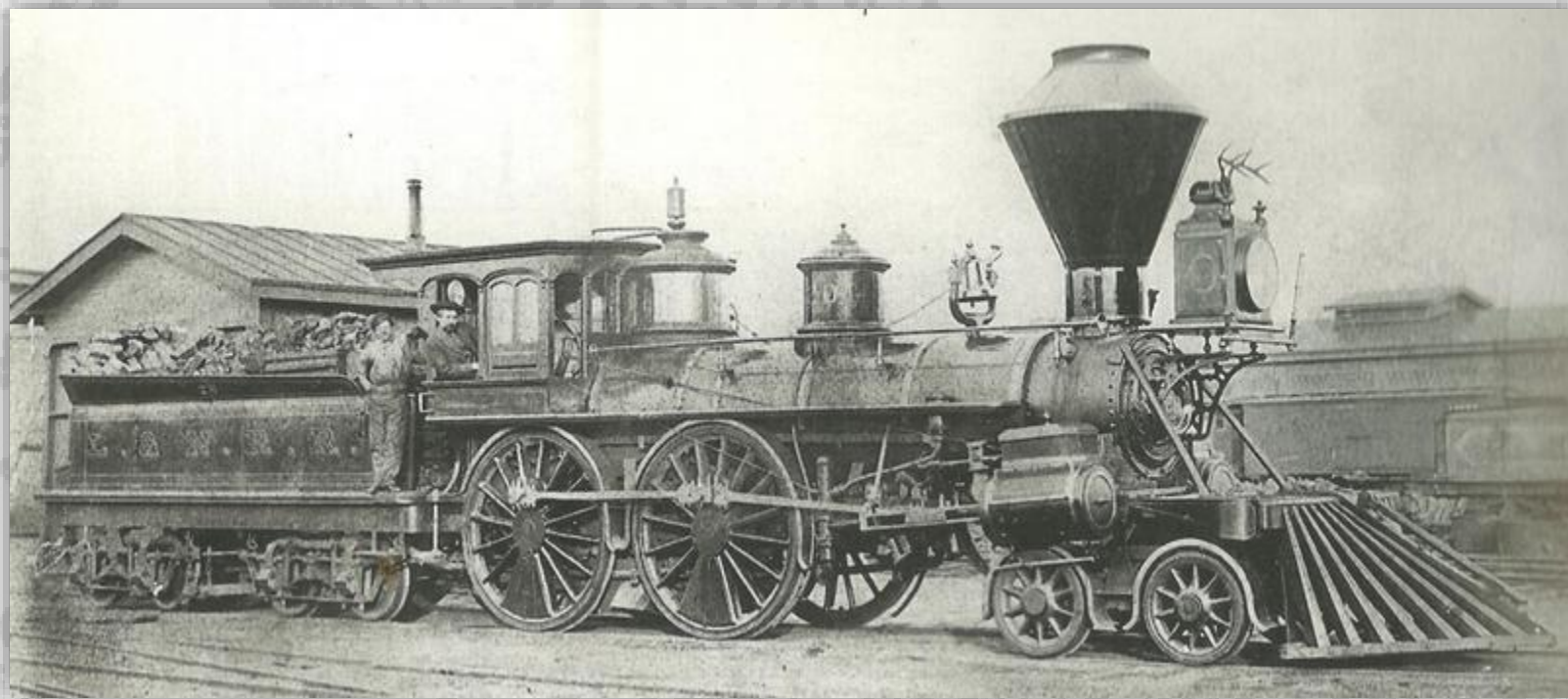


The Lebanon Branch & Pre-Prohibition Distilling Industry





LOUISVILLE

PARIS

SHELBYVILLE

WINCHESTER

Clermont
Desterville
Samuels
Nazareth
Bardonia
Greenbrier
Fallett
Hill

Shelbyville
Taylorsville
Bloomfield

Richmond

SPRINGFIELD
LOU.

Boston
Nelsonville
New Lyons
New Haven
New Hope
Coco Hollow
Chicago
Loretto

Lancaster
Gilbert

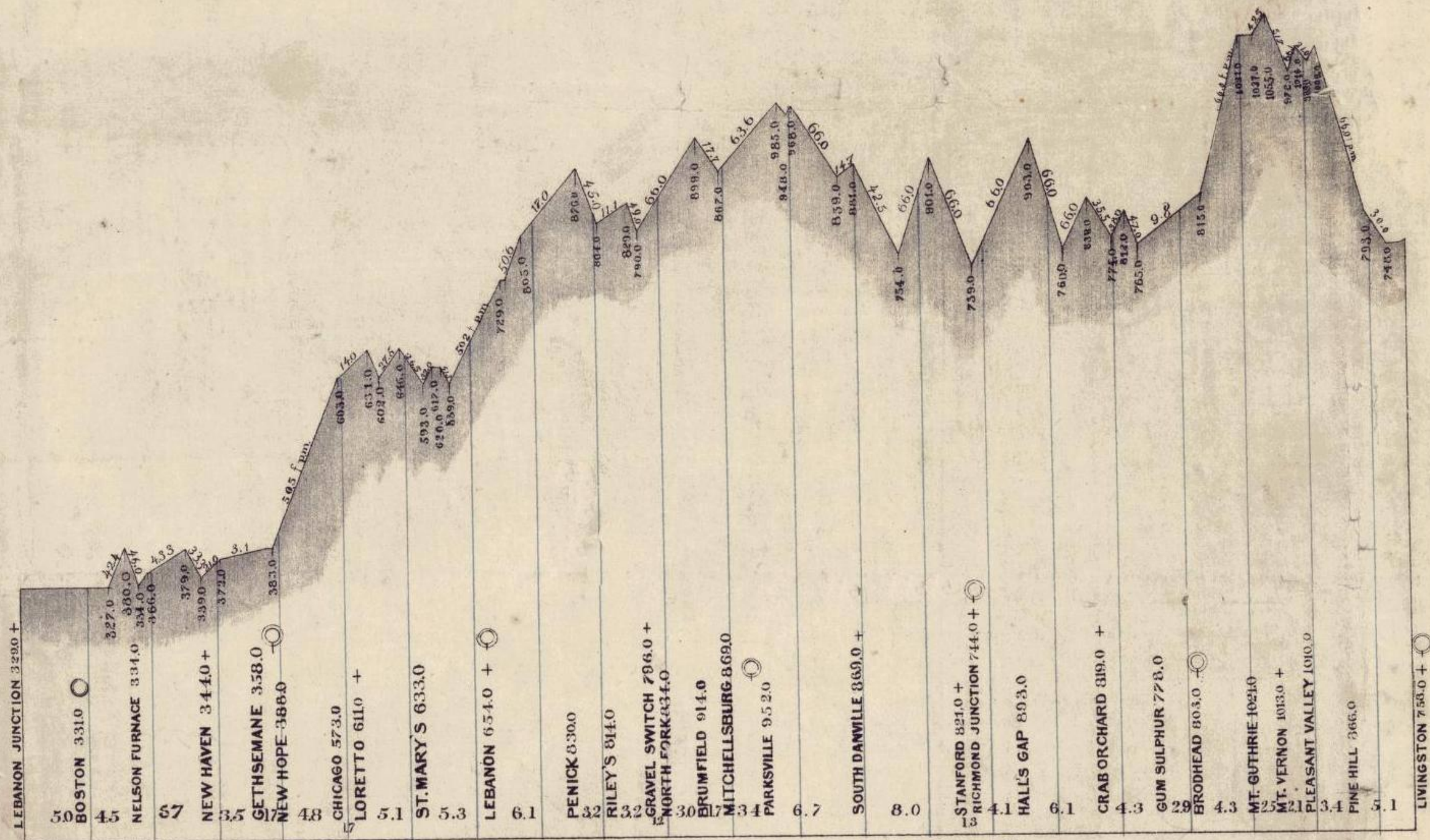
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Mayde
Beres
Snider
Roundstone
Wildie
Hummel
Langford
Brush Creek
Livingston

GLASGOW JC.
Oil City
GLASGOW

LEBANON
Spurlington
Appelville
Wrights

Brumfield
Parksville
Junction City
Shelby City

Powell
Orchard
Brodhead
Vernon



KNOXVILLE BRANCH 110.3M

1859 Timetable

LEBANON BRANCH TIME TABLE.

Trains South.

Trains North.

Freight Tr.	Pass. Train.	STATIONS		Pass. Train.	Freight Tr.
P. M.	A. M.	LEAVE	ARR.	P. M.	A. M.
	8.20	Leb. June. dep.		3.49	8.20
5.14		Leb. June. arr.			8.04
5.37	8.38	Boston.....		3.22	7.37
5.59	8.54	Nelson Furnace...		3.06	7.15
6.20	9.14	New Haven.....		2.46	6.45
6.46	9.26	Gethsemane.....		2.34	6.28
7.18	9.50	Chicago.....		2.10	5.56
7.40	10.13	St. Mary's.....		1.47	5.25
8.19	10.30	Lebanon.....		1.30	5.00
		ARR.	LEAVE.		

LEBANON JUNCTION – MP

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- Lebanon Jct. Lumber & Grain Co.
- AR. Fielder Ice & Light Co.
- Hyman Pickle Co.
- Stockyards
- L&N Freight House



LEBANON JUNCTION DEPOT, c. 1911. This depot was built in 1897 between the tracks of the



LEBANON JUNCTION – MP

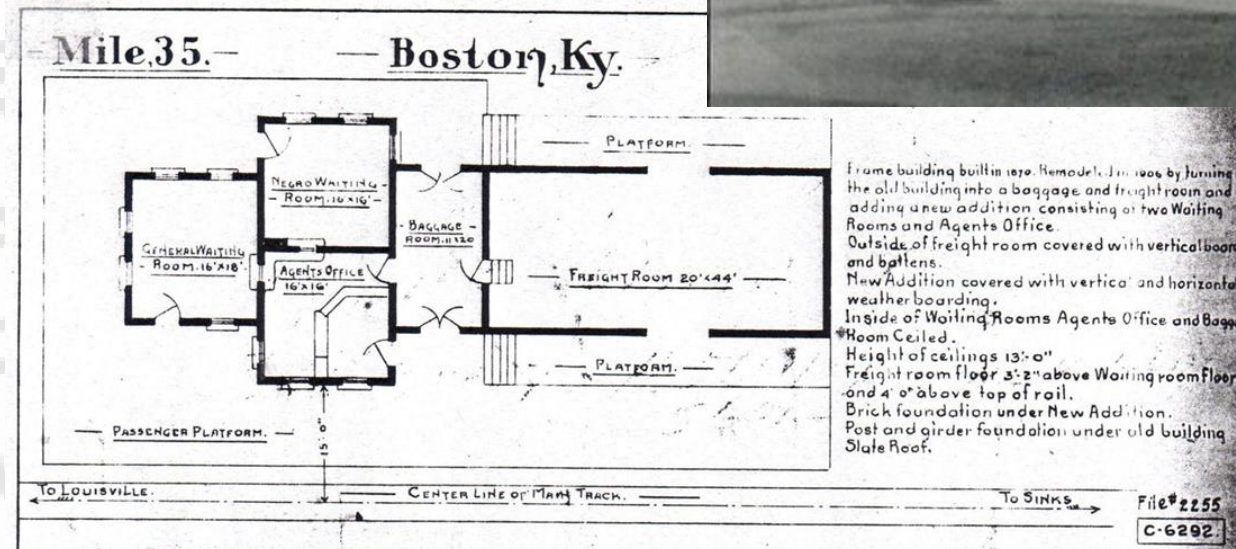
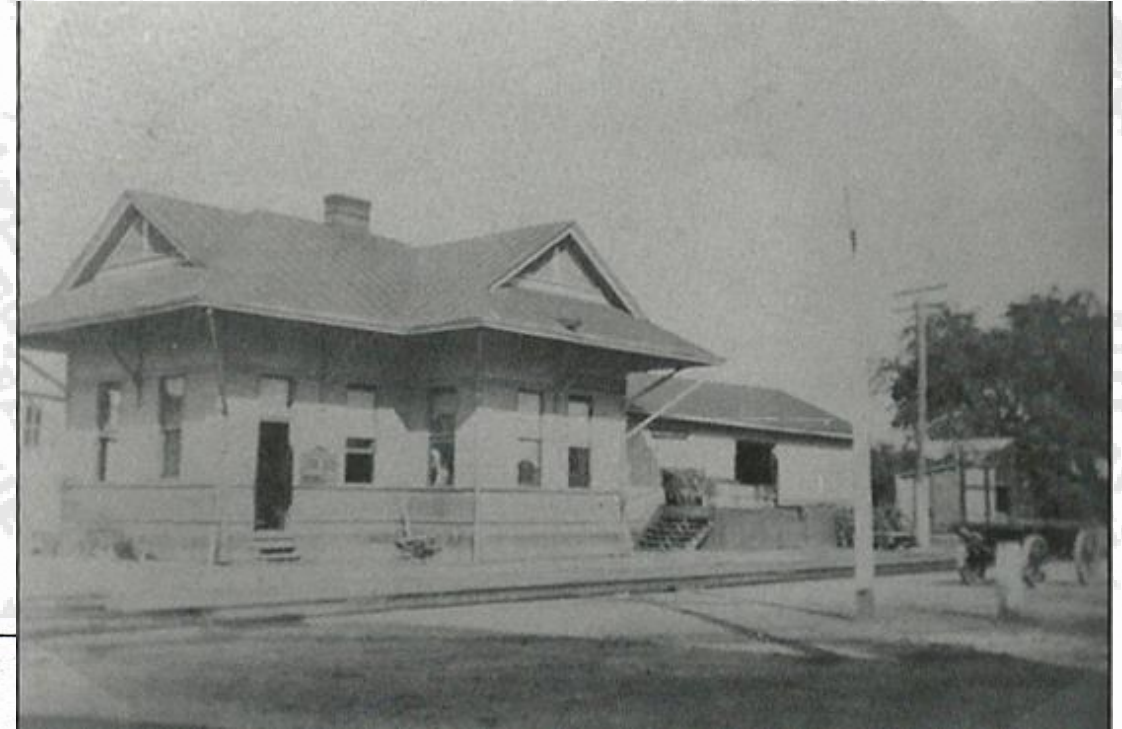
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- Water Tower
- Coaling Tower
- Roundhouse
- Wye

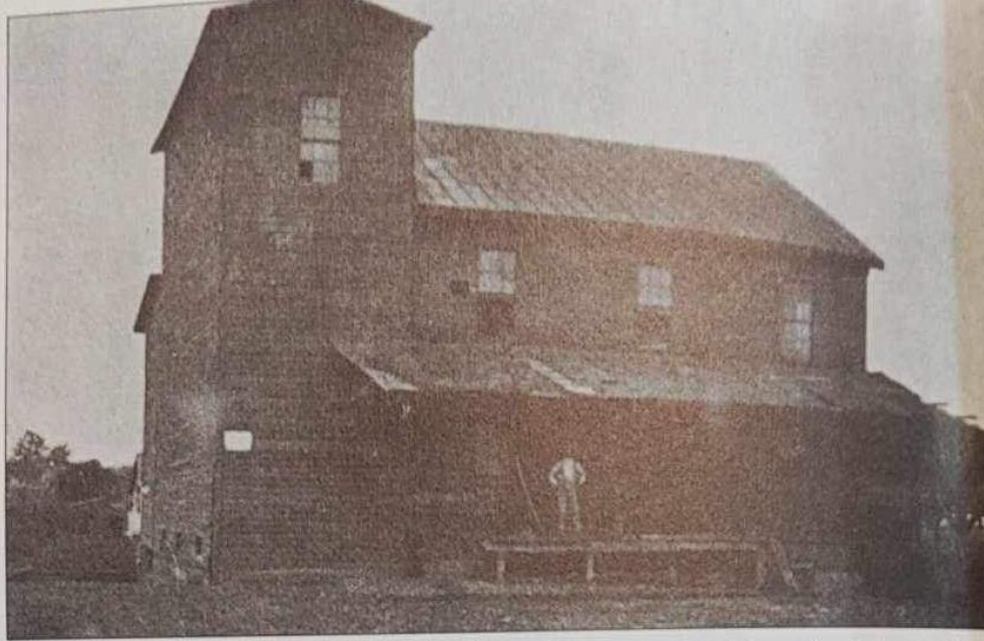


BOSTON – MP 35

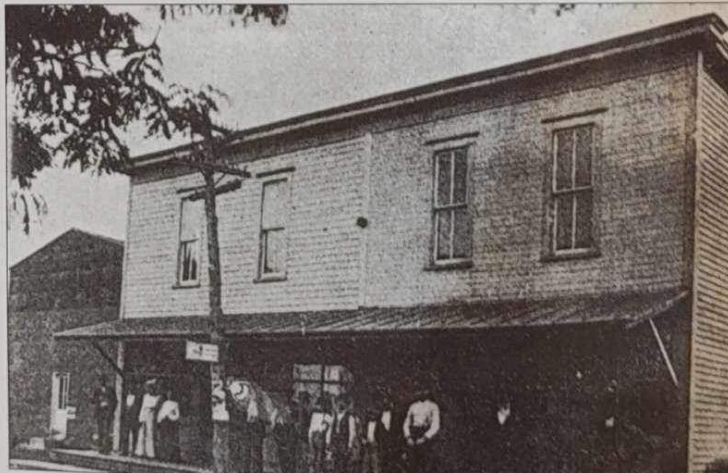
- Livestock pens
- Flour Mill
- Chair factory
- Stave mill
- Mantle manufacturer
- Tobacco Warehouse
- Sawmill
- Depot



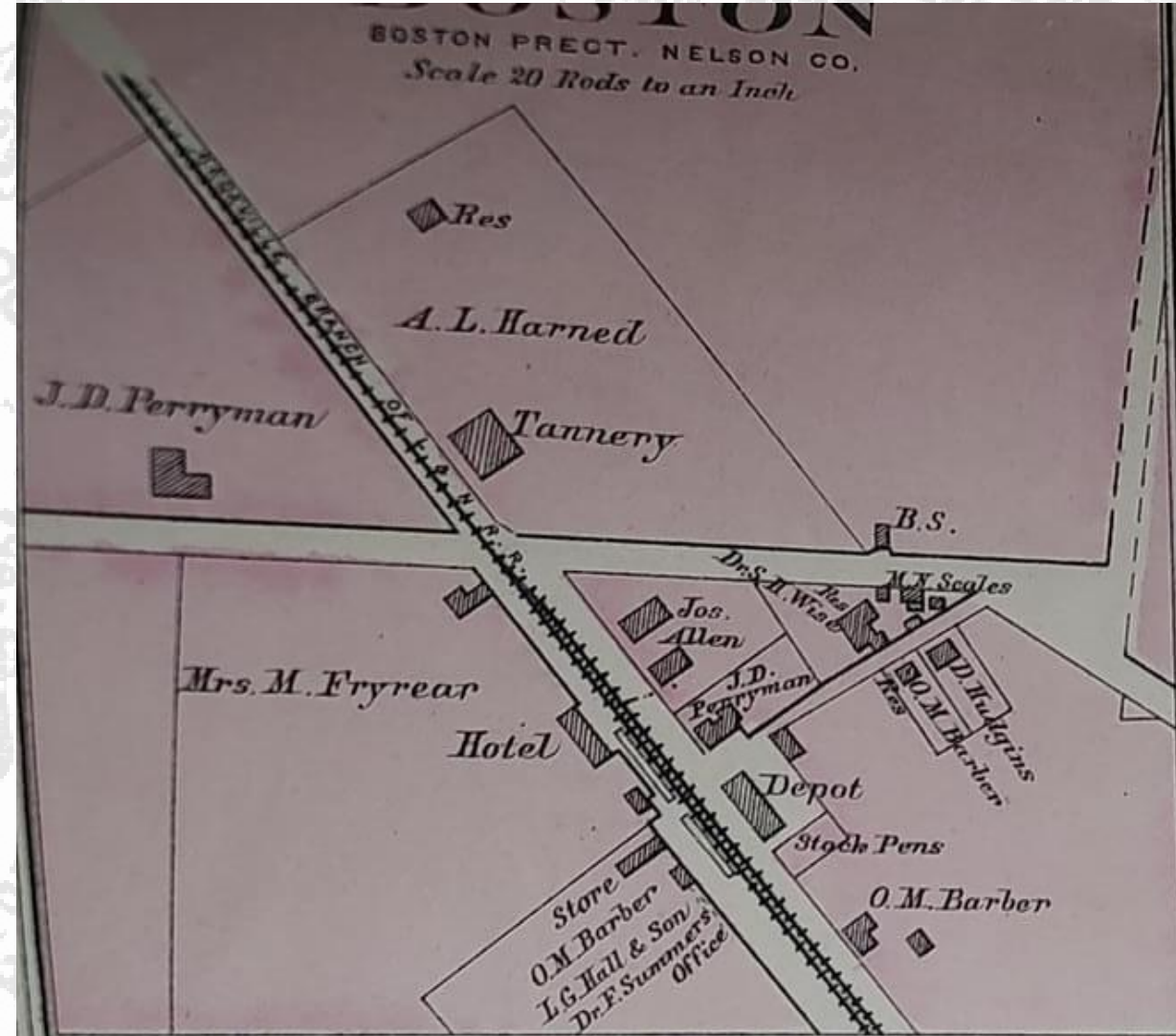
BOSTON – MP 35



BOSTON MILL CO., BOSTON, KY, c. 1904. This mill was established in July 1902



Boston Mercantile Co., Boston, KY, c. 1904. The largest mercantile company in the city and surrounding vicinity.

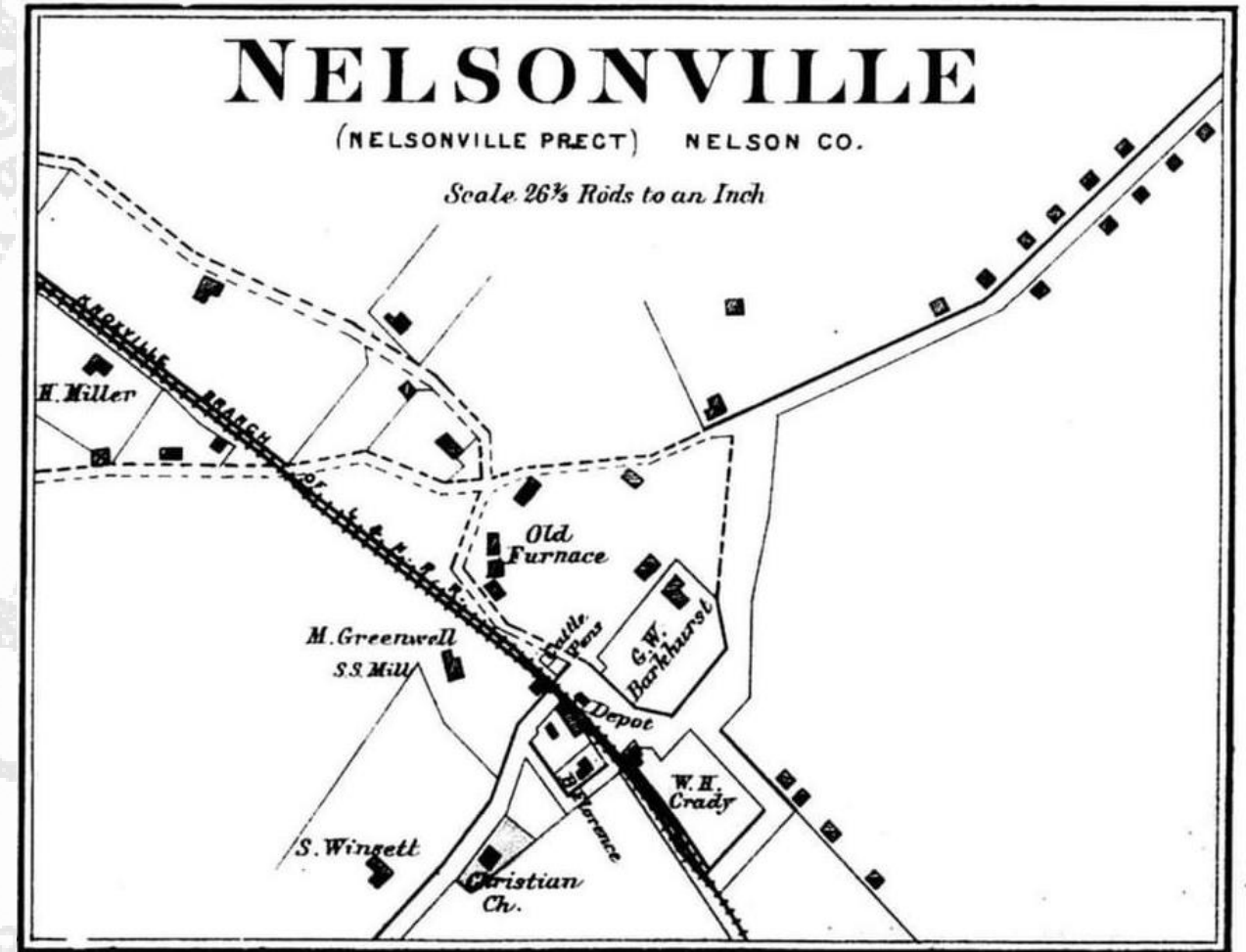


BEECH FORK – MP 37

- Caldwell's Saw Mill – 1862 Sidings List

NELSONVILLE – MP 39

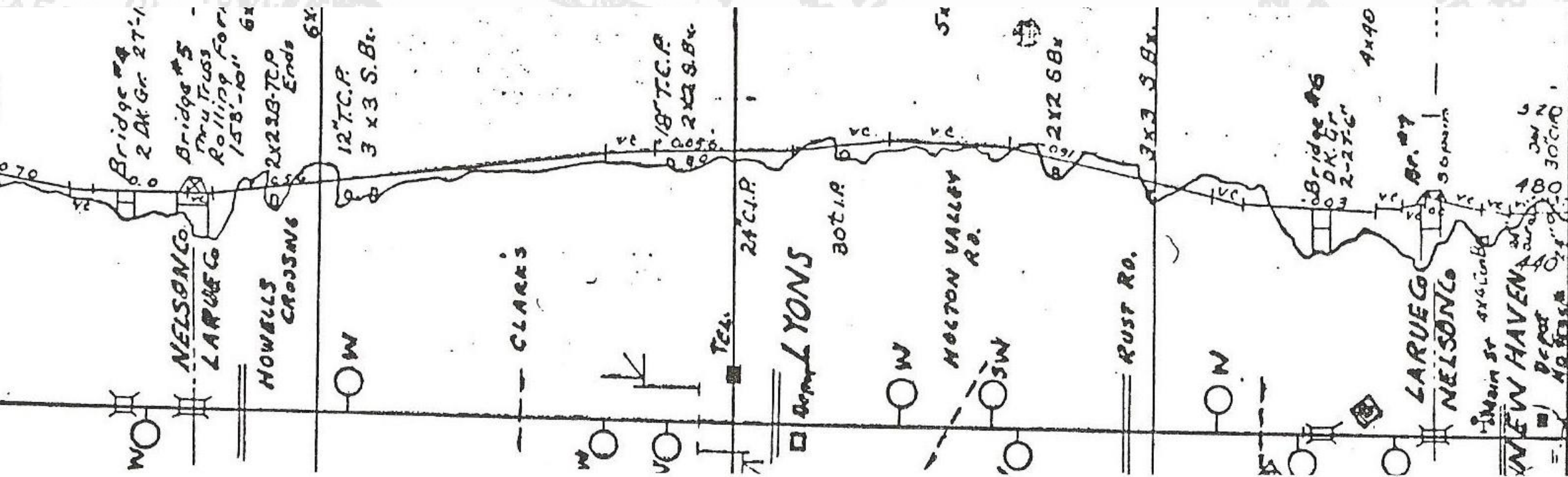
- Iron Furnace operations
- Depot
- Tavern
- Grist Mill
- Doc Wimsatt's Store



