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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

David Akin (Aiken?) Thompson (b. April 4, 1796 - d. September 12, 1839), land dealer and speculator, was born near St. Georges, Delaware, and later settled at Nashville, Tennessee. On March 17, 1818, he married Loretta Charlotte Deaderick at Jonesborough, Tennessee. Migrating to Arkansas in 1830, he engaged in the mercantile business in Little Rock, in Washington (Hempstead County), and in Columbus (Crawford County) in partnership with his brother-in-law, John Drennan.

In 1836, Thompson and Drennen purchased the land claims of Daniel and Thomas Phillips, acquiring the land on which the town of Van Buren was founded. A land appraiser for the Real Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas from 1836, Thompson was extensively engaged in land speculation in the Territory and State of Arkansas and elsewhere in the Southwest, especially in buying bounty lands given Revolutionary War veterans. At one time, he is reported to have owned 150,000 acres distributed in 16 counties. His several other concerns included an active interest in horse-racing. At various times in partnership with Drennen and with John C. McLemore and William B. McClellan of Tennessee. He joined in 1837 with McLemore and with Sterling Neblett of Virginia in efforts to develop coal mines on lands he owned near Spadra Bluff, in Johnson County, Arkansas.

Scope and Contents

Papers consist of letters, correspondence, deeds, title bonds, mortgages, assignments, releases, letters-patent, certificates, affidavits, contracts, leases, powers-of-attorney, statements-of-account, receipts, notices, lists, field notes, plats, memoranda, note-books, clippings, bill-of-sale, and other material dealing with Thompson's business and personal affairs, with the trading, training, and racing of horses, with the early history of the town of Van Buren and Crawford County, Arkansas, and especially with land speculations; material dating from Thompson's death largely pertains to the administration of his estate.

Places to which the material relates include: Nashville and Davidson, Tennessee; Arkansas (Post), Batesville, Columbus, Ecure a Fabre, Fayetteville, Helena, Little Rock, Montgomery's Point, Spadra Bluff, Van Buren and Washington, Arkansas; Arkansas, Crawford, Johnson, Phillips, Pulaski, and Washington Counties, Arkansas; Fort Gibson, Indian Territory; Richmond and Lunenburg County, Virginia.

Correspondents include: William Armstrong, William A.M. Brooks, Ethan Allen Brown, Sheperd Brown, August Pierre Choteau, John Drennen, Isaac Folsom, William McKandree Gwin, Henry R.W. Hill, D.G.W. Leavitt, James McKisick, John C. McLemore, Sterling Neblett, Frederick Notrebe, George W. Paschal, Albert Pike, John Ringgold, James A. Scott, Jesse Turner, George Claiborne Watkins, and James Whitcomb.

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Rebecca Wilcox Bryan, Van Buren, Arkansas, 1962.

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
1. 1810 April: Arbitration bond: Isaac Smith (Green County, Ky.) and Robert Moore (Washington County, Ky.): child custody.	1	1a
2. 1820 October 14: Depositions: Jean Filbiol and Jean Hiberand (?); claims of representatives of Louis Le Blanc to tract at Ecore a Fabre; certified July 3, 1822 by Daniel J. Sutton, District Land Office Register. Appended: Affidavit-of-Testimony, July 29, 1822, by Eli J. Lewis, Clerk of Circuit Court, Arkansas County.		
3. 1820 November 7: Articles of Agreement: Samuel and John B. Hogg with Patrick H. Darley (Davidson County, Tenn.), attorney for heirs of Richard Hogg in settlement of estate.		
4. 1821 November 21: Deed: James S. Petty (Arkansas County) to George Bentley (Kan-awha County, Va.); Lands near mouth of White River. [Copy, 1835, by D.G.W. Leavitt, Clerk of Arkansas County Court].		
5. 1822 July 3: Affidavit: V. Filbiol; claims of representatives of Louis Le Blanc to tract at Ecore a Fabre.		
6. 1822 July 3: Memorandum: Daniel J. Sutton; error in depositions regarding claims of representatives of Louis Le Blanc to tract at Ecore a Fabre.		
7. 1822 August 12: Letter: Catherine Aulivos (Ouachita) to "Madame bonne amie;" claims of representatives of Louis Le Blanc to tract at Ecore a Fabre. Appended is notation, September 25, 1822, by Frederick Notrebe.		
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1. 1823 June 28: Letter: D.J. Sutton (Ouachita) to James Scull (Arkansas);
claims of representatives of Louis Le Blanc to tract at Ecore a Fabre.

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2. 1825 August 22: Clipping: Samuel M. Rutherford, Deputy Sheriff, Hempstead County (Washington);
advertisement of James S. Conway lands, and other lands, to be sold for taxes; [paper? date?].

3. 1826 March 14: Notice of location, filed with Lawrence Land District; Ambrose H. Sevier; pre-emption right of Hiram Peeler; assigned October 21, 1834 to David Thompson.

4. 1826 March 17: Deed: Hiram Peeler to Ambrose Sevier; witnessed by Richard Searcy, William Quarles; assigned October 21, 1834 to T.T. of Nashville, Tenn.

5. 1828 January 2: Notice of discount, on note endorsed by D.T.; and Receipt, H.R.W. Hill to Wm. Nichol (?).

6. 1828 February 22: Deed: Solomon E. Mathers (Jefferson County, Fla. Terrty.) to D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.)

7. 1829 February 28: Receipt and Bill-of-Sale; James C. Early (Franklin County, Va.) to Thompson and Drennen: a slave.

8. 1829 March 7: Receipt: Wm. Ramsey (?), Deputy Sheriff (Nashville) to Thompson and Drennen; cost and interest of an execution vs. Thomas Deadrick.

9. 1829 July 9: Statement-of Account; Samuel T. Edwards and Co. (?) to Thompson and Drennen.

Box**Folder**

1. 1829 September 22: Balance Sheet (1 doc.) and Memoranda (8 docs.);
David Thompson and William B. McClellan (Nashville); "Settlement of

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David Thompson and William B. McClellan of Partnership in Negroes purchased and taken to New Orleans and sold in the summer 1829;" with supporting arithmetical calculations, etc.

1. 1830 January 5: Deed: David Thompson (Davidson County, Tenn.) to James Shleburne (Fayette County, Tenn.). 1 1d

2. 1830 May 10: Letter: Wm. Rutherford (Nashville) to Henry Ewing; debt to John A. Cheatham and E.B. Robison.

3. 1833 February 17: Articles of Agreement: John C. Hale (Giles County, Tenn.) and D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.); securing of title, from government of Mexico, to lands in "Ross Concession" in Tennessee.

4. 1833 April 5: Articles of Agreement: D.T. with James Johnston et ux, et al, heirs of Timothey De Monhan (?) Demumbere?), deceased; commission on military bounty lands.

5. 1833 October 8: Receipt: Tho. Suggill (Saggill, Suggitt, Saggitt?) to D.T.; assignment of note.

6. 1833 December 7: Letter: D.T. (Nashville) to John Bell (Washington, D.C.); estate of Timothy De Monhan (?) (DeMumbre?).

7. 1833 December 21: Power-of Attorney: David Presley (Presly?) (Lumpkin County, Ga.) to Leander Smith; and Title Bond; David Presley (Presly?) to James E. Bearc [sic]; Lands in Lumpkin County, Ga.; assigned by James E. Baird [sic] to W[illiam?] McClintock Heron (?) (McMinn County, Tenn.), September 29, 1834; assigned by Heron (?) to D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.) November 7, 1834.

Box Folder

1. 1834 March 21: Memorandum: Justice of Circuit Court of Pulaski County to Chester Ashley; collection of claim. 1 1e

2. 1834 March 24: Receipt: A. Sprague to D.T.; "...medical attendance and med up to Jan 1st 1834..."

3. 1834 April 8: Articles of Agreement: D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.) with Joseph Doza (?), Alexander Doza (?), and Michal Drouse et ux, heirs of Timothy De Monhan (?) Demumbre(?), deceased; commission on military bounty lands.

4. 1834 April 9: Receipts [4]: R. Armstrong, P.M. (Nashville), to D.T.; postage paid.

5. 1834 April ?: Receipts [2]: R. Armstrong to Thompson and Drennen; postage paid.

6. 1834 May 20: Letter: John C. McLemore (Nashville) to W. Blake (Blacke?) (Charleston, S.C.); proposed Blake-McLemore-Thompson speculation in Red River lands.

