

## Census of Florida Stamped Documents, 1865-1872

Location	Document Type	Date	Stamp(s)	Details/Comments
Alachua County	Deed	12/6/1865	R54c (x4)	Ms., John & Mary McDermott to Walter S. Sand (?), for lots #3 and #4, each 49ft 3 in, and half of lot #11 "fronting the Florida Rail Road near the Depot," amount \$1400. In Gainesville?
Barrancas	Receipt	5/25/1865	R15c	Adams Express Co., Edwin Munson, 2nd Maine (at Ft. Barrancas), to Limerick Maine. Earliest use of U.S. revenue in Florida.
Calhoun County	Power of attorney	12/30/1868	R3c (x2), R44c	Ms., embossed Calhoun County Circuit Court seals, proper tax 50¢
Fernandina	Sight draft	12/12/1868	R6c	Ms., to Asst. Treasurer, Florida R.R. Co., for expenses on shipments by Steamer <i>Dictator</i> , drawn by Jeffrys Bro. & Son, Agts., on L. J. Guilmartin & Co., Agents St. <i>Dictator</i> , Savannah; blue oval h.s. cancel "OFFICE GEN'L FREIGHT & TICKET AGENT. FLORIDA RAIL. ROAD. CO."
Gadsen County	Agreement	1/15/1866	R24c	Ms. contract for services of ex-slave Milly and her four children for food, clothing, medical attention, but no pay
	Agreement	1/15/1867	R6c (x2), 3c	Ms. sharecroppers agreement for 15 laborers to work on the "Oliver place" for the year 1867, to receive one-third of crops, signed by L. D. Turner and by each of the laborers with their "x," witnessed and approved by, M. (Marcellus) L. Stearns. Lieut and Sub Asst Comm'd, Quincy, Florida; Stearns became Governor in 1874.
	Agreement	2/9/1867	R24c	Ms. sharecropping contract between William. Davidson and Peter Croom (colored). Croom agrees M for himself and his hands or laborers to exert himself to the utmost of his ability to make a good crop; each to pay half of land rent and blacksmithing and other bills. Davidson to furnish two mules and their feed or forage, also wagon, harness, farming implements, etc. Crop to be divided share and share alike.
	Agreement	2/16/1867	R27c	Ms., John Robinson agrees to work for H. T. Jackson for balance of year planting and gathering such crop as H. T. Jackson may direct. Jackson to furnish "usual amount of provisions consisting of meat and Bread" and to pay \$15 per month plus all doctors bills and tax, less 75¢ per day for lost time, whether from sickness or otherwise.
Gainesville	Deed	8/7/1867	R40c, R24c (x13), R6c (x10)	Ms., amount \$640, properly taxed at \$1
	Sight draft	7/28/1873	R104	Printed draft of Foster & Colclough, Gainesville, N.Y imprint; drawn on Nourse & Brooks, N.Y.
Governors Hill	Writ	1/19/1867	unstamped	Ms. writ of J.P. Henry W. Copeland for attachment of so much of estate of John Collier as will satisfy a judgment made in Justice Court at "Fateville" on May 19, 1860, for \$50 plus interest from August 6, 1855. Writs from justices' courts were specifically exempted from stamp tax.
Hamilton County	Deed	5/21/1868	R6c (x5)	Ms., amount \$100, 50¢ tax underpaid; recorded 1891
Jacksonville	Time draft	7/12/1865	R75c, R48c (x2)	Generic, on Amos D. Smith & Co., Providence, stamps probably affixed there

