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RECORDS OF THE FIELD OFFICES FOR THE STATE OF KENTUCKY, BUREAU OF REFUGEES, FREEDMEN, AND ABANDONED LANDS, 1865–1872

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#### INTRODUCTION

On the 133 rolls of this microfilm publication, M1904, are reproduced the records of the Kentucky headquarters for the Assistant Commissioner and his staff officers and the subordinate field offices of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865–1872. These records consist of bound volumes and unbound records, containing materials that include letters sent and received, monthly reports, registers of complaints, labor contracts, and other records relating to freedmen's claims and bounty payments. These records are part of the Records of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, Record Group (RG) 105.

#### HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION

The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, also known as the Freedmen's Bureau, was established in the War Department by an act of Congress on March 3, 1865 (13 Stat. 507). The life of the Bureau was extended twice by acts of July 16, 1866 (14 Stat. 173), and July 6, 1868 (15 Stat. 83). The Bureau was responsible for the supervision and management of all matters relating to refugees and freedmen, and of lands abandoned or seized during the Civil War. In May 1865, President Andrew Johnson appointed Maj. Gen. Oliver Otis Howard as Commissioner of the Bureau, and Howard served in that position until June 30, 1872, when activities of the Bureau were terminated in accordance with an act of June 10, 1872 (17 Stat. 366). While a major part of the Bureau's early activities involved the supervision of abandoned and confiscated property, its mission was to provide relief and help freedmen become self-sufficient. Bureau officials issued rations and clothing, operated hospitals and refugee camps, and supervised labor contracts. In addition, the Bureau managed apprenticeship disputes and complaints, assisted benevolent societies in the establishment of schools, helped freedmen in legalizing marriages entered into during slavery, and provided transportation to refugees and freedmen who were attempting to reunite with their family or relocate to other parts of the country. The Bureau also helped black soldiers, sailors, and their heirs collect bounty claims, pensions, and back pay.

The act of March 3, 1865, authorized the appointment of Assistant Commissioners to aid the Commissioner in supervising the work of the Bureau in the former Confederate states, the border states, and the District of Columbia. While the work performed by Assistant Commissioners in each state was similar, the organizational structure of staff officers varied from state to state. At various times, the staff could consist of a superintendent of education, an assistant adjutant general, an assistant inspector general, a disbursing officer, a chief medical officer, a chief quartermaster, and a commissary of subsistence. Subordinate to these officers were the assistant superintendents, or subassistant commissioners as they later became known, who commanded the subdistricts.

The Assistant Commissioner corresponded extensively with both his superior in the Washington Bureau headquarters and his subordinate officers in the subdistricts.

Based upon reports submitted to him by the subassistant commissioners and other subordinate staff officers, he prepared reports that he sent to the Commissioner concerning Bureau activities in areas under his jurisdiction. The Assistant Commissioner also received letters from freedmen, local white citizens, state officials, and other non-Bureau personnel. These letters varied in nature from complaints to applications for jobs in the Bureau. Because the assistant adjutant general handled much of the mail for the Assistant Commissioner's office, it was often addressed to him instead of to the Assistant Commissioner.

In a circular issued by Commissioner Howard in July 1865, the Assistant Commissioners were instructed to designate one officer in each state to serve as "general Superintendents of Schools." These officials were to "take cognizance of all that is being done to educate refugees and freedmen, secure proper protection to schools and teachers, promote method and efficiency, correspond with the benevolent agencies which are supplying his field, and aid the Assistant Commissioner in making his required reports." In October 1865, a degree of centralized control was established over Bureau educational activities in the states when Rev. John W. Alvord was appointed Inspector of Finances and Schools. In January 1867, Alvord was divested of his financial responsibilities, and he was appointed General Superintendent of Education.

An act of Congress, approved July 25, 1868 (15 Stat. 193), ordered that the Commissioner of the Bureau "shall, on the first day of January next, cause the said bureau to be withdrawn from the several States within which said bureau has acted and its operation shall be discontinued." Consequently, in early 1869, with the exception of the superintendents of education and the claims agents, the Assistant Commissioners and their subordinate officers were withdrawn from the states.

For the next year and a half the Bureau continued to pursue its education work and to process claims. In the summer of 1870, the superintendents of education were withdrawn from the states, and the headquarters staff was greatly reduced. From that time until the Bureau was abolished by an act of Congress approved June 10, 1872 (17 Stat. 366), effective June 30, 1872, the Bureau's functions related almost exclusively to the disposition of claims. The Bureau's records and remaining functions were then transferred to the Freedmen's Branch in the office of the Adjutant General. The records of this branch are among the Bureau's files.

#### THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU IN KENTUCKY

#### **ORGANIZATION**

From July 1865 until June 1866, Maj. Gen. C. B. Fisk served as Assistant Commissioner for both Kentucky and Tennessee. Fisk appointed Bvt. Brig. Gen. John Ely to serve as chief superintendent for the Bureau at Kentucky (from March to June 1866). Ely established his headquarters at Louisville, Kentucky, and divided his operations into five subdistricts: Lexington, Louisville, Northwestern, Southern, and

Central. Records relating to Kentucky created prior to Ely's tenure may be included among the files of the Assistant Commissioner for Tennessee.

In June 1866, Maj. Gen. Jeff C. Davis was appointed as the first Assistant Commissioner for Kentucky. Superintendents (or subassistant commissioners) employed under Davis were generally responsible for from 3 to 11 counties, and agents (civilian and military) from 1 to 3 counties. Agents received their orders directly from superintendents, and all superintendents were required to submit monthly reports of their activities to the Assistant Commissioner. Brig. Gen. Sidney Burbank succeeded Davis in March 1867 and was replaced by Maj. Benjamin Runkle, who served from January 1869 to May 1869 as Assistant Commissioner and superintendent of education. In August 1870, when superintendents of education were withdrawn from the states, Runkle served as claims agent for Kentucky until July 1871. H. H. Ray succeeded Runkle as claims agent, and served in this capacity until December 1871. P. J. Overley became the claims agent in January 1872 and remained in this position until the Bureau's operations in Kentucky were discontinued in April. The major subordinate field offices for the Bureau at Kentucky included those with headquarters at Bowling Green, Lebanon, Lexington, Louisville, and Paducah. For a list of known Kentucky subordinate field office personnel and their dates of service, see the Appendix.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

While the Freedmen's Bureau did not begin full operations in Kentucky until June 1866, its activities in the state generally resembled those conducted in other Southern states. The Bureau supervised labor contracts between planters and freedmen, administered justice, assisted freedmen in the establishment of schools, helped freedmen legalize marriages, and worked with black soldiers and their heirs in processing claims relating to military service.

The regulation of written labor agreements between planters and freedmen was a major concern of the Freedmen's Bureau. In a circular issued on July 24, 1865 (Circular Number 2), Assistant Commissioner Fisk told his subordinates that for both Kentucky and Tennessee freedmen must be free to choose their own employers and that wages were to be based on supply and demand rather than a fixed rate. Bureau officials were to negotiate and approve labor contracts and enforce violations by either party. Compulsory unpaid labor was strictly prohibited. In some areas of Kentucky, planters refused to enter into written agreements with freedmen, and freedmen themselves were reluctant to enter into annual agreements for fear of being reduced to slavery. However, with strong reservations, Bureau officers negotiated monthly agreements for them but encouraged freedmen to sign annual contracts that offered yearlong employment. Wages for monthly contracts ranged from \$8 to \$10 a month for adult male field hands, well below the state's average wage of \$15 a month for men. However by the summer of 1866, with the Bureau's insistence, adult laborers in the tobacco region of the state received \$25 per month and laborers in the farm belt areas earned \$12 per month. In some Kentucky counties, freedmen received a third of the crops rather than wages. However, because of the shortage

of laborers in the state, freedmen were able to demand higher wages, and thus over time the sharecropping system became less attractive.<sup>1</sup>

The Bureau worked to protect the rights and legal status of freedmen, which, despite the ending of slavery by the 13th Amendment, were still endangered by the persistence of the old slave codes. On May 30, 1865, Commissioner Howard issued Circular Number 5, authorizing Assistant Commissioners to establish courts in states where the old codes existed and the right of blacks to testify against whites was prohibited. Gen. Fisk subsequently announced to the citizens of Kentucky that freedmen courts would operate in the state as long as freedmen weren't given the same rights as whites. By 1867, as a result of several Federal court rulings, Bureau courts ceased to operate in Kentucky. When state courts denied black testimony, the agency, under provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1866, took cases involving freedmen to the U.S. District Court of Kentucky. In instances where freedmen lacked resources to pursue their cases in Federal court, the Bureau provided transportation for witnesses and other forms of assistance. Despite the Bureau's efforts to safeguard rights and secure justice for freedmen in Kentucky, admitting the testimony of blacks against whites still remained an issue in 1869 when Bureau Assistant Commissioners and their subordinates were withdrawn from the states. However, in January 1872, with a change in public opinion and pressure from the courts, the Kentucky State Legislature amended state law and allowed blacks to testify.