LYONS

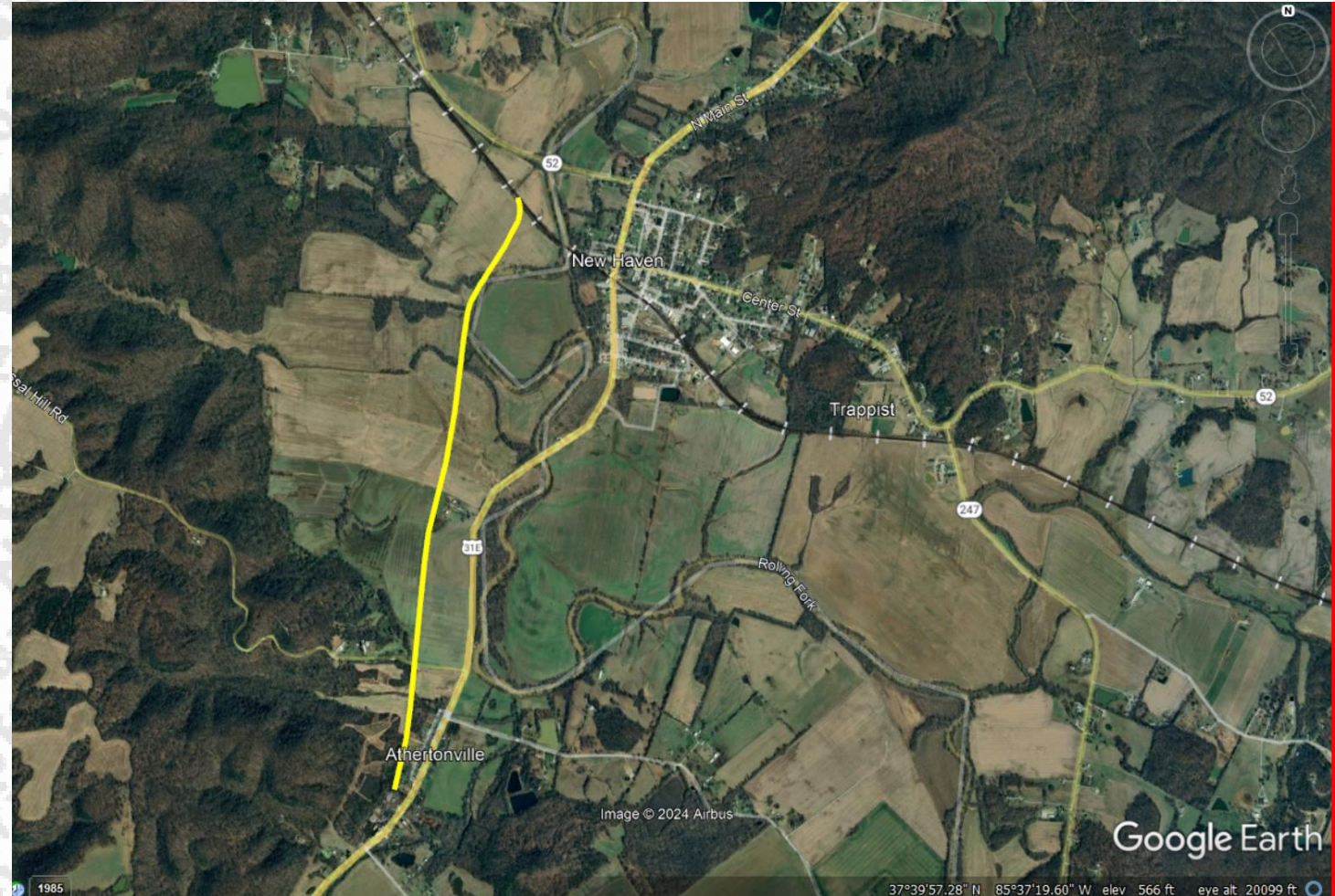
MP 43

- Depot
- Adler Lumber Co.
- Section House

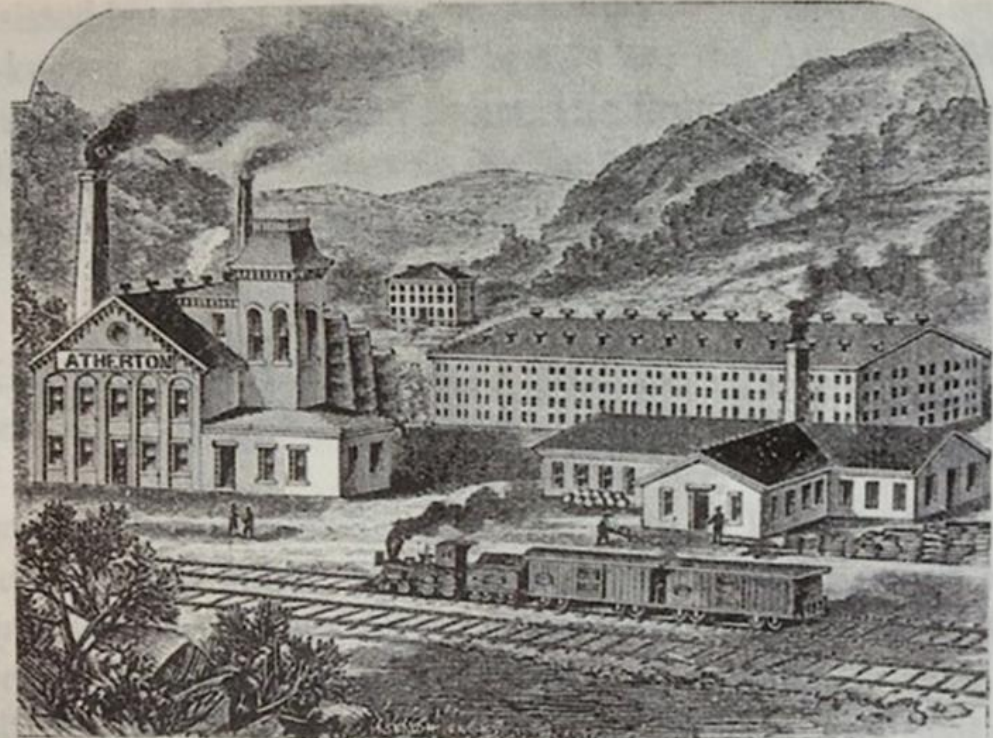


Athertonville Spur – MP 44

- Large Distillery Complex
 - Carter #377
 - Atherton #87
 - Mayfield #229
 - Windsor #36 & #378
- Cooperage
- Stockpens
- Warehouses
- Hotel
- Mercantile Store



Athertonville Spur – MP 44



View of J. M. Atherton Distillery in 1888

NEW HAVEN

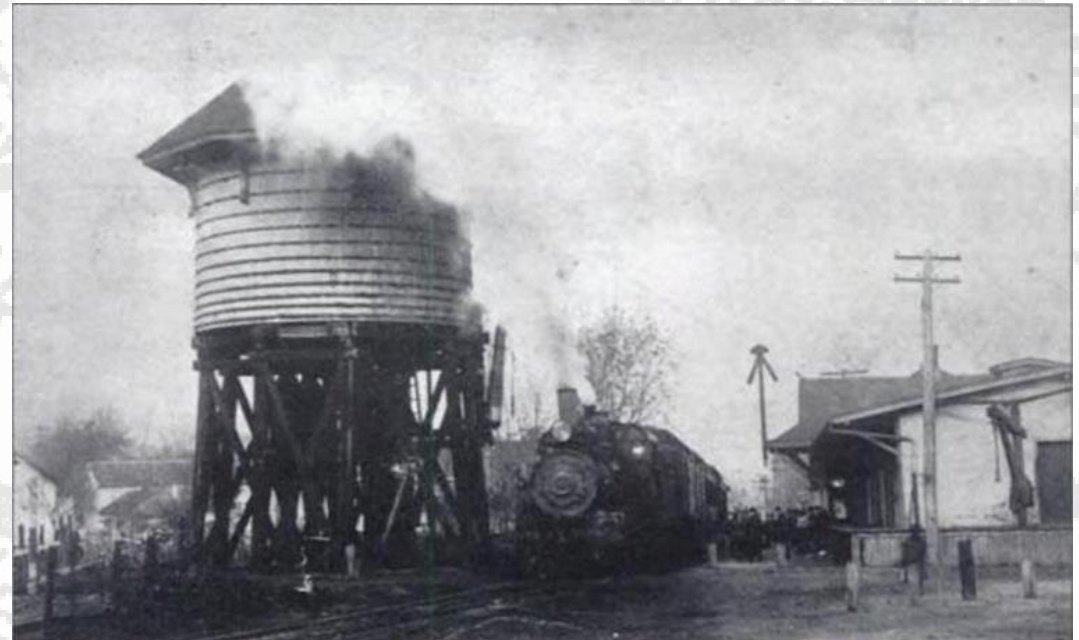
MP 45

- Depot
- Water Tanks (2) & pumping station
- Stock Pen
- Pipe Manufacturer
- Flour Mill
- Wooden Handle Manufacturer
- Planing Mill
- Brick Manufacturer



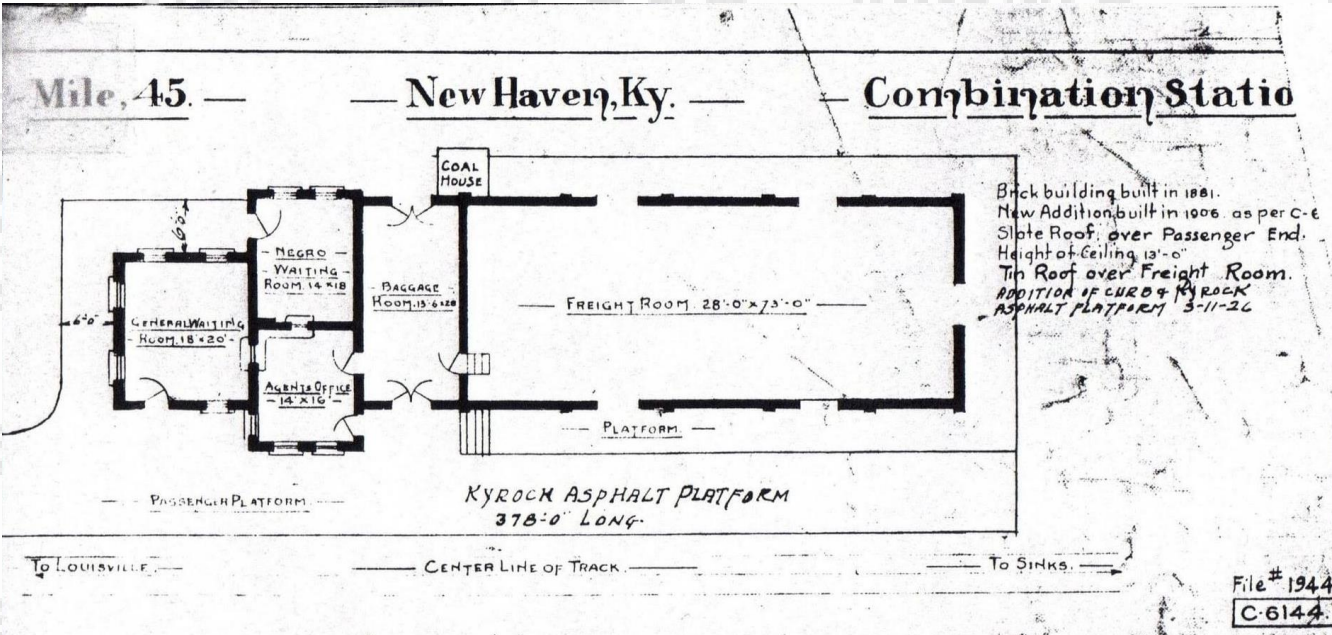
NEW HAVEN

MP 45





DAWSON HOTEL, NEW HAVEN, KY, C. 1910. For many years, the Dawson Hotel was a popular



NEW HAVEN

MP 45



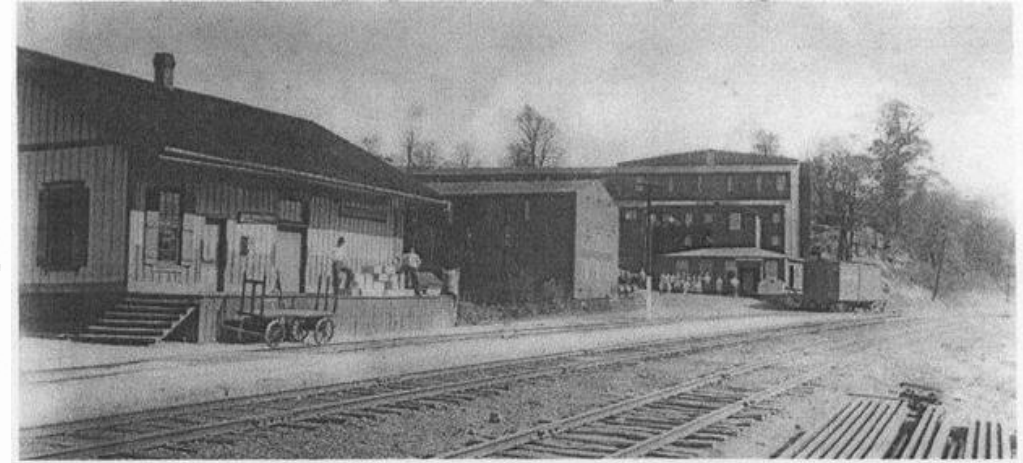
MAIN STREET LOOKING NORTH, NEW HAVEN, KY, c. 1920. The two-story Dawson Hotel is at far left next to the post office.



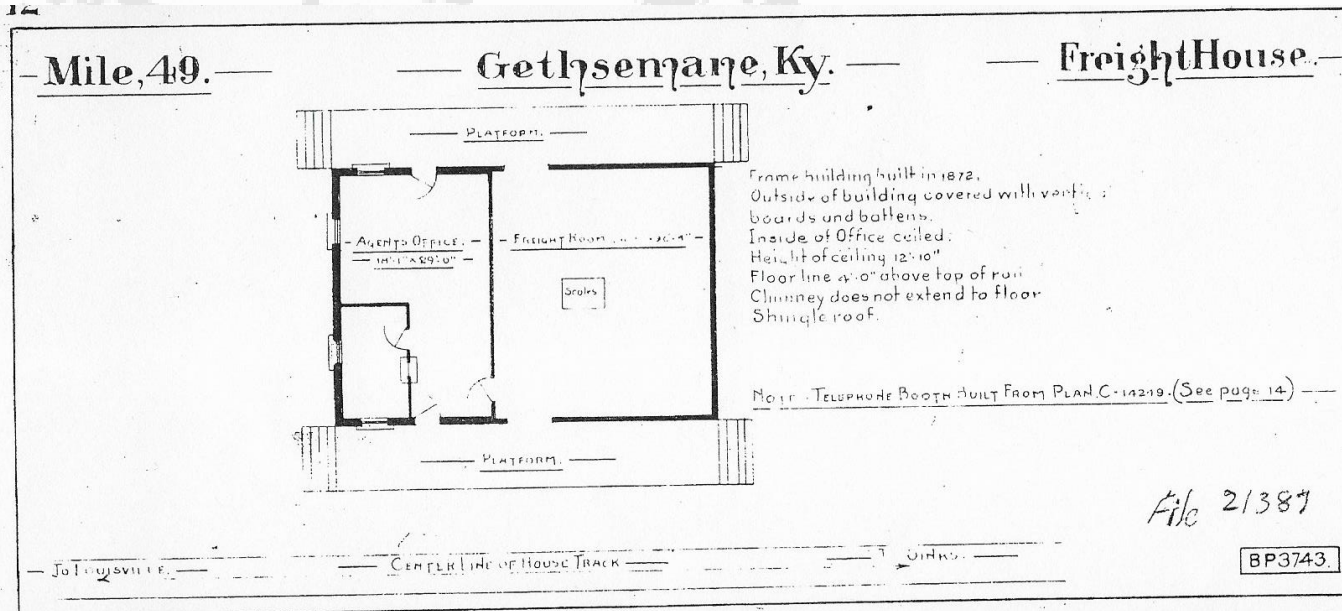
GETHSEMANE

MP 48

- Freight Depot
- 3 Distilleries
 - Orene Parker #47 (later #405)
 - Cold Spring #240
 - Head & Beam #405
- Warehouses
- Stock Pen

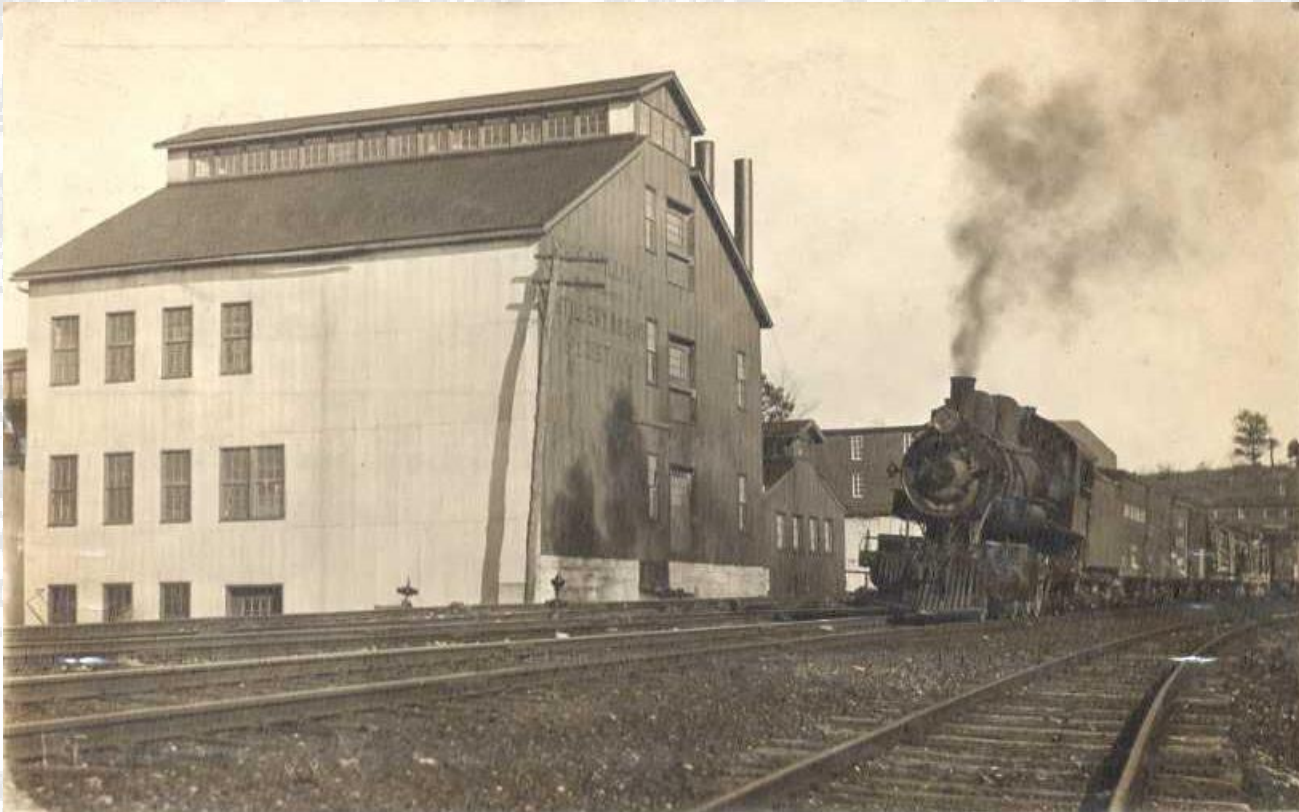


View of Gethsemane Post Office, Train Depot, & Distillery



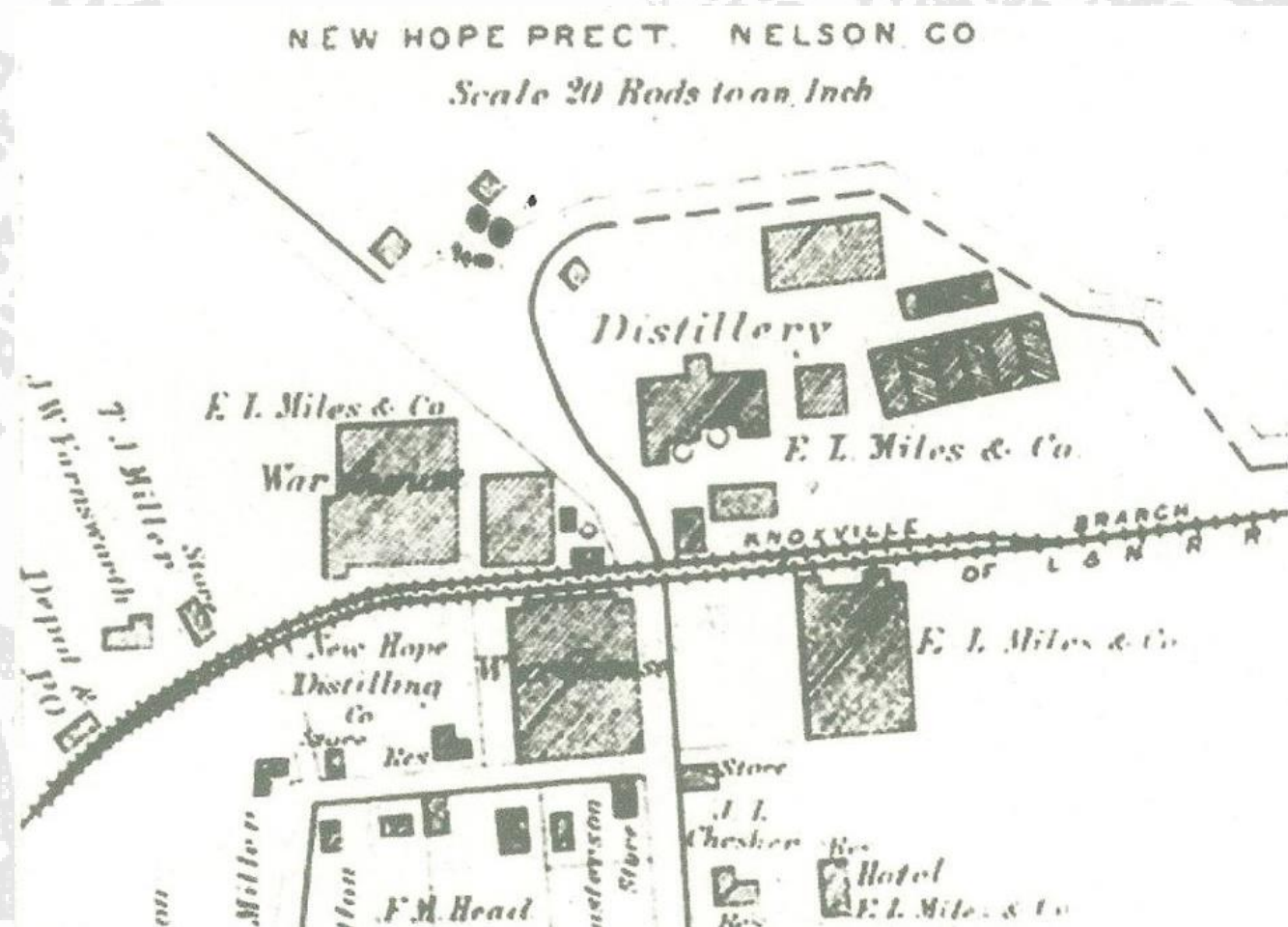
GETHSEMANE

MP 48



NEW HOPE – END OF KRM - MP 50

- Depot
- 3 Distilleries
 - E. L. Miles #146
 - New Hope Distilling #101
 - Belle of Nelson #271
- Warehouses
- Stock Pen



MONEY ORDERS

W.P. Ballard

W.P.B.

347

PK

W.P.B.

Distillery

R.C.

Cummings

Chett

W.P. Ballard

W.H.S.

D. Lee

J.E.M.

396

P. Kearon

J.E.H.

W. Brady

D. Mudd

E. Mattingly

J.E.M.

B.J. Blamford

G.W. Dont

J.W. Dont

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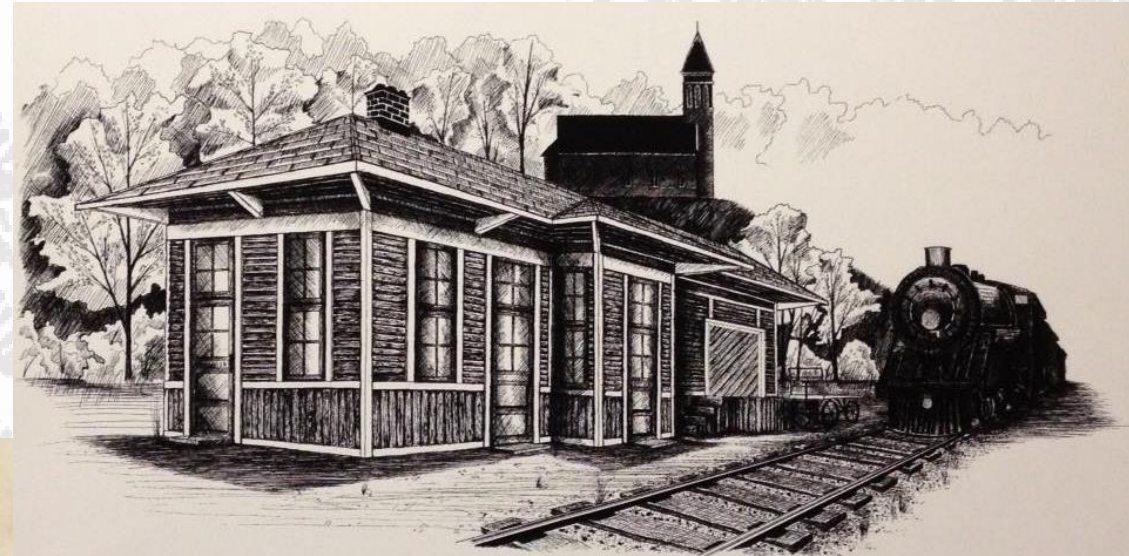
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- Freight Depot
- Distillery
- J. W. Dant #169
- Warehouses
- Stock Pen

ST. FRANCIS

MP 55

- Originally named “Chicago, Ky”
- Depot
- Distillery
 - Blair & Ballard #375 & #11
 - Smith & Smith #174
- Warehouses
- Stock Pen



CHICAGO

PREGT 8 MARION CO. KY.

Scale 30 Rods to the Inch

Distillery
Smith Blair & Co.

