Robert Robertson — Kentucky Land Grant — Patent No. 6630 (County Certificate No. 23)

200 Acres on the Craborchard (Crab Orchard) Fork of Tradewater, Henderson County, Kentucky

Assignee of Silas McBee

Land Record Abstract and Survey Summary

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Kentucky Secretary of State, Land Office, Kentucky Land Grants (South of Green River), Grant No. 6630, Robert Robertson, assignee of Silas McBee, 200 acres, Henderson County: Henderson County Court certificate for Silas McBee, April Court 1801 (a copy, teste Ambrose Barbour, C.C.), with assignment on the back from Silas McBee to Robert Robertson, 4 August 180[?]; survey, 20 July 1806, received 13 November 1807, recorded Book 7, page 323; Auditor's Office receipt, 23 December 1809; patent, 19 January 1810 (patent book pp. 26–27); digital images supplied by the Kentucky Secretary of State, Land Office. Indexed in Willard Rouse Jillson, The Kentucky Land Grants: A Systematic Index to All of the Land Grants Recorded in the State Land Office at Frankfort, Kentucky, 1782–1924, Filson Club Publications No. 33 (Louisville: Standard Printing Co., 1925; reprint, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1994), "South of Green River," p. 394, as Robertson, Robert.

Abstract

At the April 1801 Henderson County Court, Silas McBee claimed 200 acres in addition to his former settlement, on account of settling the land, under the Act for settling and improving the vacant lands of the Commonwealth. The claim lay on the waters of the Crab Orchard (Craborchard) Fork of Tradewater, beginning at a military corner supposed to belong to Dr. Anderson and running South 45 West to a corner locust in or near the military line, then South 45 East and as the law directs, so as to include his improvement. The court ordered a certificate to issue (a copy, teste Ambrose Barbour, C.C.); the receipt and patent give it as Certificate No. 23. On 4 August 180[?] (last digit blotted), McBee assigned all his right, title and claim in the certificate to Robert Robertson, for value received, before witnesses Evans Bennet and a second man whose name is not legible. On 20 July 1806 John Gordon, D.S., for Edmund Talbot, S.H.C., surveyed the 200 acres for Robertson as McBee's assignee, beginning at three white oaks, a corner of Dr. Anderson's survey. Turner Wear and Robert Robertson carried the chain; the same crew surveyed Robertson's own adjoining claim (KLG 6627) that day. The survey was received on 13 November 1807 and recorded in Book 7, page 323. On 23 December 1809 the Auditor received $28.88 from Robertson as the balance in full on Certificate No. 23. Governor Charles Scott issued Grant No.

6630 to Robert Robertson, assignee of Silas McBee, on 19 January 1810, attested by J. [Jesse] Bledsoe, Secretary. A margin note says the patent was examined and delivered to Eliazer Givens on 12 June 1810.

Survey Description

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

Surveyed for Robert Robertson, assignee of Silas McBee, 200 acres of land by virtue of a certificate from the County Court of Henderson, in Henderson County, on the waters of the Craborchard fork of Tradewater. Beginning at three white oaks, corner of Dr. Anderson's survey; running South 45° West 179 poles to a honey locust and two maples; thence South 45° East 179 poles to a hickory and two dogwoods; thence North 45° East 179 poles to two elms and two dogwoods standing in a military line; thence North 45° West 179 poles to the beginning. Surveyed July the 20th 1806 by John Gordon, D.S.; Edmund Talbot, S.H.C. Turner Wear, Robert Robertson, C.C. Ex'd & Rec'd. (The courses form a 179-pole square and close exactly.)