When Gen. John Ely began his duties as chief superintendent for Kentucky under Gen. Fisk's supervision, there were 30 freedmen schools and more than 2,000 students. The schools were organized and maintained by black churches, with black clergy as instructors. Freedmen schools faced widespread violence and white opposition, and in many cases, teachers and students were forced to abandon efforts to maintain school buildings. Ely and his subordinate assisted freedmen in reopening schools that had been forced to close.<sup>2</sup> Under Maj. Gen. Jeff C. Davis, who replaced Ely in the summer of 1866, the number of freedmen schools increased to 54, with some 67 teachers and more than 3,200 students. Excluding the schools established at Lexington and Covington under the auspices of the Cincinnati Branch of the Western Freedmen's Aid Society and the Cincinnati Branch of the American Missionary Association, the freedmen schools were taught by black teachers who were supported by subscriptions from parents and black religious institutions. The Bureau, however, rented the building for the school at Lexington. Under Brig. Gen. Sidney Burbank, who succeeded Davis in March 1867, the number of freedmen schools increased to 96, accommodating about 5,000 students aged 6–18. By September 1868, in spite of continued violence and opposition, the Bureau had

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> House Ex. Doc. 70, 39th Cong., 1st Sess., Serial vol. 1256, p. 48. See also Victor B. Howard, *Black Liberation in Kentucky: Emancipation and Freedom, 1862–1884* (Kentucky: The University Press of Kentucky, 1983), pp. 96–97.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See report of Maj. J. C. Davis, August 23, 1866, "Synopses of Letters and Reports Relating to Conditions of Freedmen and Bureau Activities in the States, January 1866–March 1869," vol. 135, Records of the Commissioner, Record Group 105, NARA, pp. 294–395.

provided support for 135 day schools and 1 night school, serving more than 6,000 students.<sup>3</sup>

On February 14, 1866, the Kentucky State Legislature passed an act legalizing marriages freedmen had entered into during slavery and authorizing black ministers to solemnize such marriages. Nearly 2 weeks later, on February 26, 1866, Assistant Commissioner Fisk issued Circular Number 5, in accordance with the Kentucky law, directing those freedmen who sought to solemnize a marriage to the county clerk for a marriage license. If the county clerk refused to issue a license, Bureau officials in the subdistricts were authorized to solemnize marriages and issue marriage certificates. Local Bureau officers were required to maintain a register of freedmen marriages and forward a report of such marriages to the Assistant Commissioner at the end of each month. Subordinate Bureau officers were also told to notify persons living as man and wife who had not legalized their marriage, to report to the Bureau to take the necessary steps to do so. Persons who failed to comply were guilty of a misdemeanor and were to be punished by a fine and imprisonment.<sup>4</sup> This microfilm publication reproduces marriage licenses, certificates, and registers of marriages for the Kentucky subdistricts at Augusta, Bowling Green, Columbus, Cynthiana, Owensboro, Paducah, Mt. Sterling, and Winchester. A single freedmen marriage license and a marriage certificate from Kentucky, filed in the Bureau's headquarters records, has been reproduced on roll 1 of National Archives Microfilm Publication M1875, Marriage Records of the Office of the Commissioner, Washington Headquarters of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1861–1869.

In addition to assisting freedmen in solemnizing slave marriages and efforts to sustain the black family, the Bureau helped discharged soldiers, sailors, marines, and their heirs in claims for back pay, bounty payments, and pensions. In accordance with a law passed by Congress on March 29, 1867 (15 Stat. 26), making the Bureau the sole agent for payment of claims relating to black veterans, Bureau disbursing officers assisted freedmen in the preparation and settlement of military claims. In November 1866, in spite of the difficulties in locating veterans who fled the state for fear of violence, Assistant Commissioner Davis reported that he had forwarded more than 260 black soldiers' claims for back pay and bounty payments to Commissioner Howard's office in Washington, DC. In the following year, Assistant Commissioner Burbank reported that his office had assisted nearly 500 veterans with military claims, and in the fall of 1868, for the year ending October 10, 1868, that more than 1,100 received bounty payments through his office.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ross A. Webb, "The Past Is Never Dead, It's Not Even Past: Benjamin P. Runkle and the Freedmen's Bureau in Kentucky, 1866–1870," *The Register of Kentucky Historical Society* vol. 84, no. 4 (Autumn 1986), pp. 348–350.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Victor B. Howard, *Black Liberation in Kentucky*, pp. 121–125.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Senate Ex. Doc. No. 6, 39th Cong., 2nd Sess., Serial vol. 1276, p. 67; See also Annual Reports of the Assistant Commissioners, Kentucky, 1867 and 1868, Records of the Office of the Commissioner, Record Group 105, NARA.

#### **RECORDS DESCRIPTION**

These records consist of volumes and unbound records. The volumes reproduced in this microfilm publication were originally arranged by type of record and thereunder by volume number. No numbers were assigned to series consisting of single volumes. Years later, all volumes were arbitrarily assigned numbers by the Adjutant General's Office (AGO) of the War Department after the records came into its custody. In this microfilm publication, AGO numbers are shown in parentheses to aid in identifying the volumes. The National Archives assigned the volume numbers that are not in parentheses. In some volumes, particularly in indexes and alphabetical headings of registers, there are blank numbered pages that have not been filmed.

The volumes consist of letters and endorsements sent and received, press copies of letters sent, registers of letters received, letters and orders received, registers of freedmen court cases, special orders and circulars issued, registers of claimants, registers of complaints, marriage certificates, and monthly reports forwarded to the Assistant Commissioner. The unbound documents consist of letters and orders received, unregistered letters and narrative reports received, special orders and circulars issued, and general orders and circulars received. The unbound records also contain monthly reports; labor contracts; marriage certificates, and records relating to claims.

Some of the volumes contain more than one type of record, reflecting a common recording practice of clerks and staff officers of that period. On roll 93, for example, the volume of contracts for the Columbus field office also contains a register of marriages. Some other examples of additional series within volumes can be found in records on rolls 106, 123, and 133. Researchers should read carefully the records descriptions and arrangements in the Table of Contents to make full use of these documents.

#### **RELATED RECORDS**

In the same record group, RG 105, and related to records of the Bureau's field offices for Kentucky, are those of the Bureau headquarters in Washington, DC, and previously microfilmed records of the Assistant Commissioner and the superintendent of education for Tennessee. These record series are available in the following National Archives microfilm publications:

M742, Selected Series of Records Issued by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865–1872

M752, Registers and Letters Received by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865–1872

M803, Records of the Education Division of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865–1870

M999, Records of the Assistant Commissioner for the State of Tennessee, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865–1869

M1000, Records of the Superintendent of Education for the State of Tennessee, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865–1871

M1875, Marriage Records of the Office of the Commissioner, Washington Headquarters of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1861–1869

Records in other National Archives record groups supplement those of the Assistant Commissioner. In Records of United States Army Continental Commands, 1821–1920, RG 393, are records of the military district that included Kentucky. Records relating to employment and welfare of freedmen and abandoned property before the establishment of the Bureau are among Records of Civil War Special Agencies of the Treasury Department, RG 366. The records of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, 1865–1874, in Records of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, RG 101, contain information relating to former slaves who maintained accounts with bank branches in Kentucky.

#### **APPENDIX**

This list provides the names and dates of service of chief medical officers and known Freedmen's Bureau personnel at selected subordinate field offices in Kentucky. Additional information regarding persons assigned to various field offices might be found among the Bureau's Washington headquarters station books and rosters of military officers and civilians on duty in the states and other appointment-related records.

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LOCATION	DATES

#### LOUISVILLE

# **Chief Medical Officer**

F. S. Town	July 1866–Mar. 1867
W. R. De Witt, Jr.	MarNov. 1867
R. A. Bell	Nov. 1867–June 1869

## **BOWLING GREEN**

## **Chief Subassistant Commissioner**

Charles F. Johnson	July 1866–July 1867
Joseph C. Rodriguez	July-Dec. 1867
Louis A. Reynolds	Jan.–Feb. 1868
A. Benson Brown	FebJune 1868

# **BOWLING GREEN**

# **Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner**

R. W. Thing (Superintendent)	Jan.–Mar. 1866
Joseph C. Rodriguez (Subassistant Comm.)	Sept. 1866-July 1867
James A. Shepley (Subassistant Commissioner)	July-Dec. 1867

#### **BRANDENBURG**

# **Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner**

York A. Woodward (Superintendent)	Sept. 1866–June 1867
James A. Bolton (Subassistant Commissioner)	Mav–June 1868

#### BURKSVILLE

## **Subassistant Commissioner**

George W. Kingsbury Oct. 1866–July 1868

#### **COLUMBUS**

# **Superintendent and Subassistant Commisioner**

Lt. James F. Bolton (Superintendent, Paducah)	Mar.–Apr. 1866
Lt. James F. Bolton (Superintendent)	Apr. 1866–Mar. 1868
Lt. James F. Bolton (Subassistant)	Mar.–Apr. 1868
Capt. Emerson H. Liscum (Subassistant)	Apr.–July 1868

# **COVINGTON**

# **Superintendent**

John L. Graham Jan. 1866–July 1868

# **DANVILLE**

# **Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner**

William Goodloe (Superintendent)	Jan.–May 1866
W. R. Roume (Superintendent)	June 1866-Apr. 1867
W. R. Roume (Subassistant)	Apr.–Aug. 1867
A. Benson Brown (Subassistant)	AugDec. 1867
Martin Norton (Subassistant)	Dec. 1867–Apr. 1868
H. G. Thomas (Chief Subassistant)	FebJune 1868

#### **GREENSBURG**

# **Superintendent and Chief Agent**

George Duff (Superintendent)	Oct. 1866-Nov. 1866
P. S. Reeves (Chief Agent)	Mar. 1867–Feb. 1868

## HENDERSON

# **Chief Subassistant Commissioner**

James McCleery	Feb.–May 1868
V. H. Echorn	May 1868
A. Benson Brown	June–July 1868

## HENDERSON

# Superintendent and Subassistant

F. F. Cheaney (Superintendent)	Jan.–Dec. 1866
Wells Bailey (Subassistant)	Apr.–Sept. 1867
V. H. Echorn (Subassistant)	Jan.–July 1868

# **LEXINGTON**

# **Chief Superintendent and Chief Subassistant**

John Ely (Chief)	Feb.–Mar. 1866
James H. Rice (Chief Superintendent)	Apr.–June 1866
R. E. Johnson (Chief Superintendent)	June 1866-Feb. 1867
James H. Rice (Acting Chief Superintendent)	AugOct. 1866
R. E. Johnson (Acting Chief Superintendent)	Oct. 1866-Apr. 1867
R. E. Johnson (Chief Subassistant)	Apr. 1867–Dec. 1868

## LEXINGTON

# Superintendent and Subassistant

James H. Rice (Superintendent)	June 1866–Apr. 1867
James H. Rice (Subassistant)	Apr.–June 1867
W. R. Montmolin (Acting Subassistant)	June–July 1867
Patrick H. Flood (Subassistant)	July-Oct. 1867

# LOUISVILLE

# **Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner**

S. A. Porter (Superintendent)	July-Aug. 1865
H. A. McCaleb (Superintendent)	AugNov. 1865
E. D. Kennedy (Acting Superintendent)	Nov. 1865
Walter Babcock (Superintendent)	MarApr. 1866
A. Benson Brown (Superintendent)	Apr. 1866
C. H. Frederick (Superintendent)	Apr. 1866-June 1866
A. Benson Brown (Acting Superintendent)	June 1866
C. H. Frederick (Superintendent)	July 1866-Apr. 1867
A. Benson Brown (Assistant Superintendent)	July 1866-Apr. 1867
R. W. Roberts (Subassistant)	AprJuly 1867
J. Catlin (Subassistant)	July 1867–July 1868
J. Catlin (Chief Subassistant)	July-Dec. 1868

