Hagan.
 Hickory Grove, Minnie Riley.
 Vine Grove, J. F. Nall, J. M. Wooldridge.
 Tip Top, C. H. Lampton.
 Crutcher, T. B. Nall.
 Red Hill, Lulu Wooldridge.
 Bloomington, A. R. Raine.
 Stithton, Kittie Marlow.
 Watts, Jas. L. Shipley.
 Harbolt, Maggie Harned.
 West Point, Lillie Irwin, Mayme Irwin.
 Ditto, Josie Blevens.
 Cedar Grove, Chas. Stith.
 White Rose, Lulu Hargan.
 Steels X Roads, Ezra Milburn.
 Dorretts Run, Annie Masters.
 Floyd, Lillie Burkhead.
 Triplett, Kittie Langley.
 Black Jack, Florence Davis.
 Sycamore, H. H. Hargan.
 Highland, Lula Woods.
 Tunnel Hill, C. E. Morgan,
 Tom Patton, Jr.
 Bethlehem, W. W. Carlton.
 Carlisle, Rosa Daugherty.
 Cedar Creek, Adda Hargan.
 Rolling Fork, Mayme Huber.
 Sullivan, Clem Allen.
 Colesburg, H. C. Miller.
 Dalington, C. E. Bunnell.
 Chestnut Grove, Mrs. C. E. Bunnell.
 Eggen, Virgie Hagan.
 Edlin, Bettie Johnston.
 Ballenger, H. P. Rogers.
 Cotton, Mayme Miller.
 Round Top, Maud Coombs.
 Richardson, Edna Hatfield.
 Woodward, Emma Moore.

Sherrard, B. J. Johnson.
 West Nolin, Annie Lawrence.
 Sanders, Essie Bewley.
 Lewis, Nannie Carlton.
 Taber, A. E. Smith.
 Sand Hill, Mattie Williams.
 Irwin, Anna Miller.
 Caswell, Annie Walters.
 Ray, G. L. Daugherty.
 Peter Cave, C. C. Carroll

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PREHISTORIC MOUND BUILDERS IN HARDIN COUNTY????

(The Elizabethtown News, May 12, 1911)

On Mr. Hugh Yates' place two miles south of Big Spring a mound made of ashes evidently the work of the Mound Builders has been discovered. It is at the foot of the cliff about eighty feet high. For several weeks Mr. Yates and others have been digging into the mound and as far as they have gone it is all ashes. Three complete human skeletons have been taken out, all unusually large, being from six feet six inches to seven feet tall. The teeth were worn down nearly to the gums, indicating great age. Stilletoes made of bone and seal rings made of some dark stone much resembling coal and many other curious things including the bones of animals now extinct have been excavated. The entire section is very much interested in the discoveries and digging into the mound goes on every day. From what has been discovered, there is but little question that Mr. Yates has stumbled onto one of the mounds of a prehistoric race that inhabited this country even before the Indians.

A LIST OF LETTERS

(The Kentucky Statesman, January 14, 1830)

A list of letters remaining in the Post Office at Elizabethtown, Ky. on the 1st day of January, 1830, which, if not taken out before the 1st day of April next, will be sent to the General Post Office as dead letters:

Anderson, John A.	Lane, James
Anderson, Robert	Linder, Samuel
Atherton, William	Love, John 2
Barker, James	Love, William 2
Bayne, William J.	Martin mrs. Nancy
Bird, Jacob	Martin, Samuel
Bogue, John	Matheny, Jas. R.
Borner, Elizabeth	Matthis, John
Bunger, Philip	May, Richard or
Burk, James W.	Jas. Percefull
Burrows, Joseph	Merrifield, miss A.
Bush, Christopher	Monroe, Dr. B.
Buzan, Jacob	Moore, Samuel
Case, Charity	Morris, John
Cash, John	Morrow, George
Castleman, James	Mudd, Walter 2
Chilton Rev. Tho J.	Nelson, William
Churchill, A. H. 2	Noe, Samuel
Coleman, Wilson	Pius, J. G.
Cox, Lorenzo D.	Pulliam, James O.
Crutcher, Maj. Jas.	Pusey, Ann
Crutcher, Tho. S.	Radley, Isaac
Cully, Robert	Rain, William
Dodge, John	Redman, Nathaniel
Dorsey, Thomas 2	Rice, Elias
Dye, James R.	Roberts, Wm. H.
Faith, Presley	Robey, Barton
Fallen, George W.	Rogers, George L.
Farrant, Henry	Rogers, Jacob
Green, Willis	Roll, Michael
Hampton, G. L.	Simon, John
Hampton, George	Smith, Rufus
Harris, John V.	Smith, Thomas
Hart, mrs. Frances	Stewart, James
Hays, Hercules esq	Strickler, Geo. W.
Hays, John P.	Teany, Daniel
Helm, John	Thompson, Ign's
Horton, Samuel	Thurman, Philip
Howell, Laban 2	Tobin, Benjamin 4
Huss, John	Waggoner, H. G.
Irwin, Isaac	Whitaker, Wash'n
Ivens, Rev. Hooper	Wilson, George
Jeffries, Isham	Wright, col. Benj. 2
Johnson, Thomas	Yager, Josiah H.

