Hannah McBee — Kentucky Land Grant — Patent No. 1241 (Commissioners' Certificate No. 3786)

200 Acres on the North Fork of Clear Creek, Christian County, Kentucky
Original Claimant and Patentee

Land Record Abstract and Survey Summary

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Abstract

On 20 October 1798 the commissioners Richard Young, Robert Mosby and James Brown certified that Hannah McBee was entitled to 200 acres of second-rate land by virtue of her having improved it, under the act "for encouraging and granting relief to settlers," lying on a north fork of Clear Creek, beginning at a black oak and running west and south to include her improvement (Certificate No. 3786). On 7 November 1798 Deputy Surveyor Will Ward surveyed the 200 acres for her in Christian County as a square of 178.8 poles on each side, with Payton Brown and Martin Saunders carrying the chain. The plat was received on 19 October 1799. On 30 June 1806 the $102.33 state price was paid in her name, and Governor Christopher Greenup signed the patent to Hannah McBee the same day. The margin of the patent records that it was delivered to Russel Wier on 30 June 1806.

Survey Description

Metes and bounds as written in the survey and confirmed against the patent. Distances are in poles.

Surveyed November 7th 1798 for Hanah McBee 200 acres of land lying on the North Fork of Clear Creek by virtue of the Commissioners' Certificate No. 3786, in Christian County. Beginning at a black oak; thence West 178.8 poles to a hickory; thence South 178.8 poles to a white oak; thence East 178.8 poles to a hickory and dogwood; thence North 178.8 poles to the beginning.

Record Summary

Certificate Number	3786 (Commissioners' certificate, for having improved the land)
Survey Grant Register Number	1241
Original Claimant	Hannah McBee (written "Hanah")
Surveyed For / Patentee	Hannah McBee; no assignment (indexed by Jillson as "McBee, Hanah")
Acreage	200 acres
Land Quality	Second rate
Watercourse	North Fork of Clear Creek
County in Survey	Christian County (the 1806 receipt says Henderson County)
Certificate Date	20 October 1798
Survey Date	7 November 1798
Received by Land Office	19 October 1799
Recording	Grant Book 2, page 484 (endorsed on the survey); the patent's second page is numbered 485
Patent / Grant Issued	30 June 1806, signed by Governor Christopher Greenup; delivered to Russel Wier the same day
State Price Notation	$102.33, paid in full, per Auditor's Office receipt dated 30 June 1806, signed W. T. Waller
Deputy Surveyor	Will Ward, D.S.
County Surveyor	Not named
Chain Carriers	Payton Brown and Martin Saunders
Commissioners	Richard Young, Robert Mosby and James Brown

Chronology

20 October 1798	Commissioners Richd. Young, Robt. Mosby and Jas. Brown certify Hannah McBee's claim to 200 acres of second-rate land on a north fork of Clear Creek, to include her improvement (Certificate No. 3786)
7 November 1798	200 acres surveyed for Hanah McBee by Will Ward, D.S.; chain carriers Payton Brown and Martin Saunders
19 October 1799	Plat received; endorsed "State price not pd."
30 June 1806	$102.33 paid in full in the name of Hanah McBee (receipt signed W. T. Waller for the Auditor's Office)
30 June 1806	Grant No. 1241 issued to Hannah McBee, signed by Governor Christopher Greenup and Secretary John Rowan; Grant Book 2, page 484; delivered to Russel Wier the same day (margin note)

Persons Named in the Record

Hannah McBee	Original claimant; improved the land; surveyed for; patentee ("McBee, Hanah" in Jillson's index)
Russel Wier	Received the patent (margin delivery note)
Payton Brown	Chain carrier
Martin Saunders	Chain carrier
Will Ward	Deputy surveyor
Richard Young, Robert Mosby, James Brown	Commissioners
W. T. Waller	Signed the receipt for the Auditor's Office
Christopher Greenup	Governor
John Rowan	Secretary

Land Description

A 200-acre square, 178.8 poles on a side, on the North Fork of Clear Creek in Christian County (later Henderson and Hopkins counties), Kentucky. Its north line is called for by KLG 8552 and its west line by KLG 8542.

Research Notes

Fixing the McBee corners. Two Cluster B surveys call for this tract. KLG 8542 runs south "with Hannah McBee's line," and KLG 8552 comes south to "a black oak" and runs west 179 poles to "a hickory corner of a survey made for Hannah McBee," then 30 poles south to Fayette Posey's northeast corner. This survey begins at a black oak and runs west 178.8 poles to a hickory. In the reconstruction, 8552's 179-pole course is this survey's north line, its hickory is this survey's northwest corner, and Posey's northeast corner lies on this survey's west line, 30 poles below that hickory.

"B. Wier's line." 8552 runs south to "a black oak in Bezaleel Wier's line" and then west along "said B. Wier's line" to this survey's hickory. Bezaleel Weir's own settlement claim, KLG 1243, was surveyed the same day, 7 November 1798, by the same deputy and chain carriers, and its northwest corner is the black oak where this survey begins. The black oak is therefore a corner of both tracts. The west course from it is this survey's north line; the record does not say why 8552 calls it Bezaleel Weir's.

