

In the year 1839 we the State of Tennessee

The undersigned Montanist citizens of Montgomery County pray against the acts of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, declaring Red River navigable from the mouth of Sulphur Fork to the mouth of said river they would represent to your Honorable body that the whole of that part of the river from the mouth of the Sulphur Fork to the mouth of said river lies in Montgomery County, that the navigation of said river is almost totally worthless, being rarely used for purposes of transportation, and when used is both precarious and dangerous. They would further represent that the said Red River, from the mouth of the said Sulphur Fork to its mouth affords some of the finest water power on Earth, well adapted to mills, and other important machinery. They would further represent that the region of Country lying contiguous to said river constitutes the finest portion of wheat growing land in the State, and such is the large production of wheat in that region that the mills of the Country are totally insufficient to grind it, there is now in the Country an immense surplus of wheat which cannot be converted into flour for want of mills, they pray that said act of the Legislature declaring said river navigable may be repealed.

Saml McFall
Griffith Prosser
David Bailey
Chas. Kelly
Tom & Patterson
Samuel Calhoun
John Bailey
William
Alexander
J. Little
William Little

Henry Abbott +
Thomas Abbott +
Wm Smith
Geo Gray
Wilson
J. H. Harris
Edw J. Walters +
Mr. Rowley
Wm Rogers
John Scarsden
C. H. Little
John

at all seasons of the year to give motion to any machinery
which our enterprising citizens may erect We therefore
respectfully and earnestly petition your honorable body to
repeal the law prohibiting the obstruction of navigation in
the River below Woolfolks (Now Baum's Walkers)

Names

Robert H. McCoy

John Black

Alva D. Sage

Jesse Cooksey

Richd. Bridgwater

Roger Williams

Leeds Powers

Nelson Brown

Wm. Sleight

John W. Hamerton

William C. Yes

Names

Elish. Hagood

Pres. Carr Foot

Darby W. Travis

J. B. Sewell

Stephen Cooke

John Crabtree

Samuel Berry

Fredrick Kirk

Wm. Thomson

Names

John W. Kiehl

Benjamin Kiehl

John Nelson

Geary Kirk

Manuel Kiehl

Thomas Geimes

Robt. C. Moody

Jimmy Geimes

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| Philip Crozier | William Geimes | Lenard Berry |
| Edaron Crozier | Fredrick Geimes | William T. Abbe ^{at} |
| Allin Cratyle | John Geimes | |
| Joseph Harrison | Samuel Kirk | |
| Samuel A. Miles | David Powers | |
| Samuel Ranney | Edw. B. Hains | |
| Samson Powers | Michael Powers | |

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Total amt of subscribers

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| 355 |
| 200 |
| 100 |
| 100 |
| <hr/> |
| 755 |

682 total amt
correctly counted

John J. Hemming
Jimmy Smith

~~White~~
The Ogden

Walter
of 6 & White
Charles Stewart
George White

John Wayne
Richard S. Thacker

My O'Neil
Dent M. Custer
Robt M. Black
Ralph Knowles
J. J. Conly
Jesse Conly

James A. Alley
Mercur Cherry
Wm J. Organo

John Hudson
Thos J. Smith

William R. Poindester
Washington J. Smith

Samuel King
Wesley J. Booth
Frederick King

George J. Blankenship
Roth Collins

Wm Bryson
J. B. Williamson

H. Garbrough 143-1839-8
Joseph H. Smith
Robt J. Wells

Rev. Jones
James Morrison
Charles [unclear]
James [unclear]
Henry J. Hogan

Francis H. Woodard
A. Vance
William H. Halder
Peter Givan
Thos. Lyle

Herbert C. Boyney
Henry J. Bailey

C. Pellegrini
 J. G. Ketchum
 J. H. Sargent jr
 W. P. Ely
 J. Patterson
 Thos. H. Hoag
 O. Lewis Koenberger
 C. H. Roberts
 J. H. Ogden
 Am. Sherman
 J. D. Bradley
 Patterson & Ketchum
 J. L. Williams
 W. C. Gathright
 Joseph A. W. Whitefield
 B. H. Bradley
 John Dick
 John Bailey
 Hubert M. Smith
 Mrs. J. Pymme
 G. F. Motson
 John H. McCall

