Civil War Draft Registrations in Hancock County

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Below are the number of slave owners, slaves, free Blacks, and free Mulattoes as reported in the 1850, 1860 and 1870 federal censuses of Hancock County, KY:

1850 Slave Schedule	1860 Slave Schedule	1870 U.S. Federal Census
134 slave owners	205 slave owners	707 Blacks
590 Black slaves	677 Black slaves	43 Mulattoes
32 Mulatto slaves	143 Mulatto slaves	
12 free Blacks	3 free Blacks	
1 free Mulatto	10 free Mulattoes	

Civil War Draft Registrations of Slaves in Hancock County, KY, 1863-1865

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During the Civil War by 1863 it became necessary for the federal government to enroll and draft men into the Union Army. The Conscription Act enacted 3 March 1863 declared that men between the ages of 20 and 45 were eligible for duty. Aliens who had filed their declaration of intention to become citizens were also eligible. The draft lasted until 1865, when the war ended. The records are part of Record Group 110 Records of the Provost Marshal General's Bureau. There were four drafts between 1863 and 1865, which included 3.175 million records. In July 1863, the army carried out the first of four drafts; the next three followed in 1864.

All males, including colored residents, between 20 and 45 were subjected to the draft. The following were exempt: men who were mentally or physically impaired; the only son of a widow; the son of infirm parents; and a widower with dependent children. A few paid a substitute to serve for them. The going price was around \$300, but quickly went to \$1,100 or more.

These records include 631 volumes of registries and are basically lists of individuals who registered for the draft. The records are split into two different classes, Class I are those aged 20-35 as well as those 36-45 and unmarried. Class II is everyone else that registered.

Enrollees had their names placed on consolidated lists. The lists are arranged by state, then by congressional district, and then alphabetically by the first letter of the surname. The lists give name, county & state of residence, age as of 1 July 1863, race, occupation, marital status, place of birth (state or country), former military service, and in a few cases additional remarks. The remarks included — over age; dead; in service; physical disability; and non resident (many upon emancipation emigrated elsewhere).

The data recorded in the lists varies from county to county. The individual entries may include other comments; such as in the case of colored enrollees their (slave) owners may be listed. The lists do not include information about the men's families. The colored enrollees were registered under the surname of their slave owners and not all subsequently selected that surname to be their own.

The consolidated lists show those men that were enrolled in the draft but give no clue as to whether or not they actually subsequently served in the Army or not. Of the almost 2.5 million men enrolled in the draft, only 5.54 percent were drafted.

The four consolidated lists of registrants were labeled Volumes 1 thru 4. Only the Volume 4 list contained "Colored" residents of Hancock County, KY. The list records the slaves name, age and owner's name.

The following are the "Colored slaves" of Hancock County, KY, who were registered for the Civil War Draft. The data within brackets are annotations by Jerry Long. The annotations are notes on the slave owner (from the Hancock County, KY 1860 Federal Census and the Hancock County, KY 1860 Census Slave Schedule) or Blacks listed in the Hancock County, KY 1870 Federal Census.

Enrollment List of Persons Subject to Military Duty in the Second District of Kentucky