7. 1834 July 22: Circular: Elijah Hayward, Commissioner, General Land Office; printed "Circular to Registers and Receivers of the United States Land Offices..." regarding establishment of pre-emption rights.

8. September 1: Transcript of Deed; certified by Henry Ewing, deputy for Matthew Barrow, Register for Davidson County, Tenn.' Joshua Hadley (Summer County, N.C.) to Timothy DeMumbre (Davidson County, N.C.) June 5, 1790, witnessed by James C. Mountflorece and Bennet Searcy; recorded May 3, 1808 in Davidson County, Tenn. by Andrew Ewing, Clerk.

9. 1834 September 3: Letter: B(?)M. Garner (Nashville) to George W. Conway; collection of William Hickman note. Appended note: B.M. Garner to D.T., requesting list of North Carolina officers entitled to commutation.

10. 1834 September 6: Deed: Jeremiah S. Chastain (Lumpkin County, Ga.) to D.T. (Nashville).

11. 1834 September 17: Letter (fragment): D.T. (Nashville) to Judge Gruunday [sic]; Thompson's partnership with Wm. Lambert in "prosecution of Revolutionary claims..."

12. 1834 October 9: Articles of Agreement (Draft of): D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.) with F.A. McWilliams (Pulaski County, Ark. Terrty.); residence of Sally Nelson in Pulaski County prior to 1814.

13. 1834 October 11: Articles of Agreement (Signed instrument); [above].

14. 1834 October 23: Affidavit: Asher Bagly (Bagley?) (Pulaski County, Ark. Terrty.); residence of Sally Nelson in Pulaski County prior to 1814.

15. 1834 November 24: Affidavit: Phebe Caldwell (Davidson County, Tenn.); children born to and death of, Thomas Gibson (Hatford County, Md.); sworn before Justice of Peace Thos. J. Read; endorsed November 24, 1834 by Henry Ewing and Robert Farquarson.

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1. 1835 February 13: Receipt: Hogg and Young to John Drennen; paid on account.	1	1f

2. 1835 March 30: Power-of-Attorney: Richard C. Sevier (Crawford County, Ark. Terrty.) to D.T. Davidson County, Tenn.); agent for Mississippi lands; document witnessed by John Drennen and J.A. Scott, certified by John M. Spalding, Crawford County Justice of Peace; endorsed April 25, 1835 by Alexander McLean, clerk of the circuit court, and by Benjamin Johnson, judge of circuit court.

3. 1835 April 14: Title Bond: James Polk (Sevier County, Ark. Terrty.) to D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.), at Van Buren, A.T.; witnessed by John Harrell, Dennis Tramell; recorded May 31, 1839 by Johnson Chapman, Chicot County clerk.

4. 1835 April 16: Title Bond: Elizabeth Barnett (Crawford County, A.T.) to D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.); witnessed by Dennis Tramell, Ira Millspaugh (?).

5. 1835 April 16: Power-of-Attorney: Elizabeth Barnett (Washington County, A.T. [sic]) to D.T. (Tipton County, Tenn.), and D.T. (Nashville, at Helena, A.T.); land speculation venture.

6. 1835 April 30: Articles of Agreement: Edward H. Martin (New Orleans), Peter G. Ri[vers?] Tipton County, Tenn.), and D.T. (Nashville, at Helena, A.T.); land speculation venture.

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1. 1835 April 30: Letter: John Drennen (Columbus) to D.T. (Little Rock); enclosing 1st of claims purchased.	1	1g

1. 1835 May 19: Power-of-Attorney: Henry R.W. Hill (Nashville) to John C. McLemore and D.T. (Nashville); to locate claims.	1	1h
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2. 1835 May 19: Letter: James Carlton (?) (Mouth of Cache) to D.T. (Little Rock); lands entered at Helena.

3. 1835 May 19: Letter: James Ball (Columbus) to D.T. (Little Rock); requesting D.T. to examine claims in Little Rock land office, etc.

4. 1835 May 24: Articles of Agreement: Michel Bonne (Jefferson County, A.T.) and D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.); witnessed by Francois Vaugine; agreement to sell to D.T. tract in Arkansas County held under Spanish deed.

5. 1835 May 28: Testimony: R.J. Rambo (Little Rock); statement regarding ownership of a horse.

6. 1835 June 1 (?): Letter: Wm. Triplett to David Thompson (Little Rock); land claims, etc.

7. 1835 June 4: Agreement: Dennis Trammel with L. Hawkins (?), at Helena; option on land claims.

8. 1835 June 6: Letter: J. Drennen (Columbus) to D.T. (Little Rock); decline of "the claim fever..."

9. 1835 June 16: Letter: John Drennen (Columbus) to D.T. (Little Rock); default on debt by Ball (?).

	Box	Folder
1. 1835 June 16: Affidavit: Johnston Hall (at Little Rock?) absence of pre-emption right on tract subject to sale; attested by Henry J. McKenzie, Justice of Peace.	1	1i

2. 1835 June 16: Affidavits [2]; [ss above].

3. 1835 June 20: Receipt: W.W. (?) Smith (Little Rock) to D.T.; payment for making 5 plats.

4. 1835 June 23: Affidavit: Johnston Hall (at Little Rock?): absence of pre-emption right on tract subject to sale; attested by Henry J. McKenzie, Justice of Peace.

5. 1835 June 23: Letter: J.W. Whitworth (Heckatoo, A.T.) to D.T. (Little Rock); Whitworth's inspection of lands, his recent illness, hostility of populace toward him.

6. 1835 July 12: Articles of Agreement: Joseph Porter Brown (Randolph, Tenn.) with D.T. (Nashville); partnership in "Bowie" claims to be entered at Mississippi Land District at Helena.

7. 1835 July 23: Letter: John Scott (Logans Post Office, A.T.) to D.T. (Little Rock) offer to sell lands in Fayetteville District.

8. 1835 October 7: Affidavit: Alexander Boyd (Crawford County) before Elli Bell, Justice of Peace (Van Buren); residence of Preston Loyd [sic] in Crawford County in 1828.

9. 1835 October 17: Letter: Geo. A. McCall (Memphis) to D.T. (Little Rock); proposed investment in Arkansas lands.

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1. 1835 November 3 (?): Letter: John (?) Estil (?) (Nashville) to D.T. (Little Rock); cotton crop failure and depressed business conditions in Nashville vicinity.

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1. 1835 November 23: Letter: Wm. Triplett (Little Rock) to D.T. (Helena); inquiring about state of several claims.

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2. 1835 November 27: Letter: John A. Read (Randolph Va.) to D.T. (Little Rock); inquiring about prospects of merchandising in Arkansas.

3. 1835 December 14: Article of Agreement: J. Porter Brown (Helena, A.T.) with D.T. (Nashville); Brown to locate Thompson claims in Texas.

4. 1835 December 27: Letter: H.R.W. Hill (Nashville) to D.T.; hopes of acquiring lands belonging to Ashly."

5. 1835 December 28: Articles of Agreement: Lawson Henderson (Burk County, N.C.) with D.T. (Davidson County, Tenn.); partnership to purchase military bounty lands in Arkansas Territory.

Box **Folder**

1. 1836 January 14: Letter: James Johnson (Chester, Ill.) to D.T. (Van Buren); inquiring as to disposition made of Johnson's land.

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2. 1836 January 14: Letter: Lewis Levy (Ta--um--ia, La.) to D.T. (Little Rock; intention to enter lands at mouth of White River.

3. 1836 January ?: Conditional Sales Contract and Mortgage: Dawson (?) to David Thompson and John Drennen; obligation to Thompson and Drennen for 10 slaves purchased, etc.; (draft of document only , not signed).

Box **Folder**

1. 1836 February 27: Letter: Edward King (Montevalle, Ala.) to D.T.; difficulties in collection rent on, getting title to, and getting possession of Thompson's house.

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1. 1836 March 5: Power-of-Attorney: James Scull (Jefferson County) to D.T. (Crawford County); to dispose of Scull's tract near Ecore a Fabre; witnessed by James Scull, Jr. and Hewes Scull.

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2. 1836 March 10: Letter: L.C. (?) Taylor (Little Rock) to D.T. (Little Rock); land matters, including offer to buy.