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	Sight draft	8/6/1866	R6c	Ms., drawn on Guilmartin & Co., Savannah; stamp probably affixed there
	Sight draft	1/28/1867	R6c	Generic, vignетted; drawn by Capt. David Guthrie on C. C. Duncan, Wall St., N.Y., to account of Schooner <i>Frank Palmer</i>
	Receipt	3/7/1868	R15c	Ms., by attorney D. M. Hammond for account of Railey Thomas vs. L. H. Markley
	Sight draft	6/4/1869	R15c	Generic, vignетted; by Capt. G. W. Tracy on J. D. Robinson & Son, Bath, Maine, to account of Schooner <i>Mary Fletcher</i> ; to M. W. Drew with his partial blue handstamp cancel
Key West	Receipt	7/31/1865	R6c	Ms., Charles Howe to Treasurer of U.S., for \$41.66 monthly salary as Collector of Customs, Key West District; early usage of stamps
	Entry of goods	8/31/1867	R54c	Entry #1, American Schooner <i>Lautaro</i> from Havana 8/7/1867, value \$174.12
	Entry of goods	8/31/1867	R50c	Entry #2, Am. Schr. <i>Belle of the Cape</i> from Havana 8/14/1867, value \$78.54
	Entry of goods	8/31/1867	R70c	Entry #4, Am. Schr. <i>King of the Forest</i> from Havana 8/28/1867, value \$1210
				All stamped 8/31/1867, Collector's circular datestamp "CHARLES HOWE KEY WEST."
Levy County	Mortgage	11/21/1868	R91c, R69c (x5), R54c	Ms., on plantation of 7080 acres at junction of Wekiva and Little Wekiva Rivers, Levy County [near Gulf Hammock], mules, cattle, crops, etc., also on lot and store on Atseena Otie Key, Cedar Keys; to secure payment of note for \$5074.03 to Savage & Haile, Gainesville, plus any further advancements made before Jan 1, 1870. \$10.50 tax covers amounts to \$10,500.
Live Oak	Promissory note	2/15/1871	unstamped	Generic, A. Caraway (signs with "X") to Wood & Dexter or Bearer Amount \$50 with 8% interest; notes for amounts to \$100 exempt from tax after Oct 1, 1870
[Live Oak]	Mortgage	12/6/1871	R67c, R55c (x2)	On Parshly Saw Mill and associated property, Live Oak, Suwannee County
Marianna	Promissory note	7/1/1864	R27c strip of four	Ms., amount \$350; on reverse "Presented to Col but ??? this Nov 16/66" and "Filed July 18 <sup>th</sup> 1868"; undated ms. cancel
	Receipt	4/6/1866	R15c	Ms., on reverse of note for \$133.24, M. N. Dickson to R. J. Pittman; receipt is for \$178.68 (principal plus \$45.44 interest) from estate administrator Wm. Nickels. Note itself should have been stamped retroactively! Signed Pittman, who was a Jackson County Deputy Sheriff.
Mayport	Receipt	10/1869	R6c	Ms., from St. Johns Barr Pilots to owners of Schooner <i>Sylvan</i> for pilotage in and out
Micanopy	Sight draft	8/14/1869	R15c	Ms., drawn on Guilmartin & Co., Savannah
Monticello	Receipt	10/25/1865	R15c	Printed form of J. M. & W. P. Marvin, Dealers in Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Monticello; early usage of stamps
	Receipt	6/1/1867	R6c	Ms., on reverse of ornate vignетted note of Denham and Palmer, Monticello, May 1, 1863, by Jn. M. Smith for \$430.55 plus 8% interest; receipt is for \$571.19 (principal plus \$140.64 interest) from estate administrator Joseph F. Bythewood. Note itself should have been stamped retroactively!
	Promissory note	7/30/1867	R24c pair	Generic; amount \$112.32
	Promissory note	11/30/1869	R24c	Generic Monticello form
	Sight draft	12/23/1869	R15c	Generic, vignетted; drawn locally

