Turner Wier — Kentucky Land Grant — Patent No. 8550 (County Certificate No. 621)

400 Acres on the Waters of the Caney Fork of the Crab Orchard Fork of Tradewater, Henderson County, Kentucky

Assignee of George Brown

Land Record Abstract and Survey Summary

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Abstract

In November 1804 the Henderson County Court granted George Brown Certificate No. 621 for 400 acres under the act for settling and improving the vacant lands of the Commonwealth (the certificate itself is not in the file; its back is endorsed "Geo. Brown, 400 acres"). On 1 October 1807 Deputy Surveyor Asel Wier, for Edmund Talbot, S.H.C., surveyed 400 acres for George Brown on the waters of the Caney Fork of the Crab Orchard Fork of Tradewater, beginning at a hickory, also a military corner, and running with military lines, with Russel Wier and Clark Landers as chain carriers and Turner Wier as marker. On 12 November 1807 George Brown, by his mark, transferred all his right, title and interest in the plat and certificate to Turner Wier and asked the Register to issue a grant accordingly, witnessed by Henry Cain [?] and [W.?] Wier [?]. The survey was received on 3 December 1807 and recorded in Record Book 9, page 188. On 27 December 1808 the Auditor received of Turner Wier, assignee of Geo. Brown, $72.51, in

full, on Certificate No. 621 for 400 acres in Henderson County. Governor Charles Scott signed the patent to Turner Wier, assignee of George Brown, on 13 February 1809, and it was examined and delivered to Y. Ewing on 3 January 1810.

Survey Description

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

Surveyed for George Brown 400 acres of land by virtue of a certificate from the County Court of Henderson, lying on the waters of the Caney Fork of the Crab Orchard Fork of Tradewater, in Henderson County. Beginning at a hickory, also a military corner; running North 45 East with the military line 250 poles to two sweet gums in a military line; thence South 45 East 230 poles to a hickory, also in a military line; thence South 45 ["West" interlined] with the military line 184 poles to a red oak and two hickories, a corner of a military survey; thence South 45 East 112 poles with a military line to two white oaks; thence South 45 West 64 poles to a black gum in a military line; thence North 45 West with the military line 340 poles to the beginning. Surveyed Oct. 1st 1807.

Record Summary

Certificate Number	621 (Henderson County Court, November 1804; from the receipt and patent)
Survey Grant Register Number	8550
Original Claimant	George Brown
Assignment	To Turner Wier: plat and certificate, 12 November 1807, by George Brown's mark (witnesses Henry Cain [?] and [W.?] Wier [?])
Surveyed For / Patentee	Surveyed for George Brown; patent to Turner Wier, assignee of George Brown (indexed by Jillson as "Weir, Turner")
Acreage	400 acres (the courses hold about 401 acres)
Watercourse	Waters of the Caney Fork of the Crab Orchard Fork of Tradewater
County in Survey	Henderson County
Certificate Date	November 1804
Survey Date	1 October 1807
Received by Land Office	3 December 1807
Recording	Survey: Record Book 9, page 188. Patent: page numbered 412 [grant book not named]

Patent / Grant Issued	13 February 1809, signed by Governor Charles Scott and Secretary J. Bledsoe; delivered to Y. Ewing, 3 January 1810
State Price Notation	$72.51, in full, 27 December 1808 ("instalment with interest" struck through)
Deputy Surveyor / Chain Carriers	Asel Wier, D.S., for Edmund Talbot, S.H.C.; Russel Wier and Clark Landers, chain carriers; Turner Wier, marker
County Court Clerk	Not shown (certificate front not in the file)

Chronology

November 1804	Henderson County Court grants Certificate No. 621 to George Brown for 400 acres (date from the patent)
1 October 1807	400 acres surveyed for George Brown by Asel Wier, D.S., for Edmund Talbot, S.H.C.; chain carriers Russel Wier and Clark Landers; marker Turner Wier
12 November 1807	George Brown, by his mark, assigns the plat and certificate to Turner Wier; witnesses Henry Cain [?] and [W.?] Wier [?]
3 December 1807	Survey received; recorded Record Book 9, page 188
27 December 1808	$72.51 paid in full on Certificate No. 621 by Turner Wier, assignee of Geo. Brown
13 February 1809	Grant No. 8550 issued to Turner Wier, assignee of George Brown
3 January 1810	Patent examined and delivered to Y. Ewing (margin note)