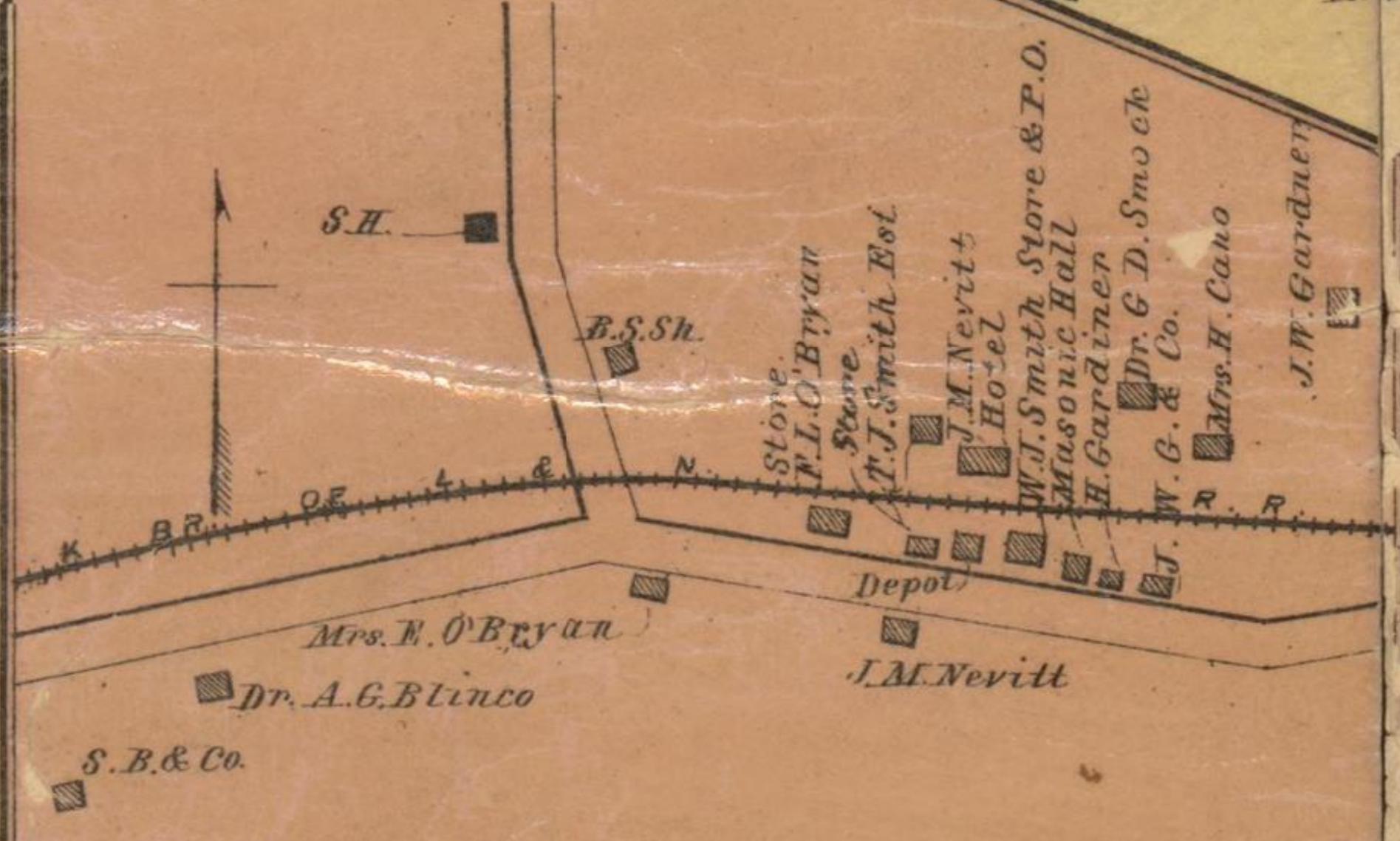


MP 55

LORETTO – MP 57

- Depot
- Distillery
 - George D. Burks #440 (off-line/now Makers Mark)
 - Ballard & Lancaster #357
- Warehouses
- Stock Pen





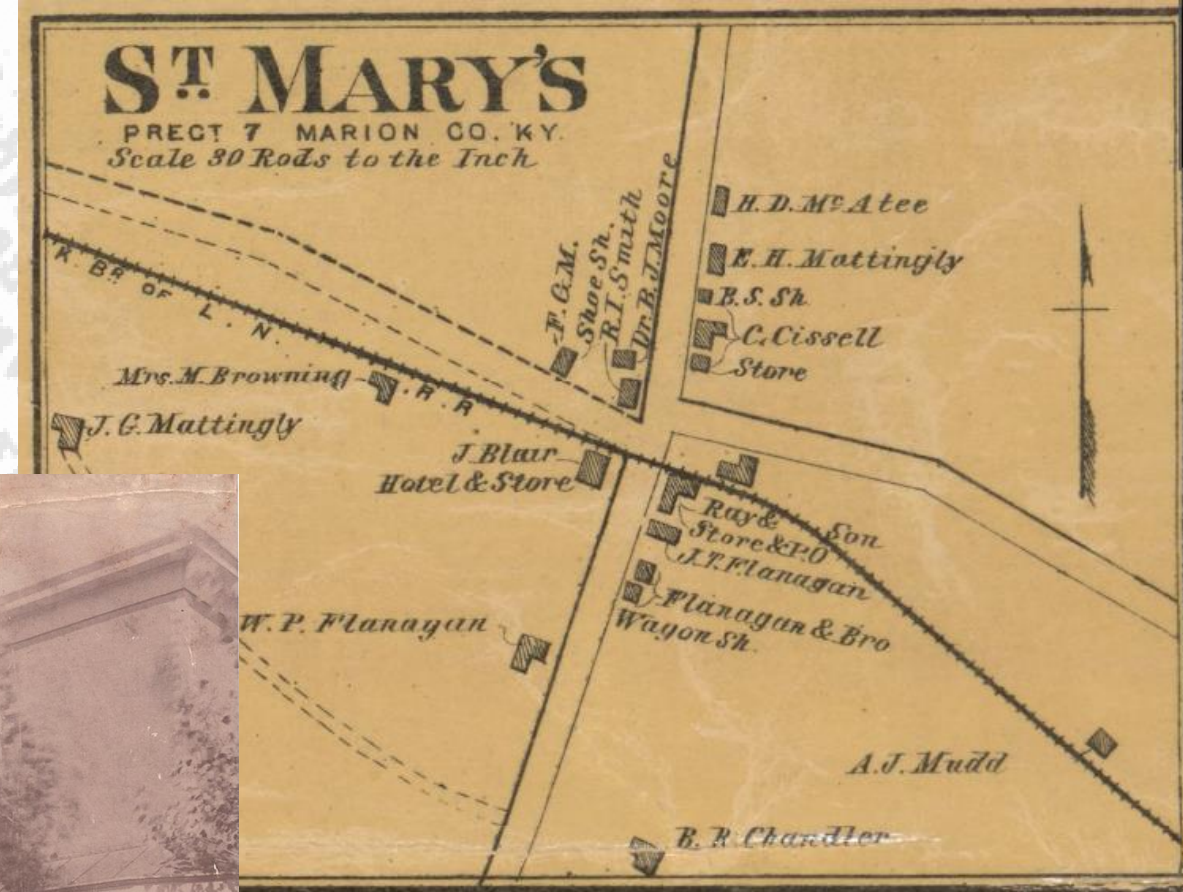
LORETTO

PRECT 6 MARION CO. KY.
Scale 30 Rods to the Inch

100 a
Res. W. J. Smith

ST. MARY'S – MP 62

- Depot
- 5 Distilleries in surrounding area
- Warehouses
- Stock Pen
- Mercantile Store



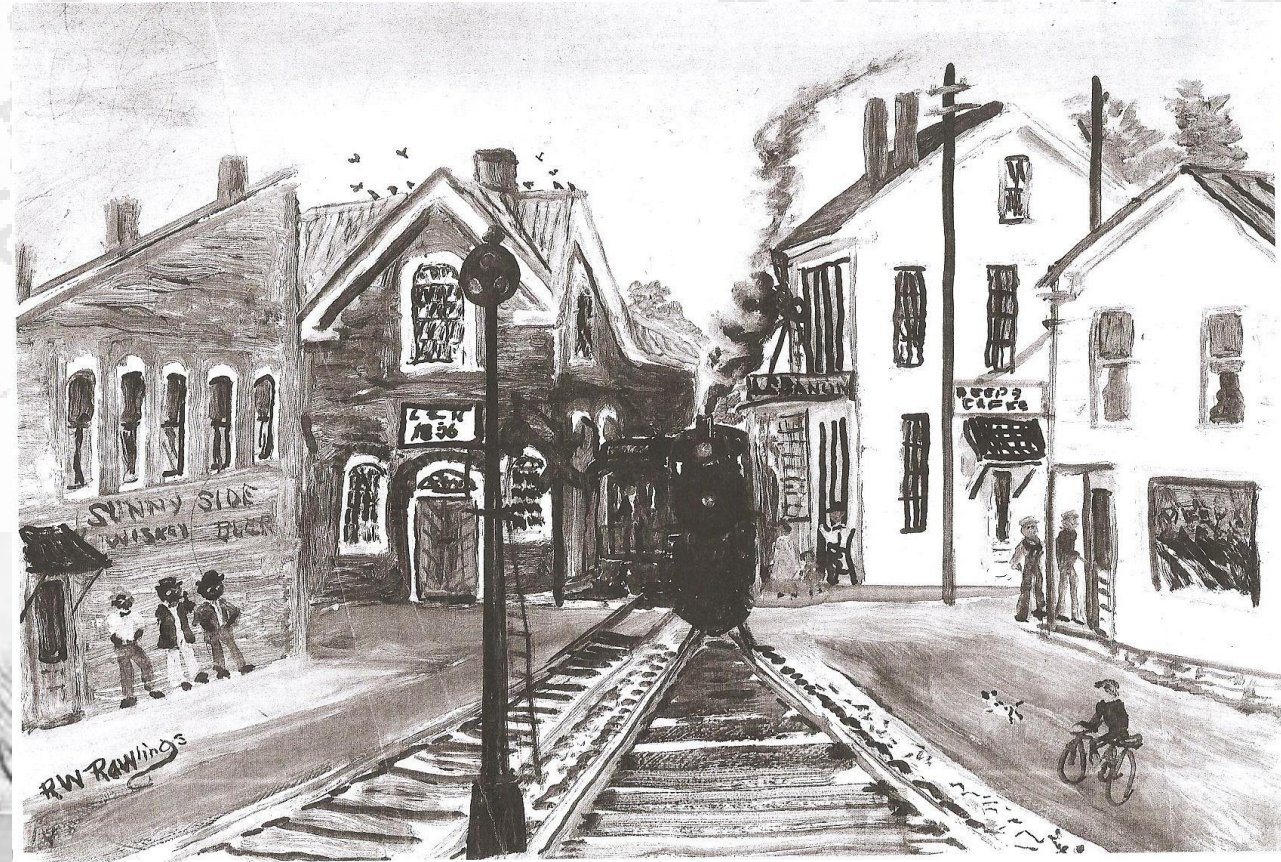
LEBANON – MP 66-67

- Depot & Freight House
- Distilleries
 - Rolling Fork #270 (Wathen & Kobert)
 - Cumberland Distillery #299 (Wathen & Kobert)
 - Maple Grove Distillery #263
- Warehouses
- Stock Pens
- C&O Junction (Greensburg Branch)
- Water works
- Electric Plant
- Lebanon Light Ice & Power
- Cooperages
- Stave & hoop factories
- Retail coal yard
- Tobacco warehouses

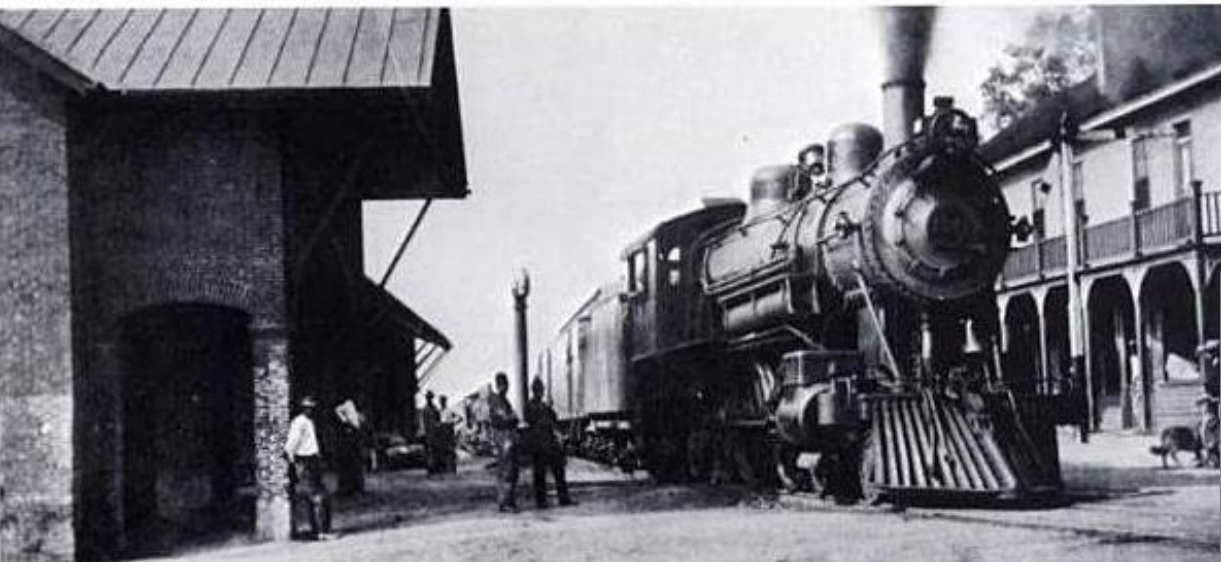


LEBANON – MP 66-67

- Harry Lancaster & Co - Sawmill
- Lebanon Lumber Company – Sawmill & Lumber Yard
- Lebanon Hardwood Flooring Company
- Columbia Column Company
- Modern Mill & Roller Company
- Marion County Tabaco Warehouse
- W. H. McElroy Coal Yard
- Standard Oil Company
- Indian Refining Company
- L&N Freight House



LEBANON – MP 66-67



L. & N. Depot and Stage Coach, Lebanon, Ky.



LEBANON – MP 66-67

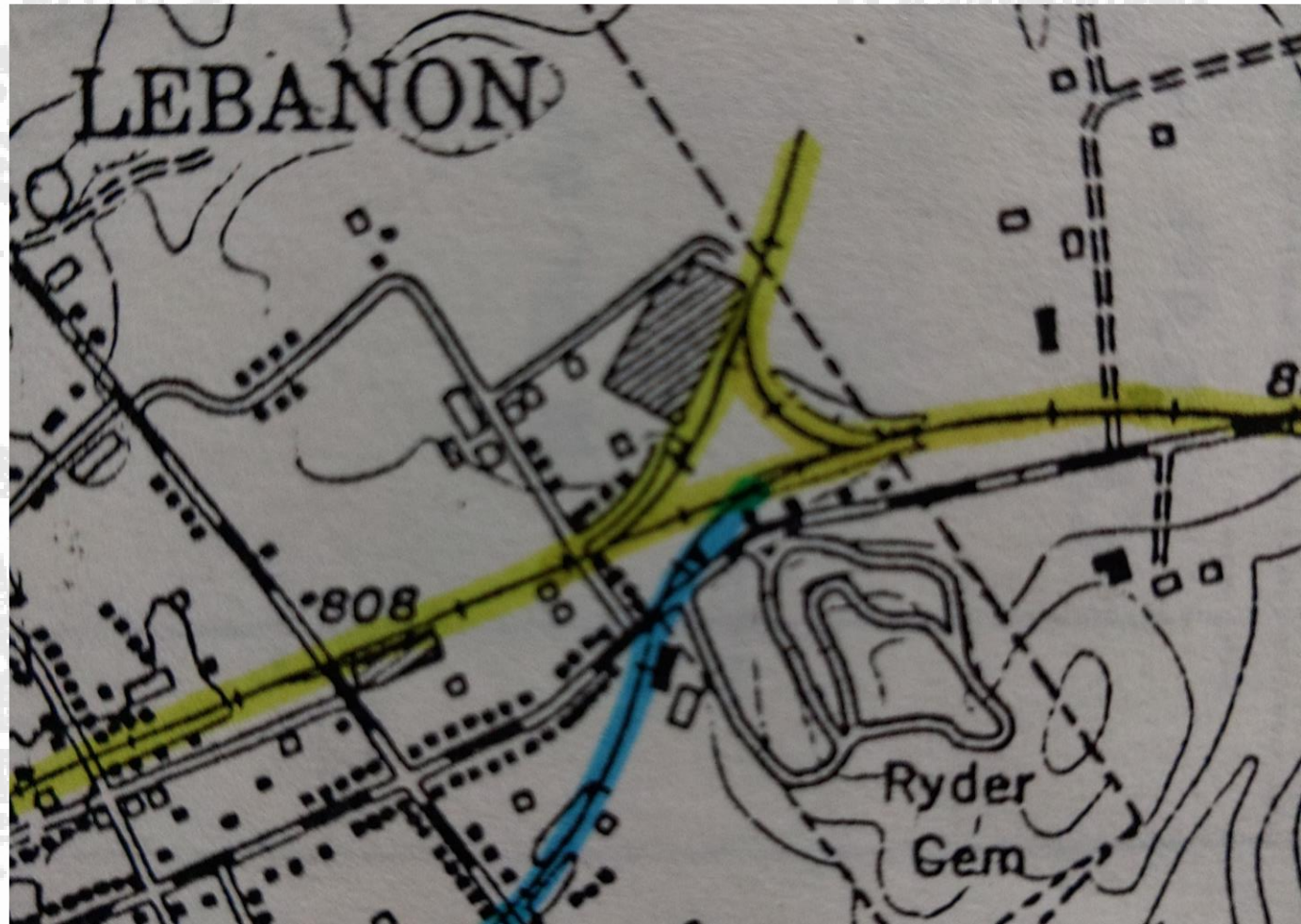
Marion County Tobacco Warehouse, Lebanon, Ky.



C&O JUNCTION – MP 68.2

[Cumberland & Ohio RR / L&N Greensburg Branch]

- Junction of failed Cumberland & Ohio RR
- Wye



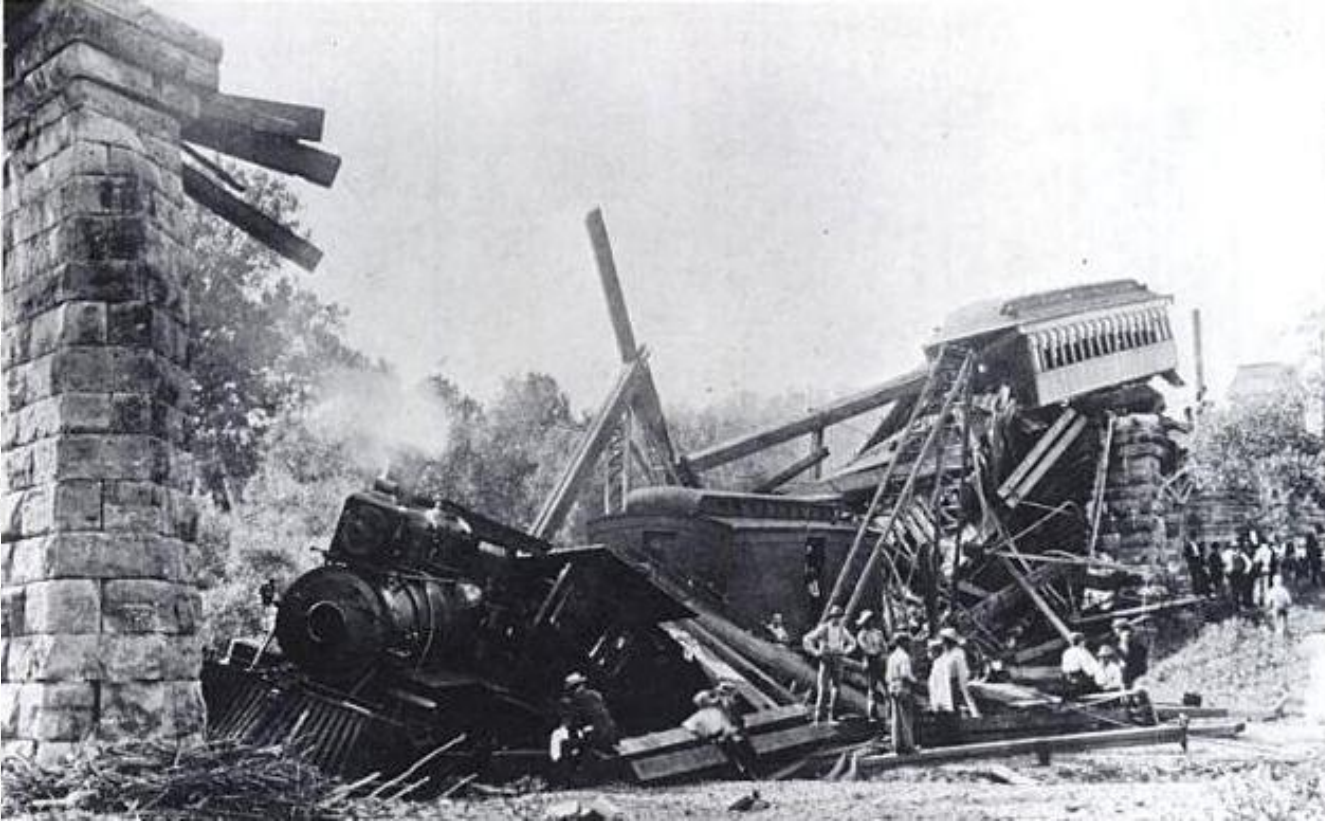
GREENSBURG BRANCH – MP 68.2

- Greensburg Branch Distilleries
 - Calvary
 - Boldrick & Callahan #370
 - Campbellsville
 - Newton Brothers #450
 - G. H. Dearing #464



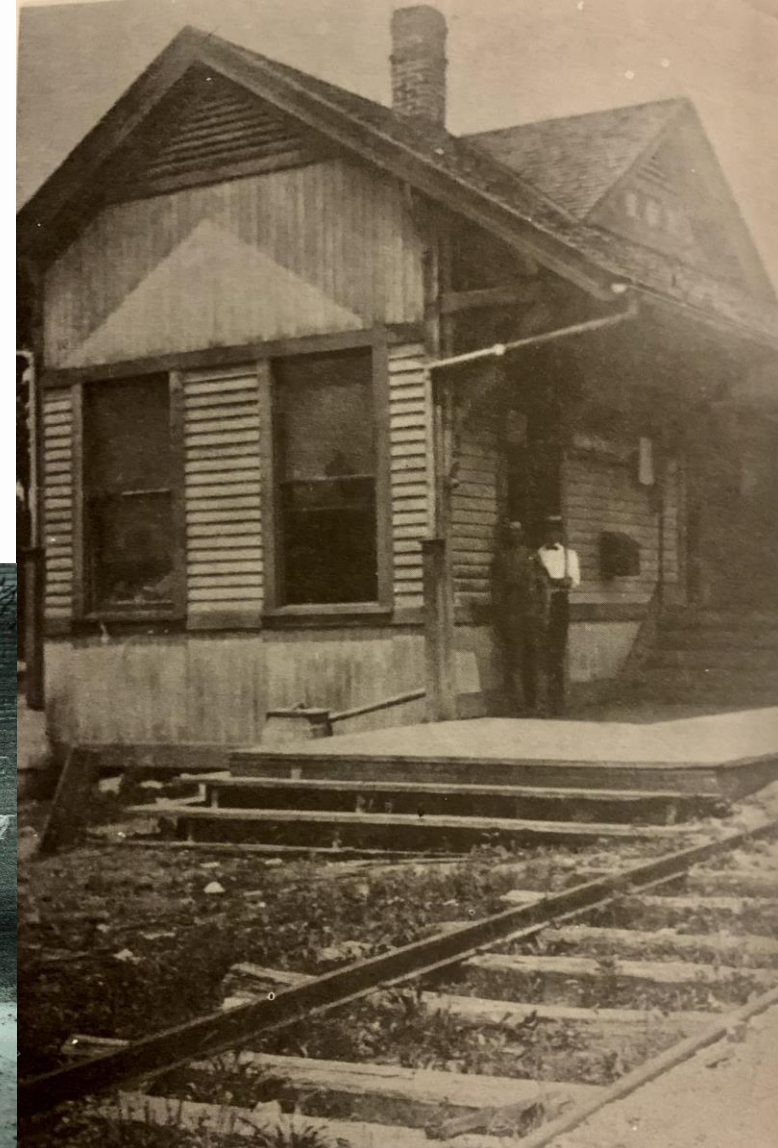
CALVARY – GB MP 72.9

- Distillery
 - Boldrick & Callahan #370
- Lebanon Water Works



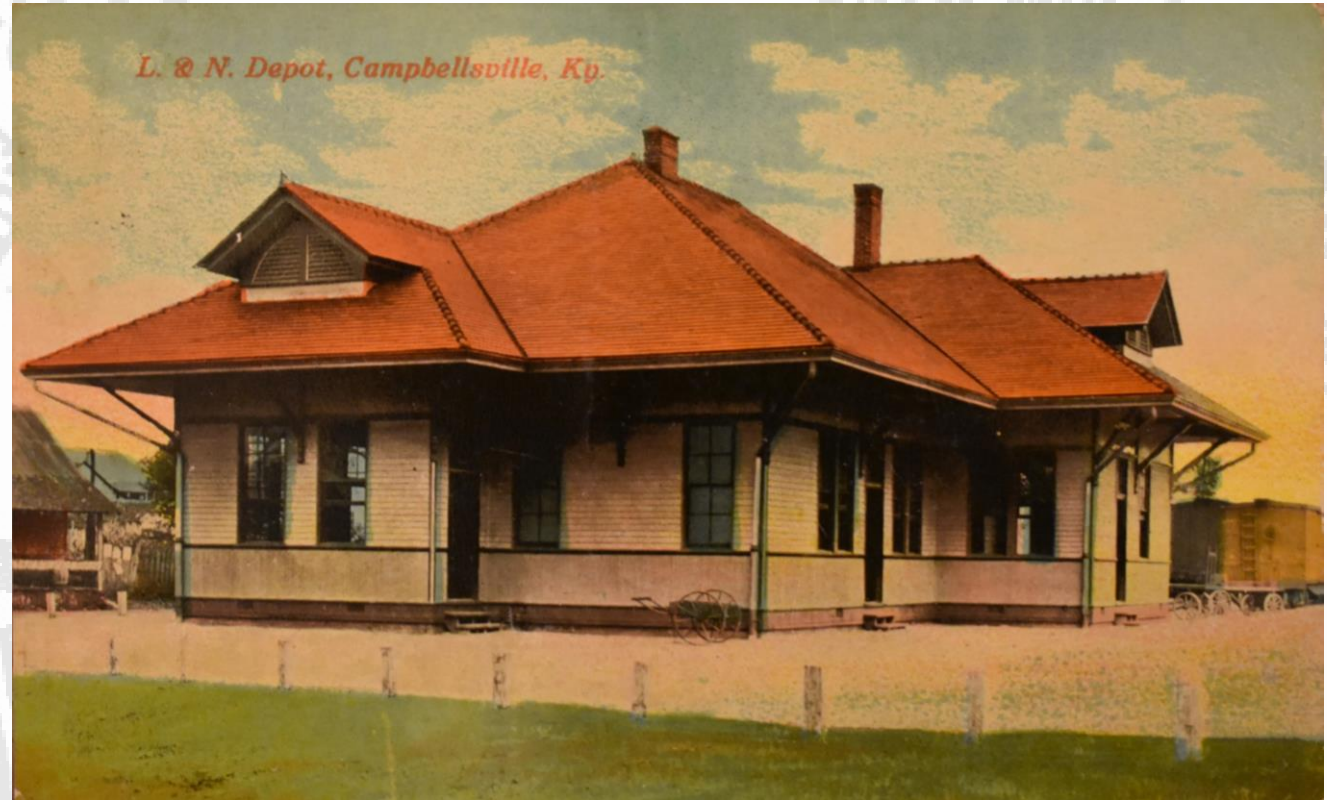
SPURLINGTON – GB MP 80.6

- Depot
- Siding
- Nearby Tunnel
- Nearby Trestle



CAMPBELLSVILLE – GB MP 86.9

- Distilleries
 - Newton Brothers #450
 - G. H. Dearing #464
- Campbellsville Rolling Mill
- V. M. Gowdy Grocer
- Campbellsville Woolen Mill
- Campbellsville Lumber Co.
- Gowdy Stave Mill
- Campbellsville Ice & Power
- Standard Oil Company
- Combination Station



GREENSBURG – END OF LINE - GB MP

98.8

- E. H. Hobson & Son Planing Mill
- Moss Milling Company
- Greensburg Milling Company
- Greensburg Loose Leaf Tobacco Company
- Coca Cola Bottling Plant
- Standard Oil Company
- Stoll Oil Company
- Fertilizer Warehouse
- Combination Station
- Turntable
- Engine House



A detailed background map of the Lebanon Branch area, showing various towns and roads. The map is oriented with North at the top. Key locations visible include Lebanon, Bardonia, and various smaller communities like Clarksburg and Rockville. The map is rendered in a light, faded style, serving as a backdrop for the text.