3. 1836 March 17: Letter: Ethan A. Brown (General Land Office, Washington, D.C.) to A.H. Sevier (U.S. House of Representatives); adjudication of donation claims by Land Office at Helena, A.T., on behalf of D.T. and Benjamin Johnson.

4. 1836 March 24: Letter: H.R.W. Hill ("Steam Boat Memphis") to D.T. (Arkansas); recommending "Judge Clayton" and W.(?) Barker.

5. 1836 March 25: Letter: W.G. Shelton (?) (Nashville) to D.T. (Little Rock); concurrence in Thompson's intended suit.

6. 1836 March 27: Letter: Wm.F. Moore (Helena) to D.T. (Little Rock); non-payment on a note, recording of land papers.

7. 1836 March 28: Letter and Title Bond: Benjamin Wilkins (Clarkesville, Tenn.) to D.T. (Little Rock); one-fourth of land entered by Thompson for Wilkins.

8. 1836 April 16: Letter: Isaac Folsom (Register, Batesville Land Office) to D.T. (Little Rock); one-fourth of land entered by Thompson for Wilkins.

9. 1836 April 16: Certificate: Isaac Folsom, Register; pre-emption on Cherokee Lands granted to William Ingraham.

10. 1836 April 16: Letter: Isaac Folsom, Register, to D.T. (Little Rock); Cherokee pre-emption belonging to W.W. Flemming [sic].

11. 1836 April 20: Receipts, Nos. 993-994; Mathew Leeper (Receiver, Fayetteville) to John Drennen (Crawford County); two halves of quarter section, at \$1.25 per acre.

12. 1836 April (?); Description: Sam W. Walker; description of lands, Helena District, examined April, 1836.

13. 1836 May 2: Receipt: P.T. Crutchfield (Receiver, Little Rock) to Jesse Englebright (Jefferson County); one half of quarter section, at \$1.25 per acre.

14. 1836 May 2: Deed: Jesse Englebright (Jefferson County) to D.T. (Crawford County); one half of quarter section [above].

15. 1836 May 31: Letter: W.W. Fleming (Fort Smith) to D.T. (Columbus); sale of "Cherokee Float" to Thompson.

	Box	Folder
1. 1836 May 21: Deed: D.T. et ux (Crawford County) to Micajah Tarver (Franklin County, Ala.); lands in Arkansas County, A.T.; attest by Thos. J. Lacy.	1	10
2. 1836 May (?): Statement-of-Account: Macajah [sic] Tarver to D.T.; ..."240 acres land purchased at land sales per Certificate #231...\$554.40."		
3. 1836 May (?): Statement-of-Account: Skinner (?) and Chauncey (Chainey?); to D.T.; "...400 acres of land purchased at land sales per #151...\$604.00."		
4. 1836 June 6: Receipt: P[eter] T. Crutchfield, Receiver (Little Rock) to D.T. (Crawford County); \$200, in full for 160 acres in T. 8 S, R 4W, at \$1.25.		
5. 1836 June 13: Certificate: John Hutt (Justice of Peace, Pulaski County); Laretta C. Thompson's execution of deed to Micajah Tarver [above] an act of her own free will.		
6. 1836 July 2: Expense Account: F.A. McWilliams to Monroe, June 20th; "settled July 2, 1836."		
7. 1836 July 8: Receipt: B.F. West to McLemore and Thompson; payment for "keeping Horse 3 weeks... \$12.00."		
8. 1836 July 8: Receipt: Robert J. Gilchrist (Little Rock) to Thompson and McLemore; payment of \$368.66 $\frac{2}{3}$ to Gilchrist, net amount due for "services as an examiner of lands from the 18th day of May to the 8th day of July 1836...at \$100 per month..."		
9. 1836 July 9: Field Notes: Richard Fletcher: Fletcher's field notes "of about 20 qurs. situated from 8 to 16 miles south of Little Rock."		

10. 1836 July 12: Statement-of-Account: Thompson and McLemore to D.T. (Little Rock); accounting of disbursements to, funds withdrawn by, and obligations charged against D.T.

11. 1836 July 23: Receipt: John (?) Charlton (Columbus) to David Thompson and Co.; payment of \$300 for "expenses in Examination of Lands in the State of Missouri."

12. 1836 July (?): Statement-of-Account: D.T. to Thompson and McLemore; cash paid out, \$518.87.

	Box	Folder
1. 1836 July 26: Receipt: B.L. Bouldin (Columbus) to Thompson and McLemore; money and equipment received from D.T., and from Dr. Wm. M. Gwin of Natchez, Miss. on behalf of Thompson and McLemore, in payment "...on acct. of Thomson and McLemore..." made by Bouldin from Washington, Ark.	1	1p

2. 1836 August 2: Assignment: W.W. Fleming to D.T. (Crawford County); interest in "Cherokee Float" issued from Batesville Land District, in name of Samuel Ward; witnessed by Geo. W. Knox and Silas C. Colville.

3. 1836 August 2: Assignment: W.W. Fleming (Crawford County) to D.T. (Crawford County); "Cherokee Float" issued from Batesville Land District in name of William Ingraham; (not signed by Fleming).

4. 1836 August 10: Receipts [2]: Mathew Leeper (Receiver, Fayetteville) to D.T. (Crawford County); Receiver's Receipts Nos. 1463-4, \$318.45 and \$535.12, for lands in T. 8N, R. 30 and 31.

5. 1836 August 22: Receipt: S.(?)O. Harris (Fayetteville) to Gipson May (?); \$40, "by the hand of D.T."

6. 1836 October 25: Letter: P.H. Morgan (Mouth of White River) to D.T. (Little Rock); housing, improvements, sale of cord wood to steamboats, etc.

7. 1836 October 25: Letter: Wm. Armstrong (Choctaw Agency) to D.T. (Columbus); Thompson and Drennen in Indian trade.

8. 1836 November 9: Letter: L.C. Taylor (Little Rock) to D.T. (Little Rock); request that D.T. enter for him 10 sections of good cotton land in Arkansas or Louisiana.

9. 1836 November 12: Statement-of-Account: Thompson and McLemore to D.T.; settlement.

Box **Folder**

1. 1836 November 2: Title Bond: Thomas Phillips and Daniel Phillips; to David Thompson and John Drennen; improvement right in Northwest fractional quarter section No. 25 of T. 9N, R. 32W, Crawford County; in consideration \$11,000.

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2. 1837 September 29: Deed: Hugh Pierce et ux Prudence; to J.D.; 263.26 acres in Crawford County, fractional sections Nos. 25 and 36 of T. 9N, R. 32W; in consideration \$500.

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1. 1837 January (?): Statement-of-Account: Thompson and McLemore to D.T.; settlement.

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2. 1837 March 30: Letter: Shepherd Brown (Little Rock) to D.T. (Little Rock); arrival in Little Rock, intended departure for Helena, exchange of \$300 silver for U.S. paper, inquiry as to land papers,, etc.

3. 1837 April 10-11: Receipts [3]: Mathew Leeper, Receiver (Fayetteville) to D.T. (Crawford County); Nos. 1515, 1517, 113, in amounts of \$167.27, \$200.00, \$125.00, respectively; 133.82 acres, 160 acres, 80 acres in T. 7N, R. 30 W, and T. 7N, R. 31W, and T. 9N, R 31W, respectively; Nos. 1517 and

1513 endorsed on reverse in assignment to John C. McLemore and Sterling Neblett; cover annotated, "The United States Receivers Receipts or Land Certificates belonging to John C. McLemore, David Thompson and Sterling Neblett left with John A. Read by Jno. C. McLemore subject to the order of said Thompson. Louisville November 30, 1837."

4. 1837 April 15: Letters-Patent: Samuel D. King, Recorder of the General Land Office ad interim (Washington, D.C.) to D.T. (Crawford County); 136.83 acres in T. 1S, R 11 W.

5. 1837 April 17: Letter: Wm. Lambert (Richmond, Va.) to D.T. (Little Rock); "Military claims of Hogg and Spottswood."

6. 1837 April 22: Receipt: J[ohn] C. Hale to D.T.; \$200 from Thompson and McLemore, for examining lands in Louisiana and Arkansas.

Box **Folder**

1. 1837 April 26: Receipt: J. (?) R.R. ? to John C. Hale; \$125 "...for services rendered David Thompson..."

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2. 1837 April 20: Letter: Sam W. Walker (Memphis) to "Mr. Brackenridge;" request for payment, through D.T., of amount of "...your due Bill of Col. Sam McFall of Ky...."