Delivered to Russel Wier. The margin of the patent reads "Ex'd & D'd to Russel Wier 30th June 1806," the day the price was paid and the patent signed. The record does not say why he received it.

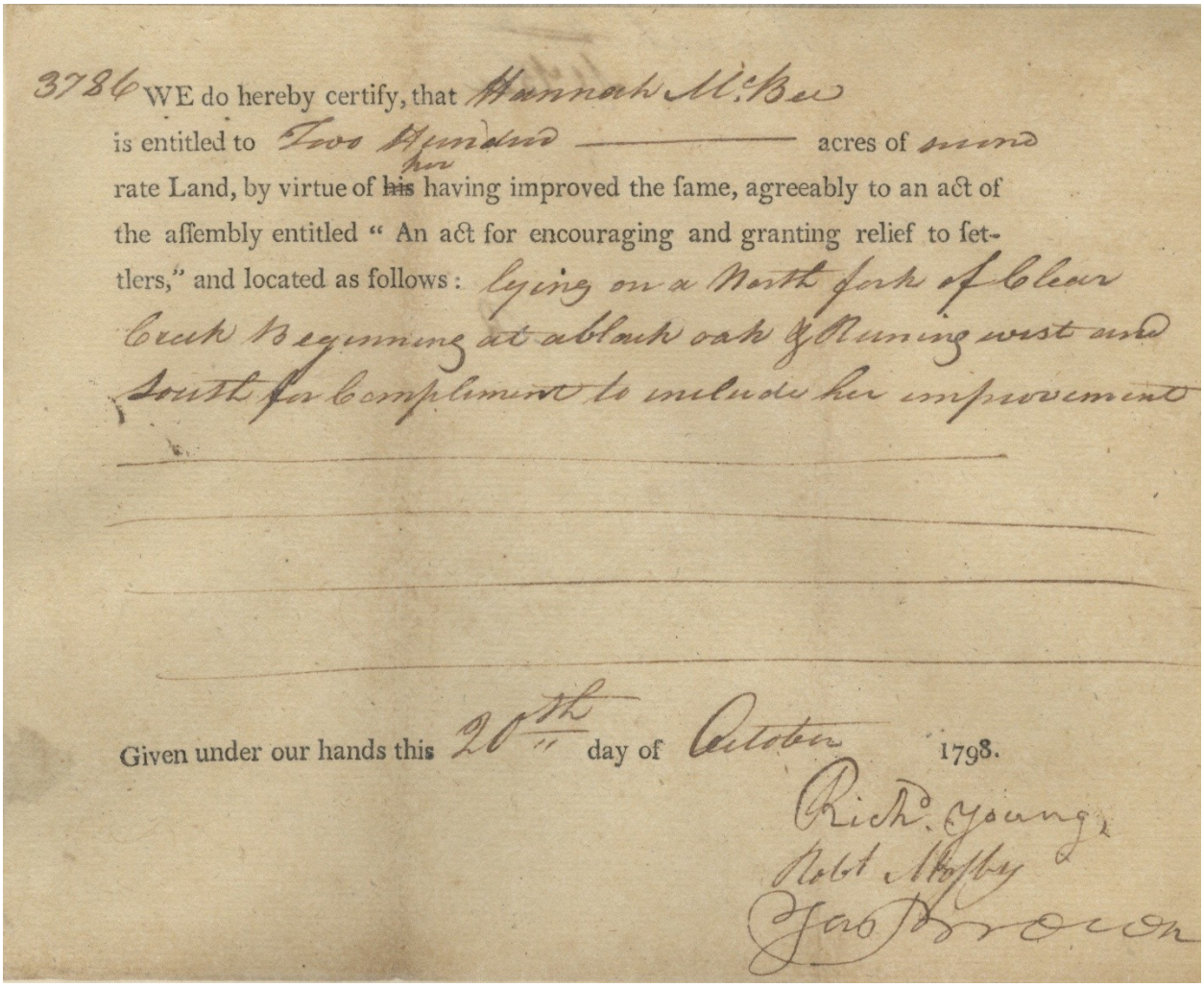
The McBee family. Family research identifies Hannah McBee, née Echols (1741–1823), as the mother of Silas McBee, and his wife as Catherine Cates (1768–1835), a sister of Joshua Cates (1767–1840) of Christian County, Kentucky; their parents have not been identified (David A. Ralls, “Willis Ralls of Hopkins County, Kentucky,” family tree, Ancestry). Silas McBee appears throughout Cluster B: as an assignee of the certificate behind KLG 8535, as witness to Joshua Cates's assignment to Turner Wier (KLG 8534) and to Sally Cates's assignment (KLG 8558), and as chain carrier or marker on KLG 8534, 8542, 8546, 8552 and 8558.

