Slave Sale Papers (SC139)

Introduction

The Slave Sale Papers is an artificial collection that consists of a bill of sale for two slaves, a copy of a bill of sale for one slave, and an announcement for a slave auction. The names and ages of the slaves are included.

Descriptive Summary

Creators: Cleopatra Frazier; Theodore Duncan; Samuel McClure
Title: Slave Sale Papers
Dates: 1831; 1835; and 1859
Size: 0.02 linear feet, 2 folders
Collection Number: SC139

Donor Information

Found in collection

Citation Note

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Biographical/Historical Sketch

Cleopatra Frazier of Marion County, Missouri sold two slaves to Isaac R. Campbell for $300.00 in 1831.

Samuel McClure of Calloway County, Missouri sold a slave to S. Cochran of St. Louis for $162.50 in 1835.

Theodore Duncan of Clay County, Missouri was the administrator for the estate of William Duncan. He arranged the auction of 10 of William Duncan’s slaves in Liberty, Missouri in 1859.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains one bill of sale for two slaves sold by Cleopatra Frazier dated 1831, and one copy of a bill of sale for one slave sold by Samuel McClure dated 1835. It also contains a notice by Theodore Duncan announcing the auction of 10 slaves to take place on April 25, 1859. All three documents include the names and ages of the slaves being sold.
The Samuel McClure bill of sale was previously part of the Vertical Files Special Collection. During reprocessing of the collection, it was decided to remove the bill of sale and add it to this artificial collection.

**Collection Inventory**

f. 1 Two bills and notice of sale, 1831; 1835; and 1859
f. 2 Two bills and notice of sale, 1831; 1835; and 1859 (photocopies)

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Alice
Amanda
Betsy
Betty
Bill
Billy
Campbell, Isaac R.
Clay County, Missouri
Cochran, S.
Cynene
Duncan, Theodore
Duncan, William
Frazier, Cleopatra
George
James
John
Johnson
Liberty, Missouri
McClure, Samuel
Margaret
Marion County, Missouri
Mary Jane

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