3. 1837 April 29: Deed: Samuel W. Walker (Crawford County) to D.T. (Crawford County); 80 acres in T. 9N, R. 31W.

4. 1837 May 1: Power-of-Attorney: John C. McLemore (Memphis) and D.T. (Van Buren) to Sterling Neblett (Lunenburg County, Va.), at Memphis, to disposes of coal banks.

5. 1837 May 4: Certificate: H.L. Biscoe, Register (Land Office, Helena); George Belton donation claim.

6. 1837 May 4: Memorandum: John C. McLemore (Memphis) to D.T.; advice and instructions (9 pp) on how to proceed in exploiting opportunities for speculation in Robertson Colony and other Texas lands.

7. 1837 May 16: Letter: A. Henderson (Mt. Pinson, Mt. Pleasant ?, N.C.) to D.T. (Van Buren); inability to deliver colt as promised, continued interest in projected scheme.

8. 1837 May 20: Letter: Sterling Neblett (Richmond, Va.) to John C. McLemore (Memphis); hopeful outlook for Neblett-McLemore-Thompson coal mining venture in Arkansas; financial condition of nation, including possible effects on Southwest of suspension of spice payments.

Box **Folder**

1. 1837 May 27: Letter: Sterling Neblett (Brickland, Lunenburg County, Va.) to D.T. (Van Buren); plans for commencing coal mining operations in Arkansas.

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2. 1837 May 27: Letter: Sterling Neblett (Brickland, Lunenburg County, Va.) to D.T. (Memphis); copy, supra, q.v.

3. 1837 June 1: Letter: Wm. McGwin (Natchez) to D.T. ("expected at Natchez"); request for receipt for draft given Thompson and McLemore in payment for entering lands for Gwin.

4. 1837 June 1: Receipt: [supra], enclosed for execution.

5. 1837 June 8: Letter: Sterling Neblett (Brickland, Lunenburg County, Va.) to John C. McLemore (Memphis); financing of and implementation of coal mining venture at Spadra Bluff.

6. 1837 June 8: Letter: Sterling Neblett (Brickland, Lunenburg County, Va.) to D.T. (Van Buren); ditto

7. 1837 June 16: Letter: Sterling Neblett (Richmond, Va.) to John C. McLemore (Memphis); plans to enlist aid of William R. Johnson of Virginia in capitalizing mining venture.

8. 1837 June 30: Letter: Sterling Neblett (Richmond, Va.) to John C. McLemore (Memphis); interest of Col. William R. Johnson in Neblett-McLemore-Thompson mining venture and in Galveston Company.

Box **Folder**

1. 1837 July 4: Letter: Lewis J. (?) Mangusson (Madisonville, Ky.?) and Geo. H. Marshall to D.T. (Vicksburg); agreement to purchase D.T.'s goods; D.T.'s romantic involvement with Marshall's sister.

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2. 1837 July 28: Letter: J. Widgery (?) and Co. (New Orleans) to D.T. (Little Rock); offer to buy \$2000,000 stock in Spadra Bluff mining venture.

3. 1837 August 4: Letter: G.(?)B. Milligan (New Orleans) to D.T. (Van Buren); enclosing copy of July 7 letter (Milligan to D.T.), in regard to land matters, including land entries for S. Davis and W.M. Gwin in Washington, Fayetteville, and Little Rock Land Offices.

4. 1837 August 23?: Certificate: Jesse Miller (Crawford County); certifying location and extent of coal deposits on Massard Creek, T. 8N, R. 31 W; attest by Pickett and Gregg, Samuel Tagert and Co.

5. 1837 August 23: Certificate: Constantine Perkins (Crawford County); ditto; attest by Pickett and Gregg, Samuel Tagert and Co., Samuel Foster.

6. 1837 August 30: Notice (Fragment): D.T. (Crawford County), at Fayetteville; agreement with Register to pay acreage rate.

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1. 1837 September 17: Letter: Elijah Cheatham (Mouth of Arkansas) to D.T. (Van Buren); negotiation to purchase 60 acres.

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2. 1837 September 13: Receipt: John C. Hale to Thompson and McLemore; itemized and receipted statement on account of services in examining lands.

3. 1837 September 18?: Certificate: Harrison Oliver, James Armstrong, and John Ewing (at Van Buren); certifying accessibility of coal deposits on Frog Bayou, T. 9N, R. 31 W.

4. 1837 September 20: Certificate: Sam W. Walker and T. Mussett (at Van Buren); certifying extent of coal deposits at Spadra Bluff.

5. 1837 September 20: Letter: Sam W. Walker (Van Buren) to Sterling Neblett (Brickland, Lunenburg County, Va.); requesting payment of sight draft drawn by D.T. and John C. McLemore.

6. 1837 October 9: Letter: A. Williamson (Fort Gibson) to D.T. (Van Buren); inquiring as to business possibilities in Van Buren for " Young man of studious and industrious habits."

7. 1837 October 14: Receipt ("Duplicate"): H.J. McKenzie, Sheriff, Arkansas, County, to D.G.W. Leavitt for D.T., \$32.47, state and county taxes 1837.

8. 1837 October 24: Letter: Wm.A.M. Brooke, Acting-Agt., Chickasaw Emigration (Fort Coffee) to D.T. (Van Buren); demanding delivery of corn received from Lieut. Morris, U.S.A.

9. 1837 October: Certificate: Robert McMurry (Spadra Bluff); certifying extent of coal deposit for Spadra Bluff.

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| 1. 1837 November 13: Letter: John Estill (?) (Nashville) to D.T. (Memphis); plans to leave Nashville to meet D.T. | 2 | 2f |
| 1. 1837 November 30: Letter: John C. McLemore (Louisville) to D.T. or Sterling Neblett (Richmond, Va.) he will not come on to Richmond, but has arranged forwarding of title papers if needed. | 2 | 2g |
| 2. 1837 December 10: Certificate: B. Moody: certified copy of June 21, 1832 certificate, executed by J.J. Harding and Albert James, authenticating lineage of horse owned by D.T. | | |
| 3. 1837 December 12: Letter: Thomas C. Willson (Chesterfield, Va.?) to D.T. (Richmond); horse trading. | | |
| 4. 1837 December 14: Letter: James Whitcomb, Commissioner (General Land Office, Washington) to Archibald Yell (U.s. House of Representatives); transmitting Fayetteville (Ark.) patents in favor of George Morrow and D.T. | | |
| 5. 1837 December 21?: Letter: Margaret Palmor (?) (New Gascony, Jefferson County, Ark.) to D.T. (Van Buren); negotiating purchase of Jefferson County lands from D.T. | | |
| 6. 1837 December 23: Memorandum of Agreement: Thomas R. Potts (Va.) with D.T., John C. McLemore, and Sterling Neblett; contracting Potts as agent and superintendent in coal mining operations. (memorandum only; not executed instrument.) | | |
| 7. 1837 December 31: Letter: L. (?) Henderson (Batesville) to D.T. (Van Buren); effort to arrange meeting at Little Rock. | | |
| 8. 1837 (?): List of Lands. | | |