## **PADUCAH**

# Chief Superintendent and Chief Subassistant Commissioner John H. Donovan (Chief Superintendent) Apr – Dec

John H. Donovan (Chief Superintendent)	Apr.–Dec. 1866
John F. Smith (Acting Chief Superintendent)	Aug. 1866
W. James Kay (Chief Superintendent)	Dec. 1866-Apr. 1867
W. James Kay (Chief Subassistant)	Apr.–June 1867
W. James Kay (Chief Subassistant)	June 1867–Mar. 1868
P. T. Swaine (Chief Subassistant)	Apr.–July 1868
A. Benson Brown (Chief Subassistant)	July-Dec. 1868

# PADUCAH (McCracken County)

# Superintendent, Chief Agent, and Subassistant Commissioner

A. M. York (Superintendent)	Aug. 1865–Apr. 1866
John F. Smith (Superintendent)	Apr.–Nov. 1866
Jas. Drysdale (Superintendent)	Dec. 1866-Jan. 1867
C. D. Smith (Superintendent)	FebApr. 1867
C. D. Smith (Chief Agent)	Apr. 1867
C. D. Smith (Subassistant)	Apr.–May 1867
C. D. Smith (Chief Agent)	May-Nov. 1867
R. S. Egelston (Subassistant)	May–July 1868

# **PARIS**

# Agent

Joseph A. Hilduth	Mar. 1866
Thomas I. Elliott	Mar.–May 1866
R. W. Hutchraft	June–July 1866

# RUSSELLVILLE

# **Subassistant Commissioner**

H. A. Hunter	Mar. 1868
M. E. Billings	Apr.–June 1868

# **SMITHLAND**

Agent

J. Bone Thompson Mar. 1866–Jan. 1867 Solomon Littlefield Mar.–June 1867

WINCHESTER Superintendent

H. C. Howard Feb. and Sept. 1866 George W. Gist Feb.—June and Sept. 1866

R. C. Nicholas Apr. 1866

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## State of Kentucky

The single-volume list of book records of officers in the State of Kentucky (no date) is arranged by office, with records of the Assistant Commissioner listed first, followed alphabetically by locations of the subdistrict offices. Included in the list of book records are the type of record in each book or volume, the dates of the volume, and the volume number. In the Table of Contents below, the Adjutant General's Office (AGO) volume number appears in parentheses in the series descriptions.<sup>6</sup>

1 Volume

# OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER CORRESPONDENCE

#### Name Indexes

The three volumes of name indexes, February 1868–December 1869 and July 1871–April 1872, 1 (20), 2 (22), and 3 (27), are indexes to volumes 6 (19), 7 (21), and 9 (26) of the letters sent mentioned below.

Volume 1 (20)	FebDec. 1868
Volume 2 (22)	JanDec. 1869
Volume 3 (27)	July 1871–Apr. 1872

#### Letters Sent

The nine volumes of letters sent, March 1866–December 1870 and July 1871–April 1872, 1 (14), 2 (15), 3 (16), 4 (17), 5 (18), 6 (19), 7 (21), 8 (23), and 9 (26), are arranged chronologically.

	Volume 1 (14) Volume 2 (15)	Mar.–Sept. 1866 Sept. 1866–Feb. 1867
2	Volume 3 (16) Volume 4 (17) Volume 5 (18)	Feb.–July 1867 July–Oct. 1867 Oct. 1867–Feb. 1868
3	Volume 6 (19)	FebDec. 1868
4	Volume 7 (21) Volume 8 (23) Volume 9 (26)	Jan.–Dec. 1869 Dec. 1869–Dec. 1870 July 1871–Apr. 1872

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Adjutant General's Office (AGO) of the War Department assigned the volume numbers shown in parentheses after the records came into its custody. The volume numbers not in parentheses were assigned by the National Archives and Records Administration.

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## 5 Press Copies of Letters Sent

The four volumes of press copies of letters sent, December 1870–April 1872, 1 (24), 2 (25), 3 (28), and 4 (29), are arranged chronologically, and volume 4 (29) has a name index. Most of the letters in volumes 3 (28) and 4 (29) have been copied into volume 9 (26) of the letters sent, July 1871–April 1872, mentioned above.

Volume 1 (24)	Dec. 1870–May 1871
Volume 2 (25)	May–July 1871
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#### 6 Endorsements Sent

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The five volumes of endorsements sent, March 1866–August 1870, 1 (30), 2 (31), 3 (32), 4 (33), and 5 (34), are arranged chronologically.

Volume 1 (30) Volume 2 (31)	Mar.–Sept. 1866 Sept. 1866–Feb. 1867
Volume 3 (32)	FebSept. 1867
Volume 4 (33)	Sept. 1867–Dec. 1868
Volume 5 (34)	Jan. 1869-Aug. 1870

## Name Index to Registers of Letters Received

The single-volume name index, July 1871–April 1872 (13), is an index to volume (12) of the registers of letters received mentioned below.

Volume (13) July 1871–Apr. 1872

# Registers of Letters Received

The twelve volumes of registers of letters received are dated March 1866–April 1872 (1–12). Entries in the first nine registers, March 1866–February 1870, are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder chronologically. However, each register does not contain all alphabetical divisions. For example, the "As" are in volumes (1), (3), and (9) only, and the "Gs" are in volumes (1), (2), (3), (6), and (9) only. The volume listings below show the initial letters of surnames included in each volume. The entries within each alphabetical division are numbered with a separate numerical sequence for each year, but don't always span the time period listed below.

The last three registers, January 1870–April 1872, are arranged by time period. The entries in volumes 10 and 11 are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder in chronological order and numbered. The entries in volume 12, July 1871–April 1872, are arranged in chronological order and numbered with a separate numerical sequence for each year. The name index to volume 12 is volume (13) above. The letters received relating to the registers, March 1866–February 1872, are listed below.

Volume (1) A–Z Mar. 1866–Dec. 1868

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,	Volume (2)		
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	Volume (3)		
	A–B, D, F–H, J–M	Sept. 1866–Dec. 1868	
	Volume (4)		
	B, F, H, R–S	Apr. 1867–Dec. 1868	
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10	J-L	Dec. 1866–Jan. 1868	
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	Volume (7)	•	
	J, L, R-S	July 1867-Dec. 1868	
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	initial letter of the surname of the correspondent, and thereunder numerically. For the		
	period July 1871–February 1872, they are		
	letters are entered in the registers of letters		

A1-D132 D133-F357 F358-H281 J½-J249 J250-J489 K½-O27 P1-T30 

not entered in the registers are filed after the last entered letters for each year.

ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
20	Letters Received (cont.) T31 A4–B249	1866 1867
21	B251-F80	1867
22	F85-G106	1867
23	H1–H741	1867
24	J2–J278	1867
25	J279–J523	1867
26	J524–J775	1867
27	J776–J1018	1867
28	J1019-K314	1867
29	L2-Q	1867
30	R½-R348	1867
31	A1-B137	1868
32	B140-B385	1868
33	B386-C221	1868
34	C223-H217	1868
35	H218–J89	1868
36	J90–J348	1868
37	K2-L162	1868
38	M3-S58	1868
39	S59–Y13 Unregistered Letters Received	1868 Jan.–Nov. 1868
40	Letters Received	
	A1–H116	1869

Roll	DESCRIPTION	DATES
41	Letters Received (cont.)	
	H120-H621	1869
42	H623-S46	1869
43	S51–Y Unregistered Letters Received	1869 Jan.–Dec. 1869
44	Letters Received	
	A1-H683	1870
45	H684–Y Unregistered Letters Received	1870 Jan.–Dec. 1870
46	Letters Received	
	A3–W1 1–178	1871 1871
47	179–585 1–162	1871 Jan.–Mar. 1872

## 48 **ISSUANCES**

# General Orders and Circulars

The single volume of general orders and circulars, March 1866–April 1869 (36), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (36) Mar. 1866–Apr. 1869

# Special Orders

The single volume of special orders, March 1866–October 1870 (35), is arranged by year and thereunder numerically.

Volume (35) Mar. 1866–Oct. 1870

#### REPORTS

## Narrative Report of Bureau Operations for January 1868

Unbound narrative report of Bureau operations for January 1868 is dated February 15, 1868. The report may have been compiled by the chief of staff of Assistant Commissioner Sidney Burbank. The last pages of the report are missing.

Feb. 15, 1868

ROLL DESCRIPTION DATES

# 48 Inspection Reports Received Concerning Freedmen Conditions and the (cont.) Operations of the Bureau in Kentucky

The single volume of inspection reports received concerning Freedmen conditions and the operations of the Bureau in Kentucky, June 1867–October 1868 (37), is arranged chronologically. These are reports to the Assistant Commissioner made by the assistant inspector general.

Volume (37) June 1867–Oct. 1868

## 49 Monthly Narrative and Statistical School Reports

Unbound monthly narrative and statistical school reports, July 1866–December 1868 are arranged chronologically. The reports are by either the Assistant Commissioner or the superintendent of education on the number and kinds of schools available for freedmen in Kentucky and the work of the Bureau in furthering the establishment of schools.

July 1866–Dec. 1867

50 Narrative and School Reports (cont.) Jan.–Dec. 1868

## 51 Teachers' Monthly School Reports Received

Unbound teachers' monthly school reports received, October 1866–June 1870, are arranged chronologically. The reports are mainly from teachers in Kentucky, but at the end of the series there are reports from teachers in Illinois, December 1868–June 1870, and from Indiana, March 1868–June 1869.