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R. G. Johnson

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James Hooker
Wm Coque
Wm Humphreys
Isaac Humphreys
James Gouley
Giles & Co

Wm Steudt
John Datto
S. Peterson
Wm
Wm Morrison

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Wm H. Beaumont
John S. Brown
Alex. Johnson
W B Taylor 1/4
E. Hlave ar 1/4
May
Mass Tutts
Thos D. Thos G
William Guide
H. Keill
H. King

Memorial of
Citizens of
Montgomery
County

Navigation
Red River

1839

Order to the Senate

N B Farrar
 Philip A. Johnson
 Benjamin J. [unclear]
 William P. Reese
 William W. Allen
 Charles Waters
 Leel S. [unclear]
 Roger Williams
 John Rudolph
 Robert Douglas
 W. B. [unclear]
 Henry Brantley
 J. B. Gougeon
 Wm. G. Ligon
 Lucy [unclear]
 Thomas Pettus
 Wm. Arnold
 Edw. [unclear]
 Augustin [unclear]
 Matthew [unclear]
 Thomas [unclear]
 Alex. [unclear]
 John B. [unclear]
 Lewis [unclear]
 Felix [unclear]
 E. H. D. [unclear]
 [unclear]
 James [unclear]
 George [unclear]
 Robt. [unclear]
 John Fields
 Richard [unclear]
 L. M. [unclear]
 John [unclear]

William [unclear]
 Elliott [unclear]
 William B. [unclear]
 Lewis [unclear]
 Henry [unclear]
 John [unclear]
 O. [unclear]
 J. [unclear]
 N. B. [unclear]
 Jacob [unclear]
 Wm. [unclear]
 Saml. [unclear]
 William B. [unclear]
 Wm. [unclear]
 Saml. [unclear]
 P. [unclear]
 J. [unclear]
 Jas. [unclear]
 John [unclear]
 David [unclear]
 Wm. [unclear]
 Jm. [unclear]
 Valentine [unclear]
 Wm. [unclear]
 Elisha [unclear]
 Jm. [unclear]
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 J. [unclear]
 J. [unclear]
 J. [unclear]
 Thos. [unclear]
 Henry [unclear]
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J. B. Borden
Clement McComb
James Gyle for negro
John Franisco
Ro. Mundy
No. O. A. Borden
John Mellor
Sam. Alfaro
Joseph P. O'Leary
W. W. Whitehead
Randolph H. H. H.
L. A. Hughes
C. C. H. H.

To the Honorable the General Assembly
State of Tennessee

We the undersigned Citizens of the Counties of Montgo-
mery and Robertson represent to to your body
that Red River is a small stream that will
admit of a down navigation only to late Bottom
Boats for a short time in each year when
it is flooded by the Springs rains that it is but
little used when while those freshets to keep
the water deep enough to admit of a small
craft to the mouth a distance of 15 or 16 miles
from Dourns mill the highest navigable point
on said River that those of us who have been
in the habit of sending our produce out of
the Country through this Channel are willing
to relinquish its navigation for advantages
that should accrue to us by the application
of its waters to the machinery in the event
of its ceasing to be held as a navigable stream
that ceasing its navigation cannot injure one
but will benefit a large majority by creating
competition in grinding and manufacturing
the grain raised in the Country and in
converting the timbers in its State into
lumber and selling the same that there
are large bodies fine timber on said River
below Dourns mill remote from it and all
other pieces to be of much value to owners or
any one it being impracticable for millers
to haul timbers for sawing farther than three

or four miles that most our streams are small and
during a greater part of the Summer and fall season
afford too little water for grinding and sawing in
consequence of which many of us are frequently
much perplexed in procuring mill-meal and
flour for our families which inconvenience
would be wholly remedied if we could use the
water and advantages of the River. That the
stream is worth almost nothing for navigation
since the establishment of tobacco steamers in
Clarksville while it would be worth
hundreds of thousands of dollars for mill
power. That the quantity of produce shipped
down it has been gradually diminishing
for several years past. That during the last year
there were only about one hundred barrels of tobacco
exported down it and not a boat load of any thing
else. That the amount of exporting down it
must still annually decrease. That there is a
great deal of loading from Bourne mill at Porton
near the highest navigable point on said River
to Clarksville. That the cost of hauling so much
of tobacco would not exceed two hundred
dollars while the erection of a mill would
be many hundreds per year to the Country. That the
building of mill on said River would be of immense
public advantage in breaking down the monopoly
which now exists among our millers and produce
competitors which always results in the public good.
That there are several places on said River below