LEBANON BRANCH

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RILEY's – MP 77

- Depot
- Distillery
 - Purdy & Co. #376 (off-line 5 miles south)
- Warehouses

Cozatt – MP 88

- Telegraph office
- Water Tanks
- Wye track



JUNCTION CITY – MP 95

- CNO&TP crossing and interchange
- Passenger Depot
- Freight House
- Bottling Works
- Handle manufacturer
- Sawmills
- Tobacco warehouse
- Livestock & poultry



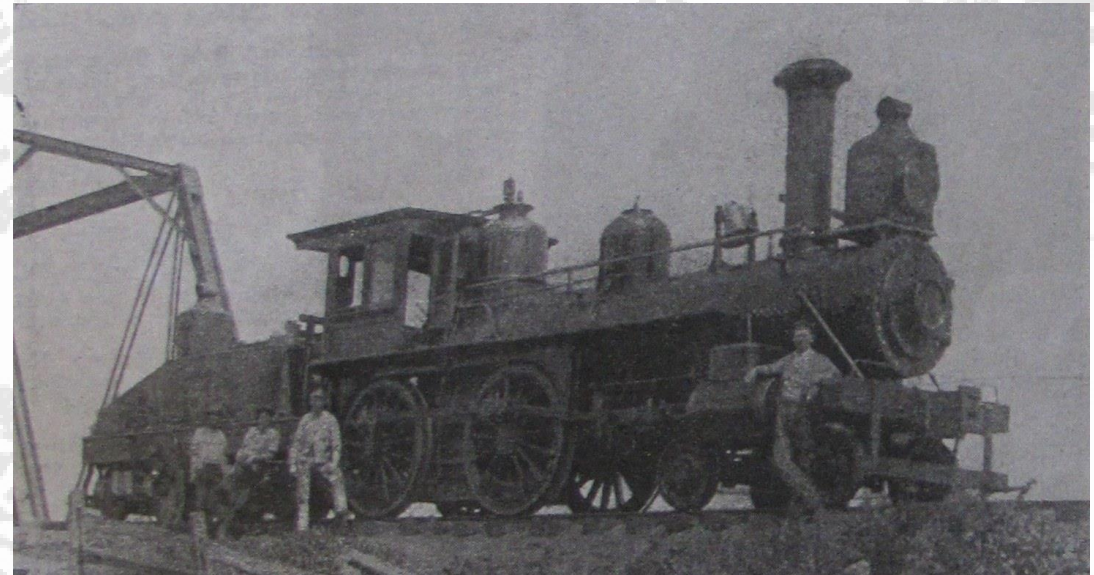
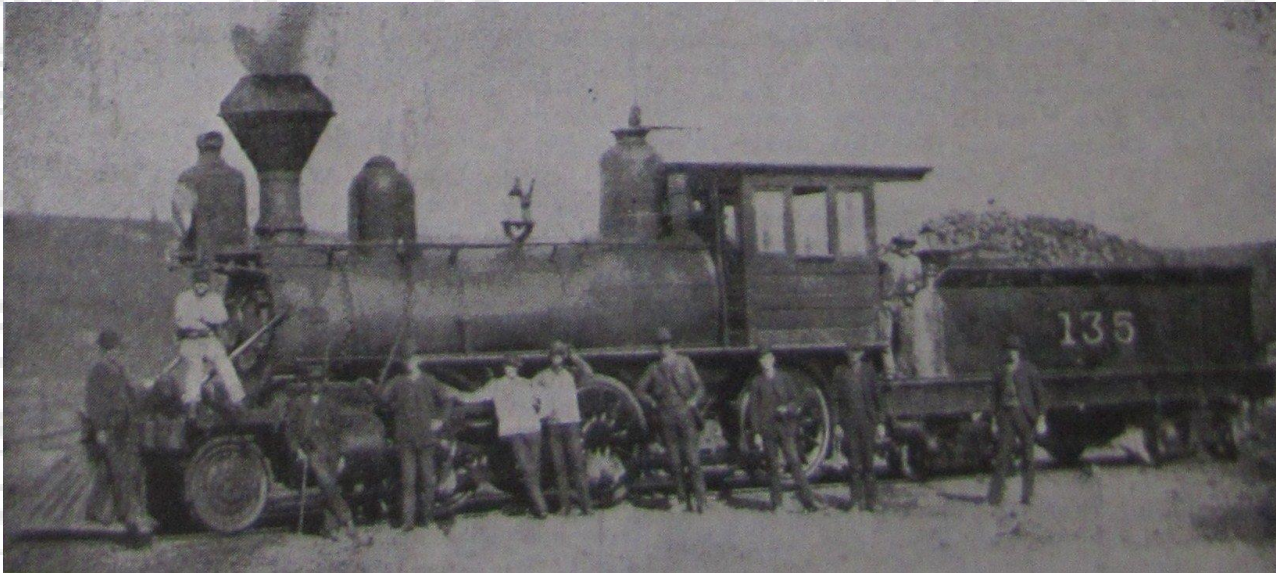
Stanford – MP 104

- Passenger Depot (existing – only remaining on the branch)
- Distillery
 - William Gooch #73
- Freight House
- Stanford Water, Light, and Ice Co.
- Baughman Roller Mill (existing)
- Denham Coal & Feed
- Sawmills
- Tobacco warehouse
- Livestock & poultry



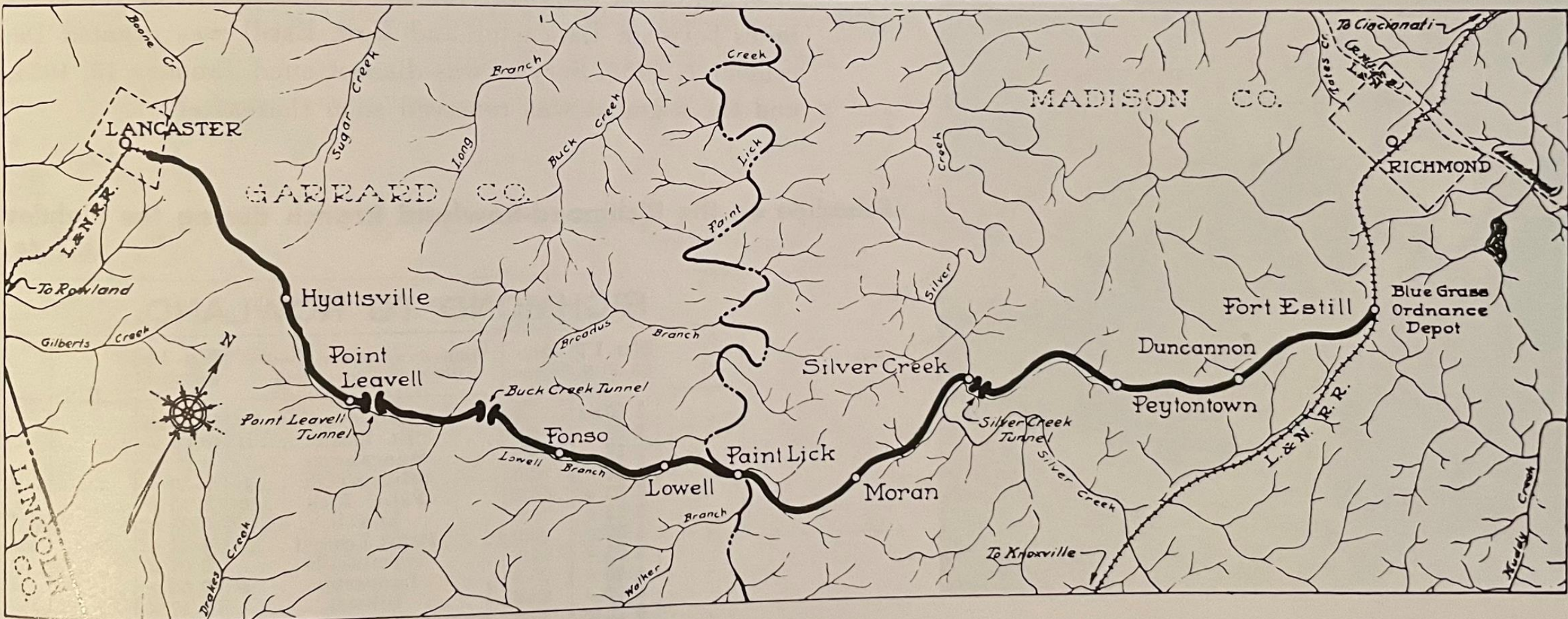
Rowland's (Richmond Junction) – MP 105.3

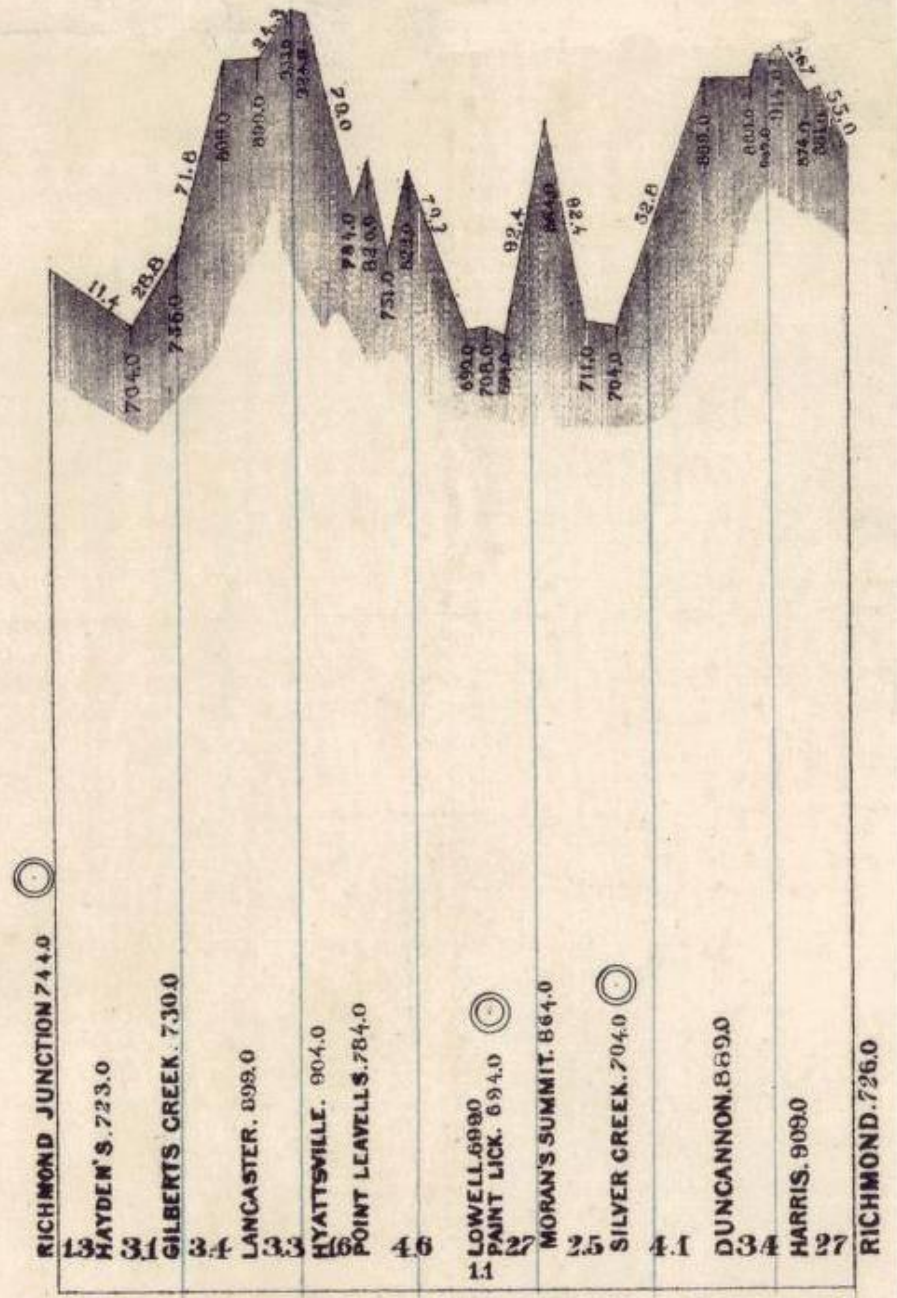
- Location of junction with the Rowland Branch



Rowland Branch – MP 105.3

- 34-mile branch line to Lancaster and Richmond

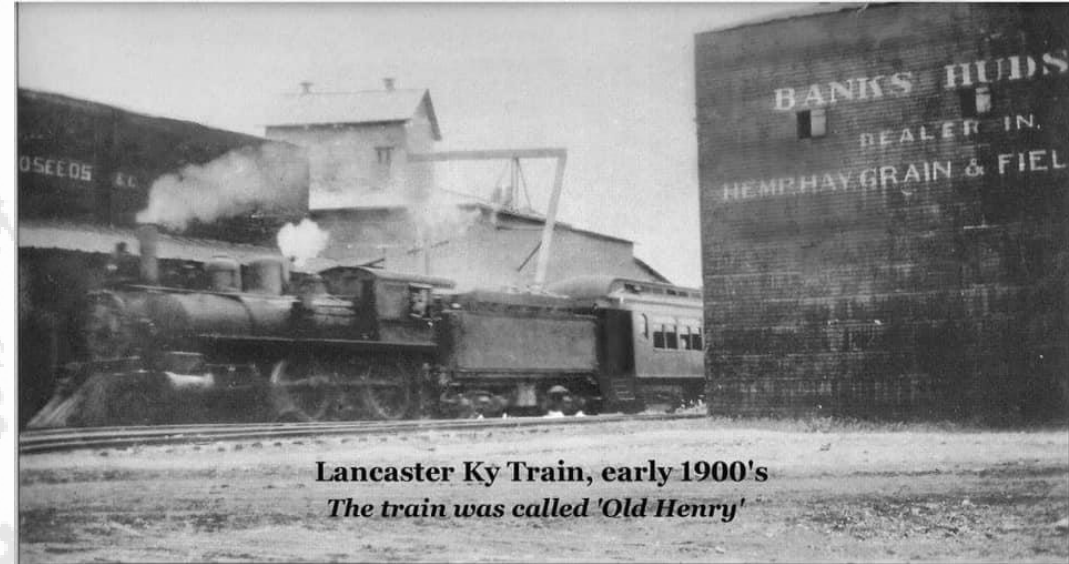




RICHMOND BRANCH 33.5 M.

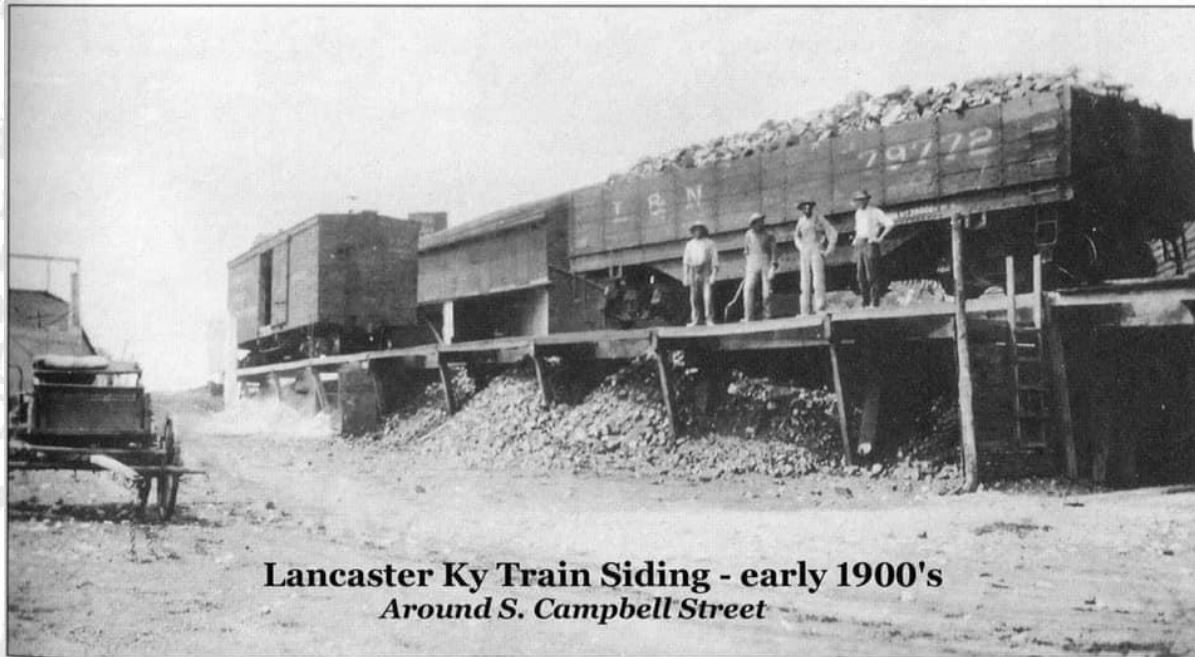
Lancaster – RB MP 112.6

- Hughes Coal, Grain, & Hemp
- Lancaster Elevator & Flour Mills
- Lancaster Lumber & Manufacturing
- Lancaster Light & Power
- Standard Oil Company
- Lancaster Tobacco Warehouse
- Combination Station
- Stockyards



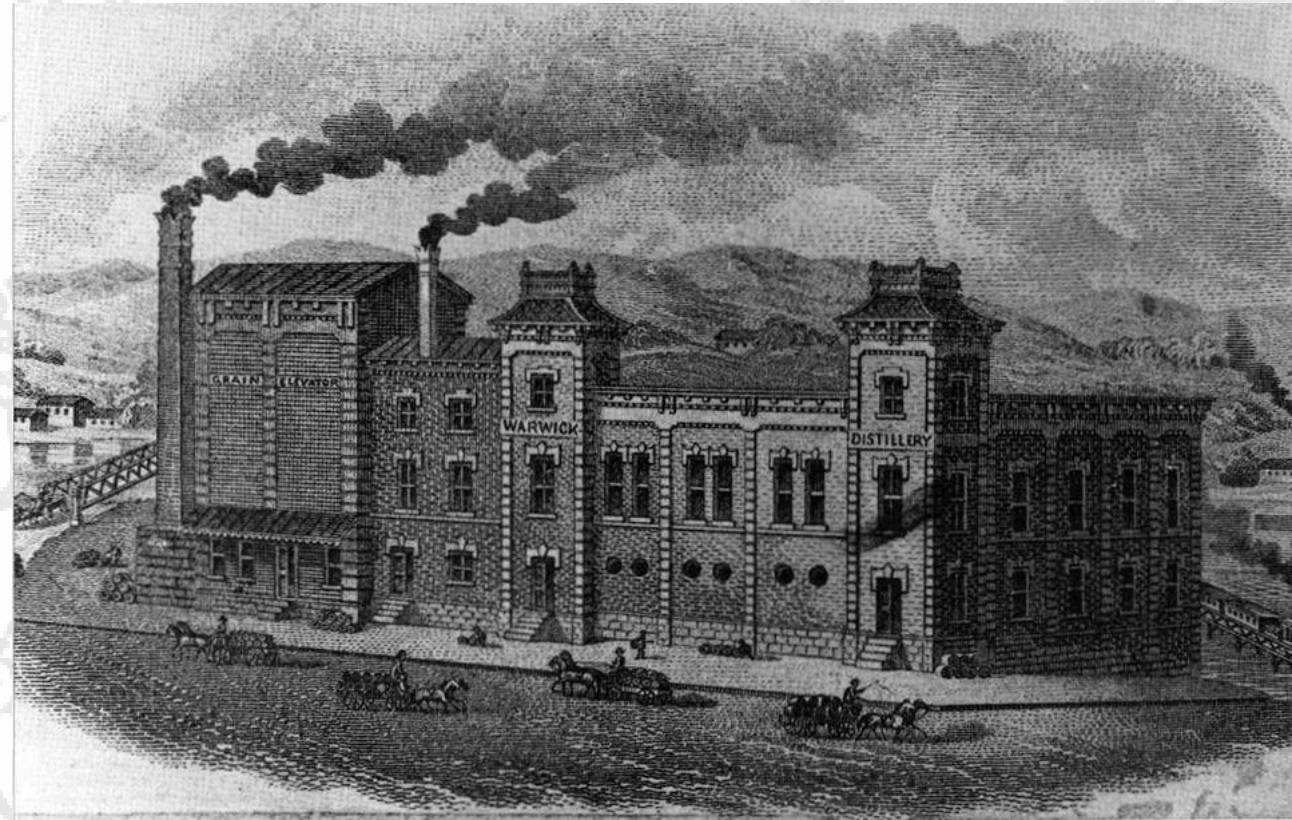
Lancaster – RB MP 112.6

Line abandoned between
Lancaster & Richmond in 1934



Silver Creek – RB MP 128.4

- Distilleries
 - Silver Creek Distillery #541 (8th District)
 - Warwick #1 (8th District)



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Crab Orchard – MP 115.3

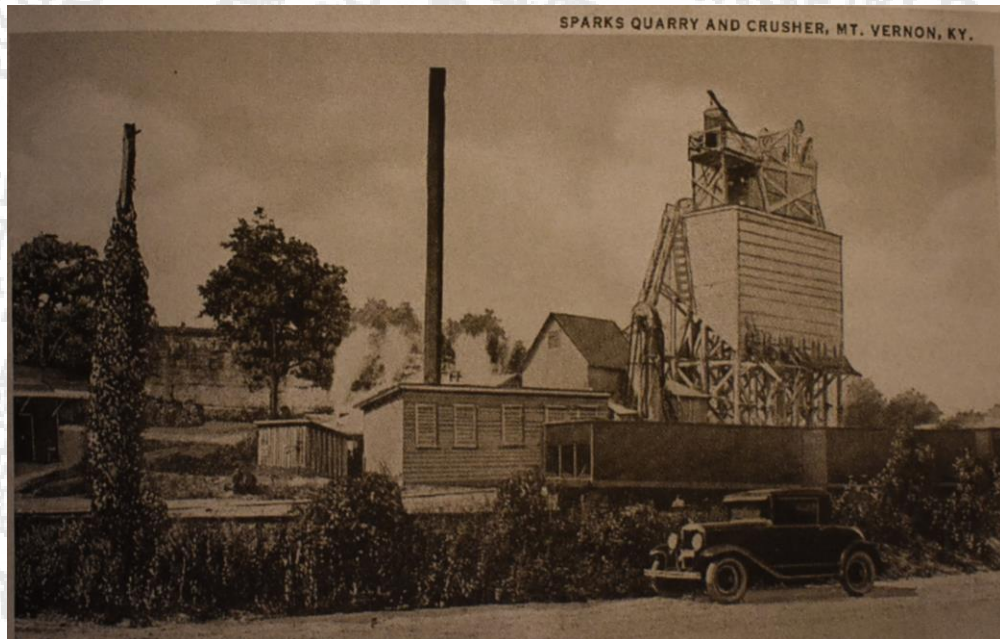
- Distillery
 - J. W. James #81 (Located in 8th District)
- Depot



MOUNT VERNON

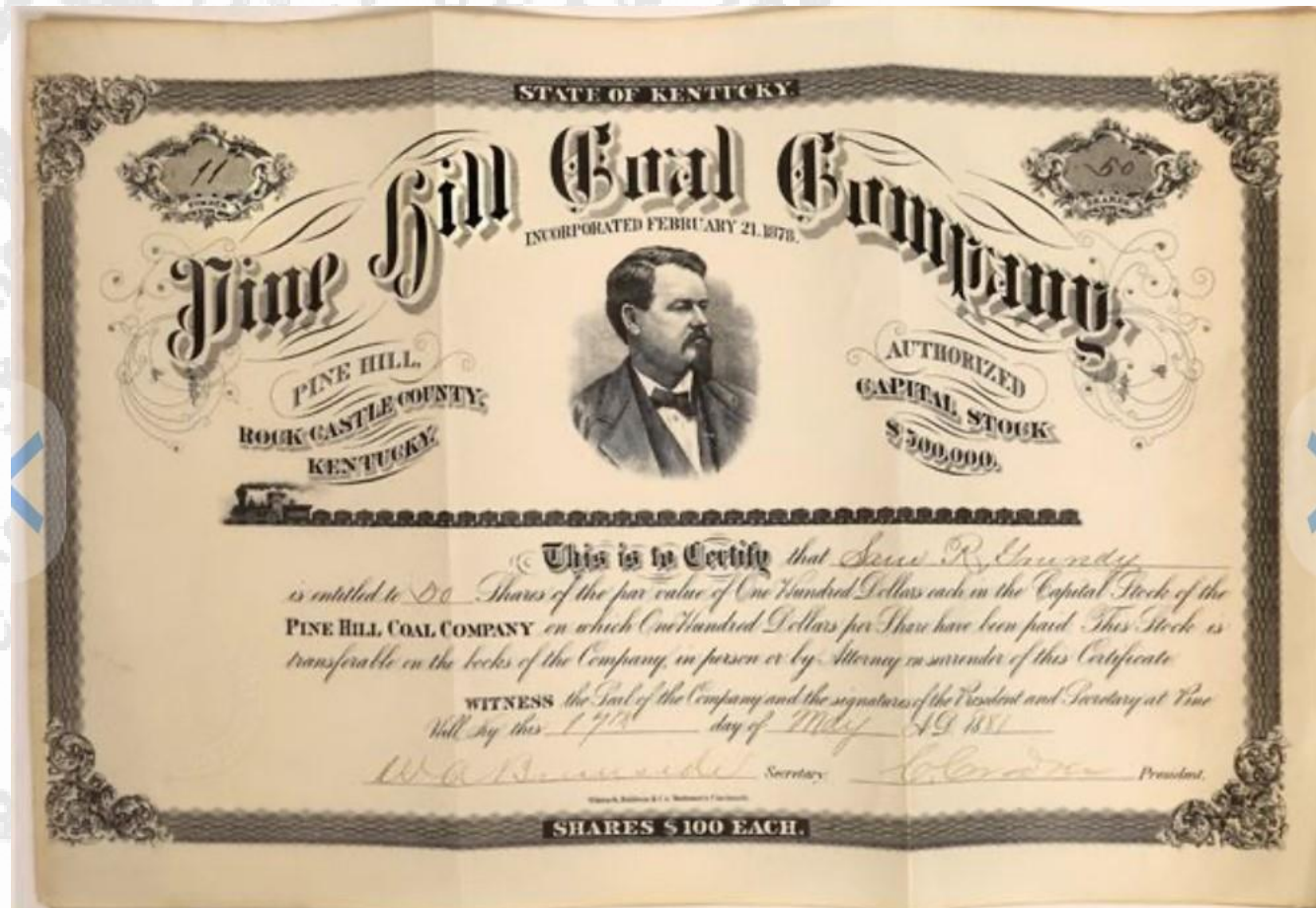
MP 129.2

- Cider & Vinegar Mfg.
- Mount Vernon Lime Co.
- W. J. Sparks Quarry
- Combination Station



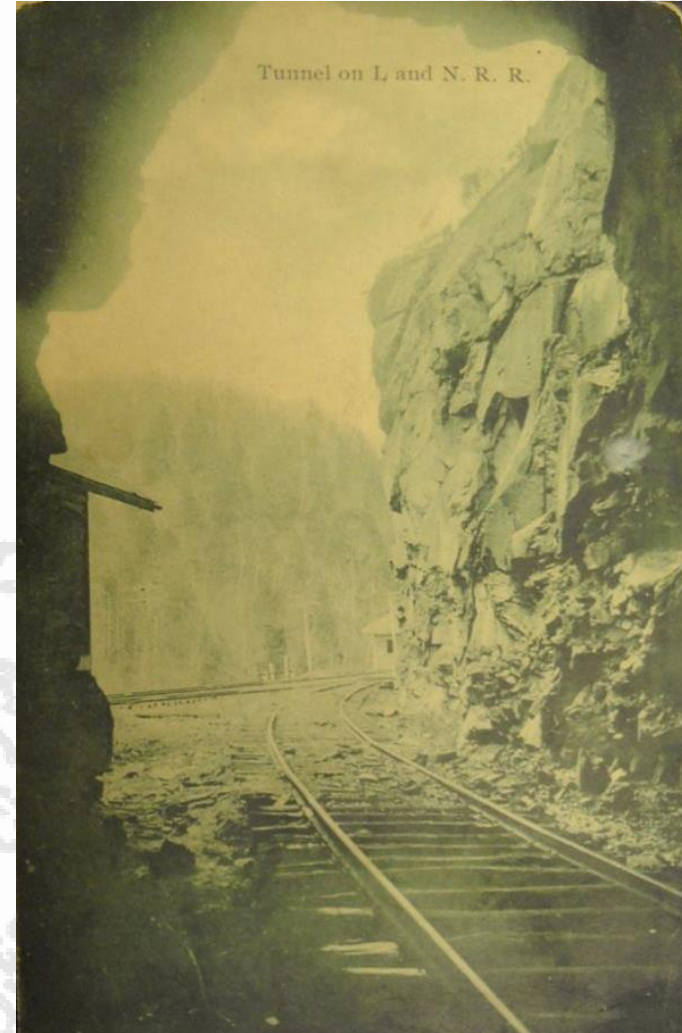
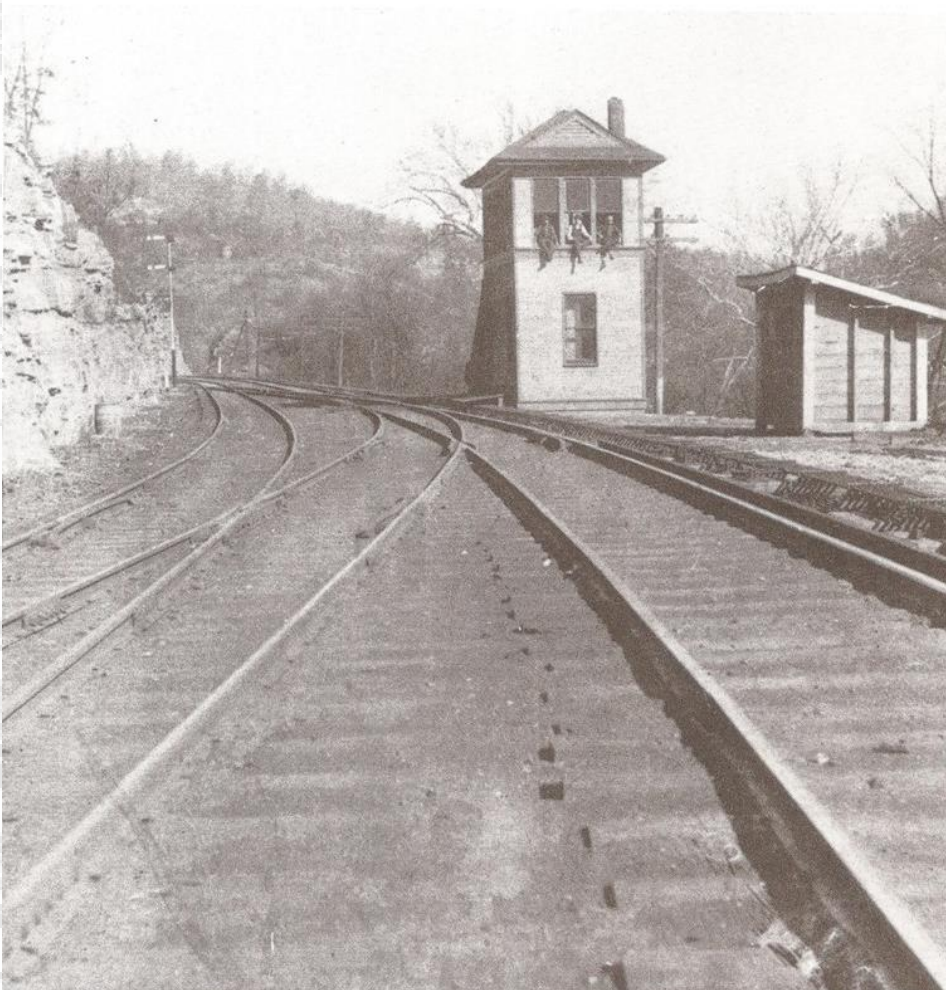
PINE HILL – MP 134.7

- Kentucky Portland Cement & Lime Co.
- Pine Hill Coal Co.