Christian or Henderson? The 1798 certificate and survey place the land in Christian County, as does the patent. The 1806 receipt says Henderson County, which had been formed from Christian in 1799.

Eight years unpaid. The plat was received in October 1799 and endorsed "State price not pd." The $102.33 was not paid until 30 June 1806, and the patent issued that day. The receipt, signed by W. T. Waller for the Auditor's Office, cites the act "for encouraging and granting relief to settlers on the south side of Green River."

Recording. The back of the survey is endorsed "Recorded in Book No. 2, Page 484," and the second page of the patent is numbered 485.

Images / Appendix

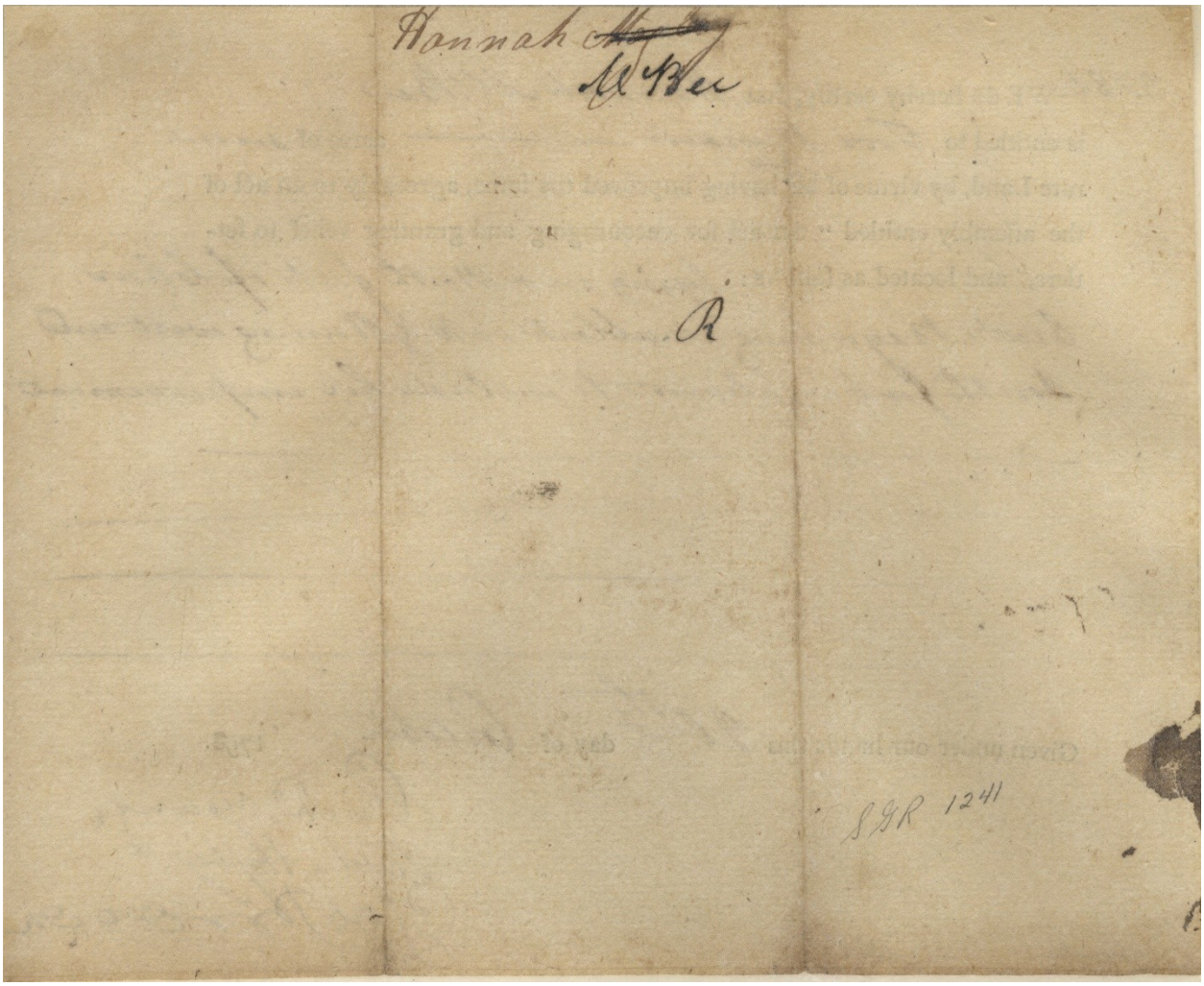


3786 WE do hereby certify, that Hannah M.Bee
is entitled to Two Hundred ——— acres of second
rate Land, by virtue of ~~his~~ her having improved the same, agreeably to an act of
the assembly entitled " An act for encouraging and granting relief to set-
tlers," and located as follows: lying on a North fork of Clear
Creek Beginning at a black oak & Running west and
South for Compliment to include her improvement