Record Summary

Certificate Number	23 (Henderson County Court), per the receipt and patent; Survey Grant Register No. 6630 ("SGR 6630")
Original Claimant	Silas McBee
Assignee / Patentee	Robert Robertson, assignee of Silas McBee (assignment on the back of the certificate, 4 August 180[?])
Acreage	200 acres
Watercourse	Craborchard (Crab Orchard) Fork of Tradewater
County in Survey	Henderson County
Certificate Date	April 1801 (Henderson County Court term)
Survey Date	20 July 1806
Survey Received	13 November 1807
Recording Reference	Survey: Book 7, page 323. Patent: pages 26–27
Patent Issued	19 January 1810 (the survey back reads "Grant iss'd Jan'y the 19th 1810")
State Price	$28.88 paid as the balance in full, 23 December 1809, under the act of 20 December 1800 (George Madison, Auditor); no receipt for an earlier instalment is in the file
Deputy Surveyor	John Gordon
County Surveyor	Edmund Talbot, Surveyor of Henderson County

Chain Carriers	Turner Wear and Robert Robertson
County Court Clerk	Ambrose Barbour, Clerk, Henderson County Court (certified the settlement claim)
Patent Delivered	To Eliazer Givens, 12 June 1810 (margin note)
Adjoining Landowners	Dr. Anderson (beginning corner); a military line; Robert Robertson's KLG 6627 (shares this survey's south-west side)

Chronology

April 1801	Henderson County Court allows Silas McBee's claim to 200 acres in addition to his former settlement, on the waters of the Craborchard fork of Tradewater, beginning at a military corner supposed to belong to Dr. Anderson; certificate ordered (copy, teste Ambrose Barbour, C.C.)
4 August 180[?]	Silas McBee assigns the certificate to Robert Robertson for value received; witnesses Evans Bennet and one other (name not legible). Year blotted; before July 1806
20 July 1806	200 acres surveyed for Robert Robertson, assignee of Silas McBee, by John Gordon, D.S.; Turner Wear and Robert Robertson, chain carriers. Robertson's own KLG 6627 surveyed the same day by the same crew
13 November 1807	Survey received; recorded Book 7, page 323
23 December 1809	$28.88 paid as the balance in full on Certificate No. 23 (George Madison, Auditor)
19 January 1810	Grant No. 6630 issued to Robert Robertson, assignee of Silas McBee, by Governor Charles Scott; J. [Jesse] Bledsoe, Secretary
12 June 1810	Patent examined and delivered to Eliazer Givens (margin note)

Persons Named in the Record

Robert Robertson	Assignee of Silas McBee and patentee; chain carrier on this survey. Patentee of the adjoining KLG 6627
Silas McBee	Original claimant (April 1801, Certificate No. 23); assigned the certificate to Robert Robertson, 4 August 180[?]
Ambrose Barbour	Clerk, Henderson County Court; certified the settlement claim,

	April 1801
Dr. Anderson	Adjoining owner: "a military corner supposed to belong to Dr. Anderson" (certificate); "three white oaks, corner of Dr. Anderson's survey" (survey)
John Gordon	Deputy Surveyor (D.S.); conducted the survey, 20 July 1806
Edmund Talbot	Surveyor of Henderson County (S.H.C.); survey executed on his behalf
Turner Wear	Chain carrier; probably Turner Weir, not established
George Madison	Auditor, Auditor's Office; receipted final payment, 23 December 1809
Charles Scott	Governor of Kentucky; signed the patent
J. [Jesse] Bledsoe	Secretary of State; attested the patent
Eliazer Givens (also recorded Eleazer Givens)	Received the patent, 12 June 1810 (margin note: "Ex'd & D'd to Eliazer Givens"). He also received Sarah Horton's patent (KLG 9397) in December 1808
Evans Bennet	Witness to McBee's assignment to Robertson
[illegible]	Second witness to the assignment (signature begins "B" and "W"; not read)

Land Description

200 acres on the waters of the Craborchard (Crab Orchard) Fork of Tradewater, Henderson County, Kentucky: a 179-pole square beginning at three white oaks, a corner of Dr. Anderson's survey, with its south-east corner (two elms and two dogwoods) standing in a military line.

Research Notes

Delivered to Eliazer Givens. The margin of the recorded patent reads "Ex'd & D'd to Eliazer Givens, 12th June 1810." This records the examination and delivery of the patent to Givens, not a sale or assignment. Givens also received Sarah Horton's patent (KLG 9397) in December 1808. Why he collected these patents is not stated.