Kerby, Jesse
Kerfoot, Ann S.
Kinsaw, Milie
Lane, Thomas

Yager, J. W.
Yeaman, S. M. Esq
Yocumb, A. 2
Young, John

COUNTY COURT ORDER BOOK A, HARDIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

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JULY TERM 1802

At a County Court began and holden for Hardin County on Monday the 26th day of July 1802
Present Stephen Rawlings, George Bell & William Withers Esqrs

Ordered that Edmund Freeman be exempted from working on any Public roads in this County also that he be exempted from paying County levy.

Ordered that Joseph Smith, Richard Dougherty, Henry Ditto & Michael Matheny being first sworn do view the nearest & best way for a road to be opened from the mouth of Cedaar Creek, on the Rolling fork the nearest & best waggonway to cross Mill creek, about a mile near Hynes lick, thence to Otter Creek, about a mile above Ditto's at or near the mouth of the Brushy fork of Otter Creek, thence to the County line, leaving Given's about a mile to the left South of the road & make their report to the next Court.

The Court doth appoint William Withers & George Bell as Judges to superintend the ensuing election & Samuel Haycraft as Clerk.

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Ordered that Isaac Jones, Reuben Ash, Edwd. Reed & Timothy Tichenor or any three of them being first sworn before a magistrate of this county, do view the nearest & best way for a road to be opened from Timothy Tichenor's on Bacon Creek to Saml. Isaac's on the Barren County line on a direct course to Saml. Isaac's & that they make their report to the next court.

Ordered that Josiah Hart be & he is hereby appointed Surveyor of the road leading from Elizabeth Town to Saml. Miller's ferry on the Rolling fork, as far along said road as to where the Barrens makes in to the Timberland, at Miles Hart's place & that all the hands below said place to Elizabeth Town on the Valley Creek that assisted Joseph Chalfin former Surveyor of said road do assist him in opening & keeping the same in repair.

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On the motion of James McWilliams It is ordered that it be certified to the Comr of Public accounts that he has paid his revenue & tax for the year 1801 & is charged with the same in this County.

James Young's ear mark is a crop off the right ear & an over bit out of the left.

Present William Munford & Jacob Larue Esquires.

Howard vs. Bowling magistrates Jud. reversed with costs.

Howard vs. Bowling, John Hargis on claiming one day's attce for Plt.

Elizabeth Ferguson claims the same for the same.

Jacob Bruner claims the same for same.

Vittito vs. Pairpoint Magistrates Jud affirmed.

Governor vs. Kisinger's Ind. per Scifes.

Miller vs. Downs contd.

Vittito vs. Pairpoint Chrstr Bush claims one day's attce for Dft.

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Lindsey vs. Southerland Plts Seviefacias.

Same vs. Same same

Same vs. Same same

Ordered that the Sheriff of this county do let Alexander Murdough, a poor person, to the lowest bidder, to be kept for three months from this time & to be paid by the county.

Ordered Putry Mix, John Miller, Isaiah Watkins & William Garner or any three of them being first sworn before a magistrate of this county do view the nearest & best way for a road to be opened from Round Stone to John Derbin's on Dog Creek & make report thereof to the next court.

Ordered that all the hands on Cain run do assist John Darby in opening & keeping the road in repair of which he is survey.

Pairpoint ads Vittito George Bell claims one day's attce.

Ordered that James McWilliams be exempted from paying a County levy in this County for the year 1801, satisfactory proof being made to

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the Court that he has paid the same previous to this time.