Persons Named in the Record

George Brown	Original claimant; surveyed for; assignor (by his mark)
Turner Wier	Assignee; marker; patentee
Asel Wier	Deputy surveyor
Edmund Talbot	Surveyor of Henderson County (S.H.C.)
Russel Wier	Chain carrier
Clark Landers	Chain carrier

Henry Cain [?]	Witness to the 1807 assignment
[W.?] Wier [?]	Witness to the 1807 assignment
Y. Ewing	Received the patent (margin delivery note)
George Madison	Auditor
Charles Scott	Governor
J. Bledsoe	Secretary

Land Description

A 400-acre tract on the waters of the Caney Fork of the Crab Orchard Fork of Tradewater, Henderson County, Kentucky: a block about 250 poles by 230, with a notch of 112 by 64 poles at its south corner, bounded on most sides by military lines on 45-degree bearings. It begins at a hickory that is called a military corner, and its third corner, a red oak and two hickories, is called a corner of a military survey.

Research Notes

The last course. The survey gives the closing course as North 45 West with the military line 340 poles. The patent writes the distance as "[three?] hundred and forty poles"; the first word is written like "thence," and an earlier reading took it as "two." Plotted with 340 poles the six courses close within about 3 poles and hold about 401 acres; with 240 they would miss closing by about 100 poles. The survey's 340 is used here.

The assignment. The assignment on the back of the survey is dated 12 November 1807, not 1804: it transfers "the within plat and certificate," so it was written after the survey of 1 October 1807, and the year is written 1807. George Brown signed by his mark. The witnesses are read as Henry Cain [?] and [W.?] Wier [?]; the second name is faint. The receipt and patent name Turner Wier as assignee of George Brown.

The certificate. Only the back of the certificate is in the file, endorsed "Geo. Brown, 400 acres," with the archivist's note SGR-8550. The certificate number, 621, and the date, November 1804, come from the receipt and patent.