The adjoining Robertson survey. This survey and Robertson's own claim, KLG 6627 (Certificate No. 24), were made the same day by the same deputy and chain carriers. 6627 begins at "a honey locust and two maples ... also a corner of Silas McBee's claim" and runs "with McBee's line" South 45 East 179 poles to a hickory and two dogwoods, which are this survey's second and third corners. The two squares share that side, with 6630 to the north-east. Sarah Horton's KLG 9397 names "two black oaks, Robert Robertson's corner"; no corner of 6630 or 6627 matches, so that corner belongs to another Robertson tract.

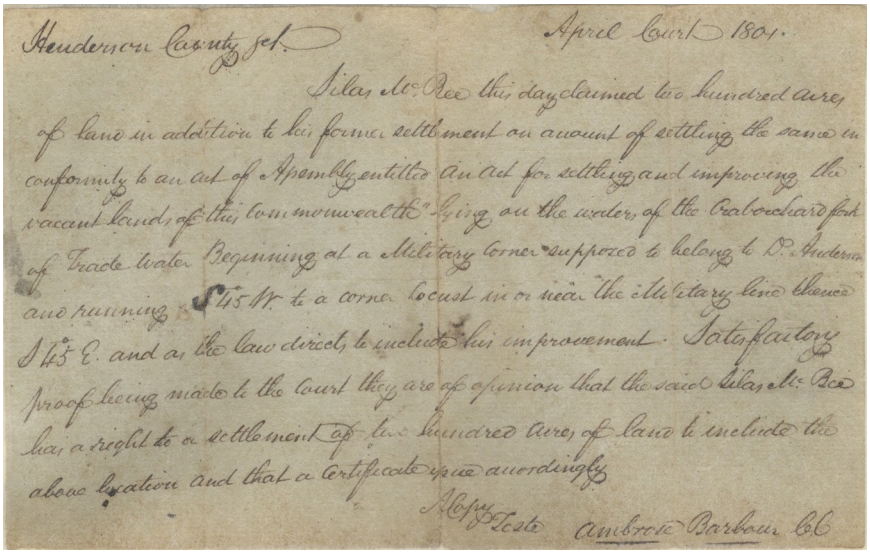
The chain carrier "Turner Wear" is probably Turner Weir, whose surveys are in Cluster B, but the records here do not establish it.

Where it lies. The certificate places the beginning at "a military corner supposed to belong to Dr. Anderson" and the first line running South 45 West to a locust "in or near the military line"; the survey's south-east corner stands "in a military line." The tract therefore lies against military surveys, but which ones is not yet established. A Dr. David Anderson survey is thought to stand near Addison Lewis's KLG 3161; that has not been checked against this record, so the placement of 6630 and 6627 remains open.

Corrections to the earlier report. The survey back reads "Rec'd Nov 13th 1807" (not 1809; the survey is recorded in Book 7, page 323, two pages after 6627, received the same day) and "Grant iss'd Jan'y the 19th 1810" (not Aug.), which agrees with the patent; there is no date discrepancy. The 12 June 1810 margin note is the delivery of the patent to Eliazer Givens. The Secretary is J. [Jesse] Bledsoe, not P. Bledsoe. The second corner is "a honey locust and two maples," not maple sprouts. The earlier report missed McBee's assignment to Robertson on the back of the certificate.

Only one receipt, for the balance in full, is in the file; it implies an earlier instalment, but no receipt for it was found.

Images / Appendix



Henderson County set. April Court 1801.