A settlement of the estate of John Larue, deceased, was returned & Ordered to Record.

Ordered that Court be adjourned till court in course.

(signed) Step. Rawlings

AUGUST 1802

At a county court began and holden for Hardin County at the Courthouse in Elizabeth town on Monday the 23d day of August 1802.

Present George Bell, Daniel Vittito, David Morrison & William Ewing esquires.

Ordered that Robert Hodgen be and he is hereby appointed surveyor of the road leading from George Rust's lane to Larue's & Hodgen's mill on Nolinn, and that all the hands including Robert Hodgen's on Nolinn as far down as the said mill do assist him in opening and keeping the said road in repair.

Lindsey vs. Southerland On Sci. for Jud. for ninety Cents & costs.

The same vs. same Jud. for One Dollar and seventy nine cents & costs.

The same vs. same Jud. for one Dollar & eleven cents & costs.

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The persons appointed to view a road from Round Stone to John Durbins on Dog creek this day made their report in these words to wit:

"August the 21st 1802. We the under named subscribers appointed by the court of Hardin county to view a road from Round Stone to John Durbin's on Dog creek, being first sworn we have viewed out a road, beginning at the first trap ford on Round stone, thence through Putry Meeks land, thence through a large survey of William Johnston's, thence through a large survey of J. McGaughey's, thence through Samuel Watkins survey being nearly south west course to Dog creek. We do likewise give it from under our hands that it is the nearest and best way to our knowledge &c. Pridey Meek, Josiah Watkins, William Gardner, John Miller."

On consideration whereof it is ordered that the same be received and established and it is further ordered that John Caswell be and the same is hereby appointed survey of the said road to open the same so as man and horse can conveniently pass. And that all the hands within eight miles of said road do assist him in opening and keeping the said road in repair.

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The persons appointed to view a road from the most convenient place between Andrew Burtle's and Jacob Artman's to strike out of the Hartford road to Jacob Rod's mill on Rock Creek, this day returned their report in their words to wit:

"Agreeable to an order of the worshipful court of Hardin County, granting a road out of the Hartford road, between Jacob Artman's & Andrew Burtle's, and from thence to Jacob Roads mill on Rock creek passing through the following tracts of Land, viz. 1st lands of William Shaw 2 lands of Henry Banks, 3 lands of John Watkins and other lands unknown &c, we the undersigned viewers having concluded & marked the above road and finding it a good way do hereby make our return of the same &c. August 21st 1802. Jacob Artman, John Watkins, Andrew Burtle."

On consideration whereof it is considered by the court that the said report be and the same is hereby recd. and established. And it is further ordered that Jacob Rhoads be appointed surveyor of said road from his mill as far as through the dividing ridge between Rock creek and bear creek and that all the hands living on Rock Creek do assist him in opening and keeping the same
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in repair. And that Andrew Burtle be and he is hereby appointed surveyor of the said road from the said Dividing ridge to where the same intersects the Hartford road and that all the hands living on the waters of Big Clifty and the headwaters of Bear Creek do assist him in opening and keeping the same in repair.

Ordered that all the hands living on Otter creek as far up said creek as to where Henry Ditto now lives, from thence striking Mill creek at the mouth of Dorets run, to include the waters of Dorrets run thence down Mill Creek including its waters to the mouth, thence down Salt river and the Ohio to the place of beginning do assist John Welsh in opening and keeping the road in repair of which he is surveyor.

Ordered that Philip Read, Alexander Mellin & Timothy Coe being first sworn do view a way for a road to be opened from Thomas Hedspeth's on Salt Lick to the Green County line in a direct course to Greentown and that they make their report to the next Court.

Ordered that William Melender be and he is hereby appointed surveyor of the road leading from Robert Hodgen's mill to Danvill beginning at Andrew Rush's on said road from thence up Otter Creek to where the same road goes up the Hill at Otter Creek
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and that half the hands that were to assist Hensley Reed former surveyor of said road do assist the said William Melender in opening and keeping the same in repair.

The Persons appointed to review the way from Timothy Tichenor's to Green River in a Straight direction to Samuel Isaac's this day made their report in their words to wit:

"In Pursuance of an order of the county court of Hardin to us directed, we have proceeded to view the way from Timothy Tichenor's to Green river in as straight a direction to Samuel Issac's and find the same to be an improper way for a road particular as the road leading from Bacon Creek to Amos's ferry is fully adequate to the public use. Given under our hands this 19th day of Augt. 1802. Isaac Jones, Edward Reed, Rueben Ash."