SINKS – MP 136.9

- Became east terminus of the Lebanon Branch in 1884.



LIVINGSTON – MP 140.1

- Terminus of LB from 1870 to 1882, when the track was extended to London, KY.

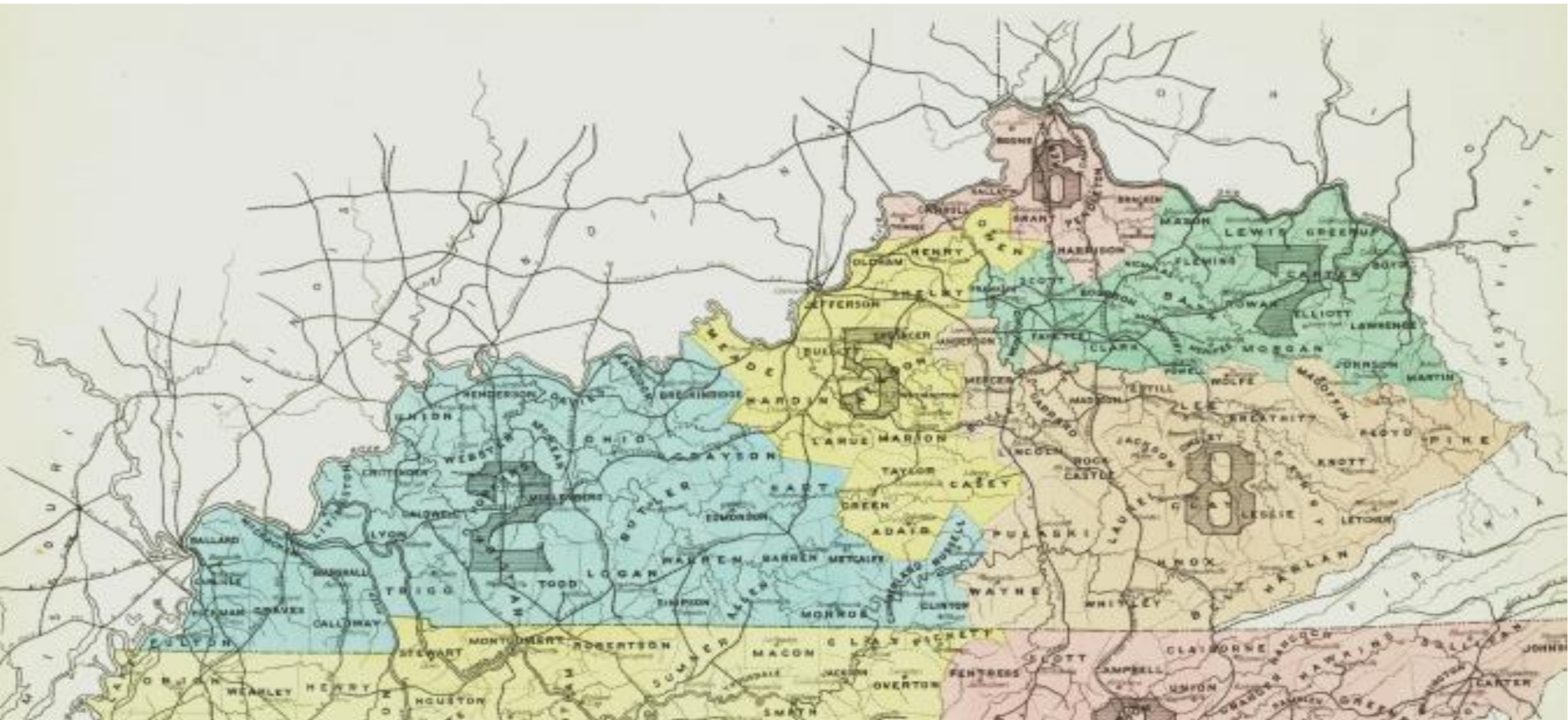
Early Distilling in Kentucky

- Many farmers operated personal distilleries to make their corn crop more marketable
- US Government levied taxes on distilled spirits as a source of revenue
- Detailed records on production and shipments were kept, and government revenue agencies established
- Districts were set up in each state, and distilleries assigned discrete numbers. The Lebanon Branch ran through District 5 & 8

Early Distilling in the Rolling Fork Valley & on the Lebanon Branch

- Wattie Boone Distillery at Knob Creek – employed Abe's father, Thomas Lincoln
- Captain Samuel Pottinger constructed a still near his pioneer outpost "Pottinger's Station", established in 1781
- Grandson Thomas Jefferson (T.J.) Pottinger moved the distillery operation to Gethsemane Station with the coming of the railroad.
- Pre-Prohibition there were 31 distilleries (21 trackside and 10 more within 5 miles of an L&N depot) between MP 44 (Athertonville) and MP 133 (Silver Creek-Rowland Branch). 28 of these were located in the 33 miles between MP 44 (Athertonville) to MP 77 (Riley's).

Whiskey Taxation Districts in Kentucky



Athertonville

2 mi. spur off MP 44.4

Built by J.M. Atherton in 1879
on the site where John Boone
had previously operated two
distilleries

5th District

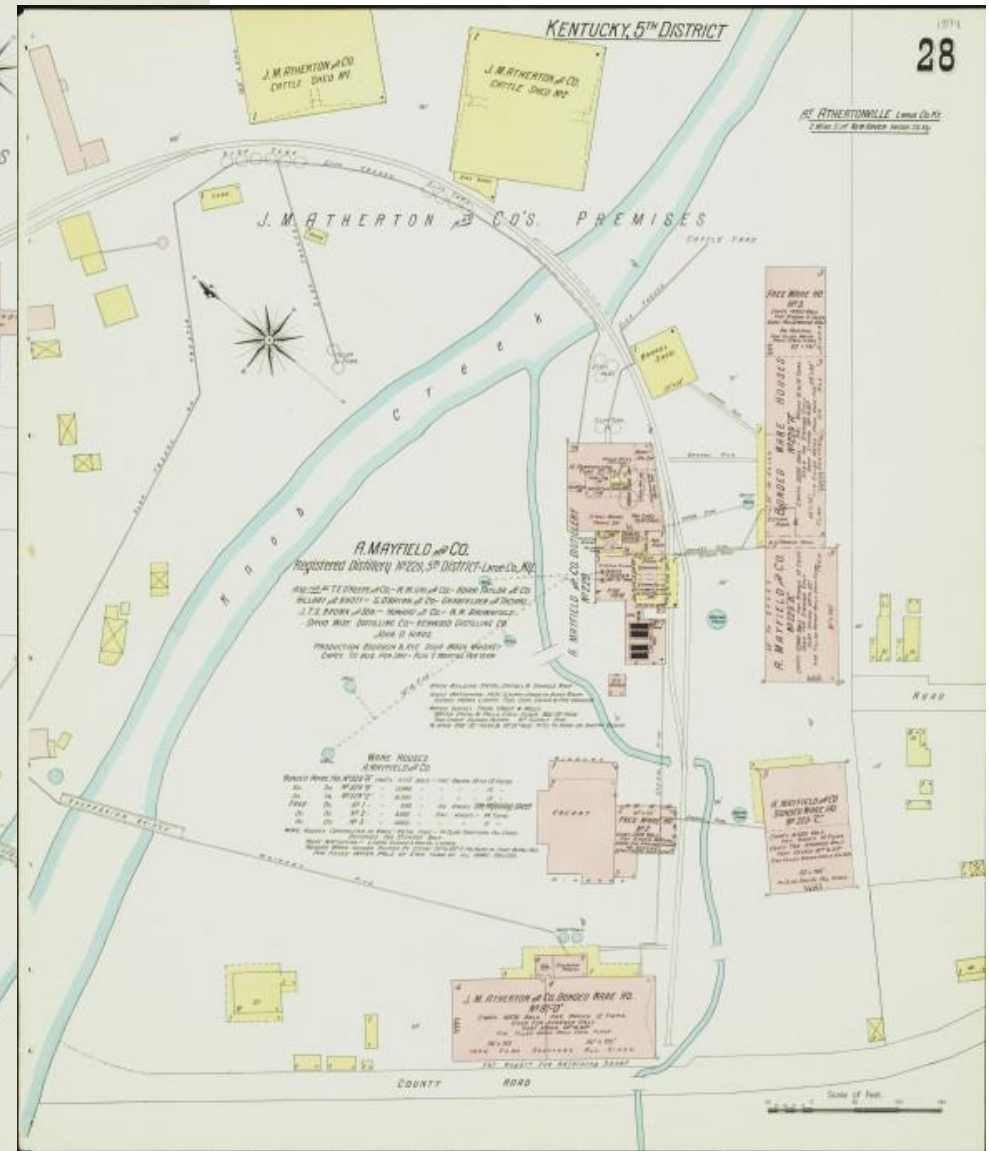
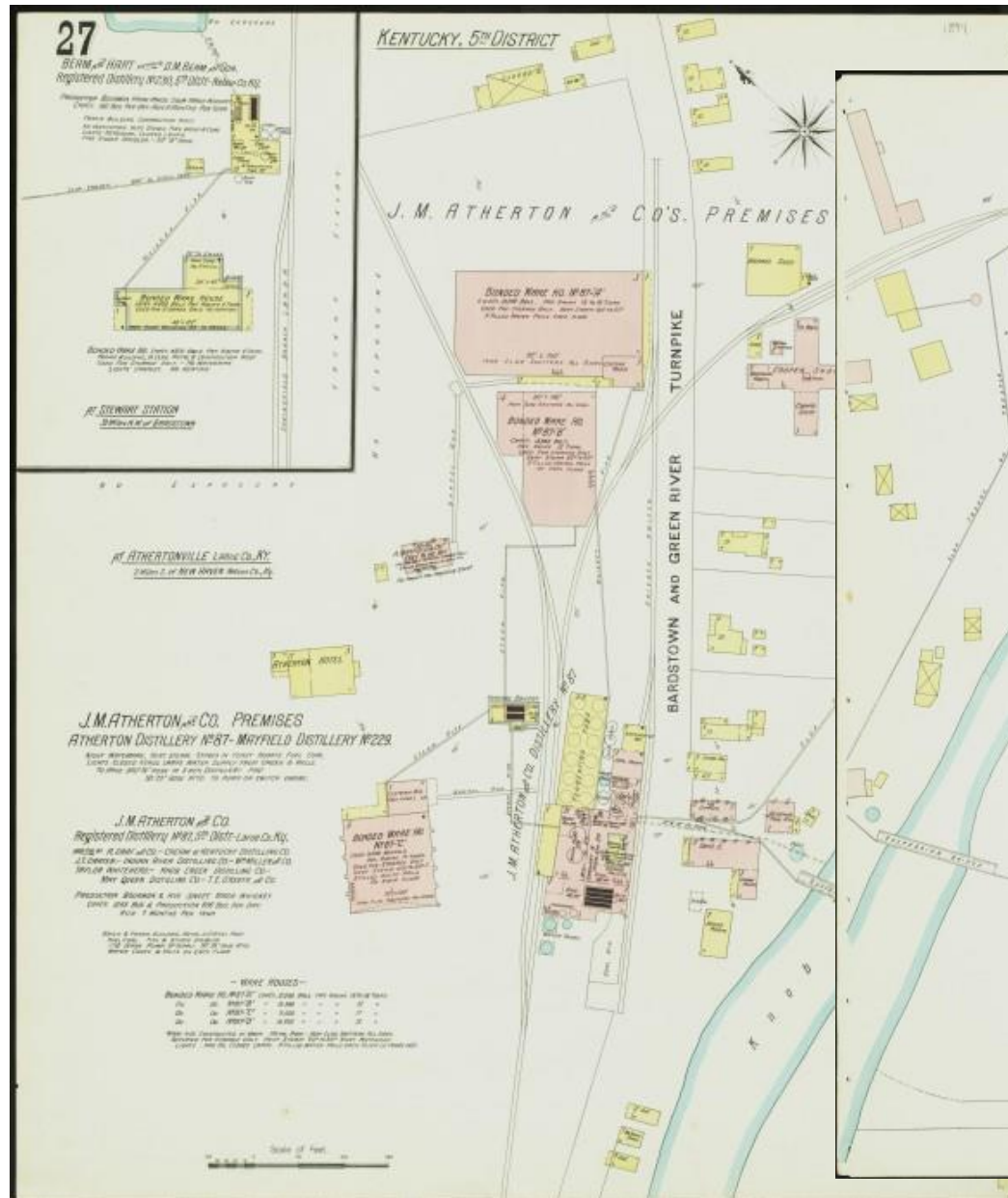
J.M. Atherton #370

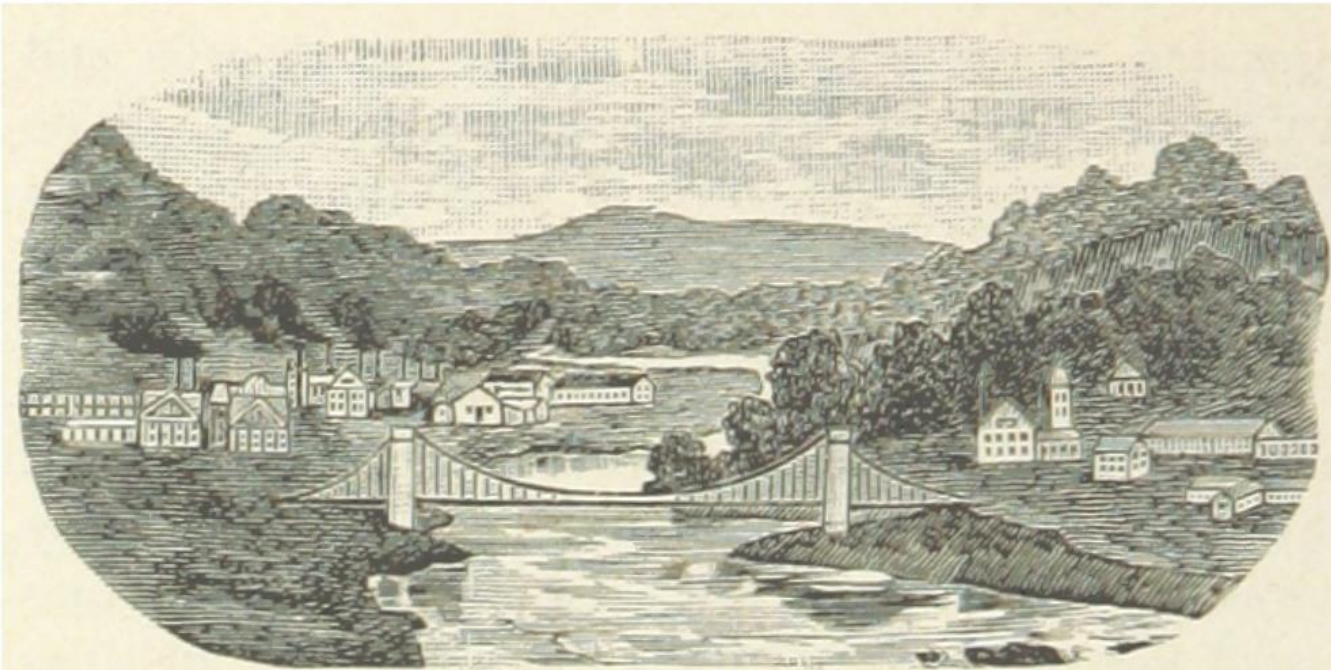
Windsor #378

Carter #377

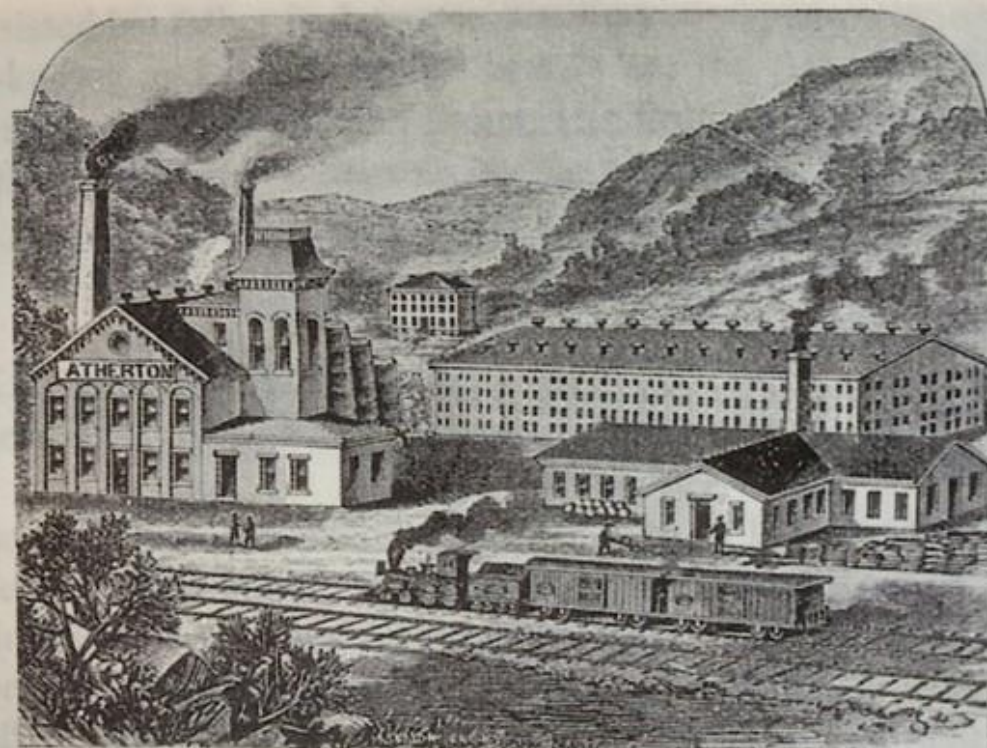
Mayfield #229

Mash capacity 1,966 bu. per
day





ATHERTON : THE J. M. ATHERTON DISTILLERY.



View of J. M. Atherton Distillery in 1888

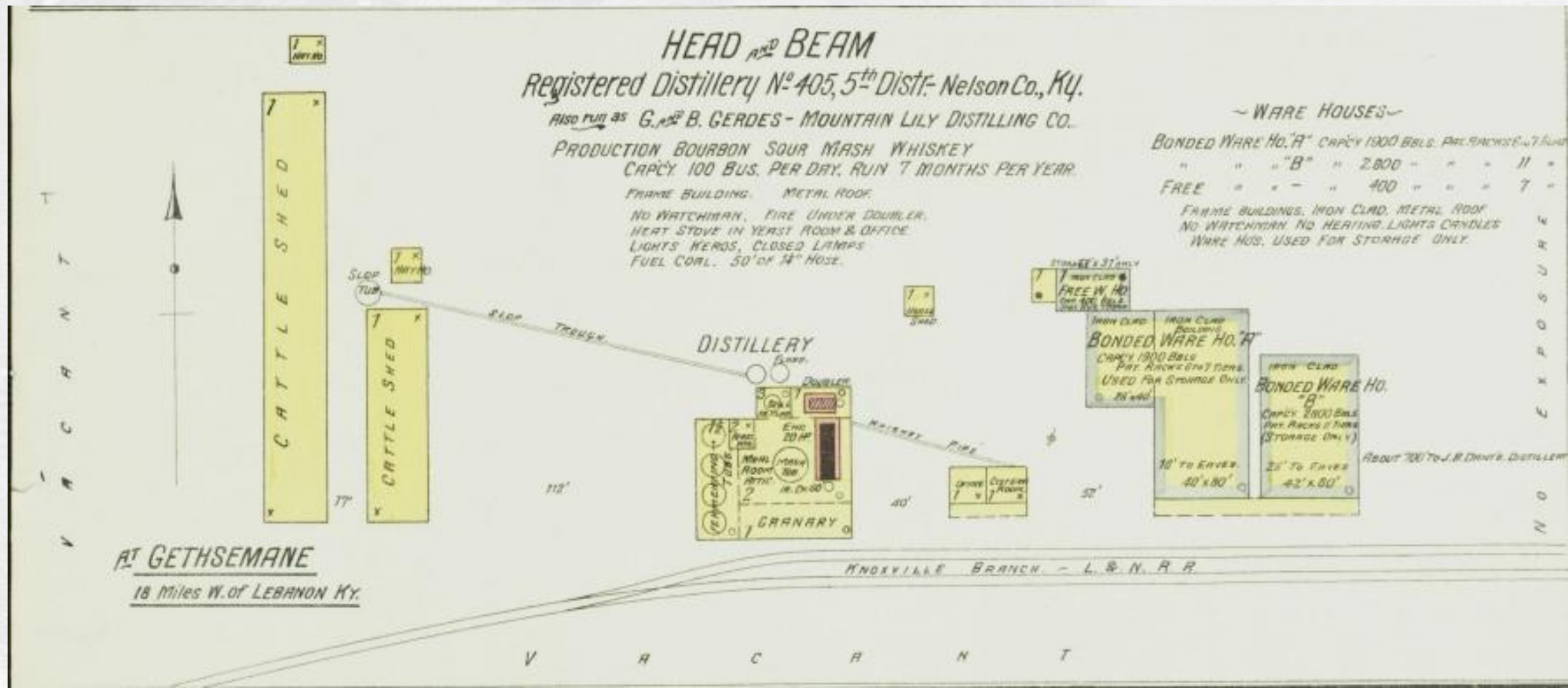
Gethsemane

MP 48.5

Orene Parker #47
enlarged to Head &
Beam (G&B Gerdes
- Mountain Lily)

#405

Mash capacity 100 bu.
per day

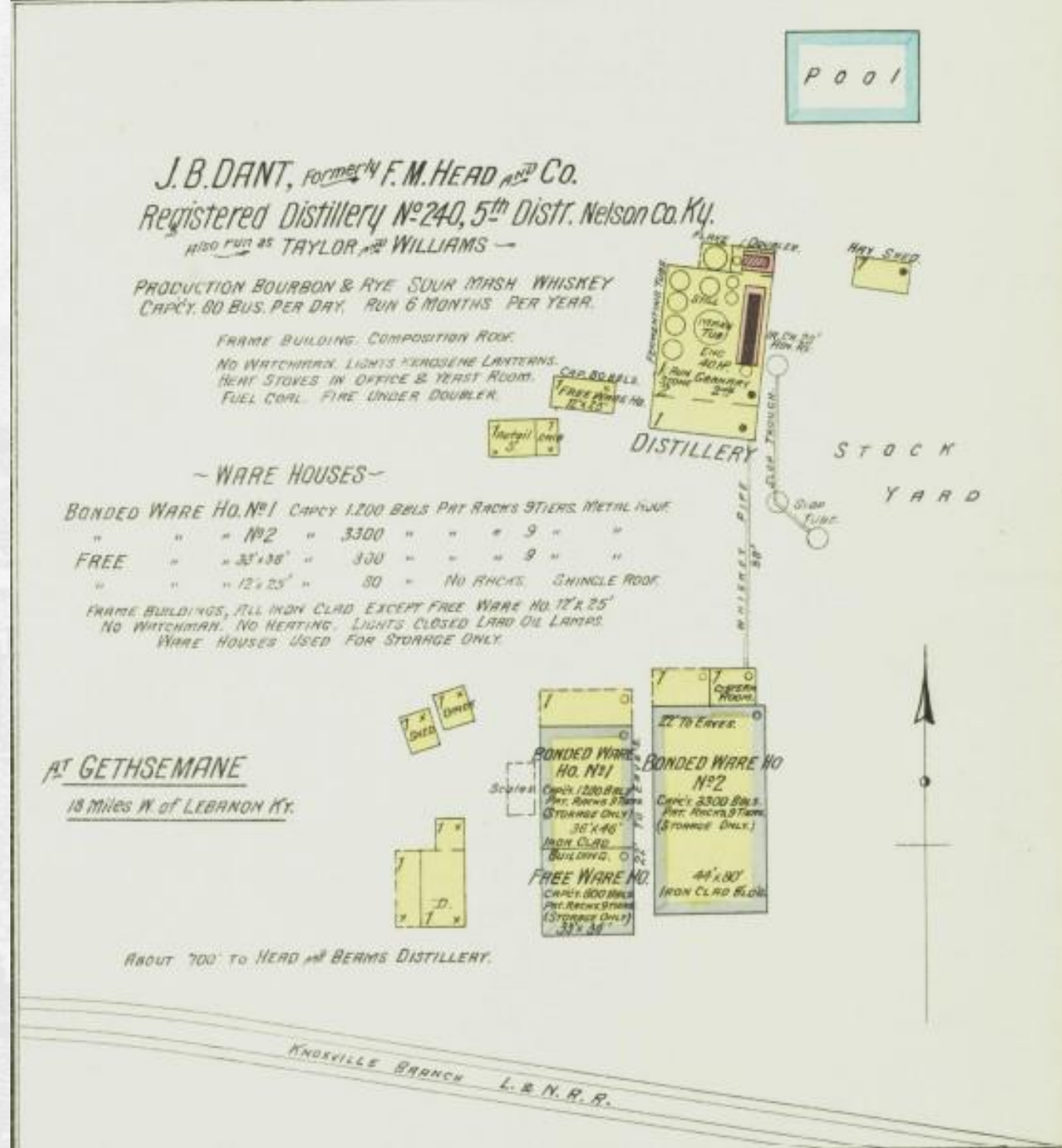


Gethsemane

MP 48.5

Cold Spring, JB
Dant, FM Head,
Taylor & Williams
#240

Mash capacity 80
bu. per day



The Orene Parker Co.



REGISTERED DISTILLERY NO 47.
GETHSEMANE, NELSON CO. KY.

DISTILLERS OF
**PURE KENTUCKY
WHISKIES.**

DISTILLERS
AND CONTROLLERS
"OLD MAID"
BOURBON
AND RYE.

12 & 14 PIKE STREET.

THE KIND OF WHISKIES THAT
MADE KENTUCKY FAMOUS.

Covington, Ky., U.S.A.