		Oct. 1866–May 1868
52	Teachers' School Reports (cont.)	June 1868–Jan. 1869
53	Teachers' School Reports (cont.)	FebMar. 1869
54	Teachers' School Reports (cont.)	Apr.–May 1869
55	Teachers' School Reports (cont.)	June-Nov. 1869
56	Teachers' School Reports (cont.)	Dec. 1869–Feb. 1870
57	Teachers' School Reports (cont.)	FebApr. 1870
58	Teachers' School Reports (cont.) Reports Received from Illinois	May–June 1870 Dec. 1868 and Feb.–June 1869 and Oct. 1869–June 1870
	Reports Received from Indiana	Mar. 1868–June 1869

#### **DATES**

## 59 Monthly Reports of Operations

Unbound monthly reports of operations, April 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. Most of these tabular reports give the number of freedmen at work, under contract, or apprenticed, and the number of outrages committed in each subdistrict of Kentucky. Some of the reports also give the number of arrests, the number of rations, and clothing issued, the number of claims forwarded and collected, and the number of marriage certificates issued.

Apr. 1866-June 1867

60 Reports of Operations (cont.)

July 1867-Nov. 1868

# 61 Monthly Reports of Confiscated or Abandoned Lands in the Possession of the Assistant Commissioner

Unbound monthly reports of confiscated or abandoned lands in the possession of the Assistant Commissioner, July 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.

July 1866-Dec. 1868

Monthly Reports of Rations, Clothing, and Medicine Issued
Unbound monthly reports of rations, clothing, and medicine issued, July
1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.

July 1866-Dec. 1868

Monthly Reports of Changes in Officers and Civilians in the Bureau
Unbound monthly reports of changes in officers and civilians in the Bureau,
September 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically. The reports usually
list the appointments and transfers of Bureau personnel during the reporting period.

Sept. 1866-Dec. 1868

## 62 OTHER RECORDS

Rosters of Officers and Civilians on Duty

Unbound rosters of officers and civilians on duty, March 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Mar. 1866–May 1867

- 63 Rosters of Officers and Civilians (cont.) July 1867–Dec. 1868
- 64 List of Teachers Assigned to Schools

The single-volume list of teachers assigned to schools, October 1869–March 1870 (38), is arranged alphabetically by name of town. The list of teachers was apparently written in a volume that was formerly a name index to another volume.

Volume (38) Oct. 1869–Mar. 1870

**DATES** 

#### 64 Labor Contracts

(cont.) Unbound labor contracts, 1865–68, are arranged by year and thereunder alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the employer.

	May–Dec. A–D	1865 1866
65	E-M	1866
66	N-Y	1866
67	A-Q	1867
68	R–W A–W	1867 1868

## **OFFICES OF STAFF OFFICERS**

#### **DISBURSING OFFICER**

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, May-December 1868 (41), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (41) May–Dec. 1868

#### 69 Endorsements Sent

The single volume of endorsements sent, May-December 1868 (42), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (42) May–Dec. 1868

#### Registers of Letters Received

The two volumes of registers of letters received are dated May–December 1868, 1 (39) and 2 (40). Entries in volume 1 (39) are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder in chronological order and numbered. Volume 2 (40) is a supplemental volume, and it contains entries continued from volume 1 (39) for the letters "B, "C," "H," "M, " and "S." For the letters received, January–December 1868, see the unbound letters received mentioned below.

Volume 1 (39)

A–W May–Dec. 1868 Volume 2 (40) Aug.–Dec. 1868

## 70 Letters Received

Unbound letters received, January–December 1868, are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered.

A3–B363 Jan.–Dec. 1868

ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
71	Letters Received (cont.) C1–G52	JanDec. 1868
72	H1–H490	JanDec. 1868
73	H491–J163	JanDec. 1868
74	J164-Q9	JanDec. 1868
75	R2-Y	JanDec. 1868

## 76 Registers of Claimants

The five volumes of registers of claimants, October 1867—March 1872, 1 (43), 2 (44), 3 (45), 4 (46), and 5 (47), are arranged by time period. The entries are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant and thereunder chronologically. The entries give the name, address, rank, company, and regiment of the soldier; the number of the Treasury certificate; the amount of the claim; and the date it was paid and the amount paid to the claimant.

Volume 1 (43)	Oct. 1867–Dec. 1868
Volume 2 (44)	Jan.–Apr. 1869
Volume 3 (45)	Feb.–June 1871
Volume 4 (46)	July-Dec. 1871
Volume 5 (47)	Jan.–Mar. 1872

## 77 Register of Claimants

The single-volume register of claimants, June–December 1868 (44½), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. Some of the names in this register appear in the five volumes of registers of claimants mentioned above. Since the title on the cover is "Case of Major Benj. P. Runkle tried by general court martial, exhibit No. 34," it appears that this volume was an exhibit in the trial.

Volume (44½)	June–Dec. 1868

## Lists of Claimants

The five volumes of lists of claimants are dated ca. 1870–72, 1 (48), 2 (49), 3 (50), 4 (51), and 5 (53). Within each volume the lists are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. Most of the volumes include the name, address, rank, company, and regiment of the claimant.

Volume 1 (48)	ca. 1870–1872
Volume 2 (49)	ca. 1870–1872
Volume 3 (50)	1871–Feb. 1872
Volume 4 (51)	1870–71
Volume 5 (53)	MarDec. 1870

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#### 77 Receipts of Claimants for Checks

(cont.) Unbound receipts of claimants for checks, May–September 1870, are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of the claimant.

May-Sept. 1870

#### Postage Accounts

The single volume of postage accounts, July–December 1871 (52) is arranged chronologically.

Volume (52) July–Dec. 1871

#### 78 CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

#### Letters Sent

The two volumes of letters sent, July 1866–June 1869, 1 (55) and 2 (56), are arranged chronologically. Included in volume 1 (55), July 1866–May 1867, are copies of endorsements sent and a list of men for whom certificates of disability were forwarded to the discharge depot, dated July 1863–June 1864.

Volume 1 (55) July 1866–May 1867 Volume 2 (56) May 1867–June 1869

#### **Endorsements Sent**

The single volume of endorsements sent, May–December 1868 (57), is arranged chronologically. Endorsements sent May 1867–May 1868 are entered in the register of letters received listed below.

Volume (57) May–Dec. 1868

# Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, May 1868–February 1869 (54), is arranged and numbered in chronological order by date received. The first part of the register consists of endorsements sent, May 1867–May 1868, arranged in chronological order and numbered. Endorsements are a separate series and are continued in the single volume of endorsements sent mentioned above.

Volume (54) May 1868–Feb. 1869

#### 79 Letters Received

Unbound letters received, August 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically. They are partially registered in the register of letters received (54) mentioned above.

Aug. 1866-Sept. 1867

80 Letters Received (cont.) Oct. 1867–Dec. 1868

ROLL DESCRIPTION DATES

## 81 Monthly and Weekly Reports of Sick and Wounded

Unbound monthly and weekly reports of sick and wounded, December 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Dec. 1866-July 1868

# 82 Monthly Reports Received of Sick and Wounded

Unbound monthly reports received of sick and wounded, December 1866–December 1868, are arranged alphabetically by location of hospital or dispensary and thereunder chronologically.

Dec. 1866-Dec. 1868

## 83 Weekly Reports Received of Sick and Wounded

Unbound weekly reports received of sick and wounded, December 1866–December 1868, are arranged alphabetically by location of the hospital or dispensary and thereunder chronologically.

Covington Dec. 1866–Oct. 1868 Lexington Dec. 1866–July 1868

84 Louisville, East July–Dec. 1868 Louisville, West July–Sept. 1868

U. S. General Hospital June 1866–May 1867

Louisville Consolidated Hospital

Reports Dec. 1866–July 1867

85 Louisville Consolidated Hospital

Reports Aug. 1867–July 1868

86 Louisville Aug.–Dec. 1868

#### 87 Monthly Returns of Medical Officers and Reports of Attendants

Unbound monthly returns of medical officers and reports of attendants, July 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.

July 1866-Dec. 1868

#### Miscellaneous Records and Reports

Unbound miscellaneous records and reports, August 1866–November 1868, are arranged by type of record and thereunder chronologically. This series includes contracts between the chief medical officer and individuals (August 1866–March 1867), inventory and inspection reports (September–November 1868), and a monthly return of medical officers serving in the district (May 1867). There is also a monthly report of persons (by name, age, and sex) enrolled in the general hospital for refugees and freedmen (July 1868); a table showing age, sex, and class of unfortunates among the black people (July 1867); a receipt roll of hired men, (May 1867); and an order (February 1867).

Aug. 1866-Nov. 1868

#### 87 SUBORDINATE FIELD OFFICES

#### (cont.) AUGUSTA (SUPERINTENDENT-BRACHEN COUNTY)

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, January–June 1867, are arranged chronologically. The series includes two marriage licenses/certificates with final dates of marriage of November 1866 and April 1867.

Jan.-June 1867

#### BOWLING GREEN (CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Letters Sent

The two volumes of letters sent, July 1866–June 1868, 1 (68) and 2 (69), are arranged by year and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered. Volume 1 (68) has a name index.

Volume 1 (68)	July 1866–May 1868
Volume 2 (69)	Apr. 1868–June 1868

#### **Endorsements Sent**

The single volume of endorsements sent, June–July 1868 (71), is arranged chronologically and numbered.

Volume (71) June–July 1868

# 88 Registers of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent

The five registers of letters received and endorsements sent, July 1866–July 1868, 1 (59), 2 (60), 3 (61), 4 (62), and 5 (63), are arranged by time period, and volumes 1 (59), 2 (60), and 3 (61) have name indexes. For letters entered in volumes 3 (61), 4 (62), and 5 (63), see the series of unbound letters received, June 1866–June 1868, mentioned below. The entries in volumes 1 (59), 2 (60), and 3 (61) are arranged in chronological order and numbered with a separate numerical sequence for each year. The entries in volumes 4 (62) and 5 (63) are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered.

Volume 1 (59)	July 1866–Apr. 1867
Volume 2 (60)	May-Oct. 1867
Volume 3 (61)	Oct. 1867–May 1868
Volume 4 (62)	May–June 1868
Volume 5 (63)	June–July 1868

#### 89 Letters Received

The single volume of letters received, June 1866–December 1867 (58), is arranged in chronological order by date received and numbered, and the volume has a name index. For letters copied into this volume, see the series of letters received, June 1866–June 1868, mentioned below.

Volume (58) June 1866–Dec. 1867

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#### 89 Letters Received

(cont.) Unbound letters received, June 1866–June 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the volume of letters received (58) and the registers of letters received and endorsements sent, 3 (61), 4 (62), 5 (63), mentioned above.