On consideration whereof it is ordered that the same be received and admitted to record.

Miller vs. Downs. Magistrates Judgt. reversed and the Plaintiff to pay to the Deft thirty shillings in coin at the customary Price & Jud. for costs.

Same vs. Same. Saml Watkins claims one day's attce for Deft.
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A list of the property of John Redman, orphan of Thomas Redman deceased, was returned by Jonathan Joseph & sworn to by him and admitted to record.

On the motion of Richard J. Munford who entered into bond conditioned according to Law, It is ordered that a ferry be and the same is hereby established across Green river this side thereof on the said Richard J. Munford's land opposite to Amos's ferry and it is ordered that the said Richard J. Munford be allowed at the rate of twelve and a half cents for transporting man and horse across said river, and for other services agreeably to an Act of Assembly in that case made and provided.

On the motion of Michael Campbell excr of Philip Philips, it is ordered that Philip Read, Hencely Reed & Thomas Hedspeth be appointed commissioners to convey or transfer to said Campbell a certain tract of Land agreeable to a bond from Roger Barton decd to Philip Philips agreeably to an act of Assembly in that case made and provided.
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Present Stephen Rawlings & Danl Vittito & Saml Rice esqrs.

Philip Read esquire having produced a commission from James Garrard esquire, Governor of Kentucky appointing him sheriff of this county took the several Oaths of Office, entered into bond with Hencely Read, Thomas Hedspeth, John Baird, George Helm & Charles Helm his securities according to Law.

On the motion of Philip Read Sheriff of this county, George Helm & Charles Helm were sworn and admitted to act as his Deputies.

On the motion of Ann Stater & John Huffman who made Oath according to law, admrn of the estate of Adam Stater decd is granted them, they having given bond with William Jourdan & Jacob Huffman in the penalty of 100 pounds conditioned according to law.

Ordered that George Bell, Michael Rentch, Isaac Irwin & Nase Brian being first sworn before a magistrate of this county do appraise in current money the slaves (if any) and personal estate of Adam Stater decd & ret the appl to this court.

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Ordered that Samuel Bush, John Essery, Jacob Vanmeter & Samuel Rice being first sworn before a magistrate of this county do view the nearest and best way for a road to be opened from Elizabeth town to Samuel Rice's on Doe run and make their report to the next court.

An inventory & appraisement of the estate of Jacob Howel deceased returned and ordered to record.

Present Asa Coombs esquire

Cooper vs. Bruce Magistrates Jud. reversed with costs.

Same vs. Same Jacob Funk claims one day's attendance for plt.

Joseph Chalfin claims the same for the same.

Thomas Miller claims the same for same.

John Johnston claims the same for same.

George Bell claims the same for Deft.

Peter Bland claims the same for PIt.

Ordered that James Larue be allowed eighty two Dollars for his services as Commissioner

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for this county in the year 1802 and that the same be certified to the Auditor of Public Accounts.

The last will and testament of Robert McDowell was proved by the oaths of James Wilson & John Wilson subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of John McDowell administration of the said estate is granted him with the will annexed, he having made oath according to Law & given bond with Asa Coombs his security in the penalty of 100 pounds conditioned according to law.

On the motion of James Percefull License is granted him to keep tavern at his house in Elizabeth town for the Space of one year from this date, he having given bond with Charles Helm his security conditioned according to law.

On the motion of Richard Walker, it is ordered that John Baird, Hencely Reed & Thomas Hedspeth be appointed commrs agreeably to an act of Assembly in that case made and provided to convey

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a tract of Land to said Walker agreeably to the bond given by Jacob Howell to said Walker.

On the motion of Benjamin Gogle it is ordered that the same persons be appointed to convey as above.

Ordered that Samuel Gibbins, Samuel Rice, John Pauly & Isaac Vertrees or any three of them being first sworn before a magistrate of this county, do appraise in current money the slaves if any and personal estate of Robert McDowell decd & ret the appraisement to the next court.

Absent Stephen Rawlings esqr

Cooper vs. Bruce, Christopher Bush claims one day's attendance for Deft.