Volume 4 – Hancock County – 1864

colored slave	200	owner	remarks	
colored slave	age	Owner	Temarks	
Adams, George	28	William Adams		
, 2	[William Ada	liam Adams (1798-1888), owned 24 slaves in 1860]		
Adams, Lewis	26	David Adams		
	[David Adam	rid Adams (1800-1894), owned 14 slaves in 1860]		
Adams, Samuel	27	William C. Adams		
	[William Cull	ulbertson Adams (1835-1877), owned 1 slave in 1860]		
Allen, Henry	40	Joe Allen	over age	
	[Henry Allen,	[Henry Allen, black, born c1819 KY, in Hancock County,		
	KY 1870 cens	ensus]		
Ayres, George	23	Thomas Ayres		
	[Thomas H. Ayres (1804-1876), owned 16 slaves in 1860]			
Beauchamp, Frank	26	John Beauchamp		
	[John W. Beauchamp (1831-1896); F. Beauchamp, black, born c1825 KY, in Hancock County, KY 1870 census]			
Beauchamp, George	30	Robert Beauchamp		
	[Robert Costi	n Beauchamp (1800-1884), o	wned 25 slaves in 1860]	
Beauchamp, Isaac	40	Robert Beauchamp		
		n Beauchamp (1800-1884), o	wned 25 slaves in 1860]	
Blanford, Henry	22	William Blanford		
	[William A. Blanford (1816-1873) owned 1 slave in 1860]			
Blanford, John	23	widow Blanford		
	[Nancy Ann Bryan Blanford (1783-1875), owned 2 slaves in 1860,			
	wife of Nathaniel Blanford (c1779-1853)]			
Boyd, Fred	42	Mrs. Boyd		
	- •	[Cynthia E. Crawford Boyd (c1808-1884), owned 5 slaves in 1850;		
	wife of William G. Boyd (1783-1863)]			
Brown, George				
	-	n, owned 1 slave in 1860]		
Bruner, George	36	George W. Bruner		

[George W. Bruner (1821-1901)]

Burnett, Joe 35 James Burnett

[James Burnett (1810-1895), owned 3 slaves in 1860]

Cristler, Levi 23 Nancy Cristler

[Nancy Pope Cristler / Christer (1806-1891), owned 4 slaves in

1860; wife of Joseph Cristler (1802-1840)]

Crockett, Albert -- Anthony Crockett

[Anthony Crockett (1809-1869)]

Crosby, Wilson Doyle 30 Crosby heirs (Daviess County, KY)

[Edmund Crosby died 1848-1850]

Davidson, Samuel 21 David Davidson

[Dr. David Davison (1818-1906), owned 6 slaves in 1860]

Daviess, Samuel 35 William R. Davis

[Dr. William Russell Davis (1832-1908), owned 1 slave in 1860]

Dulin, John 22 Thad Dulin

[Thaddeus Dulin (1829-1907), owned 5 slaves in 1860; John Dulin,

black, born c1838 KY, in Hancock County, KY 1870 census]

Edwards, Levi 20 William Edwards

[William Edwards (1824-1913)]

Hambleton, Stephen 40 William Hambleton

[? William Hamilton, born c1830]

Hawes, Joseph 20 Charles Theodore Hawes

[Charles Theodore Hawes (1833-1883)]

Hawes, Randle 26 Charles Theodore Hawes

[Charles Theodore Hawes (1833-1883]

Hawley, William 24 Mrs. Lyman C. Hawley

[Lyman Clark Hawley (c1820-c1865), owned 3 slaves in 1860, wife

Lucy E. Oberby (1828-1898)]

Ireland, Grandison 23 James Ireland

[James Beatty Ireland (1797-1901), owned 4 slaves in 1860]

Jett, James 30 Thomas Jett

[Thomas Fisher Jett (1826-1906]

Jett, William 24 J. P. M. Jett

[John Prince Miller Jett (1828-1911), owned 9 slaves in 1860]

Johnson, Stephen 35 Joseph Johnson

[Joseph L. Johnson (1819-1901)]

Lander, Daniel 34 Mrs. R. P. Lander

[Mrs. Rebecca P. Sterett Lander (1805-1886), owned 13 slaves in

1860, wife of Charles V. Lander (1798-1835)]

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Lander, Sam 28 Rebecca Lander

[Mrs. Rebecca P. Sterett Lander (1805-1886), owned 13 slaves in

1860, wife of Charles V. Lander (1798-1835)]

Lander, Willis 35 Mrs. R. P. Lander

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Lawson, John 30 Goldsby Lawson

[Goldsby Lawson (1807-1894), owned 11 slaves in 1860]

Lawson, Taylor 20 Goldsby Lawson

[Goldsby Lawson (1807-1894), owned 11 slaves in 1860]