Silas McBee this day claimed two hundred acres of land in addition to his former settlement on account of settling the same in conformity to an act of Assembly entitled an Act for settling and improving the vacant lands of this Commonwealth lying on the waters of the Craborchard fork of Trade Water Beginning at a Military Corner supposed to belong to D. Anderson and running S 45 W. to a corner locust in or near the Military line thence S 45 E. and as the law direct, to include his improvement. Satisfactory proof being made to the Court they are of opinion that the said Silas McBee has a right to a settlement of two hundred acres of land to include the above location and that a certificate issue accordingly

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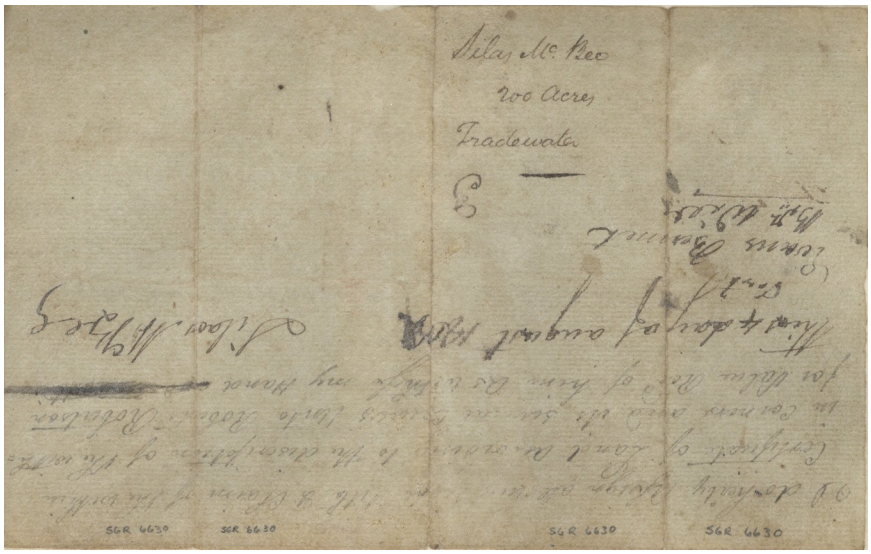
Appendix Image 1. County Court Settlement Certificate for Silas McBee, Henderson County, April 1801 — Front.