Ordered that court be adjourned till court in course.

(Signed) Saml. Rice

ELIZABETH TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES 1831

1831 January 4th

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Elizabeth Town on Tuesday the 4th day of January 1831.
Present Thomas J. Wathen, Lloyd Harris, Daniel K. Haycraft and Samuel Haycraft Trustees

Whereas it is represented to this board by William Conway that there are mad dogs in this town, and the Trustees deeming it necessary that steps should be taken to prevent an increase of that distemper, And to protect the lives and property of our citizens,

It is therefore ordained that Any Dog found running at large and belonging to any Citizen be justified in shooting such dog.

The Citizens generally are charged with the execution of this term of three weeks after publication.
Ordered that the board adjourn.

Lloyd Harris

1831 April 19th 1831

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Elizabeth Town on the 19th day of April 1831

Present Lloyd Harris, Daniel K. Haycraft, Thomas J. Wathen and Samuel Haycraft

Ordered that Lloyd Harris be Appointed to take in a list of all free white male persons Over 21 years in this Town Also of all real estate belonging to persons not residing in Town and make report to this board in Ten days.

It is ordained that all persons be prevented in future from laying wood or other rubbish on the public square streets or alleys of this town, except materials for building when actually engaged in erecting houses or other improvements and then not to occupy more than half the width of a street. And leaving room in the Alleys for the free passage of waggons and other Carriages-- And should any building or other improvement be suspended in its erection or completion for more than One month at any one time, the Materials to be removed. It is further ordained that all persons be prevented from throwing the cleaning of Stables in the Streets or Alleys-- any person violating any part of this ordinance shall be subject to the following fine, for putting wood or rubbish in the Streets, alleys or public squares and permitting it to remain 24 hours Two Dollars-- For permitting building materials to be in the Streets or Alleys, after a suspension of the work for one month, for each day fifty cents-- For throwing the Cleaning of Stables in the Streets or Alleys, One Dollar for each Offence and for each day it remains fifty cents in Addition.

Be it ordained that all wood piles, plank lumber and other rubbish now lying on the public square Streets and alleys of this Town be removed by the persons who placed them there, on having ten days previous notice. And any person or persons refusing to remove such wood plank lumber or Rubbish so placed in the Streets Alleys or public square by him, her or them shall be subject to a fine of fifty cents for each day the same remains After ten days notice recoverable before Any Justice of the Peace in the name of the Board of Trustees--

Ordered that Lloyd Harris be Appointed surveyor of the streets, alleys and public square of this Town with power to call out the inhabitants of the Town if necessary to put the streets and c in order.

Ordered that Lloyd Harris be Appointed Town Collector and inspector, whose duty it shall be to collect and receive All fines Assessments and taxes levied by this board-- Also to Notify all persons to remove Obstructions and c and generally to Attend to the removal of all Nuisances placed in the Streets Alleys and public square-- and to attend to and prosecute all suits and actions in the name of the Trustees for any breach of the bye laws of this board-- And that he Account to this board for all monies collected by him for the use of the board when called on

It is ordained by the board, that the foot pavement fronting lot No. 1 and facing the public square be regulated as follows, the top of the curb stone of the foot pavement on Main Street to be the highest point, a line to be struck from that point to top of the lower sill of the cellar window of the brick building belonging to the heirs of Wm. L. Young deceased nearest lot No. 2 And that the pavement when laid be

graduated with a regular Slope, from one of the points herein designated to the other, and that all the dirt and rubbish thrown in front of the lot and on the public square raising it above that line be removed by the persons who placed it there so as to leave the square with An even surface with a gradual slope to the foot way on Cross street within One month After notice of this Ordinance. And the footway on Cross Street running from the Centre of the public square to lot No. 2, be lowered three inches from its present elevation, at the end nearest lot No. 2.

Ordered that Lloyd Harris the Town Collector rent out to the highest bidder until the first day of March next the Two front Stalls in the Market house and the second stall on the lower side taking bond and security of the renters payable to the trustees on the first day of March next

Ordered that the board adjourn.