Edw B. Roche
 Marion Vaughn
 W. B. Dingham
 W. P. Dunsmuir
 W. Donaldson
 W. W. Jordan
 B. J. Williams
 Chiles Barker
 Geo. Bockett Benton, Cr.
 E. M. Casper
 Eli Lokert
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 Pham as pester
 Ros. G. Helton
 M. Jordan
 Arthur James
 of W. Shier
 Edward Coge
 James Tule
 Wm. Salmon
 John Kesser
 J. G. Morrison
 H. D. Martin
 John H. Ninton
 E. W. Mumford
 J. M. Pritchard
 Wm. Johnson
 Joseph Lardy
 G. H. Johnson
 David D. Sridester
 Wm. A. Aricee
 Wm. A. Aricee
 Wm. A. Aricee
 Wm. A. Aricee

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 A. C. Baldwin
 William Stone
 G. A. Henry
 William J. Ferguson
 John Maguire
 Joseph Crouse
 George at Boston
 J. C. C. C. C.
 O. J. C. C. C.
 J. C. C. C. C.
 Robert Newton
 John W. George
 William B. B. B.
 Wm. M. L. L.
 Jack Smith
 S. Thomas
 K. J. Moore
 Wm. Mumford
 W. S. Waters
 J. G. Jackson
 Joseph H. H. H.
 Edward M. Dolly
 W. A. Nelson
 Edwin Kellebren
 Wm. Broadus
 D. Bunting
 Wm. B. B. B.
 Wm. S. Canning
 Wm. A. Drake
 William Killebrew
 Wm. W. W. W.
 Wm. A. A. A.
 Wm. B. B. B.
 Wm. C. C. C.
 Wm. D. D. D.
 Wm. E. E. E.
 Wm. F. F. F.
 Wm. G. G. G.
 Wm. H. H. H.
 Wm. I. I. I.
 Wm. J. J. J.
 Wm. K. K. K.
 Wm. L. L. L.
 Wm. M. M. M.
 Wm. N. N. N.
 Wm. O. O. O.
 Wm. P. P. P.
 Wm. Q. Q. Q.
 Wm. R. R. R.
 Wm. S. S. S.
 Wm. T. T. T.
 Wm. U. U. U.
 Wm. V. V. V.
 Wm. W. W. W.
 Wm. X. X. X.
 Wm. Y. Y. Y.
 Wm. Z. Z. Z.

1875
 1876
 1877

James Grant

Owen H. Herring
 James McClure
 Sol. Neville
 M. A. Martin
 John H. Piston
 O. Johnson
 Jordan Abbott
 J. P. Paine
 Marion Vaughan
 Henry Herbertson
 E. J. Harris
 Lott Murphy
 Thos. McEachern
 Thos. McClure
 J. J. Johnson
 J. B. Boring
 Lewis P. Hall
 J. R. Paine
 R. W. McClure
 R. W. Jordan
 C. J. Williams
 Geo. J. Williams
 Wm. Abbott
 David Northington
 W. Beasley

J. M. Taylor
 Benjamin Horing
 Henry Mathis
 Wm. H. Louch
 J. W. Wherry
 M. P. Martin
 Wm. Wright
 Billy McClure
 J. J. Anderson
 Samuel Osburn
 Dr. J. Hinton
 R. B. Boring
 W. H. Grant
 George H. Johnson
 N. J. Paine
 J. H. Wilson
 J. H. Cherry
 J. J. Feltus
 J. S. Lunderman
 M. Martin

an interesting & curious magnet. We therefore respectfully
 and earnestly petition your honorable body to repeal the
 law forbidding the obstruction of navigation in the
 River of Norfolk's new Bourn mill