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| 1. 1837-1839: Notebook: D.T.; plats, lists, memoranda, clipping, pertaining to lands. | 2 | 2h |
| 1. 1838 January 9: Memorandum of Agreement: D.T. with William Alexander (Lynchburg, Va.) employment of Alexander as horse trainer; endorsed by Alexander January 10 to receipt payment of \$200. | 2 | 2i |
| 2. 1838 January 10: Receipt: Wm. Alexander to D.T.; \$175 "...to defray the expense of Horses to the State of Arkansas." | | |
| 3. 1838 February 26: Letter: D.T. Witter (Washington, Ark.) to D.T. (Little Rock); replying to inquiries regarding taxes on D.T.'s lands, sale of Lewis Randolph lands for taxes. | | |
| 4. 1838 February 28: Memorandum: P? ? Johnson to L ? ? ?; request to pay D.T. \$16 for saddle and blanket. | | |
| 5. 1838 February 28: Title Bond: D.T. to Jacob S. Whittmore [sic]; 4 lots in Lewisburgg, Conway County; (copy only, not executed instrument.) | | |
| 6. 1838 March 9: Letter: D.G.W. Leavitt (Arkansas Post) to D.T. (Van Buren) requesting \$33.96 1/2 for payment of 1837 taxes on D.T.'s and Sheperd Brown's lands. | | |
| 7. 1838 March 31: Letter: Wm.M. Gwin (Jackson, Miss.) to D.T. (Van Buren); asking payment on notes due. | | |
| 8. 1838 April 5: Letter (copy): D.T. (Vicksburg) to John McLemore and Sterling Neblett: proposed formation of "...a joint stock company for the purpose of working coal mines on the Arkansas River." | | |
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1. 1838 April 5: Deed: D.T. (Crawford County, Ark.) to John C. McLemore (Tenn.) and Sterling Neblett (Va.); equal undivided thirds in lands in Crawford County; (copy only, not executed instrument).	2	2j
1. 1838 April 9: Affidavit: Dennis Tramell (Crawford County); Henry Anderson and Mitchell Anderson are sole lawful heirs of the deceased Solomon Moffet of Miller County, Ark.; certified by Alexander McLean, Clerk of Circuit County.	2	2k
1. 1838 April 17: Letter: D.T. (New Orleans) to Dr. Stirling [sic] Niblett [sic] (Vicksburg); plans for financing and for implementing coal mining operations.	2	2l
1. 1838 May 4: Letter: Thomas Durr (Napoleon) to D.T. (Montgomery's Point); proposed exchange of lands near Napoleon.	2	2m
2. 1838 May 18: Letter: Edwin Jones (Mississippi County) to D.T. (Van Buren); collection of debts owed by "Harris" and Dr. Henry C. Bradford.		
3. 1838 May 27: Letter: John C. McLemore (Lagrange, Tenn.) to D.T. (Montgomery's Point); D.T.'s successful beginnings in joint coal mining venture.		
4. 1838 May 30: Letter: Wm.S. Cumby (Mouth White River) to D.T. (Van Buren); Cumby's assignment of D.T.'s note to Bennett Morrill and Co. (?) in purchase of slave.		
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1. 1838 June 8: Letter: James McKissick (Register's Office, Fayetteville) to Drennen and Thompson (Van Buren); requesting return of "...original papers of Hugh Purce's (?) claim..."	2	2n

2. 1838 June 10: Letter: D.G.W. Leavitt (Napoleon) to D.T. (Van Buren); offer to buy land near Mouth of Arkansas.

3. 1838 June 27: Letter: Wm. Armstrong (Choctaw Agency) to D.T. (Van Buren); sale of Thompson's horses.

4. 1838 July 7: Letter: John Ringgold (Batesville) to D.T. (Van Buren); discounting of a note of Branch of State Bank; Cummin's 4th-of-July address in defense of National Bank, vs. Sub-Treasury System and Candidate Edward Cross.

5. 1838 July 9: Receipt: Peter E. Lefare (?) to D.T.; \$50, for services to Shepherd Brown of Virginia in examining Arkansas lands.

6. 1838 July 12: Letter: G.G. (?) Milligan (New Orleans) to D.T. (Van Buren); proposed transaction in lands near Fort Smith.

7. 1838 July 12: Letter: D.G.W. Leavitt (Arkansas Post) to D.T. (Van Buren); proposed transaction in lands near Fort Smith.

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1. 1838 July 23: Letter: D.T. Morgan (Pittsburg, Pa.) to D.T. (Van Buren); appraisal of Thomson's unimproved land in Jefferson County at \$12 per acre.	2	20

2. 1838 July 25: Letter: Thos. S. Hyanes (Lewisburgh) to D.T. (Van Buren); sale of, and taxes due on land owned by D.T.

3. 1838 July 29: Letter: Isaac C. Winans (Heckatoo) to D.T. (Van Buren) offer to buy tract in Arkansas County.

4. 1838 August 10: Receipt: Mathew Leeper (Receiver's office, Fayetteville) to D.T. (Crawford County); \$318.45 in payment of \$254.76 acres at \$1.25; assigned by D.T. to James A. Scott September 27; recorded by Alexander McLean, Clerk of Circuit Court; entered at Fayetteville Land Office September 11 by Receivers James McKisick and Mathew Leeper.

5. 1838 August 13: Letter: D.T. (Van Buren) to Dr. Wm.W. Wilkins (Gaston, N.C.); D.T.'s indebtedness and need of capital, financing of coal mining venture, speculative opportunities in Arkansas; (copy only, not signed).

6. 1838 August 13: Letter: D.T. (Van Buren) to William H. Macfarland (Richmond, Va.); arrangements to pay Macfarland money owed him, proposal for Macfarland's investment in coal mining venture; (copy only, not signed).

7. 1838 August 13: Letter: D.T. (Van Buren) to Col. John (?) Heth (?) (Virginia); plans to sell stock in Arkansas Mining and Manufacturing Co., speculative opportunities in Arkansas and Mississippi, request for pedigree on horses; (copy).

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1. 1838 August 21: Letter: J.B. (?) Chapman (Richmond) to D.T. (Van Buren); pedigree and merits of horse.

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2. 1838 September 1: Deed: Thompson Ratliff et ux (Van Buren) to D.T. (Van Buren); 80 acres in Crawford County; (memorandum only, not executed instrument).

3. 1838 September 8: Receipt: J[onathan] D. McGee (Van Buren) to D.T. (Van Buren); medical account paid.

4. 1838 September 10: Letter: D.T. (Van Buren) to Capt. Dilliard [sic] (Fort Gibson); challenge to, and wager on horse race.

5. 1838 September 10: Letter: D.T. (Van Buren) to Capt. Dilliard [sic]; ditto.

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1. 1838 September 14: Receipts (5): Mathew Leeper, Receiver (Fayetteville) to D.T. (Crawford County); Nos. 1512, 2533, 2534, 2534, and 2573; dated April 11, 1837, July 16, 1838, July 16, 1838, July 16, 1838, and August 16, 1838, respectively; in amounts \$100, \$89.55, \$51.98, \$50, and 126,83, respectively; for 80, 71.64, 41.59, 40, and 101.47 acres, respectively, in T. 8N, R, 31W, at \$1.25; certified September 11, 1838 by James McKisick, Register, and Leeper; recorded September 11, 1838 by James McKisick, Register, and Leeper; recorded September 14, 1838 by Alexander McLean, Clerk, Circuit Court, Crawford County.

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1. 1838 September 14: Receipt (Duplicate): Mathew Leeper, Receiver (Fayetteville) to D.T. (Crawford County); No. 1464, dated August 10, 1836, in amount of \$535.12, for 428.1 acres in T. 8N, R, 31W, at \$1.25; certified September 20, 1838 by James McKisick, Register, and Leeper; recorded September 14, 1838 by Alexander McLean.

2. 1838 September 15: Letter: D.T. (Van Buren) to "Dear Col."; "...Lands Entered in the name of John Drennen..."

3. 1838 September 15: Letter: John B. Victor (Poteau Crossing) to D.T. (Van Buren); offer to buy lands adjoining Choctaw line.

4. 1838 September 20: Certificate: James McKisick (Register, Land Office, Fayetteville); entry of D.T. claims August 10, 1838.

5. 1838 September 20: Certificate: James McKisick, Register, and Mathew Leeper, Receiver (Land Office, Fayetteville); entry, June 9, 1836, of 40 acres in T. 8N, R., 31 [W], by Moses Fisher, per Receiver's Receipt and Patent Certificate No. 1224.

6. 1838 September 24: Receipt: Mathew Leeper, Receiver (Fayetteville) to Thompson Ratcliff [sic] (Crawford County); No. 1152, May 16, 1836, in amount \$100, for 80 acres in T. 8N, R. 31W at \$1.25; certified September 20, 1838 by James McKisick and Leeper; assigned September 24, 1838 by Thompson Ratliff et ux to D.T.; attest by Edward A. Scott; recorded September 24, 1838 by Alexander McLean, Clerk, Circuit Court, Crawford County.

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1. 1838 September 30: Letter: A[ugust] P[ierre] Choteau (Fort Smith) to D.T. (Van Buren); Choteau-Dillard-Thompson agreement regarding horse-racing.

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1. 1838 October 6: Deed of Mortgage: D.T. (Van Buren) to Real Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas; 1,858 acres of Crawford County lands, for stock taken in bank; witnessed by John Drennen and Alexander McLean.

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1. 1838 October 10: Letter: D.F. Sims (Memphis) to D.T. (Van Buren); inquiry regarding deed to Sims and James Kimble; news of mutual friends.