Lloyd Harris

1831 April 25th 1831

At a meeting of the board of Trustees of Elizabeth Town on Monday the 25th day of April 1831 Present H. G. Wintersmith, Daniel K. Haycraft, Lloyd Harris, and Samuel Haycraft Trustees--

Lloyd Harris who was appointed to take in a list of Taxable property this day made his report

Ordered that a Tax be levied on each white male inhabitant of this Town over the Age of 21 years of fifty cents. And that a Tax be levied on the real estate and slaves of One cent on the Hundred Dollars and that the Clerk furnish the Town Collector with a copy of the list of persons and property this day reported and take his receipt therefor and that the said Collector proceed forthwith to Collect the same and make report to this board by the first day of June next

Be it Ordained that all persons residing in this Town who have pavements in the streets in front of their lots keep the same in order by Cleaning off the dirt and rubbish from the pavement from their lots to the Middle of the Streets and removing the same, Also that they clean out their Alleys around their lots And this shall be an exemption to such persons from further labour on the streets, except keeping the space in the Streets in front of their lots and their alleys constantly clean and should Any person fail to do the same, the Surveyor of the Streets shall cause the same to be done and recover the expence before a Justice of the Peace off the person so failing

Ordered that Lloyd Harris the Town Surveyor be Authorised to employ persons to work upon And put in Complete order such parts of the Streets of this Town as can not be Conveniently and quickly done by the inhabitants of the Town and that he make report of the expenditures to the board

Be it Ordained that All horse racks now in the public square be removed by the persons who placed them there upon having ten days notice, except the rack at the Market House. And that in future no racks be placed on the public square except on each side of the Market House.

Be it Ordained that in future all horse racks or fastenings for horses in the Streets of this Town be set up in the edge of the side wald with Cross pieces so as to prevent horses from passing under them And neat posts and hand railing at each end so as to prevent the horses from turning upon the side walds. Any person putting up racks Contrary to the directions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of fifty cents the rack subject to removal at the expence of the person putting it up

Ordered that Horatio G. Wintersmith be Appointed Chairman of this board

Ordered that the board adjourn

H. G. Wintersmith Clk

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Let's start the New Year right by not only attending the first meeting of 1997, but bringing a guest who will become a new member. Let's outgrow the Brown-Pusey House this year.

Welcome to our new officers for the year: Charlie Logsdon, President; Jim Weise, First Vice President; Mary Jo Jones, Second Vice President; Jack Kunnecke, Treasurer; and Charlie Skees, Secretary. Of course, Mary Jo will continue to be our Bits and Pieces editor.

All committee chairmen are the same, so if they call on you to serve, say **YES**. It takes all of us to make ONE good club. Won't you do your part?

We will resolve the 501(c)(3) issue this year, as well as what you as a group wish to print, if anything. Also, don't forget to start thinking of your will. Why not include a small gift for the Historical Society.

A Hardin County historical museum???? You betcha!

See you on the 27th.

CHARLIE LOGSDON

QUERY

ATHERTON - Seeking info on family of Aaron Atherton, Sr., b. MD, came to KY 1800. His three brothers John, Joshua and Benjamin came with him. Benjamin b. ca 1760 had wife Mary (last name unknown). They settled in Hardin Co. His son William b. ca 1786 md Sarah Martin 1807, Hardin Co. William lived in Knob Creek area. Other children of William and Mary are: Eunice, md. Stephen Deavers 1806; Nancy (Ann), md Joseph VanWinkle; Sally, md. Archibald Barnes; Elizabeth, md. Abraham DeWitt 1811; Mary (Polly), md. Caleb Hazel 1813; Rebecca, md. Jesse Hanks 1813; Hannah, md. Moses Atherton 1816; all md. in Hardin Co. **STEPHEN ATHERTON HADLEY**, 1021 N. Connecticut Ave., Royal Oak, Michigan 48067-1402

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

The Hardin County Historical Society will meet Monday, January 27, 1997, at 6:30 P.M. at the Brown-Pusey House, 128 N. Main St., Elizabethtown.

The speaker will be Burlyn Pike, attorney, of Shepherdsville, who will speak about Pitts Point and Wooldridge Ferry on the Salt and Rolling Fork rivers. Mr. Pike is a native of Bullitt County and a recognized authority on the history of that county.

Dinner will be catered by Stone Hearth Restaurant.
MENU: Fresh Fruit Salad, Country Baked Chicken, Green Beans with New Potatoes, and freshly prepared Dessert a la Diane; Coffee, Tea.
Price \$6.25.

For dinner reservations, telephone Mary Jo Jones (765-5593) by January 25th.

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