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| Ino Hampton | Albert G. Wilcox |
| Geo. W. Hampton | Wm. Bright |
| John D. Tyler | George Parsons |
| Dr. Hutchings | D. C. Perry |
| Robert M. Stanton | Chas. M. Mayfield |
| John H. Michie | Jake Luper |
| David Ingram | Mildred Thorgrove |
| Geo. W. Froust | Charles L. Parham |
| Henry G. Barry | Richard C. Bates |
| Thos. Paine | E. P. Harlow |
| Richard D. Gordon | William B. Drake |
| Joseph A. Hayes | Wm. Noble |
| Wm. B. Clutton | David Hill |
| Washington Grant | Amaziah Ingram |
| Wm. Johnson | Chas. Halse |
| W. Barry son | J. R. Watson |
| Wm. Barry | Foster Watson |
| Young Gardner | William Paris |
| Drury Hargrove | William Parsons |
| Mathew Grant | William Adams |
| Thos. Hill | James Adams |
| James M. Isbell | Wm. M. Cutcher |
| John Bristow son | |

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J. W. Smith

John L. Jones

James Smith

Jonathan M. ...

Wm. G. ...

Samuel ...

Robert M. ...

John ...

James ...

W. L. Brown

William ...

John ...

John ...

John ...

Jonathan Whitfield

John ...

James ...

John ...

John ...

John ...

from 20 (River) to Clarksville: That the cost of hauling
 one hundred th of Tobacco would not exceed \$200 (12 mil
 while the erection of a single mill would be worth many hundred
 years to the country: That the building of Mills on the River
 would be of immense public advantage in breaking down the
 monopoly which now exists among our Millers and produce
 competition which always results in the public good. That there
 is not a single Merchant Mill ^{on the River} between My line and Clarksville
 a distance of thirty miles: That there are several places on the River
 below B & W's Mill suitable for mill seats and which might
 be occupied as such most advantageously to the citizens of
 Montgomery County and those of the western & Southwestern
 portions of Robertson County in this State, and a large portion
 of Todd, Logan and Christian Counties &c. — the only sections
 of the Country whose interest can be in any way affected by
 stopping the navigation in the River; and that said stream
 affords a sufficiency of water at all seasons of the year to
 give motion to any machinery which our enterprising
 citizens may erect. We therefore respectfully and earnestly
 petition your honorable body to repeal the law prohibi-
 ting the obstruction of navigation in the River below
 Wolfpolder (now Bourne & Wether) Mill.

John Steele
 M. S. White
 Thomas Sherman
 B. W. B. B. W.
 John D. Bradley
 Wm. Lockett
 J. H. Allen
 J. M. Frazar
 Isaac Oldham

John Henderson
 George H. Warfield
 W. W. W.
 J. H. H.
 E. L. L.
 James L. L.
 E. S. S.
 Hans M. M.
 Mrs. W. W.

Memorable. The General Assembly of the
State of Tennessee

To the undersigned citizens of the
 Counties of Montgomery and Robertson represent to your
 body that Red River is a small stream and will admit of a down
 navigation only to Flat Bottom Boat for a short time in each year
 when it is flooded by the spring rains. That it is but little used
 even while those freshets keep the water deep enough to admit of
 the descent of these small crafts to its mouth a distance of 14 or
 15 miles from Boone & Watkins, the highest navigable point on said
 River. That those of us who have been in the habit of sending our
 produce out of the County through this Channel are willing to relinquish
 its navigation for the advantages that would accrue to us by
 the application of its water to machinery in the event of its
 ceasing to be held as a navigable stream. That destroying its navigation
 cannot injure any one, but will benefit a large majority
 by creating competition in grinding and manufacturing the
 grain in the County and converting the timber into plank and
 lumber and setting the same. That there are large bodies of timber
 on the River below Boyd's mill rather remote from it and no
 other mill to be of much value to its owner or any one
 being impracticable for millers to haul timber, or sawing
 3 or 4 miles. That most of our streams are small and during a
 greater part of the summer are seasons afford too little water
 for grinding and sawing, in consequence of which many of
 us are much inconvenienced in procuring meal and flour for our
 families, which inconvenience would be wholly removed
 if we could use the natural advantage of Red River. That
 said stream is worth almost nothing for navigation since
 the establishment of Tobacco Stems in Clarksville while
 it would be worth hundreds of thousands of Dollars for machinery
 power. That the quantity of produce shipped from it has been grad-
 ually diminishing for several years past. That during the last
 season there were only about one hundred Hogheads of Tobacco
 exported down it and not a boat load of any thing else.
 That the amount of exporting done through it must still
 annually decrease. That there is a good Wood Landing from
 Boone & Watkins Mill at Port Royal (the highest navigable

The undersigned memorialists, Citizens of Montgomery County, pray against the acts of the Legislature declaring Red River navigable from the mouth of Sulpher Fork to the mouth of said River, they would represent to your Hon. body that the whole of the river from the mouth of the Sulphur Fork to to the mouth of said River, is in Montgomery County.