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Ocala	Sight draft	11/30/1866	R5a	Generic, vignnetted, in brown; by S. G. Brown on H. L. Hart, Pilatka (sic), to James W. S. Crowson; very late use of R5a (reuse?)
Palatka	Receipt	5/11/1866	(2¢ stamp)	Ms., Spears and Baisden, in exchange for their interest and title to Putnam Hotel and Furniture, acknowledge receipt from H. L. Hart of various notes and obligations all signed by Spears and Baisden: notes for \$1,777.78 made Nov 14, 1860; \$2,339.71 (Nov 14, 1865); \$1,118 (May 8, 1860); \$1,276 (May 8, 1860); also Spears and Baisden due bill for \$15, order for \$116; insurance on Putnam Hotel \$105; also detailed list of furnishings to be taken. Signed J. H. Baisden and H. L. Hart. Hart's new Putnam House became a centerpiece of his tourism operations.
	Receipt	5/13/1867	R15c	Ms., for \$944.67 from H. L. Hart "as per settlement on Harts Books" by J. L. McGahngin (?); stamp uncanceled
	Promissory note	6/8/1869	R46c (x12)	Ms., H. L. Hart to Prosper Merrill, \$6000 five years from date, 10% annual interest, at office of Gordon, Trask & Presby, Boston
	Sight draft	8/30/1869	R15c	Ms., R. S. Butler to H. L. Hart, \$100, drawn on Jas. O. Woodruff, Auburn, N.Y.
Pensacola	Promissory note	4/1/1870	R34e (x4)	Ms., H. L. Hart to David Clark, demand note, 12% interest
	Receipt	10/11/1870	R15c	Ms., oval h.s. cancel "ANDERSON, HYER & CO. PENSACOLA, FLA."
	Agreement	5/12/1866	R24c	Printed apprenticeship contract, Gadsen County Probate Court, for "poor colored child Maria," age seven, to learn "Housekeeping &c." Signed with "X" by Maria's mother, Sally Thomas.
Quincy	Agreement	1/2/1867	R6c	Ms., Nancy Read agrees to "live as Servant with William Munroe the present year at his house in Quincy, do all the work required, nurse the children, make myself useful in any way ... and Sleep in the Dwelling house at night." Munroe agrees to find Nancy and pay \$40. Witnessed and approved by, M. (Marcellus) L. Stearns. Lieut and Sub Asst Comdt, BRF & RL; Stearns became Governor in 1874. Agreement 5¢ tax underpaid.
	Promissory note	1/1/1861	R40c	Vignnetted 8% interest-bearing note of Gunn & Gunn, Quincy, blue paper, N.Y. imprint; amount \$269.22; no stamp necessary, U.S. taxes not in effect until 10/1/1862
	Promissory note	1/1/1868	R24c	Printed 8% interest-bearing note of A. L. & A. W. Smith, Quincy, in blue, amt. \$39.48
	Promissory note	1/1/1870	R24c (x2)	Printed note of Jno. H. Gee, Quincy, blue paper; amount \$181.75, interest 8%
	Certificate	11/25/1867	R24c	(Ms. Circuit Court Clerk's jurat pertaining to deed; rest of deed missing; faulty)
St. Augustine	Bank check	4/9/1868	R15c	Check of Langley, Satterlee, Blackwell & Co., New York, ms. "St. Augustine" written in with signature (Abijah Gilbert) and cancel "AG April 9 1868" in matching hand; Gilbert U.S. Senator from Florida 1869-75
	Bank check	8/13/1870	R15c	Check of Langley, Satterlee, Blackwell & Co., New York, ms. "St. Augustine" written in with signature (Abijah Gilbert) and cancel "AG Aug 13 1870" in matching hand; Gilbert U.S. Senator from Florida 1869-75
St. Marks	Sight draft	11/12/1866	Postage 5¢ (#76)	Generic, vignnetted, drawn by J. W. Skipper & Co. on Nourse, Brooks & Co., N.Y.
Tallahassee	Insurance	1/1/1866	R44c	Policy of Gulf State Insurance Co.

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(Tallahassee, cont.)	Summons	3/16/1866	R59c	Circuit Court form, to Sheriff of Leon County, imprint of Tallahassee "Sentinel" Office
	Summons	10/10/1866	R54c	Ditto; summons to Pensacola & Georgia R.R. Co.
	Stock certificate	12/13/1866	R33c pair, R24c	Pensacola & Georgia R.R. Co., #98
	Promissory note	1/1/1870	R24c	Generic, two vignettes; amount \$72.33
	Sight draft	4/8/1871	R15c	Draft of Office of Philip Walter, Tallahassee, vignette of cotton boll, Phila. imprint; drawn on Van Camp Bush, Phila.
	Sight draft	2/4/1873	R135	Generic, vignетted, J. P. & M. R. R. Co. (Jacksonville, Pensacola and Mobile) by Receiver, drawn on Auditor, Jeffersonville Mad[ison]. & Indianapolis]. RR
	Bank check	9/10/1873	R15c	Check of Langley, Satterlee, Blackwell & Co., New York, ms. "Tallahassee" written in with signature (Abijah Gilbert) and cancel "AG Sept 10 73" in matching hand; Gilbert
Waukeelah	Promissory note	4/28/1862	R24c	Generic, vignетted; amount \$44.38 with 8% interest from 1/1/1862, stamp tied by ms. "X", on reverse "Filed Sept. 6 69"; no stamp necessary, U.S. taxes not in effect until 10/1/1862