1–42 June–Dec. 1866 29–286, and B3–K9 Jan.–June 1868

## Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, April 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Apr. 1866–July 1868

#### Special Orders Issued

The single volume of special orders issued, July 1866–November 1867 and February–April 1868 (72), is arranged by year and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered. The volume also contains circulars issued, February–April 1868, arranged in chronological order and numbered.

Volume (72) July 1866–Nov. 1867 and Feb.–Apr. 1868

#### Special Orders Received

The single volume of special orders received, June 1866–April 1868 (73), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (73) June 1866–Apr. 1868

#### 90 Special Orders Received

Unbound special orders received, June 1866–March 1868, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The series also includes circulars.

June 1866-Mar. 1868

#### Monthly Reports of Operations

Unbound monthly reports of operations, June 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes both statistical and narrative reports from officers subordinate to the subassistant commissioner and retained copies of reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

June 1866-July 1868

#### Monthly School Reports

Unbound monthly school reports, July 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes both statistical and narrative reports from officers subordinate to the subassistant commissioner and retained copies of reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

July 1866-July 1868

**DATES** 

## 91 Monthly Reports of Persons and Articles Hired

Unbound monthly reports of persons and articles hired, July 1866–May 1868, are arranged chronologically.

July 1866-May 1868

## Register of Complaints

The single-volume register of complaints, July 1866—February 1868 (77), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains a list of "loyal correspondents in Bowling Green District (no date)," arranged by county, and a list of "bounty claims forwarded," dated August 1867 that are arranged chronologically.

Volume (77)

July 1866- Feb.1868

## Register of Cases Tried

The single-volume register of cases tried, July 1866–June 1867 (78), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (78)

July 1866-June 1867

## Monthly Reports of Money Received and Expended

Unbound monthly reports of money received and expended, June 1866–October 1867, are arranged chronologically.

June 1866-Oct. 1867

## Accounts

The single volume of accounts, January–October 1867 (75), is arranged by name of person and thereunder chronologically.

Volume (75)

Jan.-Oct. 1867

## BOWLING GREEN (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Name Index

The single-volume name index is an index to the letters sent, September 1866–December 1867 (70), mentioned below.

1 Volume (Index to Volume 70)

Sept. 1866-Dec. 1867

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, September 1866–December 1867 (70), is arranged by year and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered. The name index to this series is mentioned above.

Volume (70)

Sept. 1866-Dec. 1867

#### **DATES**

#### 91 Name Index

(cont.) The single-volume name index (66) is an index to the two volumes of registers of letters received and endorsements sent, December 1866–December 1867, 1 (64) and 2 (65).

Volume (66) Sept. 1866–Dec. 1867

#### Registers of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent

The two volumes of registers of letters received and endorsements sent, December 1866–December 1867, 1 (64) and 2 (65), are arranged in chronological order by date received and numbered. Volume 1 (64) also contains endorsements, September–December 1866, arranged in chronological order and numbered. The name index to this series, volume (66), is mentioned above.

Volume 1 (64) Sept. 1866–Sept. 1867 Volume 2 (65) Sept.–Dec. 1867

#### Letters Received

The single volume of letters received, September 1866–December 1867 (67), is arranged in chronological order by date received and numbered.

Volume (67) Sept. 1866–Dec. 1867

## 92 Letters Received

Unbound letters received, November 1866–December 1867, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the single-volume register of letters received (67) mentioned above.

Nov. 1866-Dec. 1867

# Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, October 1865–March 1866 and November 1866–December 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Oct. 1865–Mar. 1866 and Nov. 1866–Dec. 1867

#### Special Orders Received

The single volume of special orders received, May 1866–December 1867 (74), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (74) May 1866–Dec. 1867

## Register of Marriages

The single-volume register of marriages, December 1865–January 1866 (79), is arranged alphabetically.

Volume (79) Dec. 1865–Jan. 1866

**DATES** 

#### 92 Accounts

(cont.)

The single volume of accounts, July 1866–February 1867 (76), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains a list of bounty claimants, August 1867–February 1868, arranged chronologically. The volume has a name index.

Volume (76)

July 1866-Feb. 1867

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, January 1866–April 1868, are arranged by type of record. The series includes special orders (September 1866–November 1867), receipts for money (December 1867), affidavits (September–October 1867). Also included is a register of school tickets issued (April 1868), narrative reports (January 1866), and reports of expenses (January 1866).

Jan. 1866-Apr. 1868

#### BRANDENBURG (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Registers of Letters Sent and Received

The single volume of register of letters sent and received, January–July 1867 (80), is arranged by type of register and thereunder chronologically. The volume also includes letters sent from Brandenburg dated September 1866 and a register of letters received at Owensboro (June–July 1868).

Volume (80)

Sept. 1866 and Jan.-July 1867

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, May–June 1868 (82), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. For letters sent September 1866 and a register of letters sent January–July 1867, see the single volume of registers of letters sent and received (80) mentioned above.

Volume (82)

May-June 1868

#### Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, May–July 1868 (81), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (81)

May-July 1868

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, May–June 1868, are arranged chronologically. The letters are registered in the single-volume register of letters received (81) mentioned above.

May-June 1868

**DATES** 

# 92 BURKSVILLE (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### (cont.) Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, October 1866–July 1868 (83), is arranged in chronological order and numbered.

Volume (83)

Oct. 1866-July 1868

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, September 1866–June 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Sept. 1866-June 1868

# 93 Monthly Statistical Reports of Operations

Unbound monthly statistical reports of operations, September 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Sept. 1866-July 1868

## Register of Cases in Freedmans Court

The single-volume register of cases in "Freedmans Court," October 1866–October 1867 (84), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (84)

Oct. 1866-Oct. 1867

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, May 1866–July 1868, are arranged by type of record. Included are monthly reports of schools (October 1866–July 1868); monthly reports of accounts current (May 1866–March 1867); reports of persons and articles hired (February and July 1868); claims for reimbursement (November 1866); and receipts, warrants, and cases tried (October–November 1866).

May 1866-July 1868

#### COLUMBUS (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, June 1866–July 1868 (87), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also contains indentures of apprenticeship (April 1866–January 1868) that are arranged chronologically.

Volume (87)

June 1866-July 1868

# Letters Received and a Register of Letters Received

The single volume of letters received and a register of letters received, March 1866–May 1868 (86), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The letters received are dated March 1866–April 1868 and the register is dated April–May 1868.

Volume (86)

Mar. 1866-May 1868

**DATES** 

#### 93 Letters Received

(cont.) Unbound letters received, March–July 1868, are arranged chronologically. Several letters are entered in the single volume of letters received and a register of letters received (86) mentioned above. However, most are not.

Mar.-July 1868

# Circulars and Special Orders Received

The single volume of circulars and special orders received, July 1865–March 1868 (88), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (88)

July 1865-Mar. 1868

#### **Contracts**

The single volume of contracts, April 1866–November 1867 (89), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also includes a register of marriages dated May 1866–April 1868.

Volume (89)

Apr. 1866-Nov. 1867

#### Proceedings of Freedmen's Court

The single volume of proceedings of Freedmen's Court, April–July 1866 (90), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (90)

Apr.-July 1866

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, April–October 1866 and September 1867, are arranged by type of record. The series includes a statement of accounts current (April 1866); affidavits (October 1866 and September 1867); and quarterly reports of schools (April–June 1866).

Apr.-Oct. 1866 and Sept. 1867

#### **COVINGTON (SUPERINTENDENT)**

#### Letters Sent

The two volumes of letters sent, May 1866–July 1868, 1 (92) and 2 (93), are arranged chronologically.

Volume 1 (92) Volume 2 (93)

May-Dec. 1866 Jan. 1867-July 1868

## Endorsements Sent and Received

The single volume of endorsements sent and received, January 1867–July 1868 (94), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (94)

Jan. 1867-July 1868

#### **DATES**

#### 93 Letters Received

(cont.) The single volume of letters received, December 1866–July 1868 (91), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (91) Dec. 1866–July 1868

#### Register of Complaints

The single-volume register of complaints, January–August 1866 (138), is arranged chronologically. The register also contains names of people applying for bounties and a register of letters received by the assistant disbursing officer at Louisville (January–April 1871), which is arranged chronologically.

Volume (138) Jan.–Aug. 1866

#### Accounts

The single volume of accounts, January–April 1866 (95), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains a list of men who applied for bounty claims (no date), which is arranged chronologically.

Volume (95) Jan.–Apr. 1866

#### 94 CYNTHIANA (SUPERINTENDENT)

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, March–July 1866, are arranged chronologically. The series includes orders and circulars received.

Mar.-July 1866

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, August–October 1866, are arranged by type of record. The series includes testimonies taken at cases tried August 1866 and marriage licenses (October 1866).

Aug.-Oct. 1866

# DANVILLE (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Letters Sent

The three volumes of letters sent, June 1866–June 1868, 1 (100), 2 (101), and 3 (102), are arranged chronologically. Volume 3 (102) also contains a register of letters sent (August–September 1867), arranged in chronological order and numbered. This volume has a name index.

Volume 1 (100) Feb.—June 1868 Volume 2 (101) Apr.—June 1868 Volume 3 (102) June 1866—Sept. 1867

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# 94 Registers of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent and Received

(cont.) The four volumes of registers of letters received and endorsements sent and received, September 1866–July 1868, 1 (98), 2 (99), 3 (96), and 4 (97), are arranged chronologically. However, volume 3 (96), which is dated February–April 1868, overlaps in dates with the other registers and appears to include letters filed in the office. The other registers consist almost entirely of letters forwarded to other officers. For letters entered in register 3 (96), see the series of letters received February–April 1868 mentioned below.

Volume 1 (98)	Sept. 1866-Dec. 1867
Volume 2 (99)	Dec. 1867–Apr. 1868
Volume 3 (96)	FebApr. 1868
Volume 4 (97)	Apr.–July 1868

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, February–April 1868, are arranged according to their entry in register (96) mentioned above.

PP10–PP254 Feb.–April 1868

# 95 Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, January 1866–June 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Jan. 1866–June 1868

#### 96 Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, March 1862–June 1868, are arranged by type of record. The series includes orders received (March 1866–March 1868); monthly operations reports (July 1866–June 1868); monthly school reports (May 1866–June 1868); monthly reports of accounts current and receipts and expenditures (June 1866–January 1867); monthly reports of persons and articles hired (May 1866–June 1868); monthly returns of quartermaster stores received, issued, and remaining on hand (June 1866–June 1867); a list of grand and petit jurors (March 1862–67); a report of unfortunates among freedmen (June 1867); an affidavit (July 1867); a court statement (no date); and a labor contract (January 1866).