That the navigation of said River is almost totally worthless, being rarely used for purposes of navigation, and when used is both precarious and dangerous.

They would further represent, that the said River from the mouth of said Sulpher Fork to its mouth affords some of the finest water in ~~and~~ on earth, well adapted to mills and others important machinery.

They would represent that that the region of country lying contiguous to said river, constitutes the finest portion of wheat growing land in the State and such is the large production of that article in this region that the mills of the country are totally and insufficient to grind it. There is now in the country an immense surplus of wheat which cannot be converted into flour for want of mills. They ^{pray} that said act declaring said River navigable be repealed.

James Herring

J. Swift

Jacob Kuddick

J. S. Branch

John G. Bonds

Benjamin H. Hays

R. J. Davenport

J. Grant

R. B. Humphries

Henry Gunn

John M. Pickens

Joseph Grant

John C. Gentry

W. C. Gentry

W. Parke

Monroe's Hoyle

Benjamin Elliott

James Noyles

Thomas M. Mordie

M. C. Smith

Ephraim, Redolph

Horace Hazard

Ed. Hazard

George Rudolph
E P Hagood
John Hagood
Samuel Greene
Hendin Crouch
Henry Rudolph
Moses Collier
William D. H. Birtwood
David Brown
Lunar Bey
H. Jett
Kazi Simhat
Peter Onal
Stephen Onal
John Roberts
Joseph Racker
A. M. Lecher
Jacob Faust
B. B. Bearden
Moses Brody
K. S. Meyers
Thomas Myers
William H. Davis
Archibald Martin
" J. H. Bay
John Roberts
James C. Thompson
James Theobald
Bison Heathman
Seal Bryan
Isaac J. Crozier
Nathan Wiley
James Beaman
Lan Rudolph

A Lockert
J. Barnett
J. Thompson
Wm. Thomson
Willis Bots
Jacob Anderson
J. A. Bonds
M. McGraw
Sidon Heflin
David Heflin
Alfred Jett
James Rouse
Wm. Heflin
Mrs. Brown
S. M. Redman
Wm. Abornate
Asa Jett
Edward Jett
John Smith
Ch. Myers
Wilson Brown
Pearl Bagwell
Jed B. Kistner
William Kistner
William Kistner
John Farmer
Fieldin Smith
L. M. Morrow
Nechel Rudolph
Spencer Pickering
John Basford
A. M. Jett
Whitney Hooper
J. Lockert
James Grizard

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 pray against the acts of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee
 declaring said river navigable from the mouth of Sulphur
 Fork to the mouth of said river. They would represent to
 Your Honorable body that the whole of that part of the river
 from the mouth of the Sulphur Fork to the mouth of said
 river lies in Montgomery County, that the navigation of said
 river is almost totally worthless, being rarely used for
 purposes of navigation, and when used is both precarious
 and dangerous, they would further represent, that the
 said river from the mouth of said Sulphur Fork to its
 mouth affords some of the finest water power on earth
 well adapted to mills and other important machinery,
 they would further represent that the region of Country
 lying contiguous to said river, constitutes the finest portion
 of wheat growing land in the State, and such is the
 large production of wheat in that region, that the mills
 of Country in that region are totally insufficient to grind
 it, there is now in the Country an immense surplus of wheat
 which cannot be converted into Flour for want of Mills,
 they pray that said acts of the Legislature declaring said
 river navigable may be repealed

John Demison *Henry Child*

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| <i>Thomas</i> | <i>Abraham J. Brady</i> |
| <i>J. Cairney</i> | <i>Septimus Williams</i> |
| <i>G. J. Williams</i> | <i>James C. Johnson</i> |
| <i>Wm. M. Mearns</i> | <i>Elijah Proch</i> |
| <i>W. H. Croach</i> | <i>Ben. West</i> |
| <i>J. M. B. B. B.</i> | <i>William B. B. B.</i> |
| <i>J. B. B. B.</i> | <i>James B. B.</i> |
| <i>E. P. B. B.</i> | <i>Samuel B. B.</i> |
| <i>James B. B.</i> | <i>John B. B.</i> |
| <i>John S. Johnson</i> | <i>Joel B. B.</i> |
| <i>Mr. Harris</i> | <i>Bradley B. B.</i> |
| | <i>Mr. B. B.</i> |