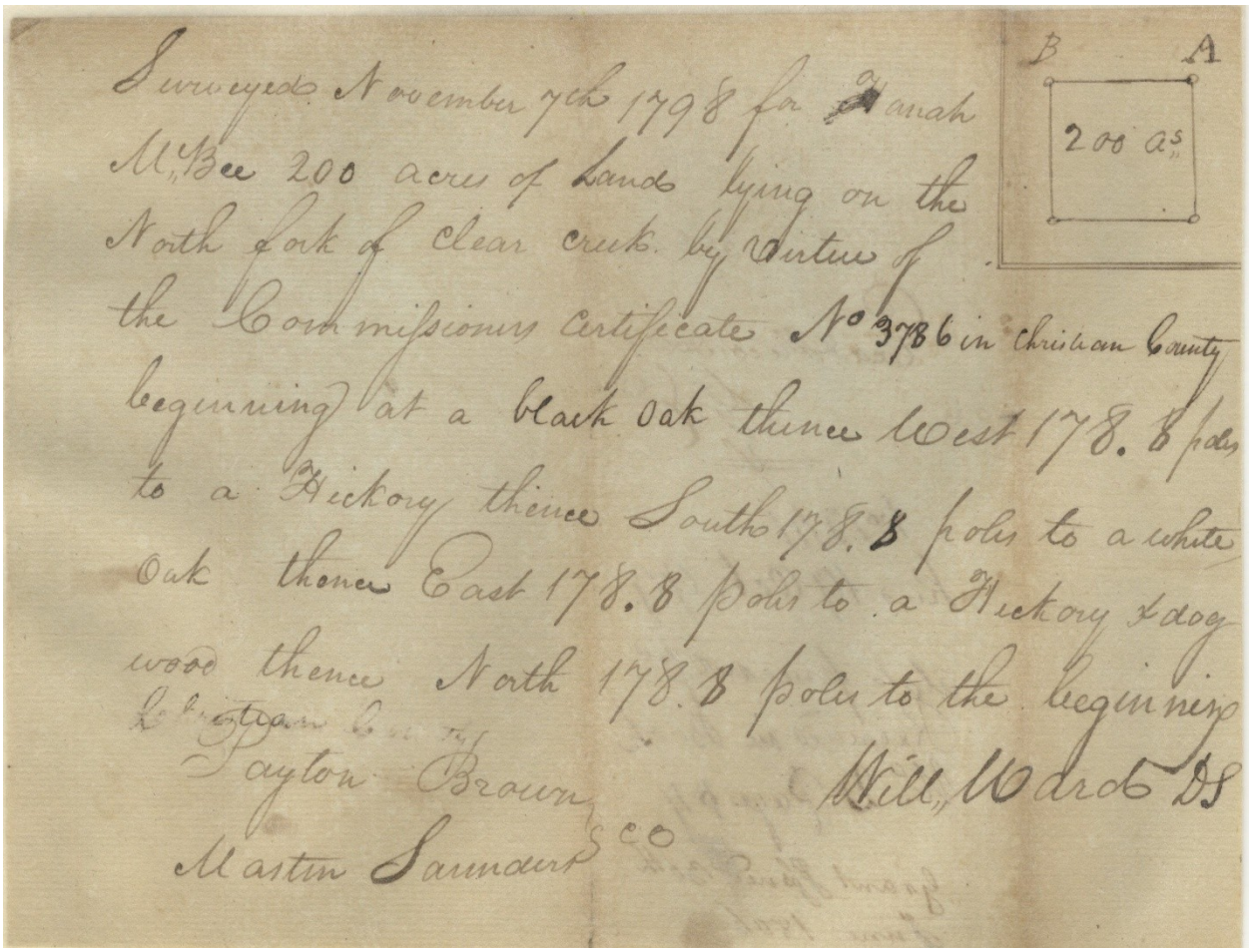
Given under our hands this 20th day of October 1798.