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2. 1838 October 12: Receipt: Jesse Turner, for Jesse Miller, Franklin County Sheriff, to D.T.; payment of \$54.36 on 1838 taxes in Franklin County lands of D.T.

3. 1838 October 19: Letter: W[illiam] Mc[Kendree] Gwin (Jackson?) to D.T. (Van Buren); arrangements regarding payment of note due.

4. 1838 October 20: Notice: W[illiam] McK. Ball (Cashier, Branch of the Bank of Arkansas, Fayetteville) to D.T. (Van Buren); \$1,000 note due November 19 may be renewed for four months on payment of interest and on reduction of principal by 10%.

5. 1838 November 26: Letter: J.(?)B. Chapman (Richmond, Va.) to D.T. (Van Buren); offer by Chapman and "Mr. Randolph" to "take one thousand dollars payable here on the 1st March next and fifteen hundred dollars worth of the coal property in which you are interested..."

6. 1838 ?: Receipt: Eli Bell (Sheriff and collector, Crawford County) to D.T.; \$204.17 state and county taxes, 1838, for Gwin and Davis.

7. circa 1838: Plat: U.S. Congress; "Map of the District North of Red River, La."

8. circa 1838: Plat: U.S. Congress; "Map of the South Western District Louisiana."

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1. 1839 January 3: Receipts (3): P[eter] T. Crutchfield, Receiver (Little Rock) to D.T. (Nashville and Crawford County); Nos. 1654, 1656, and 2133; amounts \$100, \$100, and \$300, respectively; for 80, 80, and 240 acres in T. 7S, R. 6W, at \$1.25; certified January 3, 1839 by Samuel M. Rutherford, Register.

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2. 1839 January 25: Receipt: J[onathan] D. McGee to D.T. (Van Buren); note in full payment for 1,000 bu. corn.

3. 1839 January 26: Lease: D.T. to Robert W. Miles (Crawford County); frame house, adjoining Tyry Mussett's store, for 1 year from April 1, 1839 at \$400.

4. 1839 February 7: Deed: Mary Duboise (Benton County) to Richard Johnston; 320 acres in T. 5s, R. 8W, for \$800; certification by Matthew English (Justice of Peace) and John B. Dickson (Circuit Clerk).

5. 1839 February 8: Memorandum: G.D. (?) Williams (Van Buren) to D.T.; order to pay Eli Asher (?) \$2.75.

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1. 1839 February 11: Power-of-Attorney: John Drennen to D.T.; to sell Drennen's interest in Van Buren town lots, North Dardanelle town lots, Lewisburg town lots, attest by Alexander McLean, Jesse Turner.

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1. 1839 February 11: Letter: Sam W. Walker (Fort Gibson) to D.T. (Van Buren); settlement of Walkers' debts.

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1. 1839 February 12: Letter: Richard Pheland (Fayetteville) to D.T. (Van Buren); to purchase lands in Franklin County from D.T.

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2. 1839 February 14: Letter: W.L. Oldham, Acting Register (Fayetteville) to D.T. (Van Buren); transmitting Receiver's Receipts.

3. 1839 February 26: Letter: Davis [sic] Thompson (Helena) to D.T. (Van Buren) advising location of Lovely claims on behalf of D.T., and other land matters; death of Breckenridge precludes collection of note; race horses.

4. 1839 March ? 21?: Letter: D.G.W. Leavitt (Napoleon) to D.T. (Van Buren); sale of D.T.'s lands in Arkansas County for taxes.

5. 1839 March 29: Letter: John Garner (Paymyra, Tenn.?) to D.T.; requesting payment on \$130 owed by D.T.

6. 1839 March 30: Letter: W[illiam] McK. Ball (Fayetteville) to D.T. (Johnson County); entering of lands (?).

7. 1839 April 7 (?): Letter: J.W. (?) Writsman [sic] (Hillsborough? Millsborough? Cane Hill?) to D.T. (Van Buren); horse-racing.

8. 1839 April 12: Letter: J.(?)T. Mea? (Van Buren) to D.T. (Spadra Bluff); to dun for payment due March 15 on note to Murchison and Doyal.

9. 1839 April 22: Letter: L.(?) Henderson (Memphis) to A[bsalom] Fowler (Little Rock); notice of settlement of collection against D.T.

10. 1839 April 25: Letter: D.T. (Helena) to Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chicot County; transmitting Richard Johnston deeds for recording and inquiring as to taxes paid and due.

11. 1839 April 26: Letter: D.T. (Columbia, Ark.) to Joel Johnston (Georgetown, Ky.); inquiring as to title to lands in T. 16S, R. 1W.

12. 1839 April 26: Receipt: Johnson Chapman, Clerk, Circuit Court of Chicot County, to D.T.; \$9.33 fees, recording Richard Johnston deeds, etc.

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1. 1839 June ?: Expense Account (8 pp.): "Bill of Expense" for horse Experiment, February 18 to June 21, 1839, and other financial records for stables at Hillsborough (Millsborough?, Cane Hill?).	3	3i
1. 1839 July 7: Letter: G.(?)B. Milligan (New Orleans) to D.T. (Van Buren); taxes on, and matters relating to, S. Davis and W.M. Gwin lands entered in Washington, Fayetteville, and Little Rock land offices.	3	3j

2. 1839 July 29: Receipt: Alex[ander] Boileau, "Act Teller," State Bank of Arkansas (Little Rock) to D.T.; \$372.95 paid, to credit of John Ward, Patrick and Alston, E.B. Alston.

3. 1839 September 10: Letter: Shepherd Brown (Louisville, Ky.) to D.T. (Van Buren); recording deeds to tract on Arkansas River, economic conditions in nation, unlikely prospects for a bank in Van Buren and for sale of Arkansas State Bonds, assignment of Sterling Neblett's promissory note, and prospective land trades.

4. 1839: Statement-of-Account: D.T. in account with John Garner; \$23.--net; memorandum on reverse.

5. 1839 October 22: Letter: L.(S?) Trenor (?) (New York) to D.T. (Van Buren); to collect \$40 owed by D.T.

6. 1839 November 13 (?): Appraisal: Samuel Foster and Samuel Tagert (Van Buren); "Inventory of Personal Property belonging to the Estate of David Thompson Dece...", appraised at \$2,139.31 1/2.

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1. 1839 November 19: Appraisal: Tyra Mussett, John Bostick, and Samuel G. Hensley (Van Buren); "...valuation of Personal Estate of David Thompson Dece," appraised at \$4,004.00; affidavit sworn before Robt. S. Gibson, Justice of Peace.

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2. 1839 December 20: Statement-of-Account: Robert W. Mills (Van Buren) to Scott-Cunningham, Administrators of the Estate of David Thompson dec; copy of note and itemized statement of claim, \$244.13; certified by Robert S. Gibson, Justice of Peace.

3. 1839?: Memorandum: unfinished draft of instrument dealing with Van Buren town lots deeded, in his lifetime, by D.T. (deceased) and John Drennen to George Paschal.

4. 1839: Legal Form: Albert Pike?: draft of form, for execution by Johnson County sheriff, certifying service of writ of attachment against John C. McLemore Lands.

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1. circa 1839: Plat: "South Eastern District Louisiana."

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2. circa 1839: Plat: "St Helena District, La."

Box **Folder**

1. 1839 November 5 to 1841 October 15: Letter Copybook: Edward Cunningham and James A. Scott, Administrators of D.T., Deceased (Nov. 5, 1839-June 19, 1840), and Geo. W. Paschal and Jesse Turner, Administrators de bonis non (July 21, 1840-Oct. 15, 1841); letters to several, in administration of estate.

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1. 1840 March 4: Certified Transcript of Proceedings and Affidavit: Jesse Brown, Justice of Peace (Big Rock Township); judgment \$100 and costs, March 2, 1838, in Justice Court, in favor of plaintiffs Nancy B. Rainey (Administratrix of Estate of Samuel Rainey, Deceased) and James Draper (Administrator of Estate of John Rainey, Deceased), vs. defendant D.T.; certified January 9, 1840 by Jesse Brown, J.P.; affidavit of George C. Watkins, attorney for plaintiffs, sworn before Brown March 4, 1840.

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2. 1840 April 1: Lease: James A. Scott and Edward Cunningham (Administrators) to Robert W. Miles; D.T.'s store house adjoining Tyre Mussett's (Van Buren); one year at \$400.