#### Florida-related

(Apalachicola)	Deed	5/1/1865	R83c (x2)	Ms., first page only, Lewis Curtis & Nathaniel Thurston, Trustees of Apalachicola Land Co. to Isaac Wright, executed N.Y., cites stipulations of original 1835 deed of Forbes & Co.'s Purchase to Apalachicola Land Co.
"Waltoun" County	Deed	8/7/1869	R55c	Ms., executed by Silas Williams, Walton County, Florida, for land in Dale County, Alabama; recorded there 2/17/1870 with ms. "50¢ Stamp Required"; stamp cancel "1869" with "6" written over "7," evidently affixed in Ala.

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The following items are in the Florida State archives in Tallahassee.

Palatka	Lease	4/21/1868	R68c, 60c (x3), 44c (x9)	Ms., Hubbard L. Hart to Alexander Paul, "sale and lease" of Putnam House hotel for ten years beginning June 1 next, for \$500 on June 1 plus \$500 every three months thereafter;. On outside ms. agreement between Hart and Paul that said lease is to expire May 1, 1869; on the lease date altered by pencil to Decr. 24, 1868, to Ethan A. Denel of Malta, Saratoga Co., N.Y. Lease tax 50¢ on first \$300 of annual rent plus 50¢ on each additional \$200; here \$2,000 rent, thus \$5.00 tax; only \$4.75 present
	Deed	12/19/1868	R44c (x4)	Ms., Joseph W. & Sarah J. Askew to Hubbard L. Hart, for town lot in Palatka bounded by Lemon, First and Reid Sts., \$600.
	Deed	11/28/1871	R46c, 34c (x2), 24c	Renley S. Butler to Mary E. Hart, both of Palatka, for 45 acres in Volusia Cty on Indian River, \$230

#### Tallahassee

The following four items are deeds on printed forms for sale of lands by Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund (TIIF), under "An Act to provide for and encourage a liberal system of Internal Improvements in this State," approved January 6, 1855. The trustees, who signed the deeds, were Governor David S. Walker, Comptroller John Beard, Treasurer C. H. Austin, Attorney General Jno. B. Galbraith, and Register Hugh A. Corley.

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Tallahassee	Deed	2/17/1866	R59c	TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for N½ of Lot #1, Sec 25 Twp 11S R25E, and N½ of Lot #2, Sec 30 and SE¼ of SE¼, Sec 31, both in Twp 11S R26E, 163.32 acres in Putnam Cty, amount \$1.25 per acre; stamps cancelled “HC Regr” by Register Hugh Corley; annotated “Sold Woodruff & Nye” on outside
	Deed	3/8/1866	R44c pair	TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for NW¼ of SE¼, Sec 31 Twp 11S R26E, 41.7 acres in Putnam Cty, amount \$1.25 per acre; stamps cancelled “HAC” by Corley; annotated “Sold Woodruff & Nye” on outside
	Deed	3/9/1866	R59c	TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for N½ of Lot #3, and N½ of Lot #4, Sec 26 Twp 11S R25E, 77.14 acres in Putnam Cty, amount \$1.25 per acre; stamp cancelled “HAC” by Corley; annotated “Sold Woodruff & Nye” on outside
	Deed	2/3/1868	R54c	TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for NE¼ of SE¼, Sec 6 Twp 15S R23E, 39.5 acres in Marion Cty, amount 50¢ per acre; stamp cancelled “HAC Regr” by Corley; annotated “Sold Woodruff & Nye” on outside