Richd. Young
Robt Mosby
Jas Brown

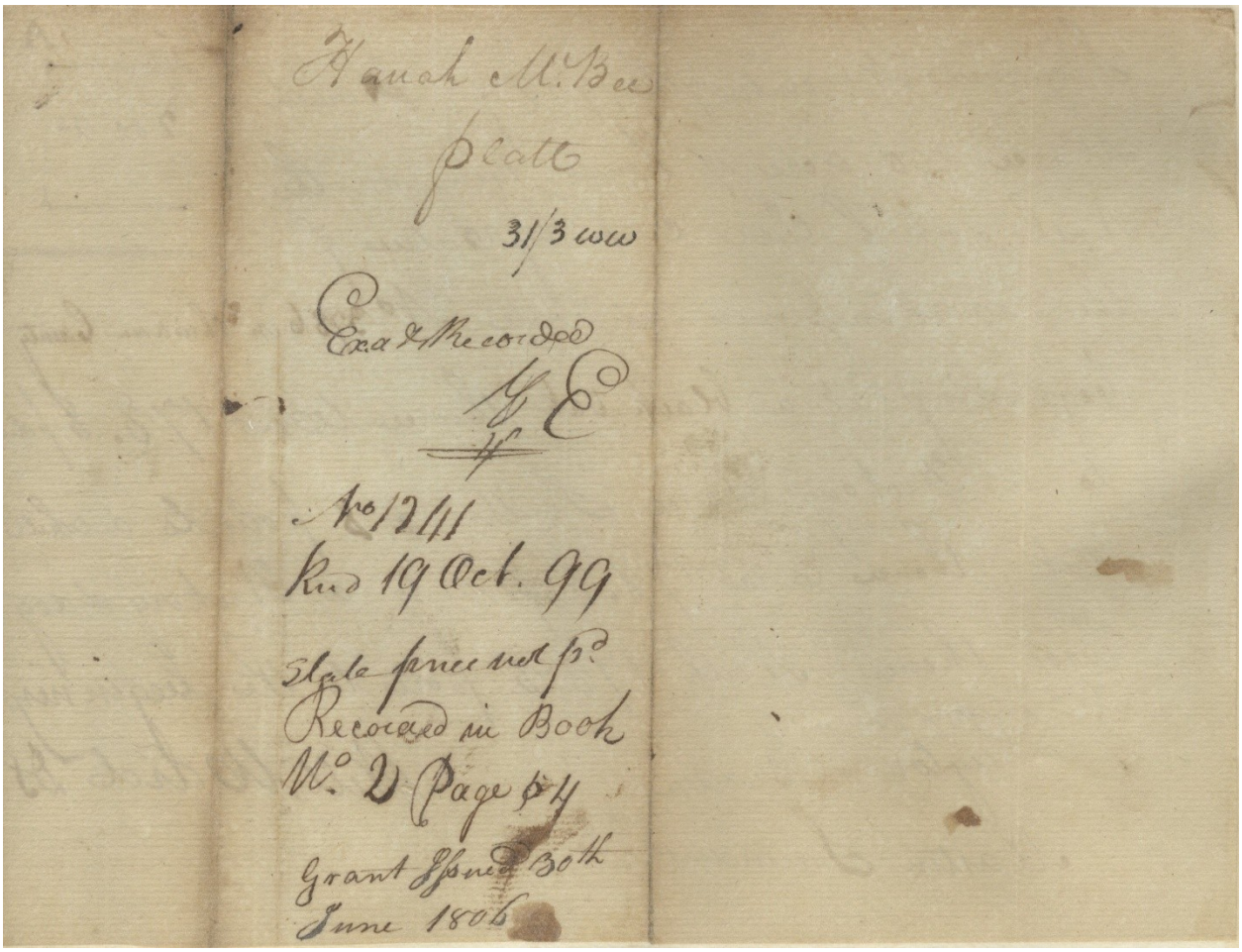
Appendix Image 1. Commissioners' Certificate No. 3786 — Front (20 October 1798).



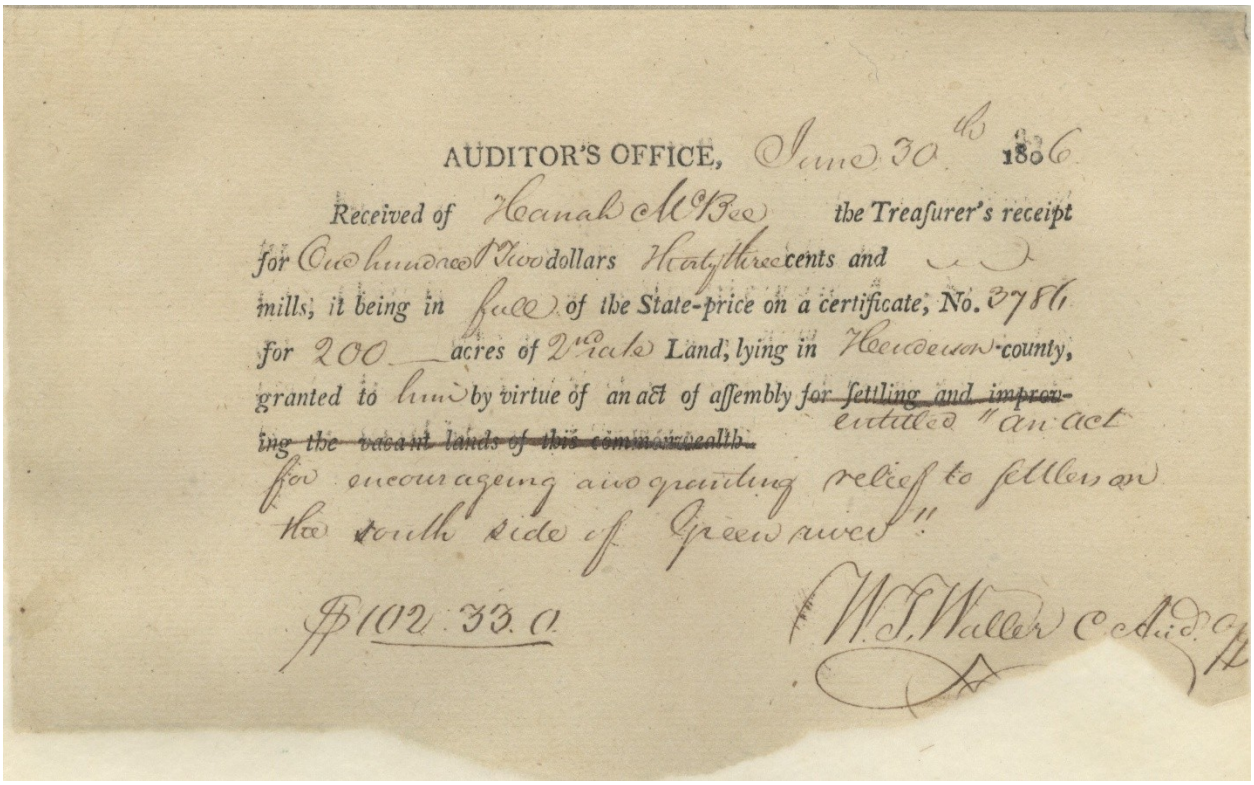
Appendix Image 2. Certificate — Back.