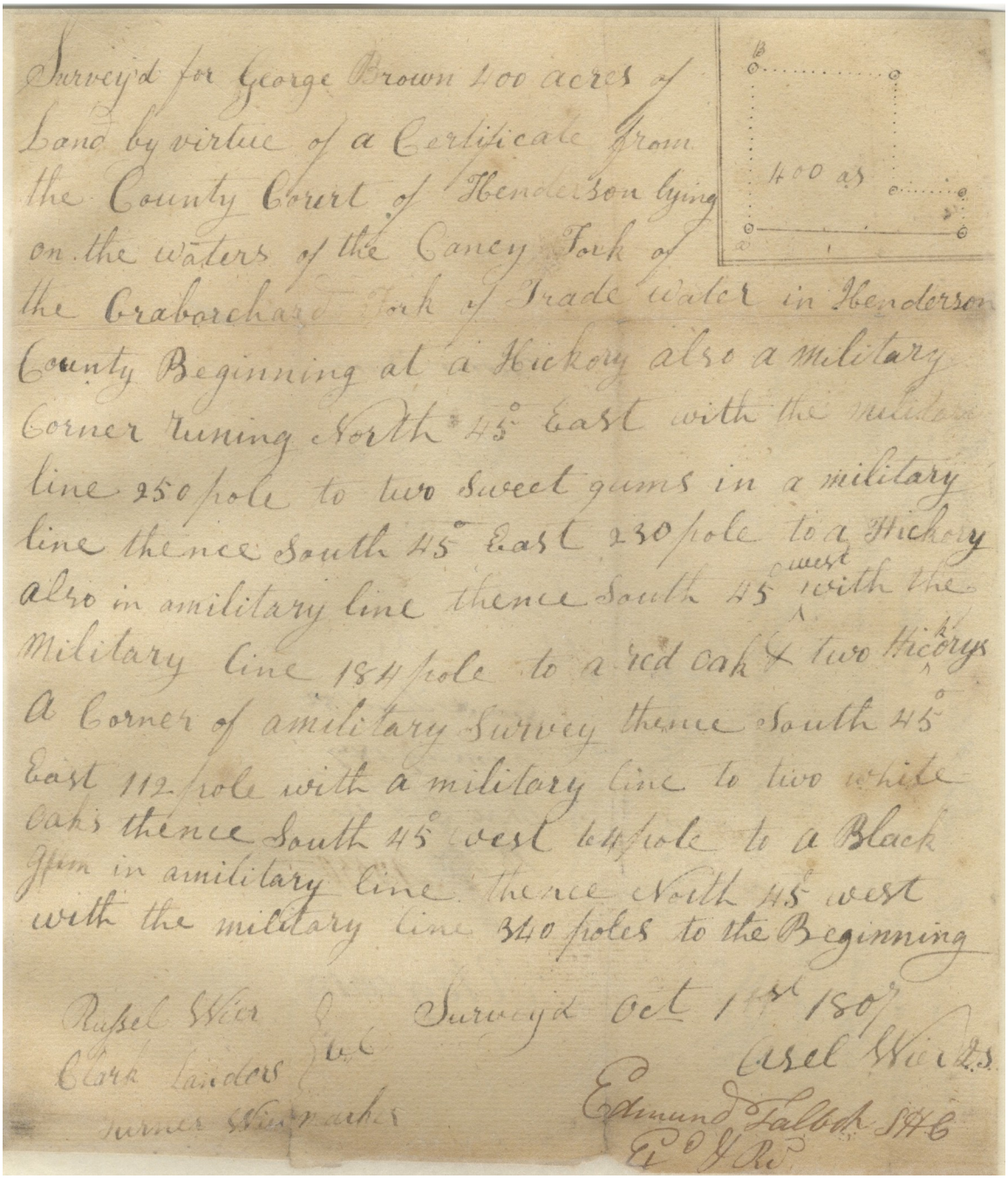
Recording, payment and delivery. The back of the survey is endorsed "Turner Wier, George Brown, Platt & Cr, 400 as," "Ex'd & Rec'd," "Grant issued 13th February 1809," "Rec'd 3 Dec 1807, No 8550" and "R B 9 Pa 188." Turner Wier's 330 acres, KLG 8539, on the same fork, are on page 182 of the same book and were received the same day. The receipt's left margin reads "B 171 No 8550," the grant number, like the similar notes on the receipts of 8534, 8542, 8544, 8545 and 8552. The patent page is numbered 412; its margin reads "T. Wier, 400 a., Henderson, Ex'd & Dd to Y. Ewing, Jany 3d 1810, No. 8550," the same delivery as 8539 and 8534.

Chain carriers and neighbors. Russel Wier and Clark Landers carried the chain and Turner Wier was marker. Clark Landers also carried the chain, with Silas McBee, on Russell Wier's 8544 and 8558. The survey names no adjoining owner, only military lines