Mar. 1862-June 1868

# FALMOUTH (AGENT)

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, March 1867–June 1867 (85), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also contains letters received, February 1867, that are duplicated in volume (103) of letters and orders received September 1866–June 1867 mentioned below.

Volume (85) Mar.–June 1867

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#### 96 Letters and Orders Received

(cont.) The single volume of letters and orders received, September 1866–June 1867 (103), is arranged chronologically by date received.

Volume (103)

Sept.-June 1867

## **GEORGETOWN (AGENT)**

Letters Received

Unbound letters received, July 1866–June 1867, are arranged chronologically.

July 1866-June 1867

## Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, June 1866–June 1867, are arranged by type of record. The series includes statistical reports of operations (June 1866–June 1867); reports of receipts and expenditures (June 1866–January 1867); monthly school reports by district superintendent (March 1867); and an affidavit (November 1866).

June 1866-June 1867

# GREENSBURG (SUPERINTENDENT AND CHIEF AGENT)

Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, October 1866–February 1868 (104), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains letters received (March–August 1867), arranged chronologically by date received, and a register of letters received (August 1867–January 1868), arranged chronologically by date received.

Volume (104)

Oct. 1866-Feb. 1868

# Endorsements Sent and Received

The single volume of endorsements sent and received, October 1866–February 1868 (105), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (105)

Oct. 1866-Feb. 1868

#### HENDERSON (CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, March–July 1868 (109), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (109)

Mar.-July 1868

## Register of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent

The single-volume register of letters received and endorsements sent, March–July 1868 (107), is arranged in chronological order and numbered and has a name index.

Volume (107)

Mar.-July 1868

#### **DATES**

#### 97 Letters Received

Unbound letters received, March–July 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the register in register of letters received and endorsements sent (107) mentioned above.

Mar.-July 1868

## Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, February–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Feb.-July 1868

# HENDERSON (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, April–September 1867 and January–July 1868 (110), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (110)

Apr.-Sept. 1867 and Jan.-July 1868

#### **Endorsements Sent**

The single volume of endorsements sent, April 1867–July 1868 (111), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (111)

Apr. 1867–July 1868

#### Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, April–May 1867 and January–July 1868 (108), is arranged chronologically by date received.

Volume (108)

Apr.-May 1867 and Jan.-July 1868

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, February–December 1866, August–October 1867, and January–July 1868, are arranged chronologically. Some of the letters are entered in the register of letters received (108) mentioned above.

Feb.–Dec. 1866, Aug.– Oct. 1867, and Jan.– July 1868

#### Register of Indentures

The single-volume register of indentures, January 1866–February 1868 (113), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also includes comments on the loyalty of certain parties in the area (February–March 1868) that are arranged chronologically.

Volume (113)

Jan. 1866-Feb. 1868

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#### 97 Miscellaneous Records

(cont.)

Unbound miscellaneous records, March 1866–July 1868, are arranged by type of record and thereunder chronologically. The series includes monthly statistical reports of operations (March–June 1866); monthly school reports (November 1867–July 1868); monthly reports of persons and articles hired (January 1867–June 1868); muster rolls of a detachment (April and June 1868); complaints (April 1868); and a receipt for money (May 1866).

May 1866–July 1868

## **HODGINSVILLE (AGENT)**

#### Freedmen's Contracts

The single volume of Freedmen's contracts, January 1866–June 1867 (106), is arranged by year and thereunder numerically. The volume also contains a register of complaints (March–December 1868), which was probably compiled at Louisville, Kentucky.

Volume (106)

Jan. 1866–June 1867 and

Mar.-Dec. 1868

#### LEBANON (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

## Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, March–July 1868 (117), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (117)

Mar.-July 1868

## Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, February–July 1868 (115), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder chronologically. For letters received, see the unbound letters received, March–June 1868, mentioned below.

Volume (115)

Feb.-July 1868

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, March–June 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the register of letters received (115) mentioned above.

Mar.-June 1868

#### Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, February–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Feb.-July 1868

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## 97 Register of Letters Received Relating to Claims

(cont.) The single-volume register of letters received relating to claims, March 1868 and June 1868 (114), is arranged chronologically. The register also contains two endorsements dated June 1868.

Volume (114)

Mar. 1868 and June 1868

# Register of Claimants

The single-volume register of claimants, May 1866–February 1868 (118), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname for 1866 and arranged generally in chronological order for 1867 and 1868.

Volume (118)

May 1866–Feb. 1868

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, February–June 1868, are arranged by type of record. The series includes reports of persons and articles hired (February–June 1868); school reports (February–June 1868); and reports of assaults committed on refugees and freedmen (June 1868).

Feb.-June 1868

## 98 LEBANON (DISBURSING OFFICER)

Letters Received

Unbound letters received, August-December 1871, are arranged chronologically.

Aug.-Dec. 1871

Papers Relating to the Claim of John Spalding and Lists of Claimants
Unbound papers relating to the claim of John Spalding and lists of claimants are dated
1871.

1871

# LEXINGTON (CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT AND CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

Letters Sent

The four volumes of letters sent, February 1866–December 1868, 1 (122), 2 (123), 3 (124), and 4 (125), are arranged chronologically, and volume 1 (122) has a name index.

	Volume 1 (122)	Feb.–Uct. 1866
	Volume 2 (123)	Oct. 1866–Nov. 1867
9	Volume 3 (124)	Nov. 1867–Sept. 1868
	Volume 4 (125)	Sept.–Dec. 1868

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#### 100 Endorsements Sent

The five volumes of endorsements sent, February 1866–December 1868, 1 (127), 2 (128), 3 (129), 4 (130), and 5 (131), are arranged chronologically. Volume 2 (128) contains a name index to volumes 1 (127) and 2 (128).

Volume 1 (127)	FebSept. 1866
Volume 2 (128)	Sept. 1866–Feb. 1867
Volume 3 (129)	FebOct. 1867

101 Volume 4 (130) Oct. 1867–June 1868 Volume 5 (131) June–Dec. 1868

## Registers of Letters Received

The two volumes of registers of letters received, February 1866–December 1868, 1 (119) and 2 (120), are arranged in chronological order and numbered. There is a name index in volume 1 (119). For letters received, see the letters received, March 1866–December 1868, mentioned below.

Volume 1 (119)	FebDec. 1866
Volume 2 (120)	Dec. 1866-Dec. 1868

#### 102 Letters Received

Unbound letters received, March 1866–December 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the registers of letters received, 1 (119) and 2 (120), mentioned above.

Mar. 1866-Dec. 1868

## Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, February 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Feb.-May 1866

103 Unregistered Letters (cont.) June–Dec. 1866

104 Unregistered Letters (cont.) Jan.–Aug. 1867

105 Unregistered Letters (cont.) Sept. 1867–Feb. 1868

106 Unregistered Letters (cont.) Mar.–Dec. 1868

#### General Orders Issued

The single volume of general orders issued, February–April 1866 (134), is arranged in chronological order and numbered. The volume also contains circulars issued (February 1866–January 1868), arranged by year and thereunder arranged numerically.

Volume (134) Feb.–Apr. 1866

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#### 106 Special Orders Issued

(cont.) The single volume of special orders issued, March 1866–July 1868 (133), is arranged by year and thereunder numerically.

Volume (133)

Mar. 1866–July 1868

## 107 General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Received

Unbound general orders, special orders, and circulars received, August 1865–December 1868, are arranged by type of issuance and thereunder chronologically.

Aug. 1865-Dec. 1868

# Monthly Reports of Operations

Unbound monthly reports of operations, February 1866–October 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes reports from subordinate officers and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

Feb.-Dec. 1866

108 Reports of Operations (cont.)

Jan. 1867-Oct. 1868

# 109 Monthly School Reports

Unbound monthly school reports, May 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes reports from subordinate officers and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

May 1866-Nov. 1868

# 110 Monthly Reports of Persons and Articles Hired

Unbound monthly reports of persons and articles hired, March 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes reports from subordinate officers and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

Mar. 1866–July 1867

111 Reports of Persons . . . (cont.)

Aug. 1867-Nov. 1868

## Reports of Receipts and Expenditures

Unbound reports of receipts and expenditures, March 1866–April 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Mar. 1866-Apr. 1867

## Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, December 1865–November 1868, are arranged by type of record. The series includes statistical reports of unfortunates (May–June 1866); reports of outrages to freedmen and Unionists (December 1865–November 1866); receipts for money (January 1866–November 1868); yearly return of medical and hospital property (December 1866); and court papers, affidavits, and statements (March 1866–June 1867).

Dec. 1865-Nov. 1868

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## 112 LEXINGTON (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Letters Sent

The two volumes of letters sent are dated June 1866–October 1867 and July 1868, 1 (123½) and 2 (126). Volume 1 (123½) covers the period October 1867–July 1868 and is arranged chronologically. Volume 2 (126) covers the period June 1866–September 1867 and is arranged in chronological order and numbered.

Volume 1 (123½) Oct. 1867, Nov. 1867 and July 1868 Volume 2 (126) June 1866–Sept.1867

#### **Endorsements Sent**

The single volume of endorsements sent, July 1866–October 1867 (132), is arranged in chronological order and numbered.

Volume (132) July 1866–Oct. 1867

# Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, July 1866—October 1867 and July 1868 (121), is arranged in chronological order and numbered. For letters received, see the letters received (September 1866—September 1867) mentioned below.

Volume (121) July 1866–Oct. 1867 and July 1868

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, September 1866–September 1867, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the register of letters received (121) mentioned above.

Sept. 1866-Sept. 1867

# Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, June 1866–October 1867, are arranged chronologically.

June 1866-Oct. 1867

#### Register of Complaints

The single-volume register of complaints, April–September 1866 (135), is arranged generally chronologically.

Volume (135) Apr.–Sept. 1866

#### 113 LOUISVILLE (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Press Copies of Letters Sent

The two volumes of press copies of letters sent, July 1865–October 1867, 1 (139) and 2 (140), are arranged chronologically, and both volumes have name indexes.