Silas McBee
200 Acres
Tradewater

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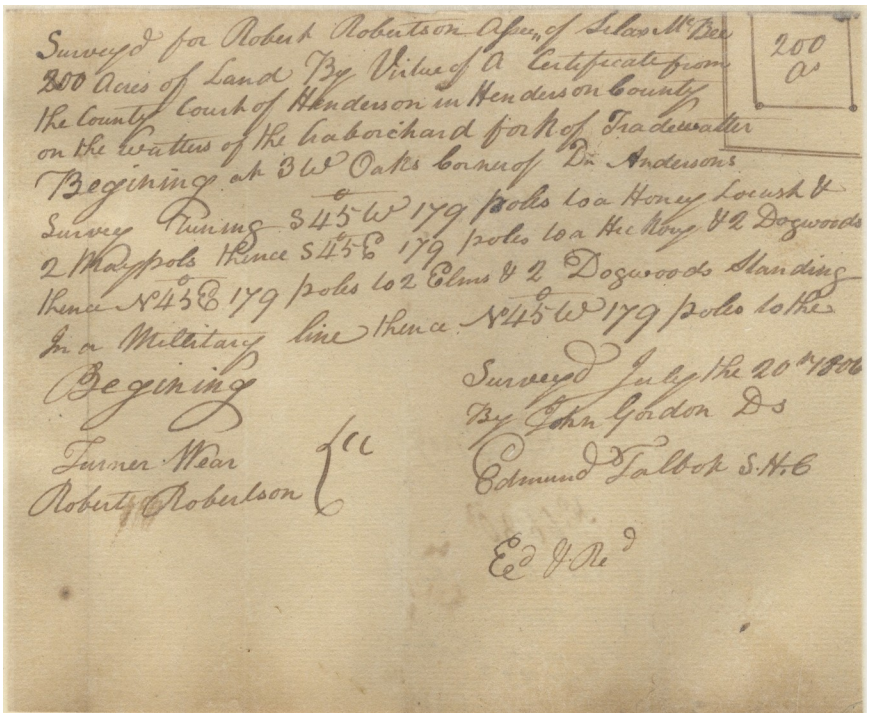
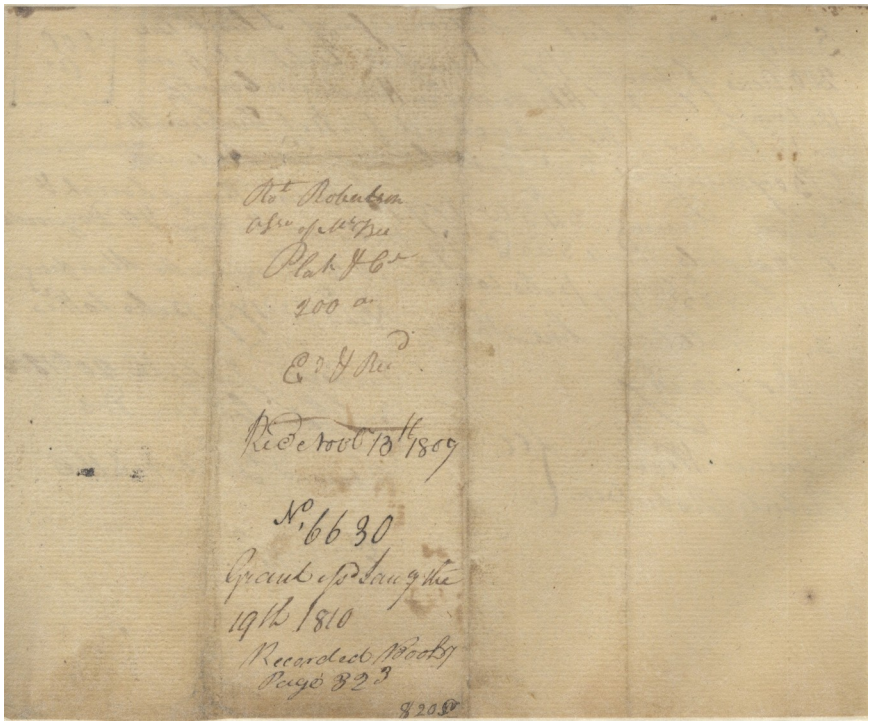
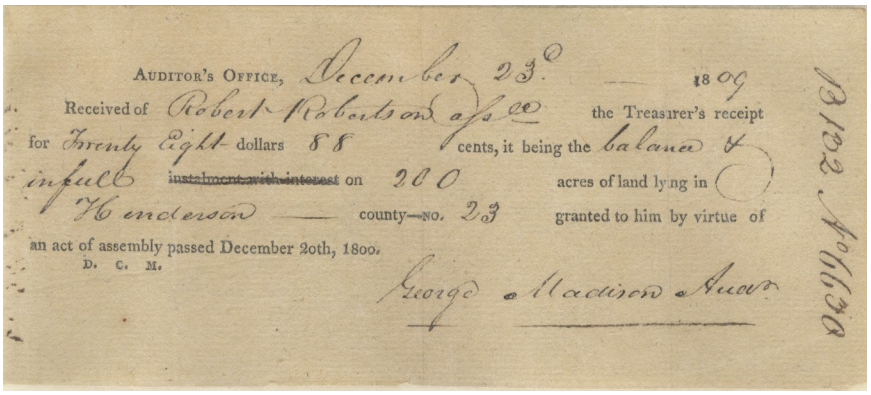
Appendix Image 2. County Court Certificate — Back (endorsed "Silas McBee, 200 Acres, Tradewater"; inverted, Silas McBee's assignment to Robert Robertson, 4 August 180[?]; stamped "SGR 6630").



Appendix Image 3. Survey of 200 Acres for Robert Robertson, Assignee of Silas McBee, 20 July 1806, with Plat — Front.



Appendix Image 4. Survey — Back (Rec'd 13 November 1807, No. 6630, Grant iss'd 19 January 1810, Recorded Book 7, Page 323).