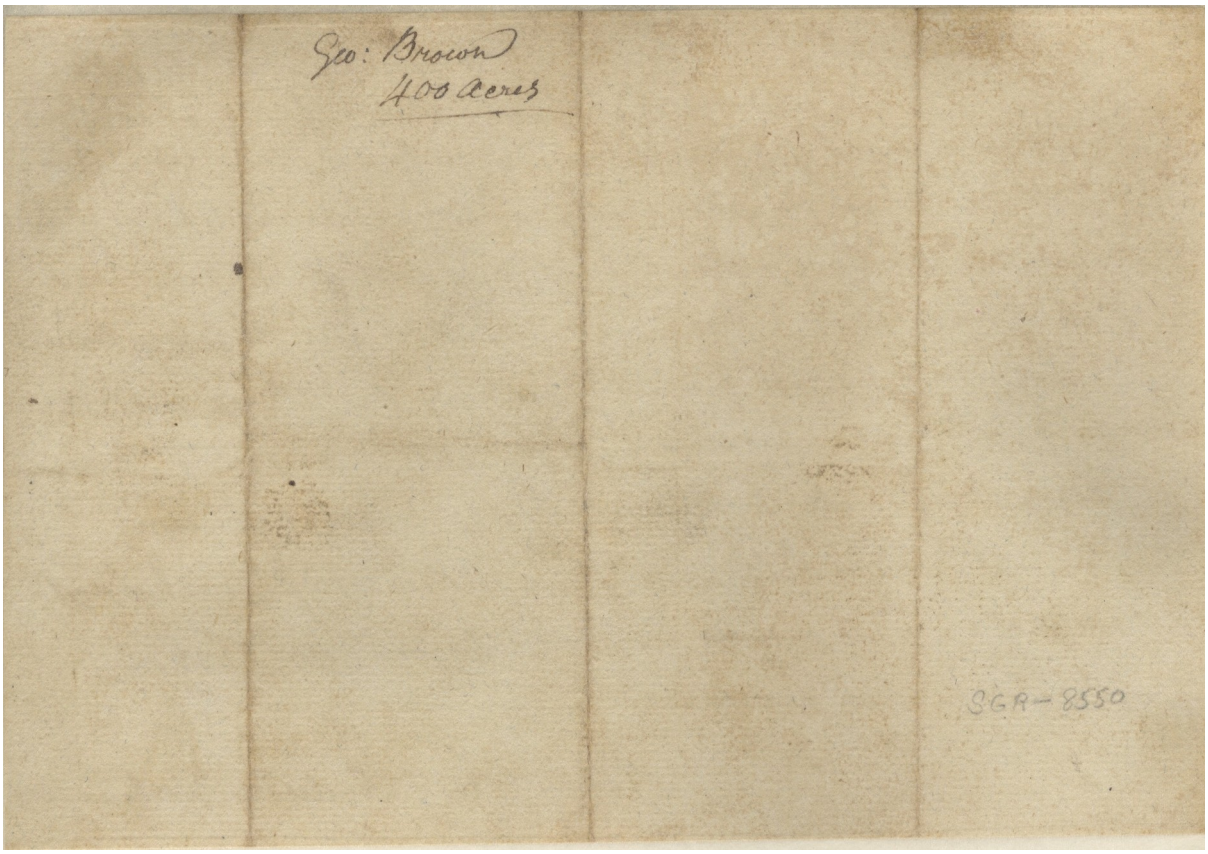
and corners, and no published survey yet names any of this tract's corners, so it is not yet placed.

