

302 (Answer) I never did I sold a certain ~~Improvement~~
-ment to a man of the name of Arbuckle as well
as the deponant recollects and after it was found
that Improvements would not avail as was
expected Arbuckle gave the Improvement to
Lechart and when Lechart spoke to this deponant
about it he informed Lechart he would give
him a better Location and gave him this
Question) by same have you any interest in
Lands that depends upon the Establishment
of this Spring (Answer) I have been inter-
-ested in claims that call for certain dis-
-tances from this Spring but have sold my
Interest in them without recourse and con-
-sider myself altogether clear of them

Simon Kenton

The above deposition was taken and Subscribed before
in this 12th day of Sept. 1797 in the presence of
John Dowden & Josiah Davidson two disint-
-ested men and Subscribed by us the same
day and have caused a white
stickory near the said Spring to

303 be marked with the letters L I W
John Gutridge
Patt Hunter
Robt B Morton

Marion County Sit This deposition was
Returned by the Commissioners & Ordered
to be Recorded Teste
Marshall J. C. M.

The Deposition of Hayden Wells taken
to perpetuate the improvement of Thomas Young
by Consent of Henry Lee the claimant of
Youngs Preemption, William Ward in his
own right and John Kenton as agent of
Andrew Brockett Apeel of Cameron taken
on the 14th day of March 1797 at the house
of the said Henry Lee and in the presence
of the said Lee Ward & Kenton before John
Wilson and John Johnson Com^{rs} ap-
-pointed by the Court of Marion County
for this purpose and under the act of
the Genl Assembly in this case made
and provided This depts being first

24 Sworn Sayeth that Some time in June 1775 he this deponent in Company with Thomas Young and others Landed at the Mouth of Limestone for the purpose of Improving Lands and after advancing into the Country and making Several Improvements on the waters of Lawrence Creek and the waters of the North fork of Licking he the deponent with ^{the said} Thomas Young with some of the others built a Cabbin for the said Thomas Young in the aforesaid Neighborhood; and this deponent saith that the place this day Shown to the Commissioners for the said Youngs improvement he perfectly well recollects to a first building a Cabbin at the afores^d time in Company with the said Young; and further recollects that from an agreement which took place immediately after in camp he believes the improvement was to be the said Youngs. Ques^t did the agreement you speak of arise lawely from no person having objected or was it expressly agreed on (Ans^r) as well as I recollect it was expressly agreed on

305 Ques^t what Circumstances enables you to recollect this Cabbin to particularly (Ans^r) the Ground was one Reason its being the last which was built was another and its being near a branch was a third and that intended to take it myself if I did not get that on the North fork was another (Ques^t) how long a time intervened between building the Cabbin and the time you next saw it (Ans^r) about twenty Years (Ques^t) was there any indian encampment at this place when the Cabbin was built (Ans^r) I cannot be positive (Ques^t) was there any improvement made for Thomas Young down the Ohio below the mouth of Limestone (Ans^r) I cannot remember particularly (Ques^t) did you know or did you ever hear that the said Young ever claimed a preemption any where else (Ans^r) I do not know that I ever did (Ques^t) did you know or did you ever hear that the said Young ever had an improvement elsewhere (Ans^r) I am not positive (Ques^t) what Cabbin did you build the last except Youngs (Ans^r) Tho Tolls's I believe (Ques^t) did you build any Cabbin on the Stream at

306 the mouth of which Tho Tebb's Cabin
stands (Ans) not that I recollect we
built but one that I recollect after building
Tho Tebb's (Quest) at ⁱⁿ what time did Wm
Triplett & Thomas Young keep Camp together
(Ans) at the time the Survey was made to the
best of my recollection and further this
depo Saith not Gaydon Wells

Sworn to before me a Justice of the peace
for the said County this day & Year above
written John Willson

We the Court appointed by the Court of
Mason County for the purpose above ~~Expressed~~
do Certify that we have cause the said deposi-
tion to be taken and herewith send the same
enclosed and caused the place to be marked
in the presence of Basil Duke and Micha-
el Daugherty that is say one white Oak
marked TY & 3 notches 3 Elms marked
Y and 3 notches and one hickory marked
Y and 3 notches each tree being marked with
3 notches on three sides as Witness our
hands and seals the day & Year above
written John Willson (seal)
John Johnston (seal)

307 Mason County Ed This deposition ^{taken} on
Young improvement was returned by the
Commissioners and Ordered to be Recorded
Peter J. Marshall & Cms

The Deposition of William
Triplett of full age taken by Consent
of Henry Lee as Affee of Young Wm
Ward and John Henton as Agent for
Andrew Crockett Affee of Cannon taken
to perpetuate the improvement of said
Young, at the house of Henry Lee this
14th of March 1797 before John Willson
and John Johnson the Court ap-
pointed by the Court of Mason County
under the Act of the Genl Assembly in this
Case made and provided this deponent
being first Sworn Saith that in the year
1775 the Company to which he belonged
went out from the mouth of Limestone
where they landed to improve leaving
himself and as he has always ^{has} supposed