Appendix Image 3. Survey No. 1241 — Front (7 November 1798).



Appendix Image 4. Survey No. 1241 — Back (received 19 October 1799; recorded Book No. 2, page 484; grant issued 30 June 1806).



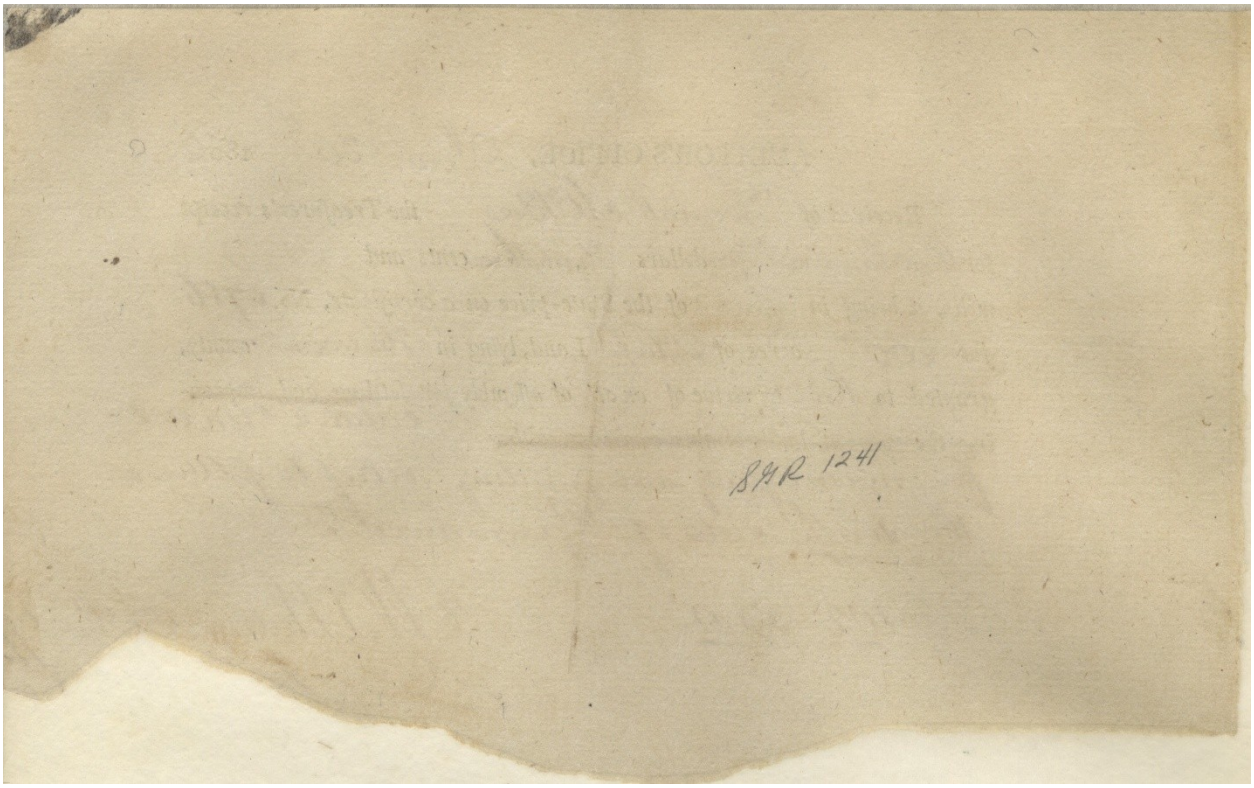
AUDITOR'S OFFICE, June 30th 1806

Received of Hanah McBee the Treasurer's receipt for One hundred & Two dollars Thirty three cents and mills; it being in full of the State-price on a certificate, No. 3786 for 200 acres of 2nd rate Land, lying in Henderson county, granted to him by virtue of an act of assembly ~~for settling and improving the vacant lands of this commonwealth.~~ entitled "an act for encouraging and granting relief to settlers on the south side of Green river"

$102.33.0

W. T. Waller C. Aud. Gen.

Appendix Image 5. Auditor's Office Receipt — Front (30 June 1806).