Images / Appendix

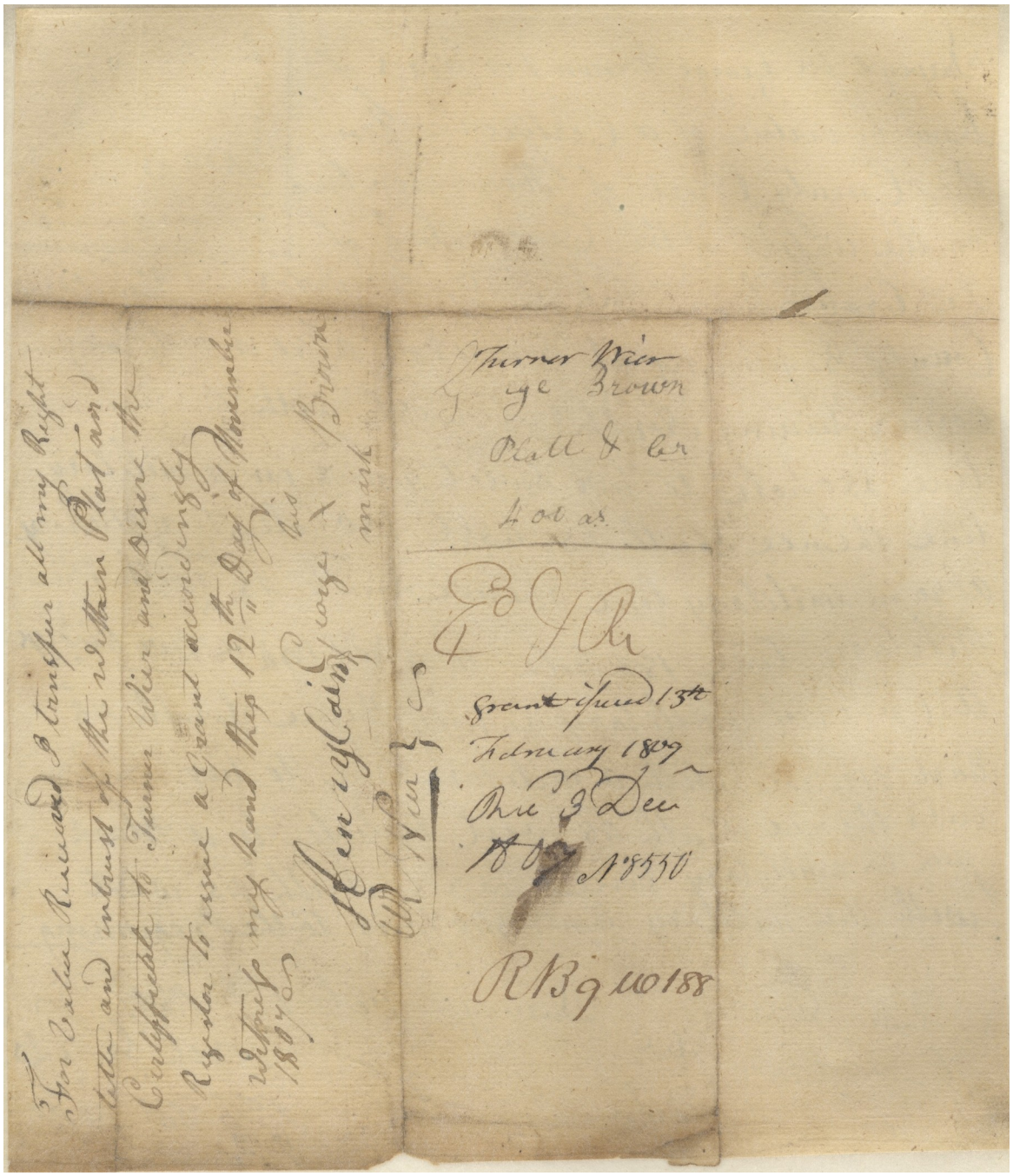
The following manuscript images accompany this record. The front of the original certificate was not included in this upload; only its reverse endorsement is available.



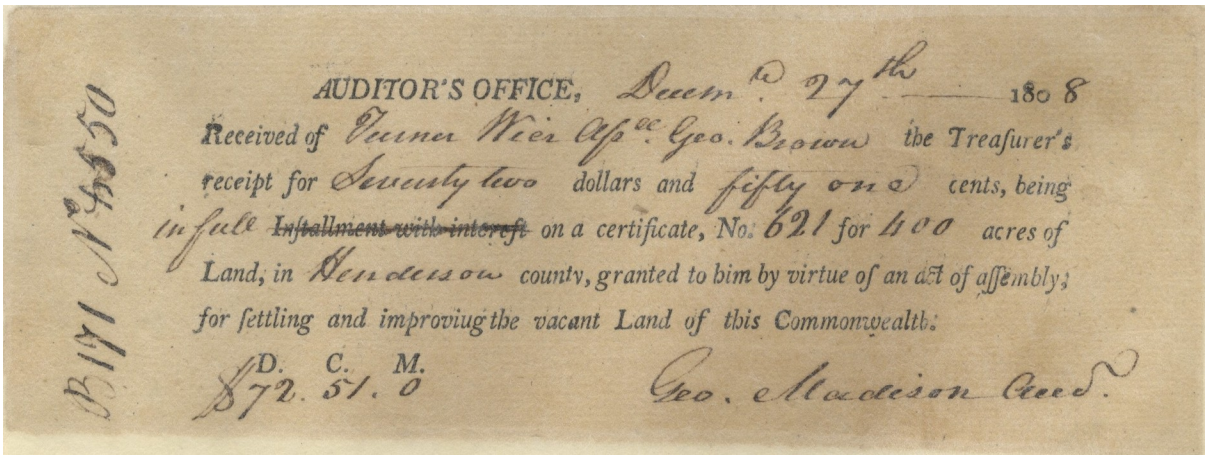
Appendix Image 1. Survey No. 8550 — Front (1 October 1807, with plat).



Appendix Image 2. Certificate No. 621 — Back ("Geo. Brown, 400 acres").



Appendix Image 3. Survey No. 8550 — Back (assignment of 12 November 1807; received 3 December 1807; R B 9 Pa 188).