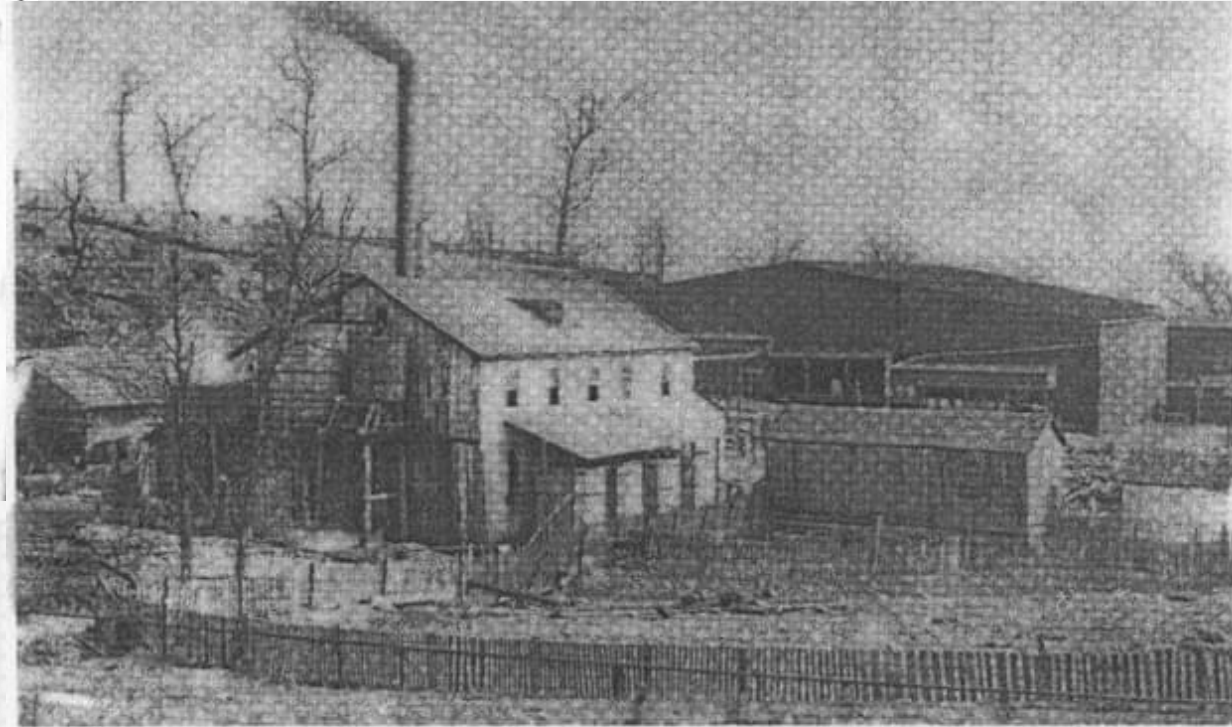
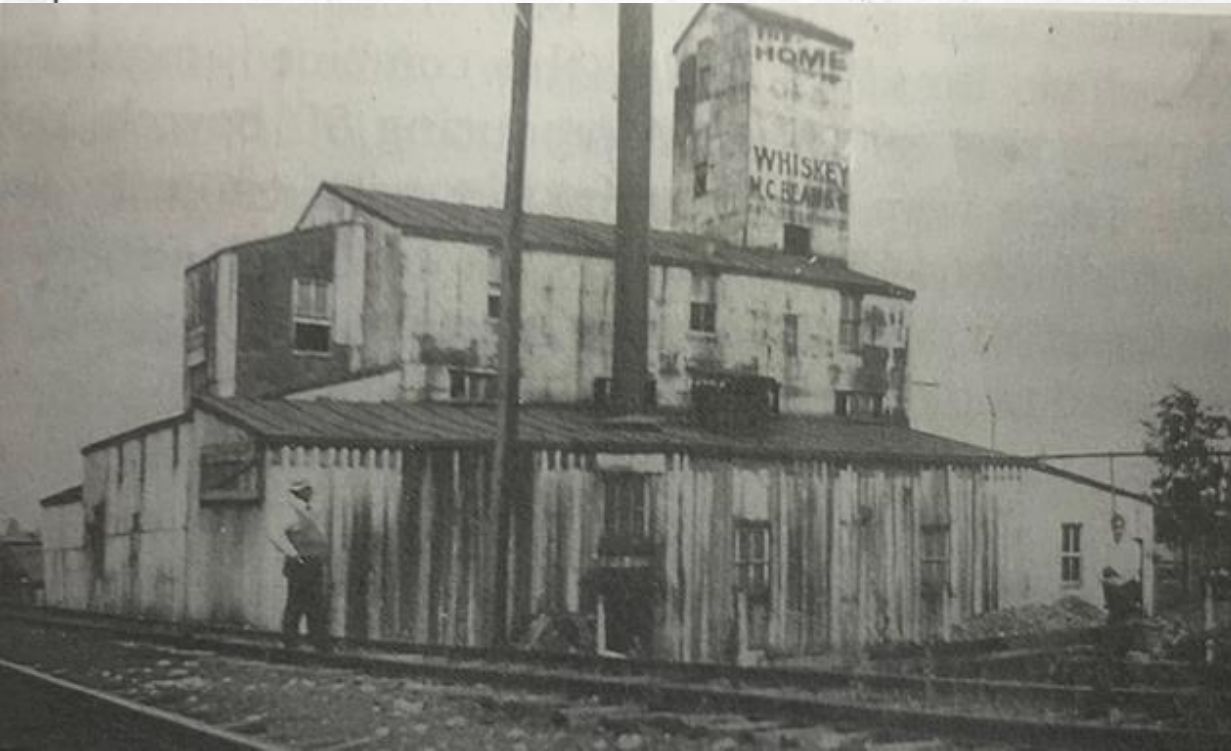
For Family and Medical Use
You Want

COLD SPRING The Finest
NELSON COUNTY
SOUR MASH **WHISKEY**

Sold Direct from Distillery. Jug and Bottle Trade Solicited.

3 year old at \$2.00 per Gallon,
6 year old at \$2.50 per Gallon,
10 year old at \$3.00 per Gallon,

J. B. DANT, Distiller,
GETHSEMANE, KY.



This Gethsemane location served several succeeding distilleries; From T.J. Pottinger to F.M. Head & Co. to M.C. Beam to J.B. Dant's Cold Spring to Taylor & Williams to Yellowstone. After prohibition ended in 1933, Will Dant & Joe B. Head started up Dant & Head Distillery at this location.



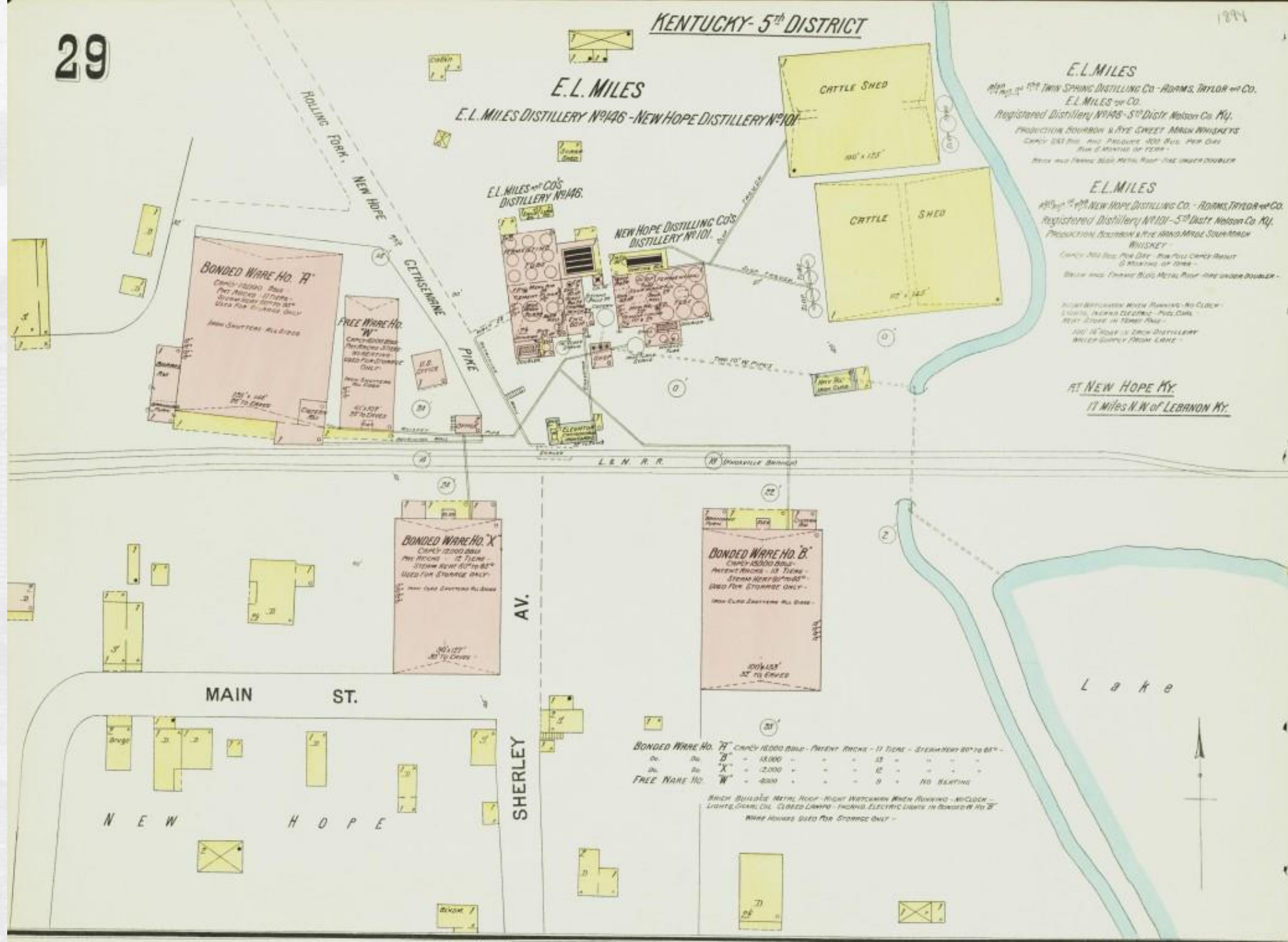
New Hope Area MP 50.2

E.L. Miles #146

New Hope
Distilling #101

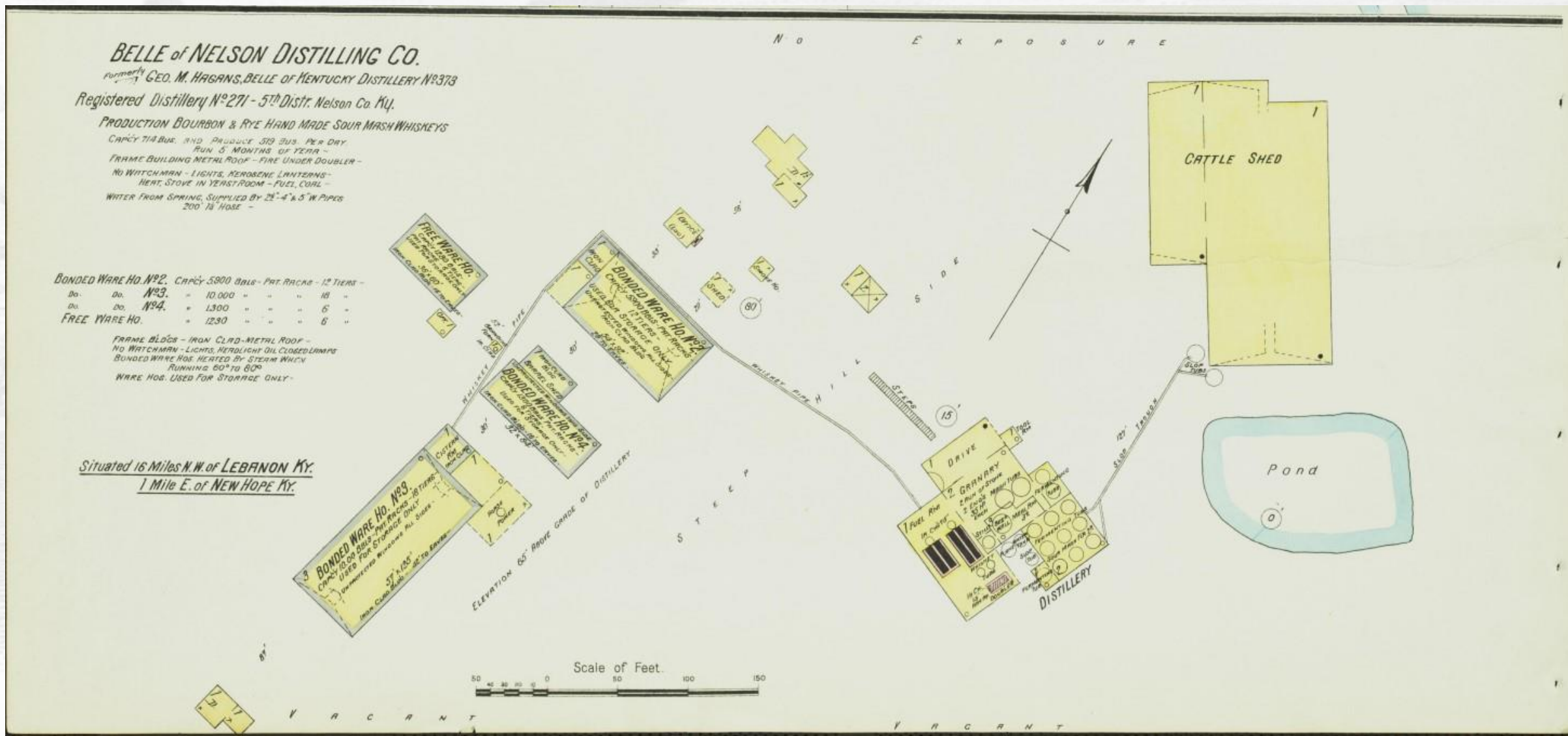
Belle of Nelson
#271 (off line)

Mash capacity
1,887 bu. per day



Belle of Nelson #271

Mash capacity 714 bu. per day



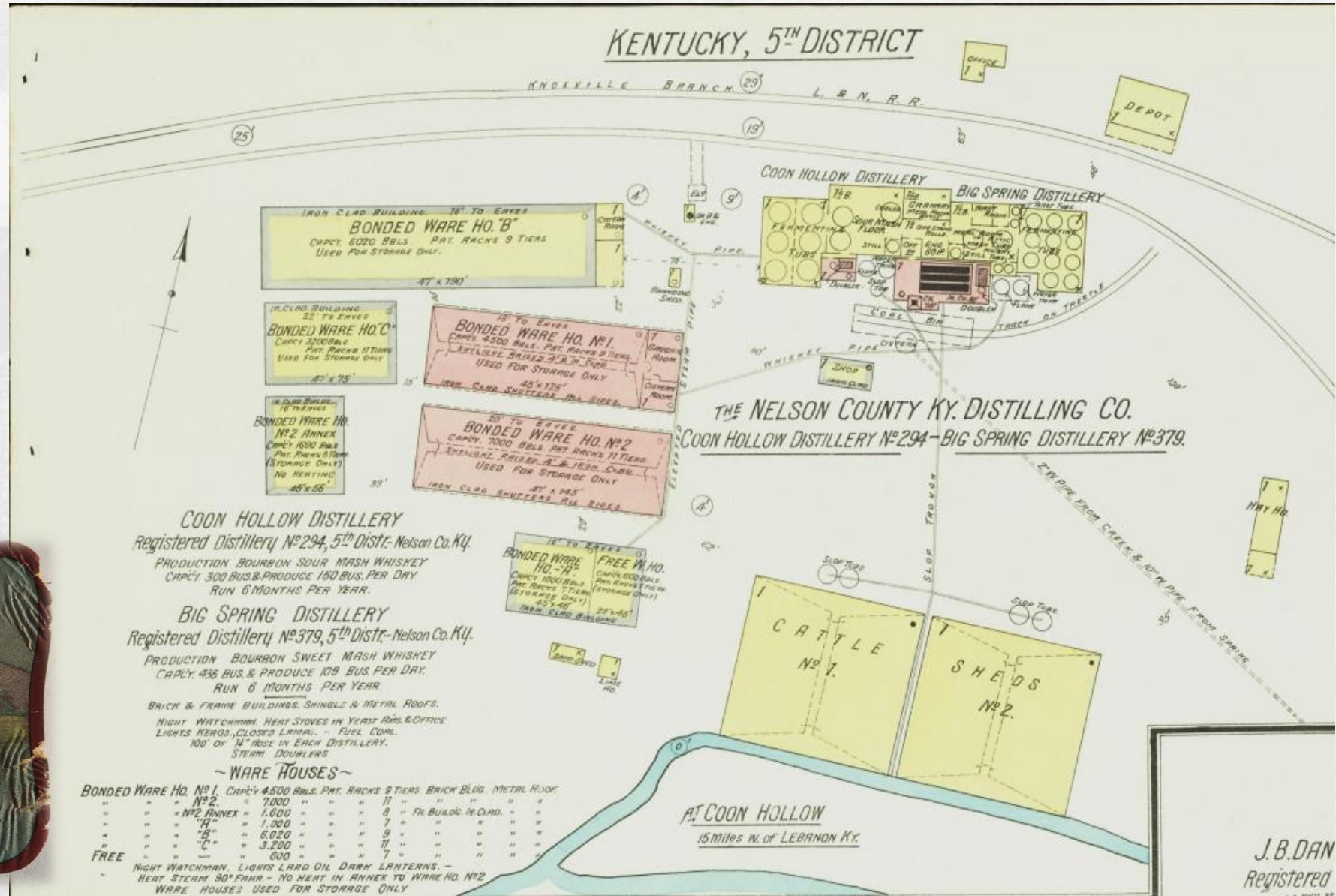
Mash capacity 100 bu. per day

BONDED WARE NO. CAPCY 2000 BBLT - PAT. RACKS - 3 TIERS -
FRAME BUILDING METAL ROOF - IRON CLAD - NO HEATING -
LIGHTS CLOSED KERO. LAMPS -



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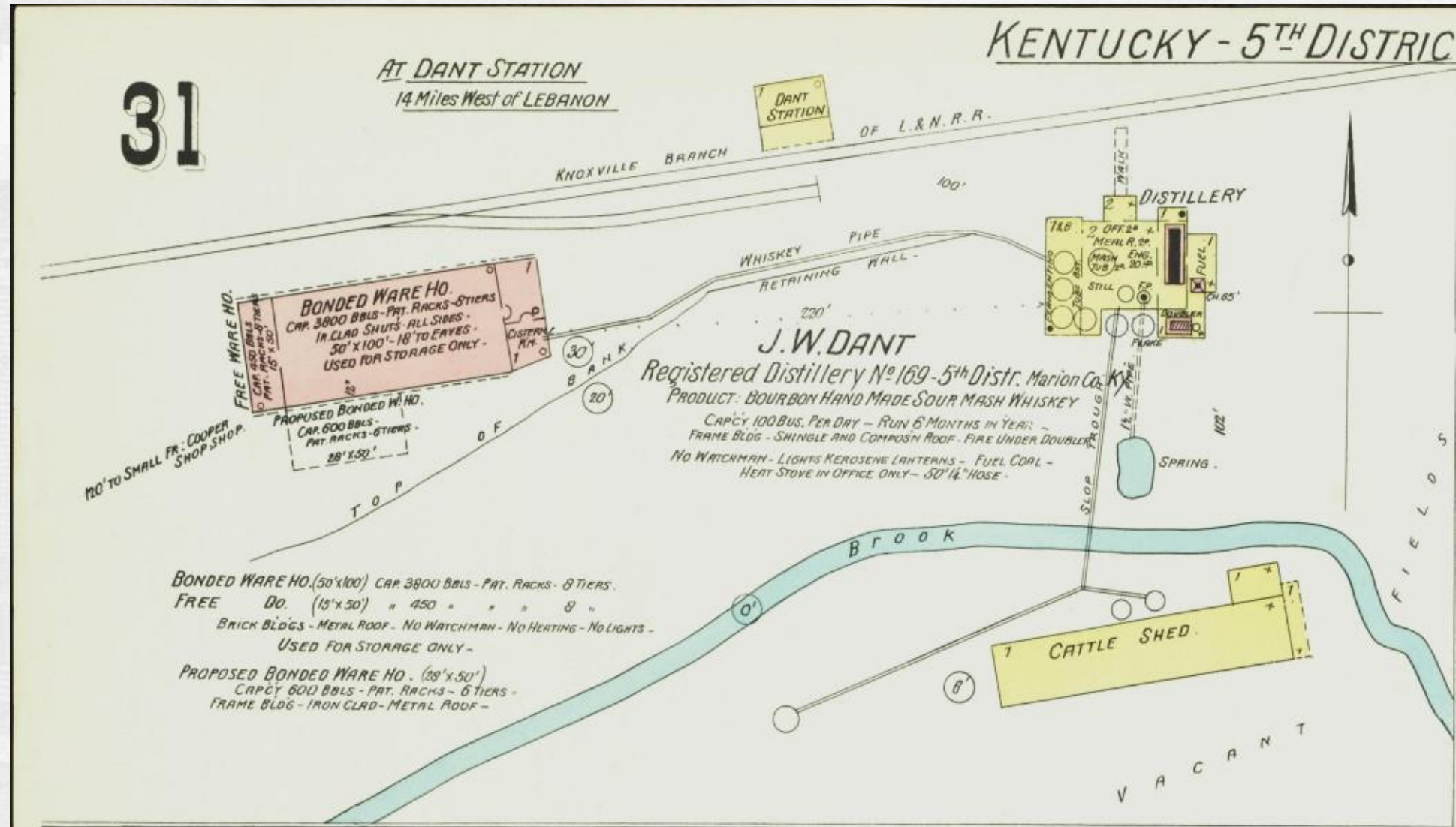
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bu. per day



Dant's Station MP 53.1

JW Dant #169

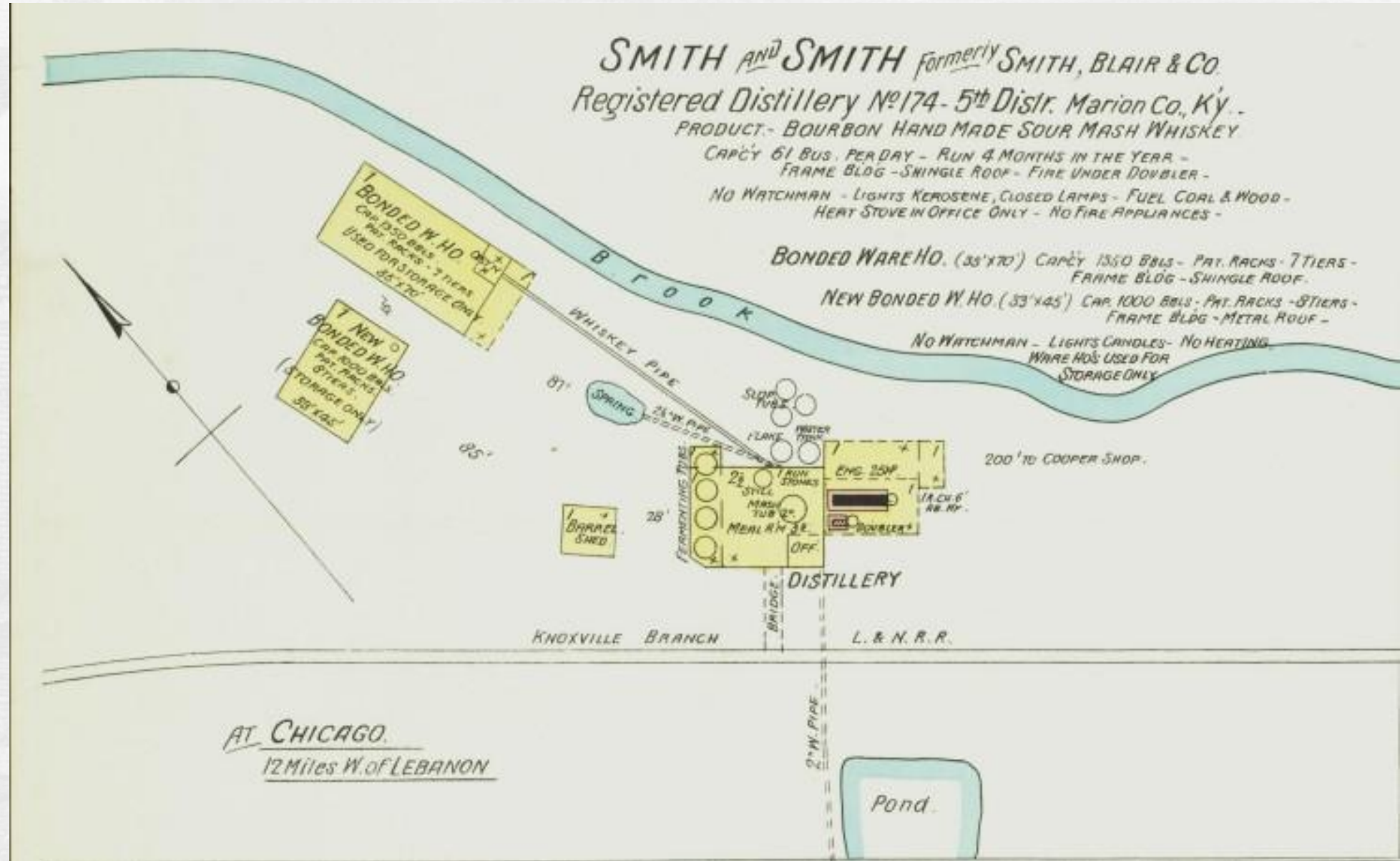
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100 bu. per day



CHICAGO
[ST. FRANCIS]
MP 55.1

Smith & Smith #174

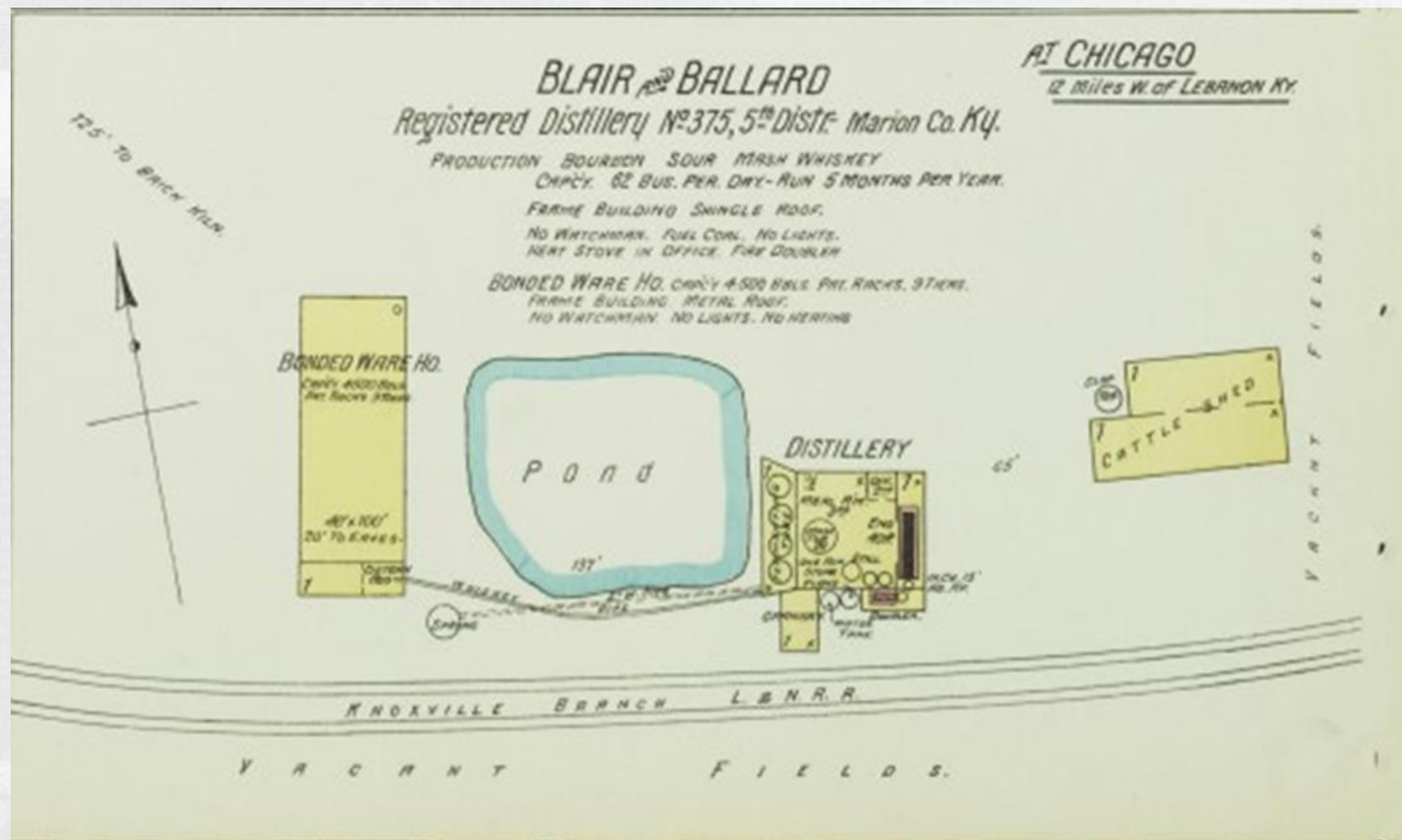
Mash capacity 61 bu.
per day



CHICAGO
[ST. FRANCIS]
MP 55.1

Blair & Ballard #11, #375

Mash capacity 62
bu. per day



Like 1937, Chicago, Ky., Will Pass Into Oblivion Tonight

Those who address letters and parcels to Chicago, Ky., after today will be sending mail to a town which officially does not exist, for when the old year passes into oblivion this evening at midnight, so will Chicago, Ky.

Although residents of the community will be the same and the buildings unaltered tomorrow morning, the town will have become St. Francis, Ky., just as the year will have changed to 1938. Already the thousands of postoffices have been

notified to scratch Chicago, Ky., from their directories and to insert in its place St. Francis, Ky.

The change was granted by the postoffice department at the request of the village's populace. In a petition, they pointed out that mail directed to their Chicago frequently went to the Illinois metropolis and thus delayed postal service. Mr. Farley and his assistants must have thought the request reasonable for the result speaks for itself. Mrs. Otho Kirkland will continue as postmaster.