Volume 1 (139) July 1865–Aug. 1866

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114 Press Copies of Letters Sent (cont.)

Volume 2 (140)

Aug. 1866-Oct. 1867

#### Name Index

The single-volume name index (141½) is an index to the single-volume series of letters sent, July–December 1868 (141), mentioned below.

Volume (141½)

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, July–December 1868 (141), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (141)

July-Dec. 1868

#### Name Index

The single-volume name index, July-December 1868 (144), is a partial index to the two volumes of endorsements sent, August 1865-December 1868, 1 (142) and 2 (143), mentioned below.

Volume (144)

July-Dec. 1868

#### **Endorsements Sent**

The two volumes of endorsements sent, 1 (142) and 2 (143), cover the period August 1865–December 1868. Volume 1 (142) is arranged in chronological order and numbered and has a name index. Volume 2 (143) is arranged chronologically. For a name index to volume 2 (143), see the single-volume name index (144) listed above.

Volume 1 (142) Volume 2 (143) Aug. 1865–July 1868 July 1868–Dec. 1868

## Name Index

The single-volume name index, July–December 1868 (137½), is a partial index to the two volumes of registers of letters received, July–October 1865 and April 1866–December 1868, mentioned below.

Volume (137½)

July-Dec. 1868

#### 115 Registers of Letters Received

The two volumes of registers of letters received, 1 (136) and 2 (137), cover the period July–October 1865 and April 1866–December 1868. Volume 1 (136) is arranged numerically and has a name index. Volume 2 (137) is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered. For a name index to Volume 2 (137), see the single-volume name index (137½) mentioned above; for the letters received, see the unbound letters received, August 1865–October 1868, mentioned below.

Volume 1 (136)

July-October 1865 and April 1866–July 1868

Volume 2 (137)

July-Dec. 1868

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#### 115 Letters Received

(cont.) Unbound letters received, August 1865–October 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the two volumes of registers of letters received, 1 (136) and 1 (137), mentioned above.

1–49	1865
2–254	1866

116 2–604 Jan.–Dec. 1867 8–359 Jan.–June 1868 A2–T5 Aug.–Oct. 1868

# 117 Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, July 1865-December 1868, are arranged chronologically.

July 1865-Dec. 1867

#### 118 Unregistered Letters (cont.)

Jan.-Dec. 1868

### Special Orders Issued

The single volume of special orders issued, April 1866–September 1868 (145), is arranged by year and thereunder numerically.

Volume (145)

Apr. 1866-Sept. 1868

## General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Received

Unbound general orders, special orders and circulars received, July 1865–November 1868, are arranged by type of order and thereunder chronologically.

July 1865-Nov. 1868

## Monthly Reports of Operations

Unbound monthly reports of operations, March 1866–October 1868, are arranged chronologically. Included are reports from subordinate officers and reports to the Assistant Commissioner.

Mar. 1866-Oct. 1868

# 119 Monthly School Reports

Unbound monthly school reports, September 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Apr.–June 1866 and Sept. 1866–Nov. 1868

# Monthly Reports of Persons and Articles Hired

Unbound monthly reports of persons and articles hired, February 1867–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Feb. 1867-Dec. 1868

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## 119 Monthly Reports of Receipts and Expenditures

(cont.) Unbound monthly reports of receipts and expenditures, March 1866–January 1867, are arranged chronologically. The reports are mainly from subordinate officers. Also included are a few reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

Mar. 1866-Jan. 1867

#### Registers of Complaints

The two volumes of registers of complaints, January 1866–January 1867, 1 (151) and 2 (152), are arranged chronologically. The dates of the volumes overlap. Volume 1 (151) covers the period January–September 1866. Volume 2 (152) covers the period January 1866–January 1867.

Volume 1 (151) Jan.—Sept.1866 Volume 2 (152) Jan. 1866—Jan. 1867

Proceedings of Freedmen's Court ("Minutes of Daily Proceedings")

The single volume of proceedings of Freedmen's Court ("Minutes of Daily Proceedings") is dated January–November 1867 (153), and is arranged chronologically.

Volume (153) Jan.–Nov. 1867

# Affidavits and Records Relating to Complaints

Unbound affidavits and records relating to complaints, September 1863 and 1865–67, are arranged by initial letter of the surname of the complainant.

A-B 1865-1867

120 C-S 1863 and 1866–1867

121 T-Y 1866–1867

## Warrants Issued in Response to Freedmen's Complaints

Unbound warrants issued in response to freedmen's complaints cover the period January–December 1866. Those covering the period January–December 1866 are arranged by initial letter of the surname. Warrants covering the period January–September 1866 are arranged numerically.

A-Y Jan.-Dec. 1866

122 1–556 Jan.–Sept. 1866

#### 123 Freedmen's Contracts

The single volume of Freedmen's contracts, January 1866–July 1867 (150), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (150) Jan. 1866–July 1867

DATES

#### 123 Indentures

(cont.)

The single volume of indentures, January 1866–November 1867 and April–August 1866 (149), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains special orders received, April–August 1866, that are arranged chronologically.

Volume (149)

Jan. 1866–Nov. 1867 and Apr.–Aug. 1866

# Register of Applications Forwarded for Bounty Claims

The single volume of applications forwarded for bounty claims, May 1866–June 1868 (147), is arranged chronologically and numbered.

Volume (147)

May 1866-June 1868

#### Register of Claimants for Bounties

The single-volume register of claimants for bounties, August–December 1868 (148), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (148)

Aug.-Dec. 1868

## Station Book of Officers in the Louisville Subdistrict

The single-volume station book of officers in the Louisville subdistrict is undated and not arranged. The volume has a name index.

Volume (146)

No date

# Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records cover the period October 1865—October 1868 and are arranged by record type. The records include money receipts (June 1866—September 1868); affidavits and declarations (January 1866); bonds relating to freedmen (October 1865—May 1866); a promissory note (October 1868); a table of unfortunates among freedmen (September 1867); and reports of outrages and murders (December 1865—October 1866). Also included is a memorandum of condition of affairs in Lexington and central subdistricts of Kentucky (May 1866); a list of persons discharged from freedmen and refugee hospitals (July 1868); an opinion of the Board relating to clothing deficiencies in the return of the assistant surgeon (February 1867); and a list of persons refusing to pay taxes for the hospital (April 1866).

Oct. 1865-Oct. 1868

# MAYSVILLE (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, MASON COUNTY)

#### Letters Sent

The two volumes of letters sent, May 1866–July 1868, 1 (157) and 2 (158), are arranged chronologically. Following the letters in volume 1 (157) are circulars and special orders (January 1867–May 1868) that are arranged chronologically.

Volume 1 (157) Volume 2 (158) May-Dec. 1866 Jan. 1867-July 1868

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## 123 Registers of Letters Received

(cont.) The three volumes of registers of letters received, 1 (154), 2 (155), and 3 (156), cover the period July 1866—July 1868. The volumes also include endorsements sent. Volumes 1 (154) and 2 (155) are arranged chronologically by date received. Volume 3 (156) is arranged in chronological order by the date received and numbered. The volumes have overlapping dates. Volume 2 (155) also contains a register of bounty claims, August—September (no year), that is arranged by the month the claim was forwarded. The volume also contains a register of "widows claims," November 1866, that are arranged by the date the claim was forwarded.

Volume 1 (154)	July 1866–May 1867
Volume 2 (155)	May-Dec. 1867
Volume 3 (156)	Jan. 1867–July 1868

#### 124 Letters Received

Unbound letters received, March 1866—December 1867, are arranged chronologically. Some of the letters are entered in the registers of letters received mentioned above, but most are not.

Mar. 1866-Dec. 1867

#### General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Received

Unbound general orders, special orders, and circulars received, February 1866–December 1867, are arranged by type of order and thereunder chronologically.

Feb. 1866-Dec. 1867

#### Monthly Reports of Persons and Articles Hired

Unbound monthly reports of persons and articles hired, May 1866–April 1868, are arranged chronologically.

May 1866-Apr. 1868

#### Monthly School Reports

Unbound monthly school reports, July 1866-April 1868, are arranged chronologically.

July 1866-Apr. 1868

## Monthly Returns of Quartermaster's Stores Received and Issued

Unbound monthly returns of quartermaster's stores received and issued, June 1866–March 1868, are arranged chronologically.

June 1866-Mar. 1868

## Register of Complaints

The single-volume register of complaints, May 1866–May 1867 (160), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (160) May 1866–May 1867

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## 124 Register of Claimants

(cont.) The single-volume register of claimants, September 1866–July 1868 (159), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. The register gives the name and address of the claimant, whether he was "loyal" or "disloyal," and the date of the report proving his loyalty. Claimants are white citizens.

Volume (159) Sept. 1866–July 1868

# 125 Monthly Returns of Receipts and Expenditures

Unbound monthly returns of receipts and expenditures, March 1866–March 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Mar. 1866–Mar. 1867

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, June 1866—March 1868, are arranged by type of record. The records include receipt rolls of clothing issued (February–March 1868); reports of accounts current (June 1866–February 1867); a list of stores received from the quartermaster (January 1868); and a list of unfortunates among the freedmen (May 1867).

June 1866-Mar. 1868

#### Mt. Sterling (Subassistant Commissioner)

#### Letters Sent

The three volumes of letters sent, June 1866–July 1868, 1 (161), 2 (162), and 3 (163), are arranged chronologically. The volumes have overlapping dates.

Volume 1 (161)	June–July 1866 and
	June 1866–Apr. 1868
Volume 2 (162)	June 1866–Mar. 1867
Volume 3 (163)	Apr. 1867–July 1868

#### Register of Contracts

The single-volume register of contracts, January–July 1866 (166), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (166) Jan.–July 1866

#### Marriage Certificates

The two volumes of marriage certificates, 1 (164) and 2 (165), are dated 1866. Volume 1 (164) covers the period February–April 1866, is arranged chronologically, and has a name index. The certificates in Volume 2 (165) are not notated with specific dates, and are unarranged. The volume also includes a divorce certificate (October 1866) and a register of marriages dated October 1866–May (no date) that is arranged chronologically.

Volume 1 (164) Feb.–Apr. 1866 Volume 2 (165) 1866

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# 125 Monthly Returns of Quartermaster's Stores Received and Issued

(cont.) Unbound monthly returns of quartermaster's stores received and issued, June 1866–June 1868, are arranged chronologically.