A. M. Rogers
Benjamin Perline
David Purry
H. L. Purry
William Selbit
Thos. M. Duff
W. Waters
H. O. Wyatt
John Gordon
Charles Grant
Tom. Scott
E. D. Lockport
Joseph Bradberry
Am. Thurn
John Still
J. E. Rudolph
R. N. Hatcher

Thos. Wyatt
Joseph P. Ligon
Joseph Ligon
M. A. Hunter
Am. Hunter
Wm. R. Frick
Wm. H. Douglas
E. M. House
J. B. Henderson
Nathan Hunter
Wm. Keage
R. W. Galbraith
J. Greenfield
Thos. D. Waller
Thomas Lyms
R. B. Duff
John Cary

Al. L. Barrett
James Jenkins
A. K. Cromwell
Benjamin Stewart
Thos. McLean
Wm. D. Davis
John Brown
John Grimes
W. M. Stule
J. E. Broadus
Wells Fountain
J. B. Price
Joshua Elder
James H. Nettell
R. Bridgewater
Geo. W. Hampton
Geo. Hampton
Wm. J. Chilton
C. J. Williams
George Grant
Houghton & Hinckley
D. M. Wells
Samuel Brown
Quersown
Harris Froh
Sol. W. Lumsden
Michael W. G. G.
C. M. Thoson
Stephen Harkney
Thomas Harkney
C. M. Parker
George H. Johnson

points suitable for well-site and which might
 be occupied as such most advantageously to the citizens
 of Montgomery County and those of the western and
 north-western portions of Maryland in this State
 and a large portion of Todd Logan and Christian
 counties. High and abundant streams afford a suffi-
 cient supply of water at all seasons of the year to give
 motion to any machinery which our enterprising
 Citizens may erect. We therefore respectfully and
 earnestly petition your honourable body to repeal
 the law forbidding the obstructions of navigations
 in said river below Woods Hole near Beards-
 mill.

Jenkins Murphy
 Wm A. Webb
 Hugh Callier
 Joseph Callier
 Charles Minor
 John G. Downer
 John S. Long
 James Gordon
 Robert Douglas
 Wm. P. Douglas
 Wm. Callier
 Wm. Minor
 John Robbin
 James H. Ramsey

Thomas Ramsey
 L. H. Nett
 Edw. Nett
 William Ramsey
 Henry C. Hyatt
 W. H. Roberts
 Wm. H. H. H.
 W. B. Fenn
 A. H. H.
 J. H. G. G.
 Joseph J. J.
 Joseph P. J.
 J. B. Marshall
 Wm. H. H.

B. L. Johnson
S. H. Williams
D. Hargrove
W. Collins

John W. Smith
Peter Givan
W. W. Smith
Robert Duke

Robt Collins
B. J. Bradley
Jonathan H. Johnson
August B. Wootch
Seuben C. Keene
S. B. Hargreaves
Wm. F. Ligon

W. W. W.
John R. Collins
B. D. Jarbrough
Charles Collins

W. Bird
James Brown
James Major
Robert Anderson
B. B. Beelder
Dwight Bagwell
Andrew Smith
Jael B. Kistner
Wm. Morrow
James Smith, Junr
Benjamin Hewitt

That there are large bodies of fine timber on the River below
 Bourne & Watkins Mill rather remote from it and all other Mills
 to be of much value to its owners; or any one, it being impracticable
 for Mills to haul timber for sawing farther than three or four
 miles. That most of our streams are small and during a great
 greater part of the summer and fall seasons afford too little
 water for grinding and sawing, in consequence of which many
 of us are frequently much perplexed in procuring meal & flour
 for our families, which inconvenience would be wholly removed
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 establishment of Tobacco Steneries in Blacksville where it would
 be worth hundreds of thousands of Dollars for machine powers
 that the quantity of produce shipped from it has been
 gradually diminishing for several years past; That during
 the last season there were only about one hundred loads of
 Tobacco exported down it and not a boat load of any thing else
 That the amount of exporting done through it must still