AUDITOR'S OFFICE, December 23d — 1809

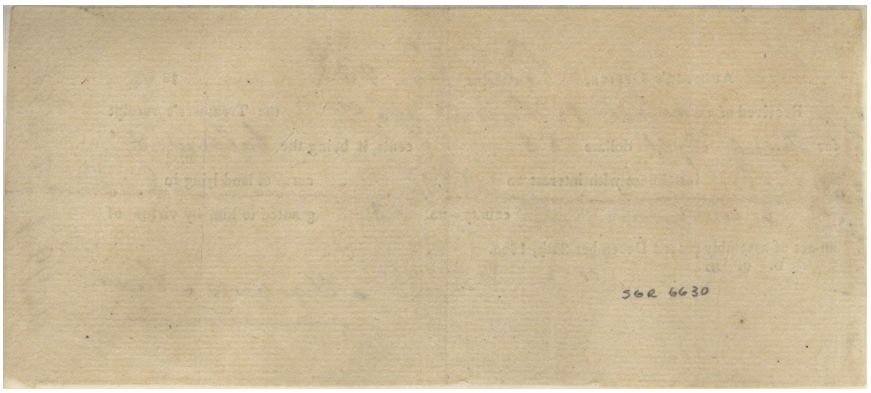
Received of Robert Robertson a/s Co the Treasurer's receipt for Twenty Eight dollars 88 cents, it being the balance & in full ~~instalment with interest~~ on 200 acres of land lying in Henderson — county—No. 23 granted to him by virtue of an act of assembly passed December 20th, 1800.

D. C. M.

George Madison Auor

Dec 23 1809

Appendix Image 5. Auditor's Office Receipt, 23 December 1809, Balance Paid in Full — Front.



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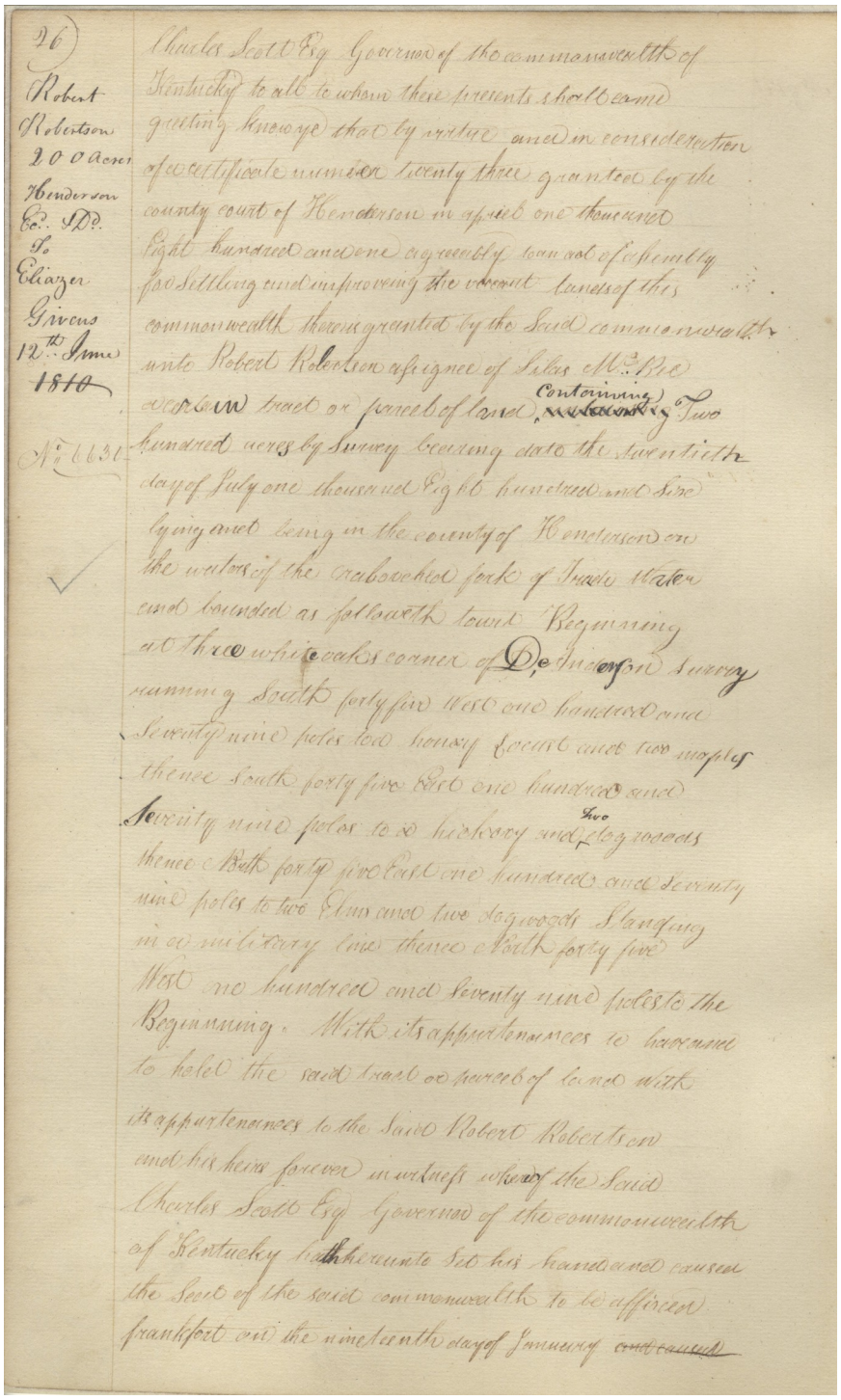
Appendix Image 6. Auditor's Office Receipt — Back (marked "SGR 6630").