AUDITOR'S OFFICE, Decem^r. 27th 1808

Received of Turner Wier Ass^ee. Geo. Brown the Treasurer's receipt for Seventy two dollars and fifty one cents, being in full ~~Installment with interest~~ on a certificate, No. 621 for 400 acres of Land, in Henderson county, granted to him by virtue of an act of assembly; for settling and improving the vacant Land of this Commonwealth.

D. C. M.
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Geo. Madison Aud^r.

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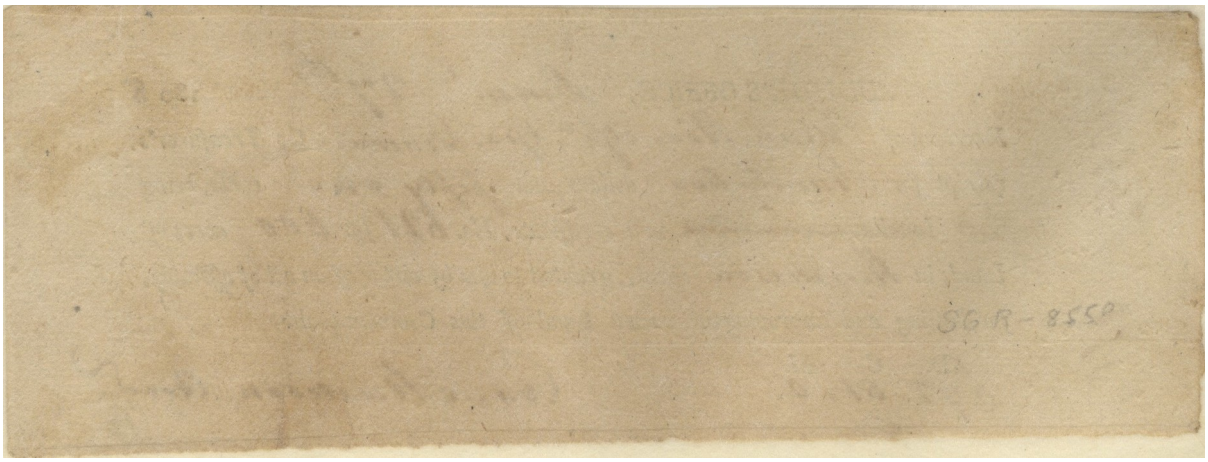
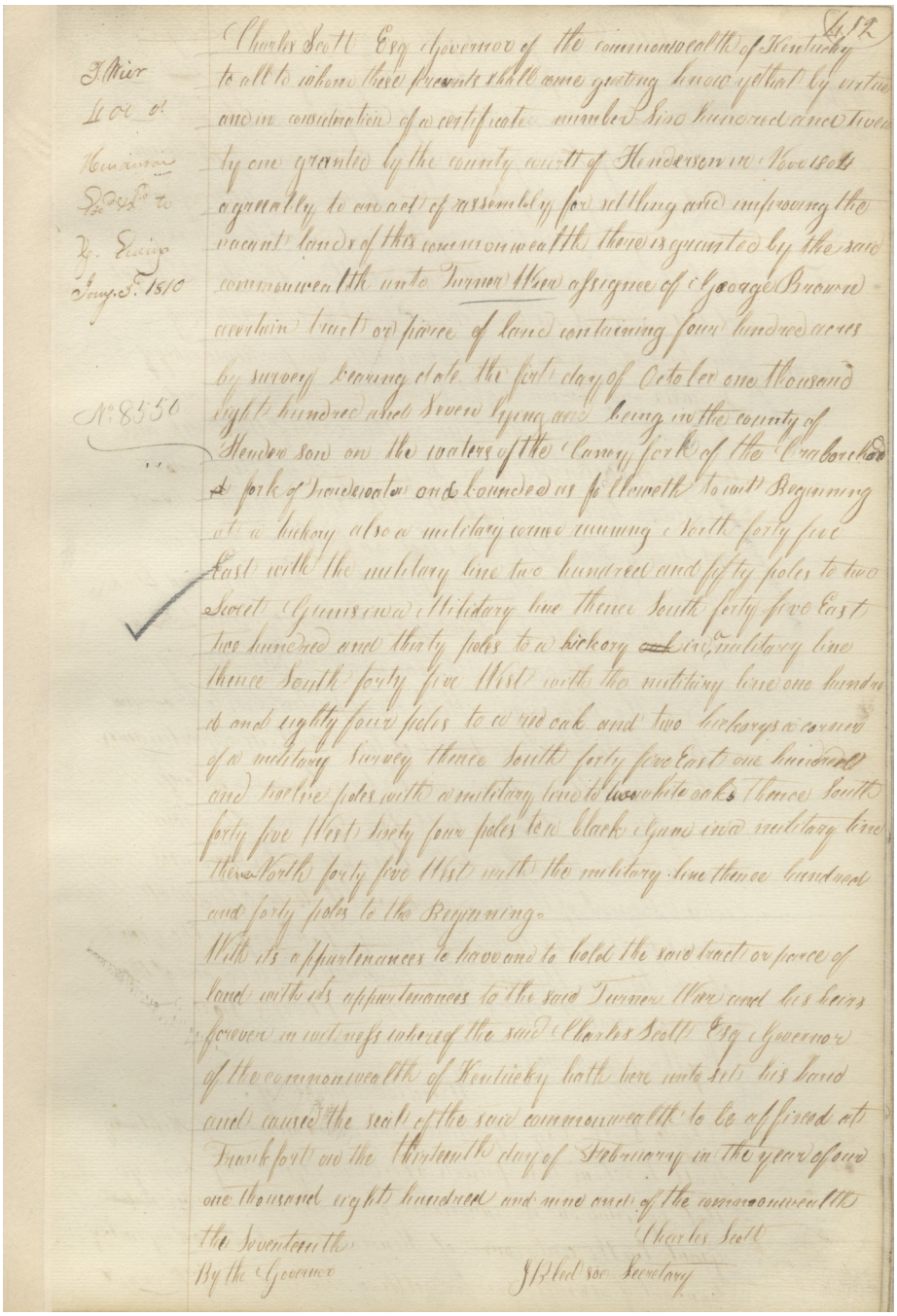
Appendix Image 4. Auditor's Office Receipt — Front (27 December 1808, $72.51).