3. 1840 April 8: Certified Statement-of-Account (2 original copies); G ? Brooking and Co. to estate of D.T., September 20, 1838 [sic], \$2.50; sworn by Bevien Brooking before John S. Scott, Crawford County Justice of Peace, April 8, 1840.

4. 1840 May 9: Certified Statement-of-Account: James M. Aiken to James A. Scott and Edward Cunningham, Administrators; \$3,529.41 on promissory note given by D.T. June 18, 1839; "Exhibited, approved, and allowed...14th Sept. 1480 [by] Geo. W. Paschal and Jesse Turner, Adms. de bonis non."

5. 1840 June 8: Certified Statement-of-Account: John K. Frame (Hot Spring County) to Jesse Turner [Geo. W. Paschal, Administrators de bonis non] (Van Buren); \$50 on promissory note given by D.T. September 5-9, 1837; copy of note endorsed as to date by J.C. Hale; "...exhibited, approved and allowed...17th Aug. 1840 [by] Geo. W. Paschal..."

6. 1840 June: Certified Statement-of-Account: Tyrey [sic] Mussett, (Assignee of A.L.H. Crenshaw, Wesley Marrs, and John Drennen) to James A. Scott and Edward Cunningham, Administrators; \$435.03 1/2 total; (copy only, certification not executed by Crawford County Justice of Peace Samuel Foster).

7. 1840 July 21: Letter: John Scott (Baltimore) to James A. Scott (Van Buren); difficulties in collecting on Sterling Neblett note due estate of D.T.; personal and familial matters.

8. 1840 August 12: Certified Statement-of-Account: George W. Rowan (Van Buren) to George W. Paschal and Jesse Turner, (Administrators de bonis non); Rowan and John Bostick August 12, 1840 before Crawford County Justice of Peace Isaac Herrick (?); "Exhibited and allowed 12th Octr. 1840 [by] Geo. W. Paschal and Jesse Turner Admsr."

9. 1840 August 17: Certified Statement-of-Account: Bevien Brookins (Van Buren) to James A. Scott and Edward Cunningham, Administrators; January 15, 1840 statement in amount \$6.50 for "selling property as Auctioneer;" sworn before Crawford County Justice of Peace Isaac Herrick; "Exhibited and allowed 17th Aug. 1840 Geo. W. Paschal Jesse Turner Admsr."

10. 1840 September 14: Certified Statement-of-Account: Tyree Mussett to estate of D.T.; \$340.80 on promissory note of August 2, 1838 given by D.T. in discharge of \$285 debt and secured by James A. Scott, plus \$55.80 interest to July 15, 1840; sworn by Mussett and Scott before Crawford County Justice of Peace Isaac Herrick.

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1. 1840 October 10: Letter: Tho. B. Emmerson (Athens, Tenn.) to D.T. or John Drennen (Van Buren); rumor of D.T.'s death, inquiry regarding Emmerson's land in Arkansas and the state of his claims, request to forward land papers.	3	3o
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2. 1840 November 10: Certified Statement-of-Account (Copy): William Triplett (Big Rock Township) to Estate of D.T.; \$304 for payment made to R.C. Hawkins on judgement vs. D.T., etc.; sworn before Pulaski County Justice of Peace George H. Brunett; "Exhibited and allowed as to 100 dollars... 9th Feby 1841."		
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3. 1840 November 24: Certified Statement-of-Account: E.a. Morgan (Pittsburgh, Pa.) to Estate of D.T.; \$66.24 for boarding and other school costs to July 14, 1838 for David, Calvin, and Julia Thompson, less \$210 paid July 1838, to January, 1839 by "Mr. Knox" and "Mr. Scott"; sworn by David T. [sic] Morgan before Pittsburch Alderman David Drenner; certified by H.H. Peterson (?), prothonotary of Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, Pa.; and other costs from July, 1838 to May, 1839); total of \$634.24 "Exhibited and allowed Dec. 31st 1840 Geo. W. Paschal Jesse Turner Adms. De Bonis non..."		
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4. 1840 December 9: Certified Statement-of-Account: David Randolph to Jesse Turner and Geo. W. Paschal; \$1,000 promissory note given to Randolph March 22, 1839, in Johnston County, by D.T. "for value received;" sworn before Pulaski County Justice of Peace J. Gould by Lambert Reardon, assignee; "Exhibited and allowed 4th Jany 1841."		
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1. 1841 April ?: Statement-of-Account: R.W. Miles to Estate of D.T.; \$79.93 net on D.T. promissory notes, 1839 and 1840, "taken up by L. [W?] Miles adm. of R.W. Miles 22nd April 1841."	3	3p
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2. 1841 April 21: Receipt and Release: L.W.(?) Miles (Van Buren), administrator of Robert W. Miles, Decd., to Jesse Turner and Geo. W. Paschal, Administrators de bouis non of D.T.; \$279.52, allowed as credit on two notes due Robert W. Miles; releasing claims vs. Cunningham and Scott as administrators.

3. 1841 June 15: Certified Statement-of-Account (Copy): Jesse Lawther (Clarksville) to Turner and Paschel, adminstrator de bonis non; \$49.50, for medical services to D.T. July 15 to August 18, 1839; sworn before Crawford County Justice of Peace R.P. Pryor; "Exhibited and allowed 15th June 1841."

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1. 1842 January 20, 21?: Deed: John Drennen and Emily R. [sic] Drennen, and Jesse Turner and George W. Paschal (as administrators) to __ Hopkins (Baltimore); Van Buren town lots, for \$3,500; (copy only, not executed instrument).

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2. 1842 January 21: Deed: John Drennnen and Emily Drennen and Jesse Turner and George W. Paschal (as administrators) to Israel Griffith (Baltimore); Van Buren town lot No. 1 block 1, for \$2,000; (copy only, not executed instrument).

3. 1852 February 8?: Letter: Albert Pike (Little Rock) to Turner and Paschal (Van Buren); Langdon vs. Strong and Rudd, 2 Vt. Rep. 234, opinion regarding 25% maximum deduction from appraised value of lands conveyed by administrator in payment of debts.

4. 1842 March 12: Receipt and Release ("Duplicate"): Simon Murchison and Harrison Doyal (B Henry Bukcly, Attorney-in-fact) to George W. Paschal and Jesse Turner (as administrators); \$1,848,24 of judgment rendered in Crawford County Probate Court, in consideration of conveyance of 462.6 acres in T. 8N, R. 31 W.

5. 1842 March 15: Deed: Edward Cunningham and Susan Cunningham to Jesse Turner and George W. Paschal (as administrators de bonis non); 3.25 quarter sections in T. 9N, R. 31W, mortgaged to Real

Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas for 86 shares, conveyed, together with shares, in consideration of \$5.

6. 1842 March 23: Deed: Abram Sinclair (Sheriff, Johnson County) to Turner and Paschal (as administrators de bonis non); 297 acres in T. 9N, R. 24W, attached from John C. McLemore April 20, 1839 in execution of judgment awarded D.T. in amount of \$4,105 plus interest; at sheriff's sale March 21, 1842, for \$16.93 3/4.

7. 1842 April 17: Letter: G.S. Cook (Van Buren) to G.W. Paschal; urging immediate advertisement and sale of surveyed lots in D.T. estate.

8. 1842 May 19: Memorandum: J[ohn] C. McLemore; 700+ acres in T. 6 and 7 S, R. 5W, owned jointly by McLemore and D.T., valued at \$10 per acre, can be sold for \$6.

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1. 1842 May 26: Letter: R.C. Nicholas (Richmond, Va.) to John Scott (Baltimore), forwarded May 28 (with notation) to Turner and Paschal (Van Buren); regarding \$50 promised to Nicholson by Turner and Paschal, as part payment of fee for prosecuting suit against Sterling Neblett.

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2. 1842 June 16?: List: Paschal and/or Turner?; "A list of notes transferred by John Drennen to the Administrators of David Thompson dec."

3. 1842 June 17: Release: William M. Gwin (by Attorney-in-fact Gabriel S. Cook) to Turner and Paschal, administrators; \$1,840 of the \$9,027.48 allowed Gwin against estate; in consideration of conveyance to Francis A. Cook of 370 acres in T. 8N, R. 31 W.