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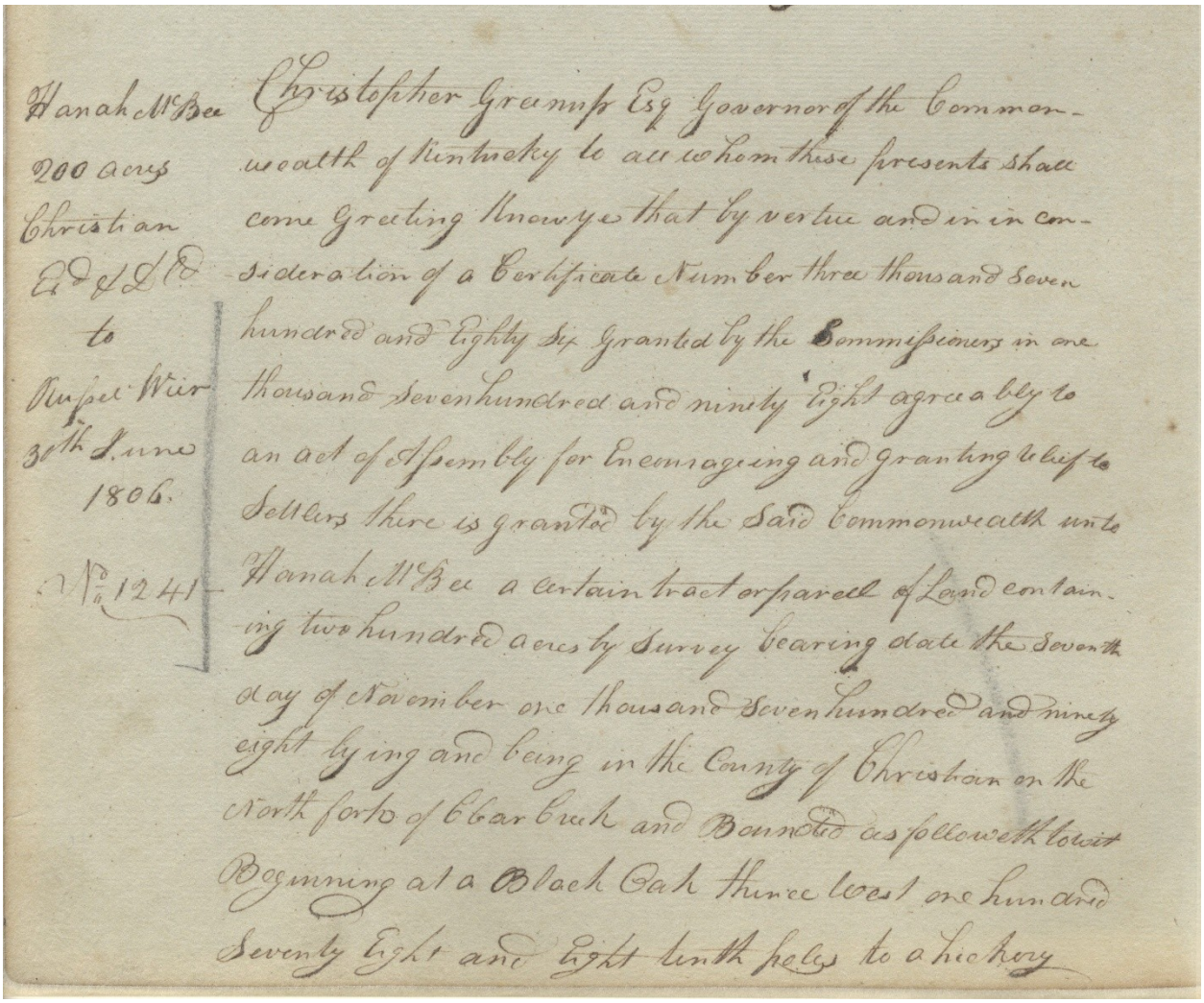
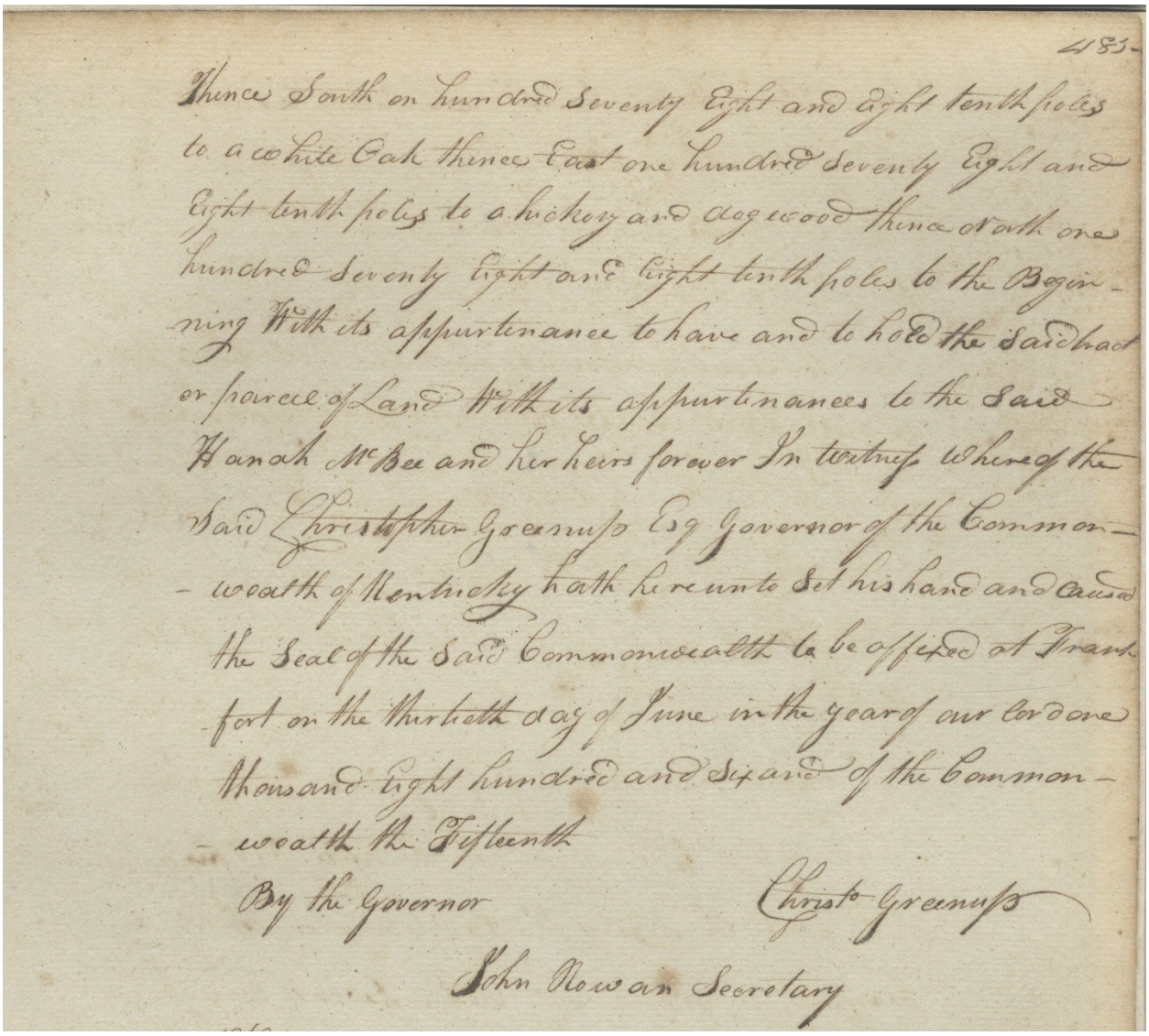
Appendix Image 6. Auditor's Office Receipt — Back.