June 1866-June 1868

#### Freedmen's Contracts

The single volume of freedmen's contracts (167) is dated January 1867.

Volume (167)

Jan. 1867

# NICHOLASVILLE (AGENT)

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, November 1866–October 1867 (168), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (168)

Nov. 1866-Oct. 1867

## Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, April 1866–July 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Apr. 1866-July 1867

#### 126 Special Orders and Circulars Received

Unbound special orders and circulars received, March 1866–June 1867, are arranged by type of order and thereunder arranged chronologically and numbered.

Mar. 1866-June 1867

## Monthly Statistical Reports of Operations

Unbound monthly statistical reports of operations, May 1866–October 1867, are arranged chronologically.

May 1866-Oct. 1867

## Monthly School Reports

Unbound monthly school reports, January-November 1867 are arranged chronologically.

Jan.-Nov. 1867

# List of Claimants

The single-volume list of claimants (169) is not dated and is arranged by type of list. The volume also contains loose copies of indentures (September–October 1865, May–June 1866, and February and May 1867) that are not arranged.

Volume (169)

No dates

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#### 126 Miscellaneous Records

(cont.) Unbound miscellaneous records, April 1866–April 1867, are arranged by type of record. The records include cases tried (April–November 1866); receipts and expenditures (July and December 1866); monthly return of quartermaster's stores (June 1866); and an affidavit (April 1867).

Apr. 1866–Apr. 1867

# OWENSBORO (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Press Copies of Letters Sent

The single volume of press copies of letters sent, October 1866–May 1868 (172), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (172)

Oct. 1866-May 1868

#### 127 Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, April 1867–July 1868 (173), is arranged chronologically and has a name index..

Volume (173)

Apr. 1867-July 1868

### **Endorsements Sent**

The single volume of endorsements sent, April 1867–July 1868 (174), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (174)

Apr. 1867-July 1868

#### Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, January 1867–June 1868 (170), is arranged chronologically. For a register of letters received at Owensboro dated June–July 1868, see the single-volume register of letters sent and received, January–July 1867 (80), by the subassistant commissioner for Brandenburg.

Volume (170)

Jan. 1867-June 1868

#### Letters Received

Unbound letters received, January 1867–May 1868, are arranged in chronological order by date received and numbered. The letters are entered in the register of letters received (170) mentioned above.

Jan. 1867-May 1868

# Register of Letters Received by Endorsement

The single-volume register of letters received by endorsement, April 1867–July 1868 (171), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (171)

Apr. 1867-July 1868

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## 127 Unregistered Letters Received

(cont.) Unbound unregistered letters received, May 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

May 1866-July 1868

## 128 Marriage Certificates Issued

Unbound marriage certificates issued, June 1866–August 1868, are arranged by year and thereunder by initial letter of the surname of the family.

June 1866-Aug. 1868

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, October 1865–July 1868, are arranged by type of record. The records include affidavits (October 1865 and January 1868), and monthly reports of persons and articles hired (March–July 1868).

Oct. 1865-July 1868

# PADUCAH (CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT AND CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Letters Sent

The three volumes of letters sent, April 1866–December 1868, 1 (176), 2 (177), and 3 (178), are arranged chronologically, and each volume has a name index.. Volume 3 (178) also includes letters sent (September–December 1868) by V. H. Echorn, superintendent of schools of the Western District, which are interfiled with other letters in the volume.

Volume 1 (176)	Apr. 1866–Jan. 1868
Volume 2 (177)	Jan. 1868–Aug. 1868
Volume 3 (178)	Sept.–Dec. 1868

#### Endorsements Sent and Received

The single volume of endorsements sent and received, April 1866–November 1868 (180), is arranged by endorsements sent and endorsements received and thereunder chronologically. The volume has a name index.

Volume (180) Apr. 1866–Nov. 1868

#### Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, April 1866–December 1868 (175), is arranged in chronological order by the date it was received and numbered. The volume has a name index.

Volume (175) Apr. 1866–Dec. 1868

#### 129 Letters Received

Unbound letters received, April 1866–December 1868, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the single-volume register of letters received (175) mentioned above.

Apr. 1866-Dec. 1868

## 130 Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, April 1866–October 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Apr. 1866–Oct. 1868

#### General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Issued

The single volume of orders, special orders, and circulars issued, April 1866–November 1868 (182), is arranged by type of issuance, thereunder by year, and thereunder numerically. The volume does not include all types of issuances for all time periods.

Volume (182)

Apr. 1866-Nov. 1868

# General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Received

Unbound general orders, special orders, and circulars received, April 1866–December 1868, are arranged by type of document and thereunder chronologically.

Apr. 1866-Dec. 1868

# Monthly Reports of Operations

Unbound monthly reports of operations, April 1866–April 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Apr. 1866-Apr. 1867

## 131 Monthly Reports of Operations Received from Subordinate Offices

Unbound monthly reports of operations received from subordinate offices, March 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Mar. 1866-Nov. 1868

#### Monthly School Reports

Unbound monthly school reports, April 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. These are reports from subordinate officers and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

Apr. 1866-Nov. 1868

# Monthly Reports Received from Subordinate Offices of Persons and Articles Hired

Unbound monthly reports received from subordinate offices of persons and articles hired, April 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. Reports to the Assistant Commissioner (September 1866–April 1867) are at the end of the series.

Apr. 1866-Nov. 1868

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#### 131 Returns of Stores Received and Issued

(cont.) Unbound returns of stores received and issued, June–December 1866, are arranged chronologically. The returns included those from subordinate offices and those sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

June-Dec. 1866

## 132 Monthly Reports of Receipts and Expenditures

Unbound monthly reports of receipts and expenditures, May 1866–February 1867, are arranged chronologically. The series includes monthly reports from subordinate offices and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.

May 1866-Feb. 1867

#### Complaints, Affidavits, and Evidence Relating to Court Cases

Unbound complaints, affidavits, and evidence relating to court cases, April–December 1866, are arranged by type of record.

Apr.-Dec. 1866

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, April 1866–July 1867, are arranged by document type. They include estimates for buildings (April–July 1866); a report of persons murdered or maltreated relating to freedmen (December 1865–October 1866); and tables showing the number of unfortunates among freedmen (April 1866–July 1867). The records also contain marriage certificates issued and a list of marriages as recorded in Paducah (April 1866); vouchers issued relating to services performed for the Bureau (April 1866); and abstracts of articles purchased and expended (April 1866).

Apr.1866–July 1867

# PADUCAH (SUPERINTENDENT, CHIEF AGENT, AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, MCCRACKEN COUNTY)

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The single volume of letters sent, April 1866–July 1868 (179), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (179)

Apr. 1866-July 1868

## Register of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent

The single-volume register of letters received, February—May 1867, and endorsements sent, December 1866–January 1867 (181), is arranged by type of record and thereunder chronologically. The volume also includes a register of civil cases tried at the freedmen's court at Paducah (September 1865–May 1866).

Volume (181)

Feb.–May 1867 and Dec. 1866–Jan. 1867

#### Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, August 1865–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Aug. 1865-July 1868

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#### 132 Circulars and Orders Received

(cont.) Unbound circulars and orders received, July 1865–March 1866, are arranged chronologically.

July 1865-Mar. 1866

# Register of Contracts with Freedmen at Paducah

The single-volume register of contracts with freedmen at Paducah, September 1865–January 1868 (183), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (183)

Sept. 1865-Jan. 1868

#### Register of Complaints

The single-volume register of complaints, September 1865–October 1868 (184), is arranged in general chronological order.

Volume (184)

Sept. 1865–Oct. 1868

#### Abstracts of Rations Received and Issued

Unbound abstracts of rations received and issued, February-August 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Feb.-Aug. 1867

#### 133 PADUCAH (SUPERINTENDENT—SEE COLUMBUS)

#### PARIS (AGENT)

# Freedmen's Contracts

The single volume of freedmen's contracts, March–July 1866 (185), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (185)

Mar.-July 1866

#### RUSSELLVILLE (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

#### Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, March–June 1868 (187), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (187)

Mar.-June 1868

#### Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, March–May 1868 (186), is arranged in chronological order by the date received and numbered. The volume has a name index.

Volume (186)

Mar.-May 1868

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#### 133 Registered Letters Received

(cont.) Unbound registered letters received February–May 1868, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the register of letters received (186) mentioned above.

Feb.-May 1868

# Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, October 1867–June 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Oct. 1867-June 1868

# **Complaints**

The single-volume register of complaints, August–September 1866 (188), is arranged in two subseries and thereunder chronologically.

Volume (188)

Aug.-Sept. 1866

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, August 1866 and March–May 1868, are arranged by type of record. The records include reports of schools (March–May 1868); a monthly report of persons and articles hired (March 1868); a monthly report of operations (March 1868); and affidavits (August 1866 and May 1868).

Aug. 1866 and Mar.-May 1868

# SMITHLAND (AGENT)

## Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, ca. March 1866–June 1867 (191), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also contains letters sent and received (March 1866–June 1867), arranged chronologically.

Volume (191)

Mar. 1866–June 1867

#### STANFORD (AGENT)

### Letters Sent and Received

The single volume of letters sent and received, March-November 1867 (189), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (189)

Mar.-Nov. 1867

## Letters Received

The single volume of letters received, November 1866–October 1867 (190), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The series also includes orders received.

Volume (190)

Nov. 1866-Oct. 1867

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# 133 VERSAILLES (AGENT)

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## Letters Received

Unbound letters received, August 1866–November 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Aug. 1866-Nov. 1867

#### Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, August 1866–October 1867, are arranged by type of record. The records include reports of operations (January–October 1867); school reports of the district superintendent (February–September 1867); and reports of persons and articles hired (August 1866–September 1867).

Aug. 1866-Oct. 1867

## WINCHESTER (SUPERINTENDENT)

## Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, June 1866–January 1867 (192), is arranged chronologically by date received.

Volume (192)

June 1866-Jan. 1867

# Marriage Certificates

The single volume of marriage certificates, February–September 1866 (193), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (193)

Feb.-Sept. 1866

#### **Contracts**

The single volume of contracts, January–June 1866 (194), is arranged in general chronological order. There are also some loose contracts in the volume. The volume also contains bounty requests (February–April 1866) arranged chronologically.

Volume (194)

Jan.-June 1866