Lawson, William 40 Goldsby Lawson

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Lewis, Ellis 23 Charles Lewis Lewis, Henry 23 Miss Lizzie Lewis

[Elizabeth Dunnington Lewis (1817-1883), father William Linton

Lewis (1777-1860) owned 12 slaves in 1860]

Lewis, Leonard 23 F. D. Lewis

[Frederick Dunnington Lewis (1812-1896), owned 1 slave in 1860; Leonard Lewis, black, born c1837, in Hancock County, KY 1870

census]

Lewis, Levin 31 Dr. Lewis

[Dr. Francis Dunnington Lewis (1807-1875), owned 5 slaves in

1860]

Lott, Frank 21 widow Lott

[Elizabeth Eubanks Lott (1798-1866), owned 4 slaves in 1860,

wife of Humphrey G. Lott (1803-1858)]

Mason, Eli 30 James Mason

[James Madison Mason (1815-1878), owned 6 slaves in 1860);

Eli Mason, black, born c1835 KY, in Hancock County, KY

1870 census]

Mason, Smith 25 Mrs. Betsey Mason

[William Mason 1791-1861), owned 9 slaves in 1860;

wife Elizabeth Henderson Mason (1792-c1870)]

Maxey, Wesley 25 W. B. Maxey

[William Bondurant Maxey (1810-1883), owned 1 slave in 1860]

Morton, Charles 23 M. M. Morton

[Marshall Milton Morton (1817-1891), owned 1 slave in 1860]

Newman, Madison 30 E. St. John Newman

[Edmond St. John Newman (1799-1860), owned 6 slaves in 1860]

Newman, Robert 25 E. St. John Newman

[Edmond St. John Newman (1799-1960), owned 6 slaves in 1860; Robert Newman, black, born c1839 KY, in Hancock County, KY

1870 census]

Newman, Thomas 22 W. M. Newman

[William W. Newman (1823-1908]

O'Bannon, George 25 widow O'Bannon

[Almedia Smith O'Bannon (1818-1901), owned 6 slaves in 1860,

wife of Cuthbert O'Bannon (1804-1854)]

Pate. Aleck 39 Minor E. Pate

[Minor Earl Pate (1808-1875), owned 13 slaves in 1860]

Pate. Bartlett 30 Minor E. Pate

[Minor Earl Pate (1808-1875), owned 13 slaves in 1860]

Pate, Henry 23 Aritta Pate

[Arritta Thrasher Pate (1806-1882), wife of Samuel Crawford Pate (1795-1849), owned 10 slaves in 1860; Henry Pate, black, born

1841 KY, in Hancock County, KY 1870 census]

Pate, James 20 Minor E. Pate

[Minor Earl Pate (1808-1875), owned 13 slaves in 1860]

Pate, Samuel 25 Aritta Pate

[Arritta Thrasher Pate (1806-1882), wife of Samuel Crawford Pate (1795-1849), owned 10 slaves in 1860; Samuel Pate, black, born

1834 KY, in Hancock County, KY 1870 census]

Pate, Thornton 32 Minor E. Pate

[Minor Earl Pate (1808-1875), owned 13 slaves in 1860]

Patterson, Tip 25 widow Patterson

[Elizabeth Stewart Patterson (1820-1873), wife of Seaton Kincheloe

Patterson (1814-1857), owned 3 slaves in 1860]

Shaw, John 28 colored farmer

[John Shaw, black, born c1830 KY in the 1860 census of

Hancock County, KY was listed as being a free black; 1880 Census Mortality Schedule for Hancock County, KY reported that John

Shaw, black, age 48, died July 1879 of consumption]

Smith, Joseph 23 John Smith

[John J. Smith (1828-1887), owned 1 slave in 1860]

Smith, Zach _ Mike Smith

[Michael Smith (1787-1871), owned 12 slaves in 1860]