4. 1842 September 5: Letters-Patent: J. Williamson, Recorder of the General Land Office (Washington, D.C.) to D.T. [and heirs]; 158.29 acres in T. 8S, R 5W.

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<p>1. 1843 March 4: Letter: "Ashley and Watkins per Geo[rge] C[laiborne] Watkins (Little Rock) to Geo. W. Paschal (Van Buren); proposing immediate arrangement of terms with "Mr. Finnan" for purchase of federal court judgment against D.T. estate and for prompt closing of administration of the estate.</p>	3	3s
<p>1. 1843 August 14: Release ("Duplicate"): Jonathan D. McGee to Turner and Paschal, administrators de bonis non; \$643.01 claim vs. D.T. estate, comprised of \$528.94 judgment of January 10, 1840 for \$500 debt and \$28.94 damages, and \$114.07 interest thereon; in consideration of conveyance, by Turner and Paschal with John Drennen, of Van Buren lots Nos. 1 and 2, 15 and 16 of block 17.</p>	3	3t
<p>2. 1844 October 23: Release: Robert S. Gibson to Turner and Paschal, administrators; \$1,000 claim vs. D.T. estate, as part of Crawford County Probate Court judgment of January 10, 1840 in the amounts of \$960 debt and \$138.08 interest, awarded to A.H. Crenshaw "to the use of" Gibson; in consideration of conveyance, by Turner and Paschal with John Drennen, of Van Buren lots nos. 9-12 block 15.</p>		
<p>3. 1844 October 23: Release ("Duplicate"): Gibson to Turner and Paschal, etc. [as above]; consideration of ... lot No. 7, block 13...; (accounting recapitulation appended).</p>		
<p>4. 1844 December 31: Receipt: Jesse Turner to Turner and Paschal, administrators; \$69.85 due Turner against estate for conveyance of lots 1-4 block 27 to "Mrs. Drennen, Jr." as allowed by Probate Court.</p>		
<p>5. 1844?: List: the undivided half of D.T.'s lands in T. 6s, R 7 W "conveyed to Sheppard [sic] Brown by administrators...for the sum of fourteen hundred dollars for claim against estate in 1842 or 3."</p>		
<p>6. 1854 August 26: Letter: A.K. Foster (Van Buren) to A. Pike; seeking of two lots in D.T.'s estate; Pike's notation to "Ogden" is appended.</p>		
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1. undated: List (6 pp.): of land entered [1835-39] by David Thompson, in Arkansas, and the amount sold for taxes, to whom sold, and the time [1841, 1843-44] qhwn aols, as appears from the Records of the Auditor's Office;" included on notations as to names of persons taxed for lands in 1845.

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2. undated: List (fragment? 2 pp.): "Lands entered by David Thompson not in the ? of Drennan vs. Thompson."

3. List (2 pp.): "A List of Accounts and Notes arising from the Sale in fav. Est. of David Thompson dec."

4. undated: Memorandum and arithmetical calculations (2 pp).

5. undated: List (2 pp.): "In Crawford and Sebastian Counties The Lands sold by the administrators of David Thompson, under the authority of the Act of the Legislature, past for that purpose, and dates of sale [1842 and 1847] are as follows."

6. undated: Balance Sheet: "The Fourth Land account exhibited by Jesse Turner and George W. Paschal adm of D.T. [sic]."

7. undated: Eulogy: "The departure of D. Goodall;" romantic prose, signed "A Friend amicus," with lock of hair enclosed.

Box**Folder**

1. undated: Cover Sheet, to document?: labeled, "Solomon Moffitt [sic] heirs;" "David Thompson Attorney in fact for Henry Anderson and Mitchell Anderson heirs at Law of Solomon [sic] Moffett."

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2. undated: List: "A List of Lands I wish Patents for lying in the State of Arkansas John Drennen of Van Buren Ark-address Hon. W.W. Fulton."

3. undated: Memoranda (4 pp.): regarding lands, in handwriting of D.T.

4. undated: Envelope: A.H. Sevier (Washington, D.C.) to D.T. (Little Rock), March 19.

5. undated: Memorandum: regarding sections in T. 12 and 13 S, R. 1 W.

6. undated: Memorandum: regarding conveyances in 1842, 1847.

7. undated: Memorandum: descriptions of land.

8. undated: Pedigree: "...mares and colts purchased by Mr. David Thompson at ...sale...."

9. undated: Statement-of-Account: D.T. to Wm.M. Gwin; with memorandum of "David Thompson's investment at Little Rock."

10. undated: Memorandum of lands "Geo. Bradie (?) bought of J.[?]C. Stevenson" and of "Auditors Sale 1849"

11. undated: Plat: T. 8S, R. 1#.

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1. undated: Biographical Sketch: of J(?)B. Powell.	4	4c
1. undated: Plat (fragment).	4	4d

2. undated: Memorandum: Archibald Prentice to "Mr. Paschal;" order to pay \$10 to "Mr. Simms."

3. undated: Letter (Copy): D.T. to Davis [sic] Thompson; entering of claims.

4. undated: Letter: L.C. Taylor (Clarksville, Tenn.) to D.T. (Nashville), September 15; objections to entering claims on land not seen.

5. undated: Plat; T. 8S, R. 6W.

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1. undated: Memorandum: regarding 318 acres in T. 15s, R. 1W"...from Wormack [Womack?] Patnet to Meridity..." etc.	4	4e

2. undated: Description: "...of Township HN in R. E East."

3. undated: Plat: "T.H.N.R.E. East;" with field notes on reverse.

4. undated: Plat: T. 20N, R. 11 E, with field notes on reverse.

5. undated: Letter: June 8, 183?; Dennis Tramell to D.T. (Little Rock).

6. undated: Description: "Township H. North in Range S. East --"

7. undated: Ledger Page (fragment): "Trip to Natchez for the purpose of Cashing J.[?]S. Skinners check," etc.

8. undated: Description: lands in Crawford County, etc.

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1. undated: List: lands T. 10N, R. 28 W and T. 8N, R. 24 W and T. 8N, R. 25 [W?].

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1. undated: Agreement: William D. Ferguson with John C. McLemore and D.T.; agreement to sell lands for which purchase price has been advanced; memorandum only, not signed).

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2. undated: List: "Lands Mortgaged in Crawford County by Tyre Mussett to the Western Branch R. E. State Bank..."

3. undated: Plat: "Township 11 South Range 10 West."

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1. undated: Letter: March 24; Danl. E.(?) Watrous (Montevalle Ala.) to D.T. (Nashville); Butler's lands.

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2. undated: Application: to Land-Office, Little Rock, for purchase of lands in T. 1 N, R. 9W; (not completed, not signed).

3. undated: Memorandum: "Bot[sic] of W.{M.?} Cowle..."

4. undated: Plat: T. 6S, R. 2 and 3 E.

5. undated: Plat: T. 8S,, R. 5W.

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1. undated: Plat (fragment).

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2. undated: Deed (Copy): "Copy of a contract of a Deed between Francois Michel Boone for a certain tract of Land," October 13, 1802.

3. undated: Memorandum: James J. McCarter (?) to "Mr. Thompson;" requesting inquiry of R[eturn?] J[onathan?] Meigs as to assets in Fyffe's (?) estate for payment of McCarter's claim.

4. undated: List: lands "conveyed by D. Thompson to James A. Scott..."

5. undated: Cover Sheet to document (?): labeled, "James S.[?] Polk Donation Claim;" in D.T.'s handwriting.

6. undated: Description: "...of lands in 15. S R 20 W..."

7. undated: List: "...of Lands in the name Robert Henderson Dennis Tramel..."

8. undated: "Receipt [sic] for Sugar Curing Ham's [sic]"

9. undated: Plat: "T Ey. N. R S. W."

10. undated: Letter: L.(?) Hankins (Hawkins?) (Helena) to D.T. (Little Rock); land purchases, etc.

Box **Folder**

1. undated: Notebook: David Thompson; Lists of Revolutionary War veterans receiving, or entitled to receive, land bounty warrants; "Names of those that have not received their commutation;" with memoranda, notations, etc.

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2. undated: Notebook: David Thompson; Lists of lands, expense records, memoranda, etc.

3. undated: Notebook: David Thompson; Lists of, and notations regarding, veterans receiving or entitled to receive land bounty warrants.

4. undated: Photograph: "Frances Aiken [sic] Thompson," mother of D.T.

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5. undated: Plats: bound volume.

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