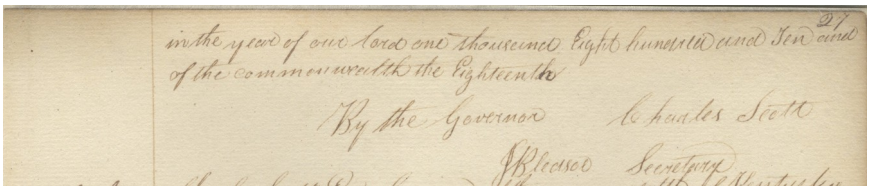


26)
Robert
Robertson
200 acres
Henderson
Co. SD.
To
Eliazer
Givens
12th June
1810

No 1631

Charles Scott Esq Governor of the commonwealth of
Kentucky to all to whom these presents shall come
greeting Knowye that by virtue and in consideration
of a certificate number twenty three granted by the
county court of Henderson in favor of one thousand
Eight hundred and one acres agreeably to an act of assembly
for settling and improving the waste lands of this
commonwealth there is granted by the said commonwealth
unto Robert Robertson assignee of Silas M.r Bee
a certain tract or parcel of land containing Two
hundred acres by Survey bearing date the twentieth
day of July one thousand Eight hundred and five
lying and being in the county of Henderson on
the waters of the Crabbotchet fork of Trade Water
and bounded as followeth to wit Beginning
at three white oaks corner of D.o Anderson Survey
running South forty five West one hundred and
Seventy nine poles to honey Locust and two maples
thence South forty five East one hundred and
Seventy nine poles to a hickory and two dog wood
thence North forty five East one hundred and Seventy
nine poles to two Elms and two dog woods standing
in a military line thence North forty five
West one hundred and Seventy nine poles to the
Beginning. With its appurtenances to have and
to hold the said tract or parcel of land with
its appurtenances to the said Robert Robertson
and his heirs forever in witness whereof the said
Charles Scott Esq Governor of the commonwealth
of Kentucky hath hereunto set his hand and caused
the Seal of the said commonwealth to be affixed
Frankfort on the nineteenth day of January one thousand

Appendix Image 7. Patent, page 26, with margin note examined and delivered to Eliazer Givens, 12 June 1810.


in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Ten 27
of the commonwealth the Eighteenth
By the Governor Charles Scott
J. Bledsoe Secretary

Appendix Image 8. Patent, page 27, signed by Governor Charles Scott and J. [Jesse] Bledsoe, Secretary.