Sterrett, Bob 33 Mrs. John Sterrett

[John Sterett (1779-1861, owned 5 slaves in 1860, married wife Polly Haynes, born c1800, in 1845]

Sterrett, Henry 40 Green Sterrett over age in April 1865

[Dr. Green Sterrett (1811-1894), owned 10 slaves in 1860]

Stout?, George 25 J. Hart Stout? Temple, Leonard 25 William Temple

[William Temple (1795-1870]

Williams, John 28 Henry Williams

[Henry W. Williams (1801-1878), owned 26 slaves in 1860]

Wilson, Wesley 28 Mrs. Susan Wilson

[Susan C. Birkhead Wilson (1790-c1864), owned 7 slaves in 1860,

wife of Joseph Wilson (1769-1852)]

Younger, Jack 25 George M. Younger

[George Madison Younger(1819-1896), owned 6 slaves in 1860]

Younger, Wallace 27 George M. Younger

[George Madison Younger (1819-1896), owned 6 slaves in 1860]

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Plantation Homes of Slavery Days

Three historic plantation homes that were constructed during slavery times still stand in Hancock County – the Beauchamp, Emmick and Pate houses. In 1850 forty slaves lived on the farms that housed these three homes. Many slaves worked the fields in view of these homes. All three homes in recent years were owned by descendants of the original builders. The graves of all of the slave owners in the preceding list are adorned with monuments but the graves of few of the former slaves are noted.

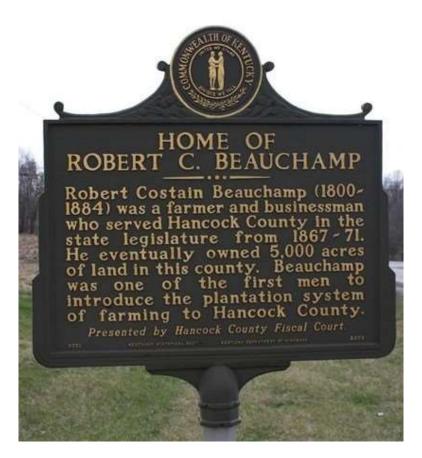
The Beauchamp house is on the north side of Highway 60 three miles west of Hawesville. It was built in 1842 by Robert Costin Beauchamp (1800-1884). The home was constructed with bricks made on the farm by slave labor. The brick house is one of the oldest in Hancock County, Kentucky. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976.

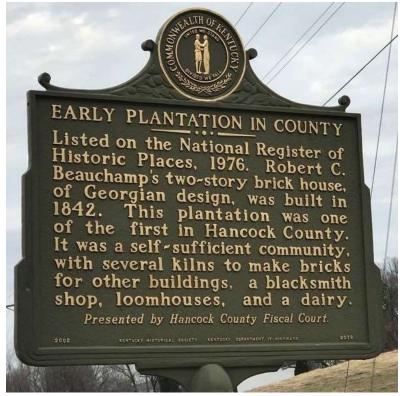
The Emmick House is on the Emmick Landing Road between Lewisport and Hawesville in the Troy Bend area. It overlooks the Ohio River. The home was built by George Emmick in 1854. The home was constructed with bricks that were made on the farm by slave labor.

The Pate house is on the north side of Highway 334 overlooking the Ohio River about three miles west of Hawesville. The home of Squire Samuel C. Pate (1795-1849) was built of hewn logs about 1822. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1978.



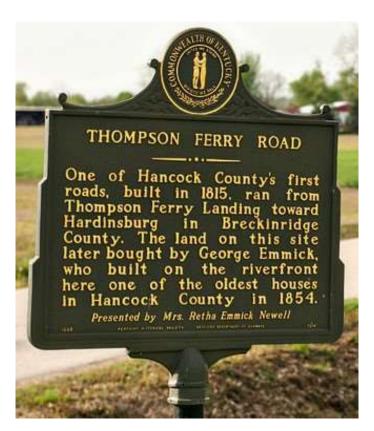
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