The following five items are handwritten deeds by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund (TIIF), pursuant:

- first, to resolutions of the TIIF providing that for each \$4,000 expended by Hubbard L. Hart in removing obstructions to navigation on the Ocklawaha River and reclaiming the adjacent swamps and overflowed lands, not to exceed a total of \$20,000, the TIIF would convey to him lands to the value of \$4,000, to be selected him from odd-numbered sections within ten miles of the Ocklawaha and the lake supplying it;
- second, to presentation by Hart to the TIIF of sufficient evidence of expenditure of \$4,000,

whereby long lists of land parcels were conveyed to Hart. The trustees, who signed the deeds, were for the first four deeds Governor David S. Walker, Comptroller John Beard, Treasurer C. H. Austin, Attorney General Jno. B. Galbraith, and Register Hugh A. Corley; and for the final deed (made in November 1868 after a change in administrations), Governor Harrison Reed, Comptroller R. H. Gamble, Treasurer S. B. Conover, Attorney General A. R. Meek, and Surveyor General Frank W. Webster.

Deed	1/31/1868	R69c, 54c	Ms. TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for numerous parcels meticulously enumerated, totaling 2,192.62 acres in Putnam County, value \$1,096.31 (50¢ per acre), pursuant to presentation to TIIF by Hart on Jan 14, 1868, of sufficient evidence of expenditure of \$4,000. Portions of another 50¢ stamp evident, however Conveyance rate of 50¢ per \$500 called for only \$1.50 tax. Stamps cancelled “HAC Regr” by Register Hugh Corley. Annotated “Sold Woodruff & Nye Octo 26/69” on outside
Deed	1/31/1868	R69c	Ms. TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for six parcels meticulously enumerated, totaling 339.12 acres in Marion County, value \$698.40 (average \$2.06 per acre), pursuant to presentation to TIIF by Hart on Jan 14, 1868, of sufficient evidence of expenditure of \$4,000. Stamp cancelled “HAC” by Register Hugh Corley.
Deed	4/23/1868	R81c	Ms. TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for numerous parcels meticulously enumerated, totaling 3,306.36 acres in Marion County, value \$1,653.18 (50¢ per acre), pursuant to presentation to TIIF by Hart on Jan 14, 1868, of sufficient evidence of expenditure of \$4,000. Stamps cancelled “HAC” by Register Hugh Corley.
Deed	4/23/1868	R69c pair	Ms. TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for 21 parcels meticulously enumerated, totaling 1,092.87 acres in Marion County, value \$1,869.18 (average \$1.71 per acre), pursuant to presentation to TIIF by Hart on March 13, 1868, of sufficient evidence of expenditure of \$4,000. Stamps cancelled “HAC” by Register Hugh Corley.

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Tallahassee (cont.)	Deed	11/19/1868	R54c strip of three	Ms. TIIF deed to Hubbard L. Hart for 26 parcels meticulously enumerated, totaling 1,957.75 acres in Marion County, value \$978.89 (50¢ per acre), pursuant to presentation to TIIF by Hart on Nov 11, 1868, of sufficient evidence of expenditure of \$4,000 (in addition to \$16,000 previously expended, for which he had been deeded lands to the value of \$16,000); Stamps cancelled "HLH"; Conveyance rate of 50¢ per \$500 called for only \$1 tax. Appended Marion County printed certificate of record dated May 10, 1870, bears R6c (x2), 3c; "East Florida Banner Print" imprint.
(Palatka)	Agreement	9/14/1868	R15c	<p data-bbox="987 373 2055 414"><b>Florida-related</b></p> <p data-bbox="987 414 2055 597">Ms. statement by F. B. Merrill made at Felchville, Vt., regarding demand note made to him by Hubbard L. Hart at Palatka, April 7, 1868, amount \$10,000 with semiannual interest of 10%, and \$15,000 Aetna Life Ins.Co. policy on life of Hart as security for payment of said note. Merrill now agrees to let note run for ten years provided its interest and the premiums on the life policy are paid. Agreement 5¢ tax underpaid.</p>