IN THE HEART OF MARION COUNTY

HISTORICAL Marion County, Kentucky, with its great distilleries of the past and present, has always been a tremendous factor in the Bourbon whiskey industry. Marion County distilleries were generally owned and operated by families whose distilling secrets were handed down from father to son. Such is the case with the Blair Distillery, upholding the traditions of

more than a half century of perfect sour mash Bourbon whiskey making.

- Many of the old whiskey connoisseurs of other days preferred Marion County limestone water in the making of Bourbon

whiskey, believing that its properties produced a super-sour mash Bourbon with the perfect body, flavor, taste and bouquet.

- The Blair Distilling Co. keeps constantly on hand an 8,000,000 gallon supply of this

pure crystal-clear limestone spring water, drained from the springs of the surrounding hills into a huge artificial lake or reservoir built by the famous Detroit engineer, Roy Giffels.

- This spring water is run through a refrigerating system which supplies the water to the distillery at the proper temperature for the distilling operation.



Panoramic view of the Blair Distillery, Warehouse and Bottling Plant on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad at Chicago, Marion County, Kentucky.

COME ONE. COME ALL.

TO THE
ANNUAL PICNIC
Given by the Congregation of St. Francis at
CHICAGO, KY.,

ON
Saturday, Aug. 2, 1902.

This will be the Best and Largest and most orderly Picnic of the Season. Every one is going. Come and meet your neighbors from near and far. The Dinner will be the best you ever sat down to. Mr. George W. Hunter and U. S. Marshals will keep good order. Round trip tickets from Louisville and Lebanon and intermediate stations will be sold to Chicago account of picnic, good returning August 4th, at one and one-third fare.

Proceeds for the Benefit of the New Church.

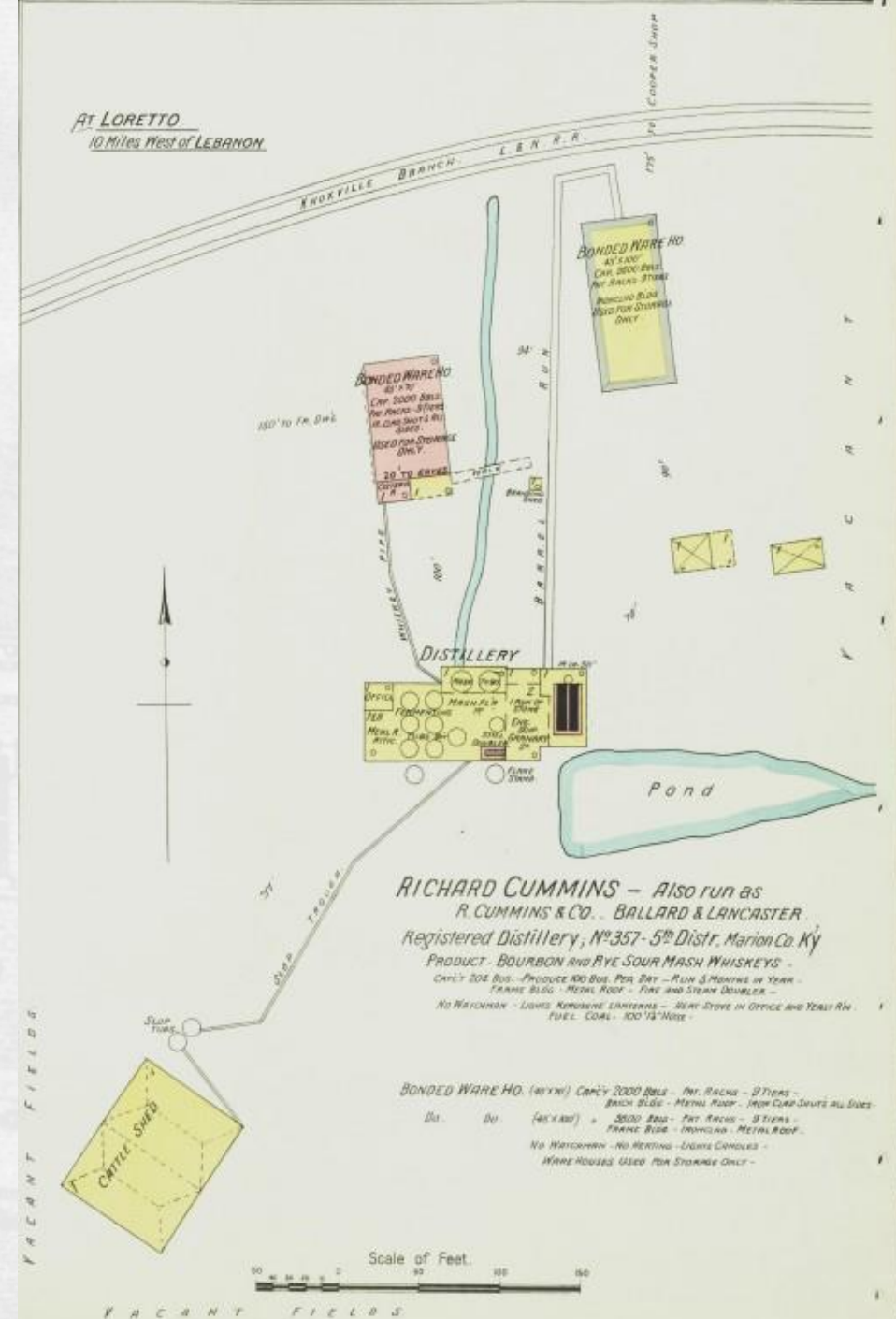
Music Furnished by Good Brass and String Band.

OFFICERS
C. B. BALLARD, J. R. SMITH, CHAS. G. OSBORN,
W. W. DANT, HENRY LYON, OSCAR BLAIR,
JNO. E. THOMPSON, TOM BALL, J. L. THOMPSON.
EDWARD J. HART, Pastor.

Cummins/ Ballard &
Lancaster #357

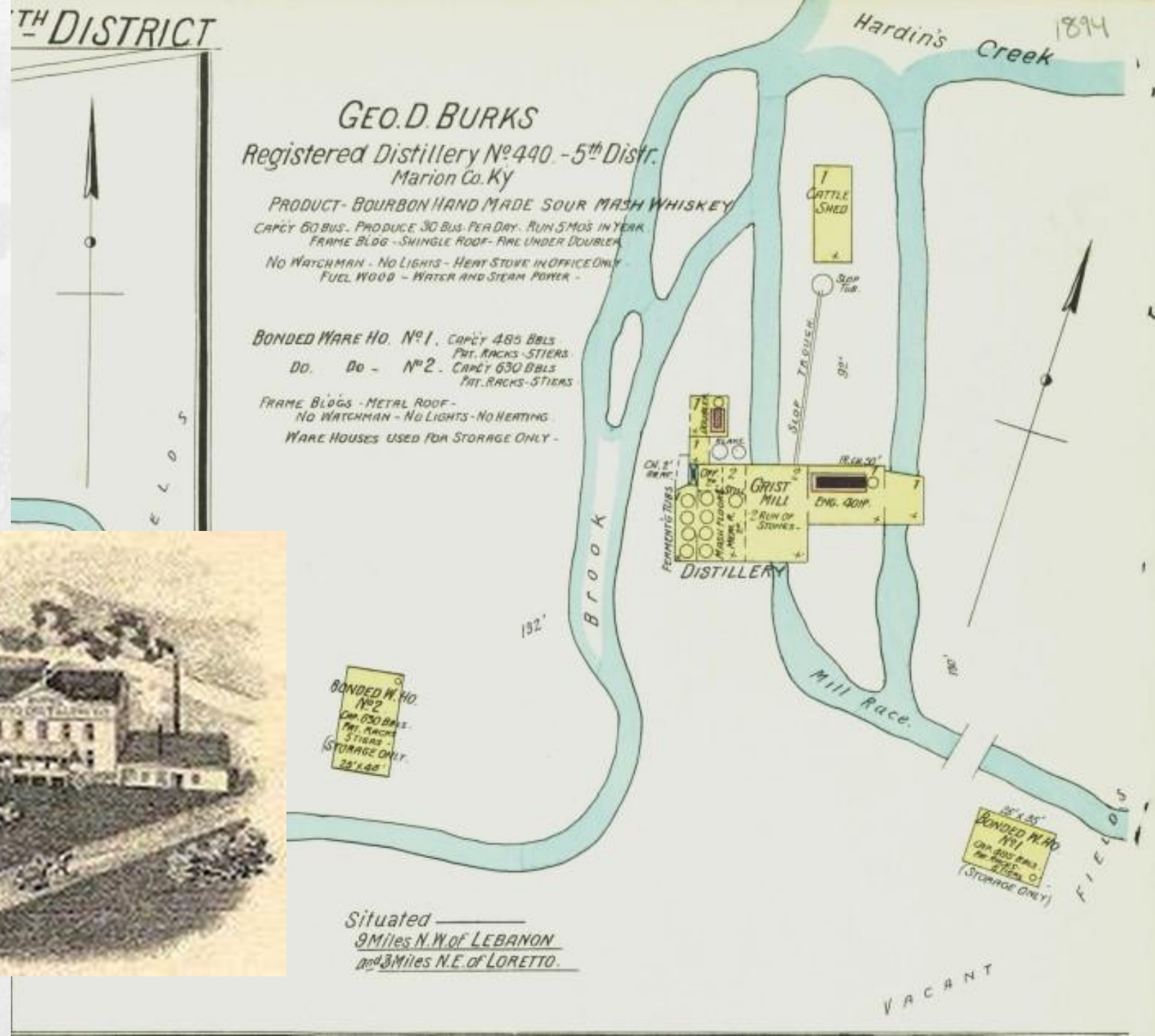
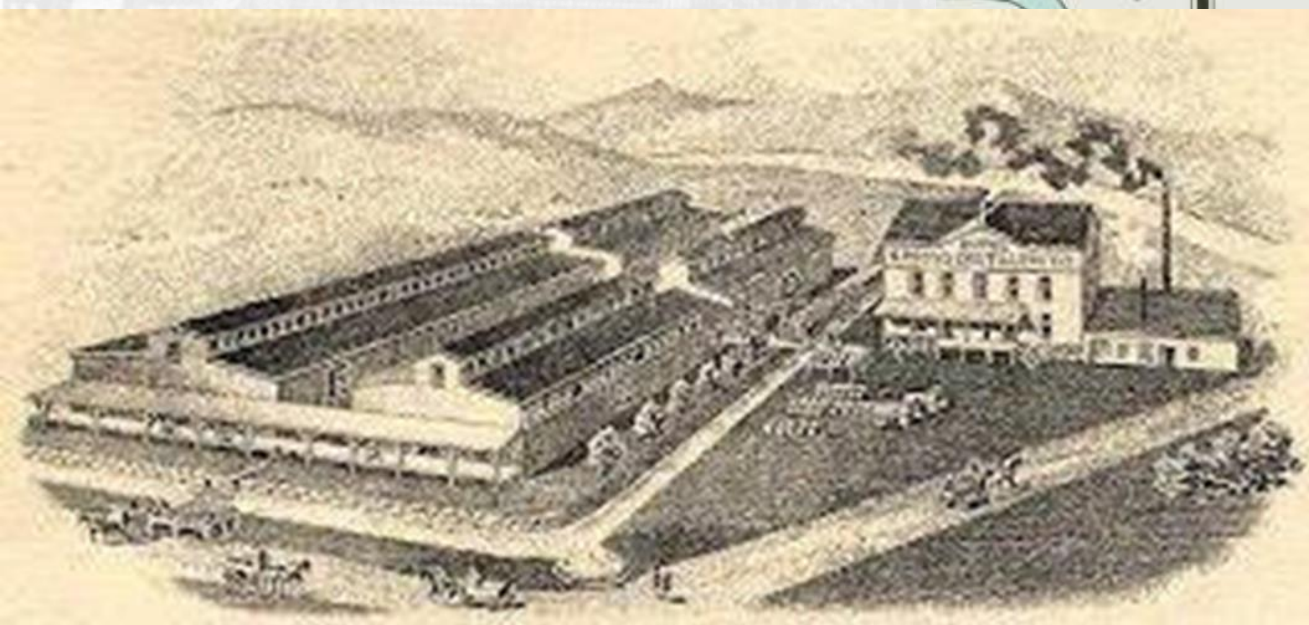
Mash capacity 204 bu. per
day

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Loretto
MP 56.9
(off line)
3 miles NE

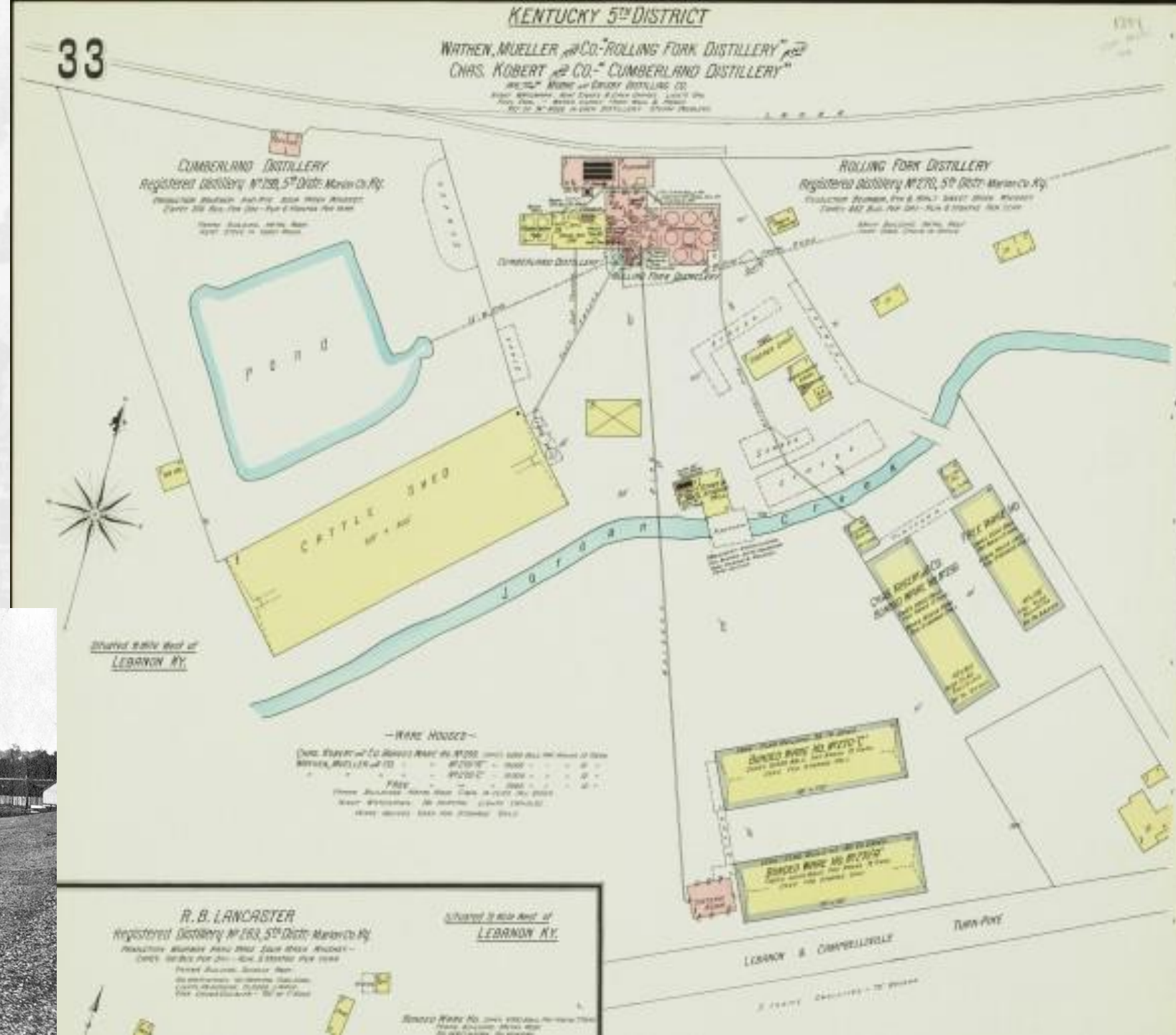
George Burks #440
Mash capacity bu. per day



Lebanon MP 66.0

Rolling Fork #270
Cumberland #299

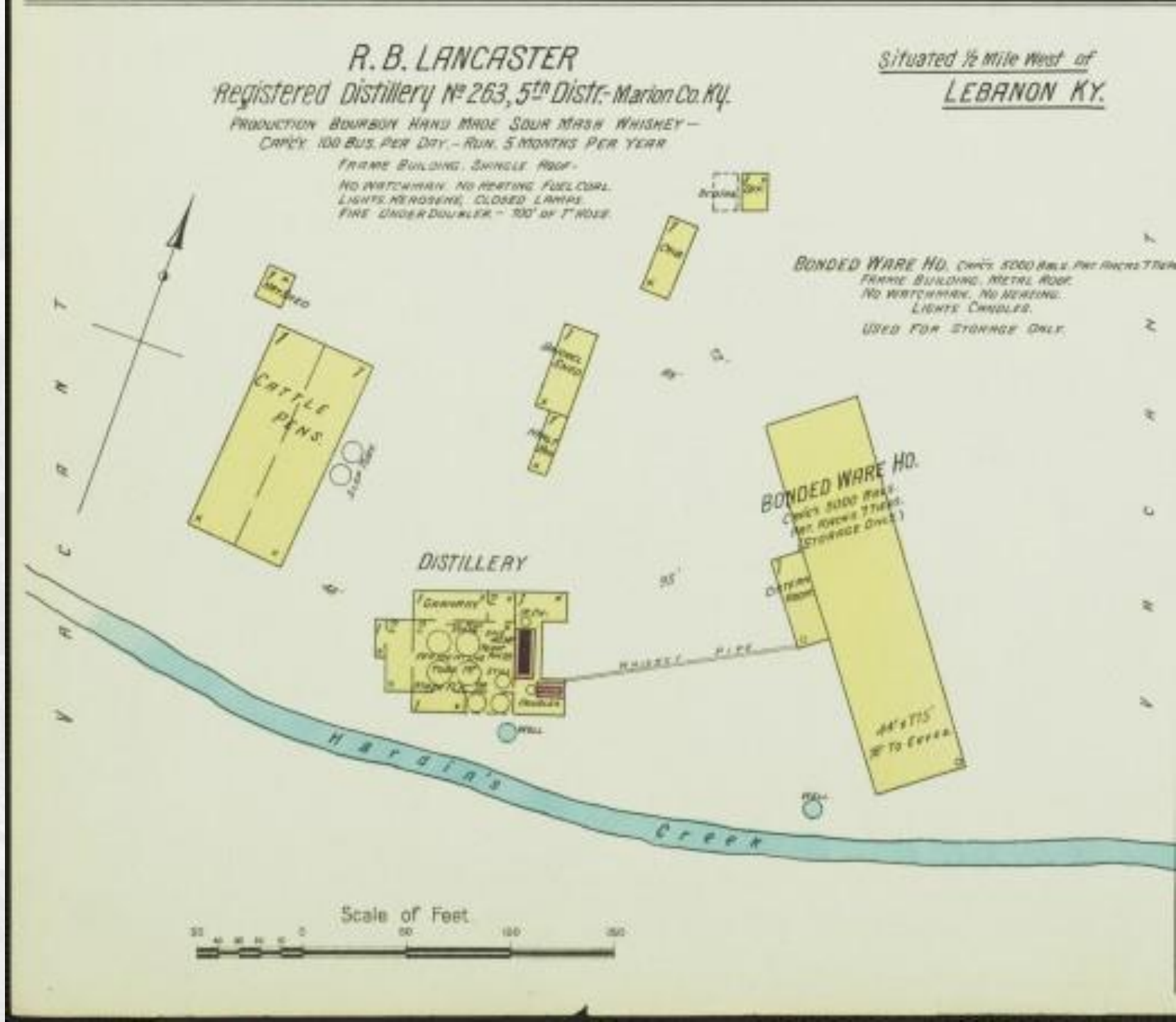
Mash capacity 538
bu. per day



Lebanon
MP 66.1

Lancaster / Maple Grove
5th District RD #263

Mash capacity 100 bu. per day



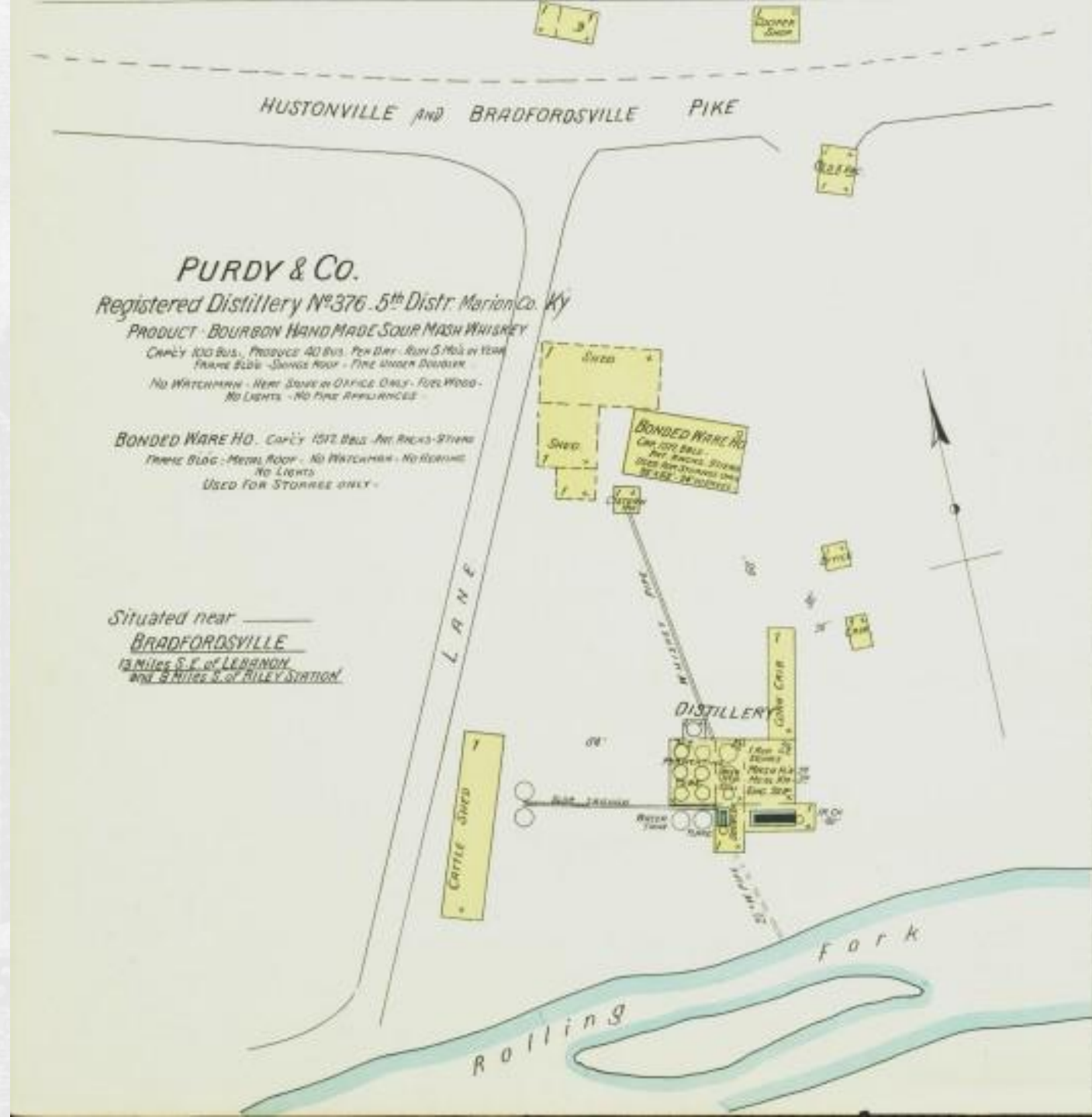
Riley's Station

MP 76.8

(offline – 5 miles south)

Purdy & Co. #376

Mash capacity 100 bu. per
day

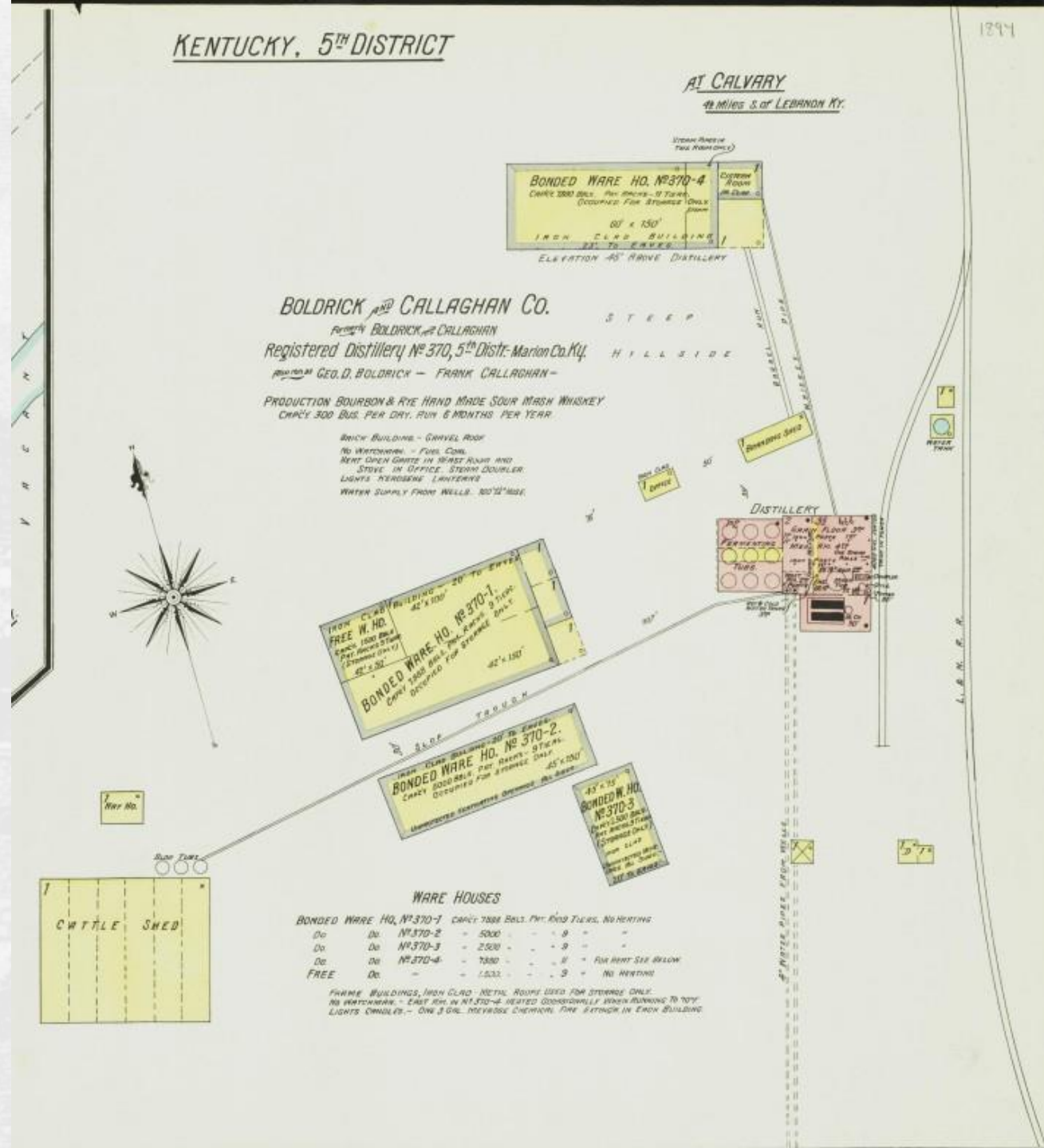


Calvary

MP 79.2 (Greensburg Branch)