Appendix Image 5. Auditor's Office Receipt — Back.



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T. Wier
400 ol.
Henderson
Sec. & L. to
Y. Ewing
Jany. 3. 1810

No. 8550

Charles Scott Esq Governor of the commonwealth of Kentucky
to all to whom these presents shall come greeting know ye that by virtue
and in consideration of a certificate number Six hundred and Twen-
ty one granted by the county court of Henderson in Nov 1804
agreeably to an act of assembly for settling and improving the
vacant lands of this commonwealth there is granted by the said
commonwealth unto Turner Wier assignee of George Brown
a certain tract or parce of land containing four hundred acres
by survey bearing date the first day of October one thousand
eight hundred and Seven lying and being in the county of
Henderson on the waters of the Caney fork of the Craborchard
fork of Naidewater and bounded as followeth to wit Beginning
at a hickory also a military corner running North forty five
East with the military line two hundred and fifty poles to two
Sweet Gums in a Military line thence South forty five East
two hundred and thirty poles to a hickory in a military line
thence South forty five West with the military line one hundre-
d and eighty four poles to a red oak and two hickorys a corner
of a military Survey thence South forty five East one hundred
and twelve poles with a military line to two white oaks thence South
forty five West Sixty four poles to a black Gum in a military line
thence North forty five West with the military line thence hundred
and forty poles to the Beginning.
With its appurtenances to have and to hold the said tract or parce of
land with its appurtenances to the said Turner Wier and his heirs
forever in witness whereof the said Charles Scott Esq Governor
of the commonwealth of Kentucky hath here unto set his hand
and caused the seal of the said commonwealth to be affixed at
Frankfort on the thirteenth day of February in the year of our
one thousand eight hundred and nine and of the commonwealth
the Seventeenth.

Charles Scott

By the Governor

J R Ledsoe Secretary

Appendix Image 6. Grant/Patent No. 8550, 13 February 1809 — page 412 (margin: delivered to Y. Ewing, 3 January 1810).