Hanah McBee
200 acres
Christian
Esd & Ld
to
Russel Wier
30th June
1806.
No 1241

Christopher Greenup Esq Governor of the Common-
wealth of Kentucky to all whom these presents shall
come Greeting Know ye that by vertue and in in con-
sideration of a Certificate Number three thousand Seven
hundred and Eighty Six Granted by the Commissioners in one
thousand Sevenhundred and ninety Eight agreeably to
an act of Assembly for Encouraging and granting relief to
Settlers there is granted by the Said Commonwealth unto
Hanah McBee a certain tract or parcel of Land contain-
ing two hundred acres by Survey bearing date the Seventh
day of November one thousand Sevenhundred and ninety
eight lying and being in the County of Christian on the
North fork of Clear Creek and Bounded as followeth to wit
Beginning at a Black Oak thence West one hundred
Seventy Eight and Eight tenth poles to a hickory

Appendix Image 7. Grant/Patent No. 1241 — Page 1 (margin: delivered to Russel Wier, 30 June 1806).



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thence South one hundred Seventy Eight and eight tenth poles to a white Oak thence East one hundred Seventy Eight and Eight tenth poles to a hickory and dogwood thence North one hundred Seventy Eight and Eight tenth poles to the Beginning With its appurtenance to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of Land With its appurtenances to the said Hannah McBee and her heirs forever In testimony Whereof the said Christopher Greenup Esq Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky hath hereunto Set his hand and caused the Seal of the said Commonwealth to be affixed at Frankfort on the thirtieth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Six and of the Commonwealth the Fifteenth

By the Governor

Christo Greenup

John Rowan Secretary

Appendix Image 8. Grant/Patent No. 1241 — Page 2 (page 485).