Boldrick & Callaghan # 370

Mash capacity 300 bu. per day

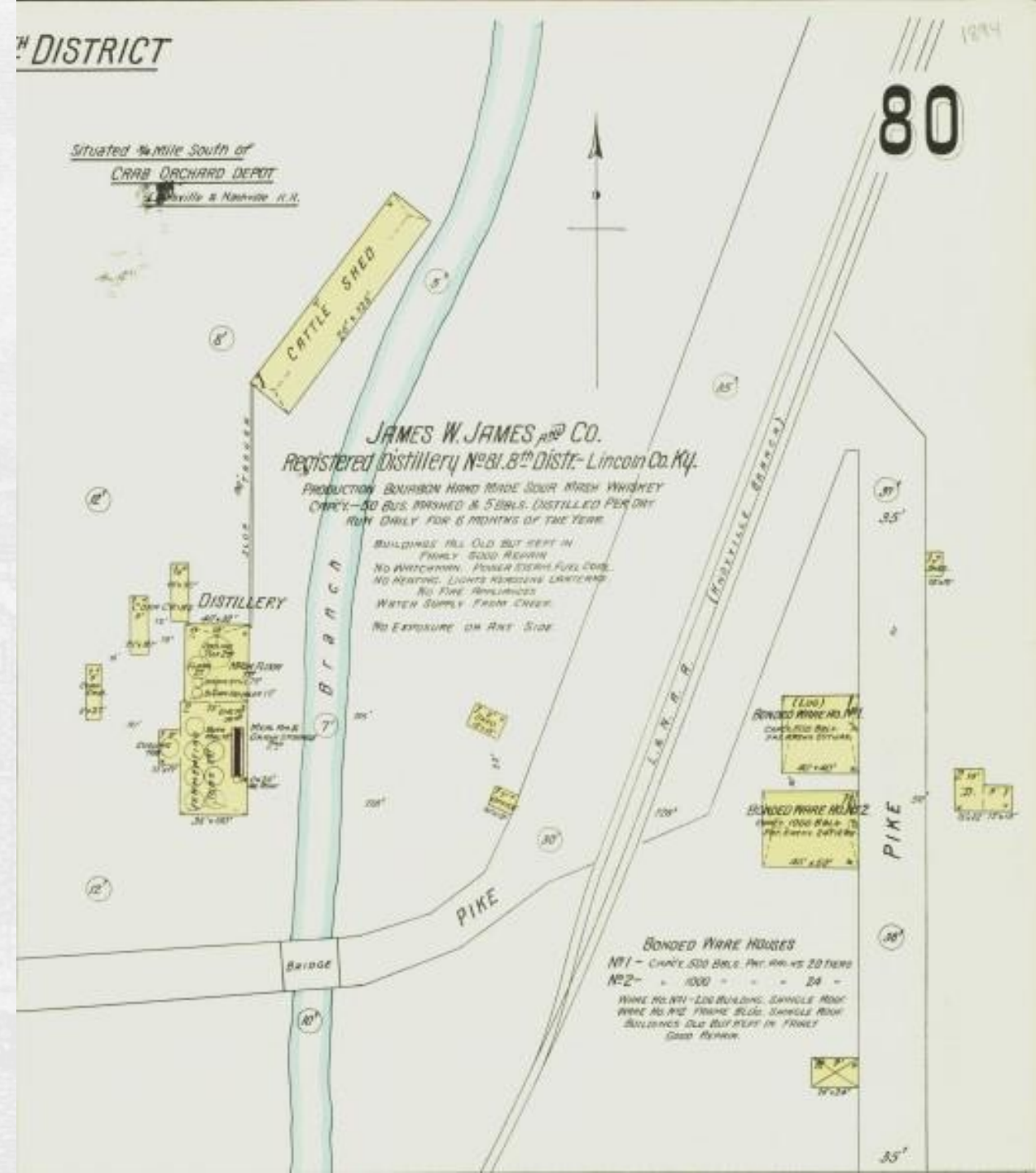


Crab Orchard

MP 115.3

James #81 (8th District)

Mash capacity 50 bu. per day

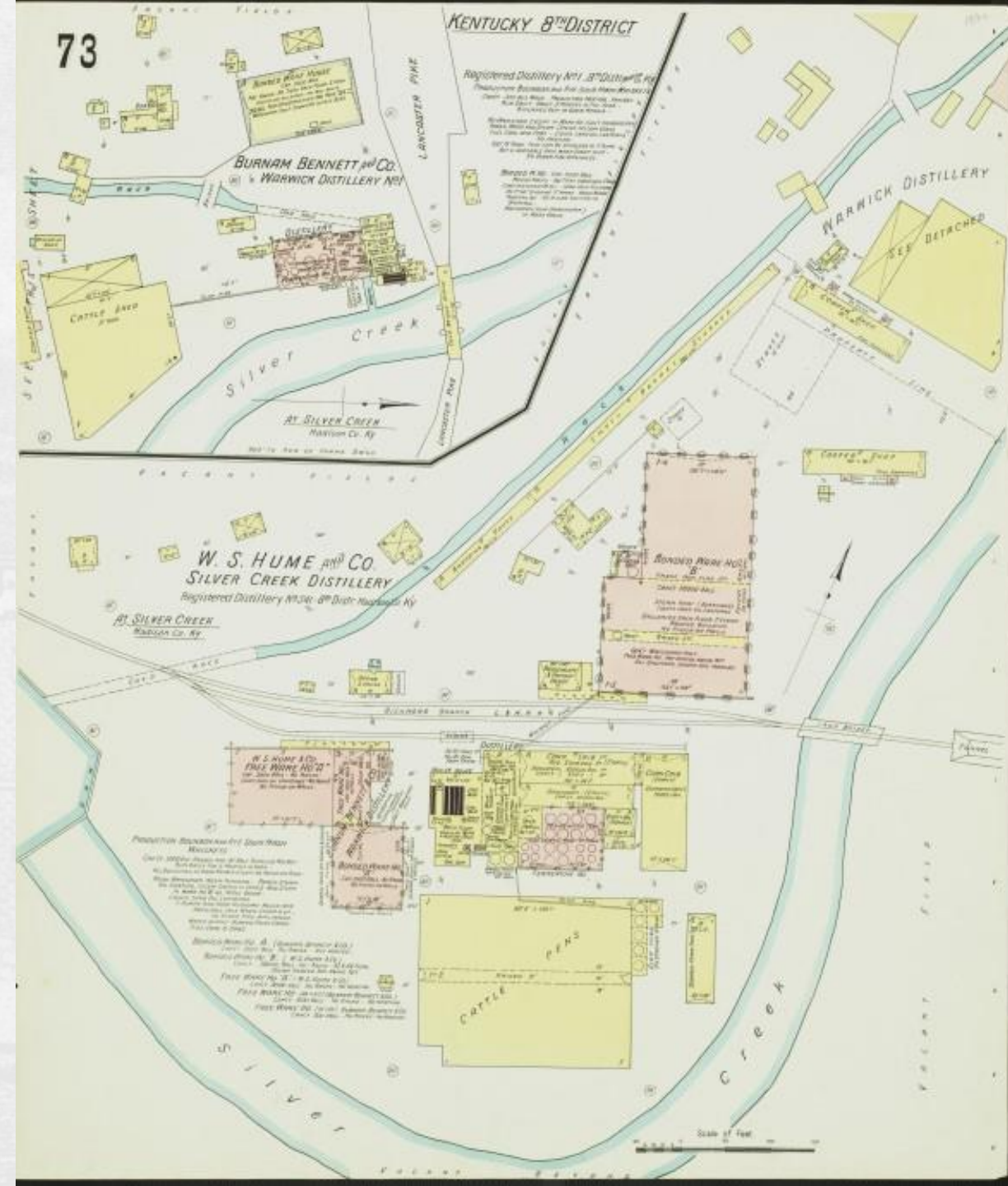
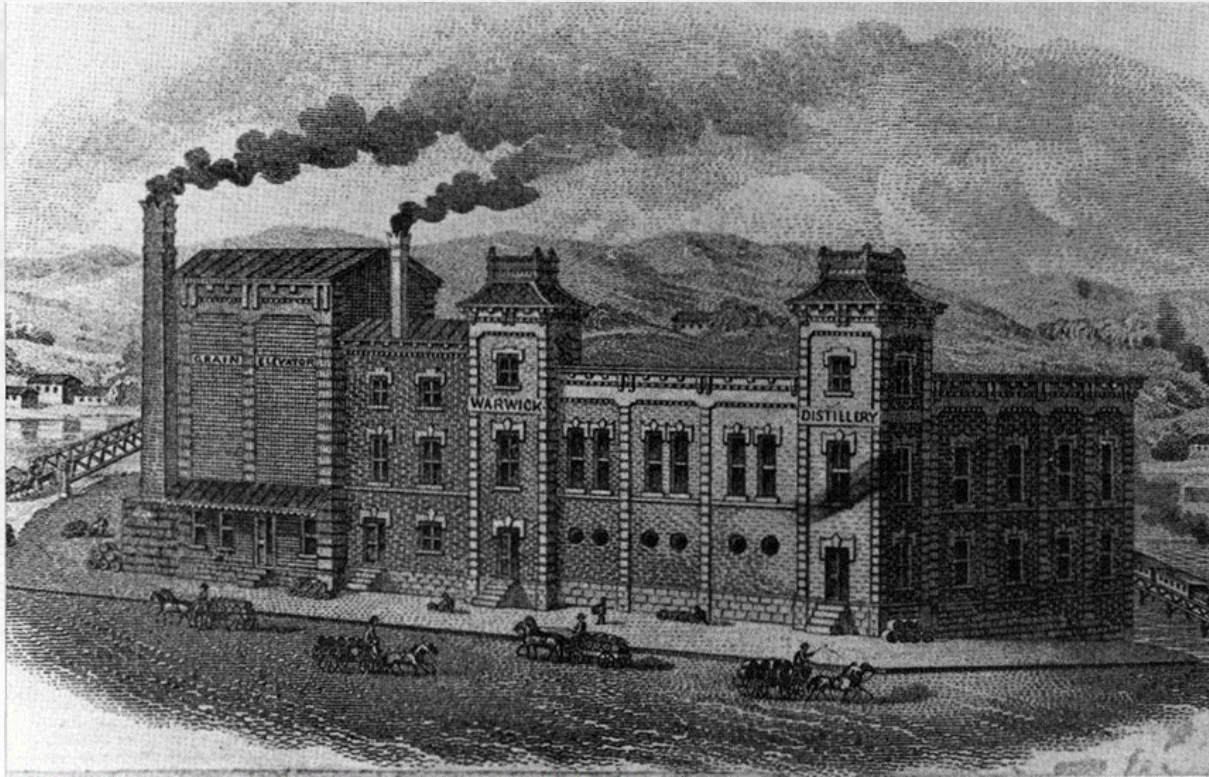


Silver Creek
MP 133
(Rowland Branch)

Burnham Bennet
(Warwick) #1
(8th District)

W.S. Hume (Silver
Creek) #541
(8th District)

Mash capacity
1,300 bu. per day





Modeling Distillery Traffic on the Lebanon Branch 1880-1920

L. & N. Depot and Stage Coach, Lebanon, Ky.

Typical equipment 1880-1920

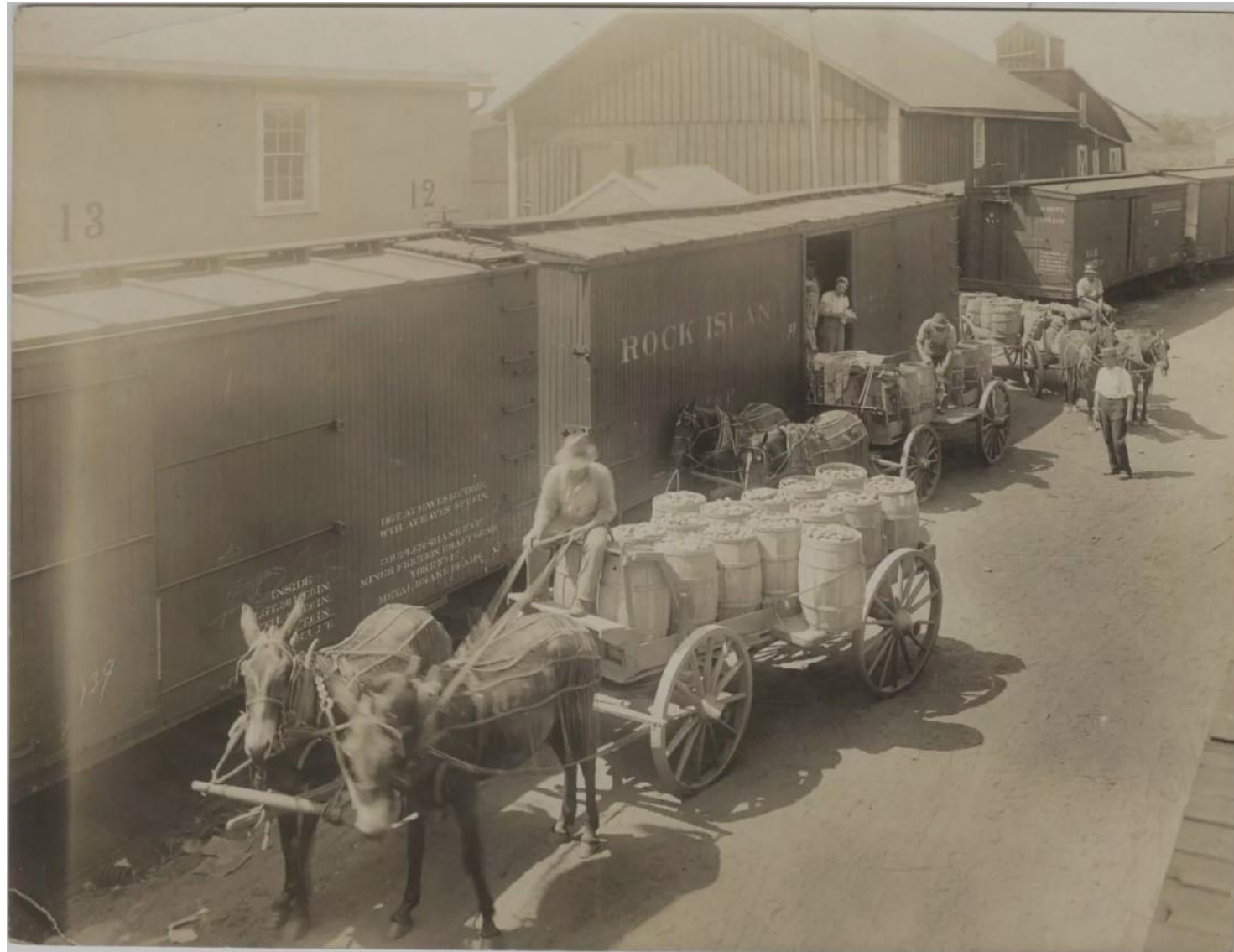
36' and 40' Boxcars – 60,000 to 80,000 lb capacity

Inbound: Grain not sourced locally, barrels, staves, bottles, stoppers, boxes, crates, excelsior packing, machinery, supplies

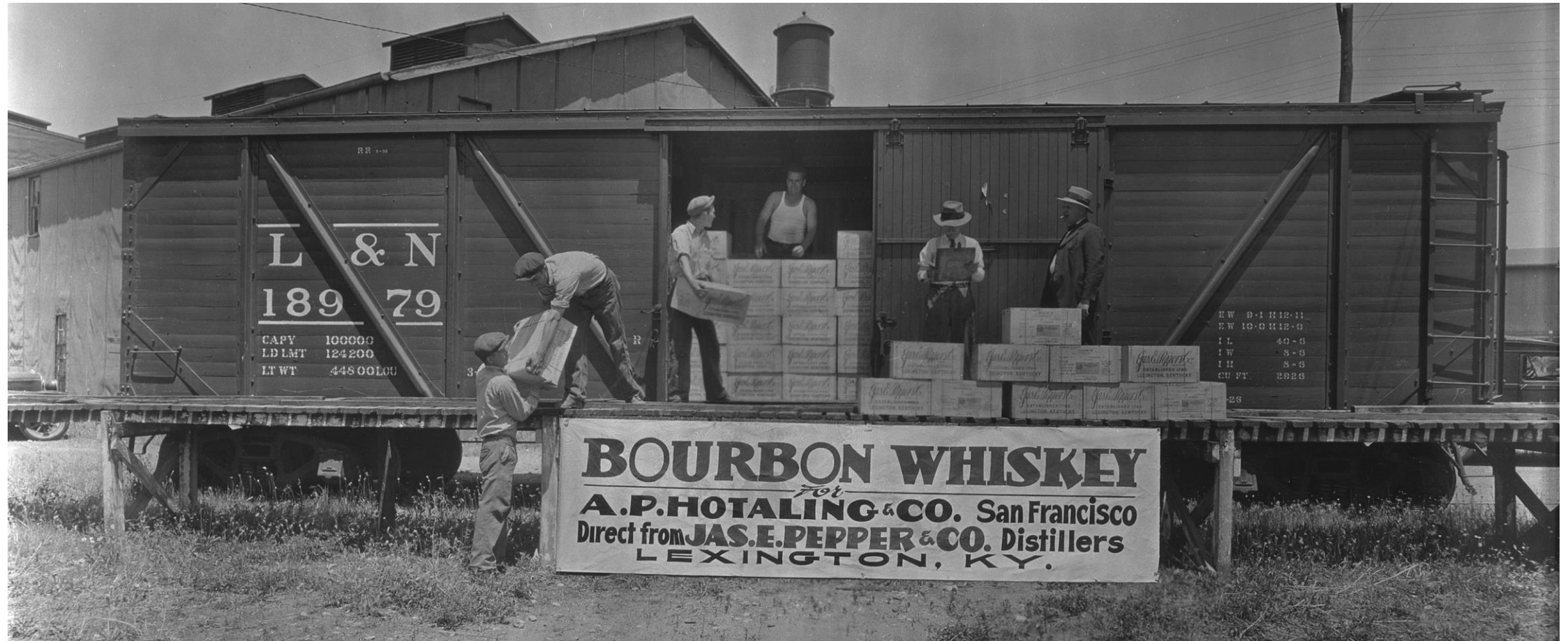
Outbound: Filled barrels to blenders, rectifiers, distributors



Loading and unloading barrels into boxcars



Whiskey shipment on the L&N bound for San Francisco



Whiskey shipment on the L&N bound for San Francisco



Inbound grain shipments – some portion grown locally

Grain

Location	MP	On line and active	Nearby	Daily Mash Capacity	Notes
Athertonville	44	3		1,966	3 active, 2 unused/inactive
New Haven	45	0	2	50	
Gethsemane	48	2		180	
New Hope	50	2	1	1,887	
Willow Spring - Coon Hollow	51	3		896	
Dant Station	53	1		100	
Chicago (St. Francis)	55	2		123	
Loretto	57	1	1	234	
St. Mary's	62	0	5	473	
Lebanon	67	3		638	
Calvary (Greensburg Branch)	73	1		300	
Riley's	77	0	1	100	
Crab Orchard	115	1		50	
Silver Creek (Rowland Branch)	133	2		1,300	

21

10

8,297

bushels per day

373,365

lbs of grain per day @ 45 lbs per bushel

5

boxcars per day @ 80,000 lbs

900

cars per year

Typical equipment 1880-1920

Coal gondolas and hoppers –40,000 to 80,000 lb. capacity

Inbound: Coal

Outbound: Cinders?



GMWV Coal Gondola 1892
Capacity 20 tons
Wood underframe



ET&WNC 25 ton coal hopper





Inbound Coal Shipments

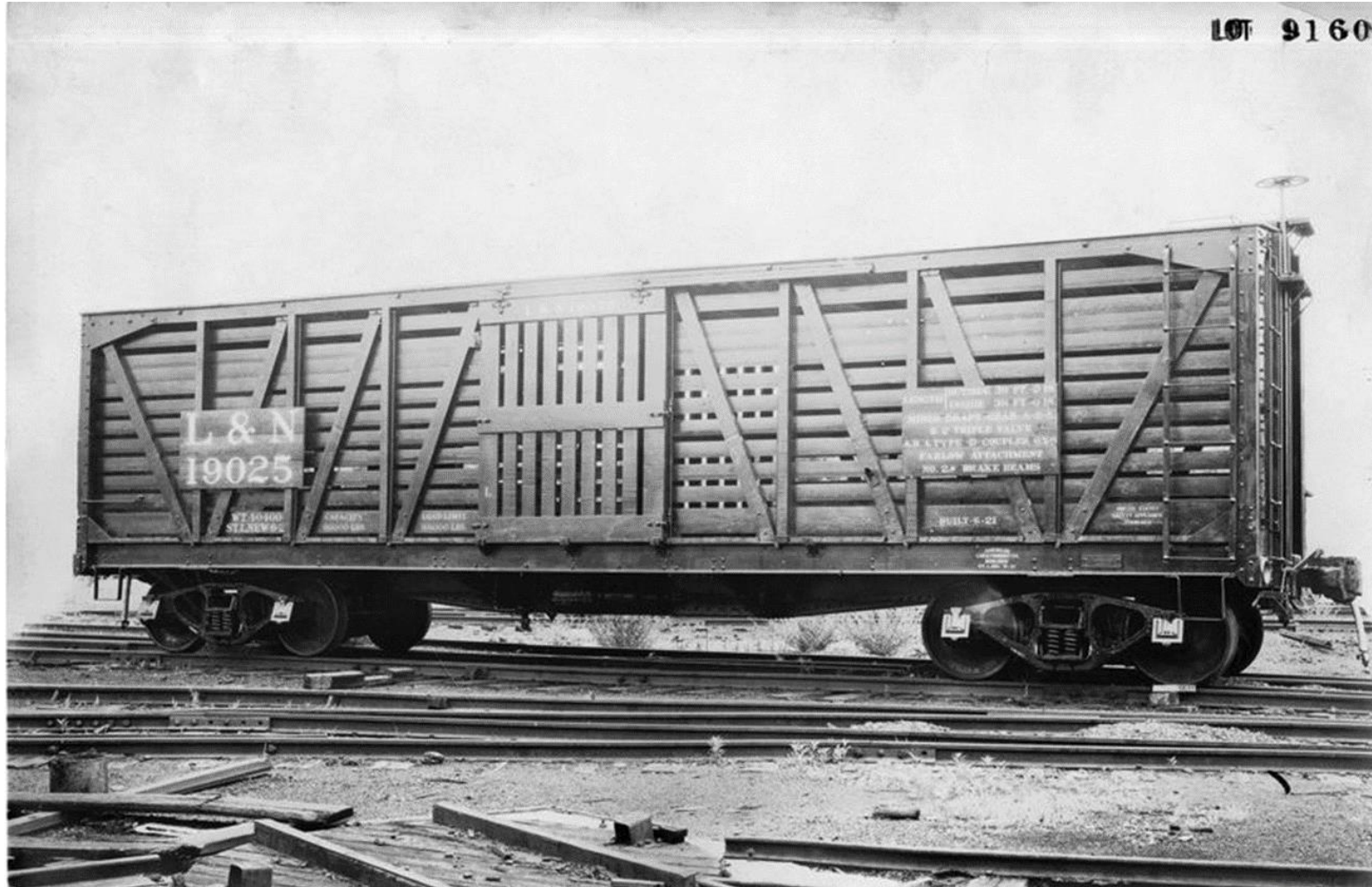
Coal						
Location	MP	On line and active	Nearby	Daily Mash Capacity	Coal usage per day (lbs)	Days per hopper @ 80,000 lbs
Athertonville	44	3		1,966	15,925	5
New Haven	45	0	2	50	405	198
Gethsemane	48	2		180	1,458	55
New Hope	50	2	1	1,887	15,285	5
Willow Spring - Coon Hollow	51	3		896	7,258	11
Dant Station	53	1		100	810	99
Chicago (St. Francis)	55	2		123	996	80
Loretto	57	1	1	234	1,895	42
St. Mary's	62	0	5	473	3,831	21
Lebanon	67	3		638	5,168	15
Calvary (Greensburg Branch)	73	1		300	2,430	33
Riley's	77	0	1	100	810	99
Crab Orchard	115	1		50	405	198
Silver Creek (Rowland Branch)	133	2		1,300	10,530	8
		21	10	8,297	67,206	lbs of coal per day

0.84

151

hoppers per day @ 80,000 lbs
cars per year

Typical equipment 1880-1920
Livestock cars
Inbound: Livestock, empty barrels
Outbound: Livestock



Typical equipment 1880-1920

Barrel cars (perhaps not typical in central Kentucky, but they did exist)

Inbound: empty barrels

Outbound: ?





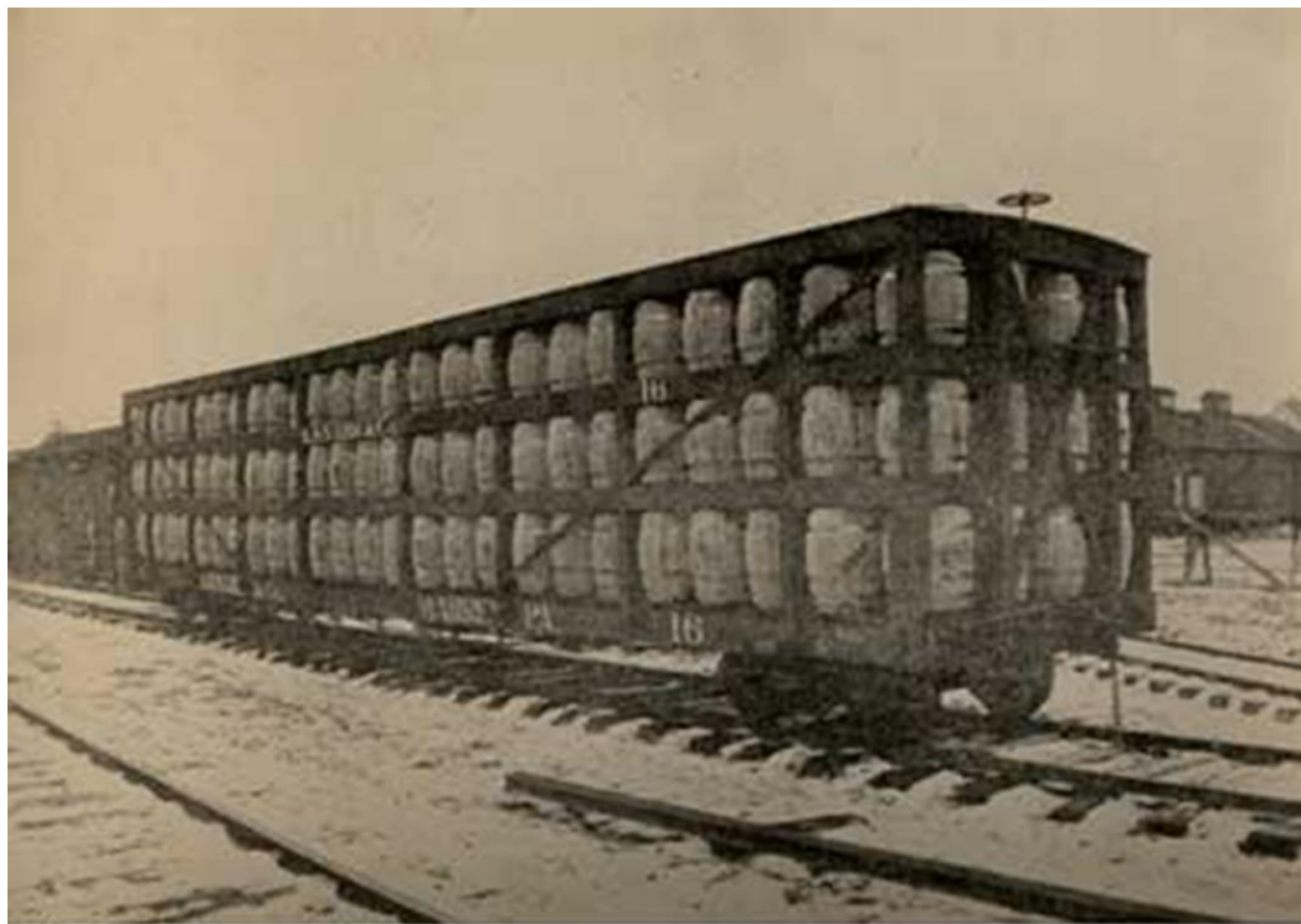


Photo Giddens collection

Inbound barrels

Barrels

Location	MP	On line and active	Nearby	Daily Mash Capacity	Gallons per day	Barrels per day
Athertonville	44	3		1,966	7,864	164
New Haven	45	0	2	50	200	4
Gethsemane	48	2		180	720	15
New Hope	50	2	1	1,887	7,548	157
Willow Spring - Coon Hollow	51	3		896	3,584	75
Dant Station	53	1		100	400	8
Chicago (St. Francis)	55	2		123	492	10
Loretto	57	1	1	234	936	20
Lebanon	67	3		638	2,552	53
St. Mary's	62	0	5	473	1,892	39
Calvary (Greensburg Branch)	73	1		300	1,200	25
Riley's	77	0	1	100	400	8
Crab Orchard	115	1		50	200	4
Silver Creek (Rowland Branch)	133	2		1,300	5,200	108
		21	10	8,297	33,188	Gallons per day

691
124,455

Barrels per day @ 48 gallons per barrel
Barrels per year

The Lebanon Branch & Pre-Prohibition Distilling Industry

