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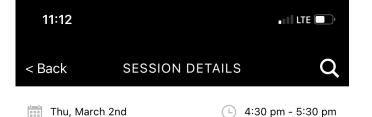




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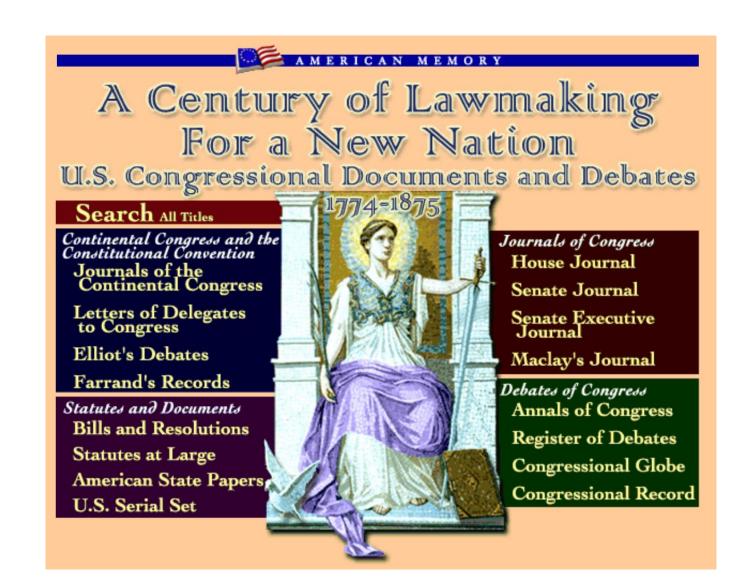






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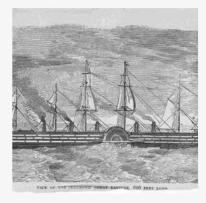
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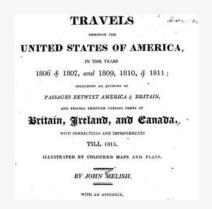
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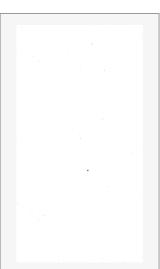


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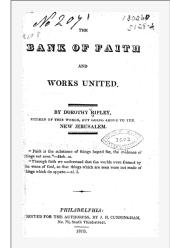
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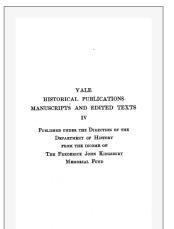
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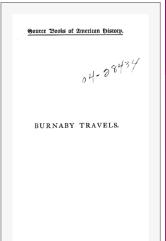
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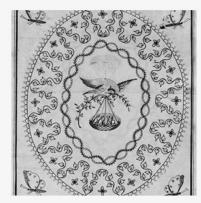
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A fondness for descriptive literature lead to extensive traveling which broadened his views and visions and gave to him a very accurate knowledge of foreign and National affairs.

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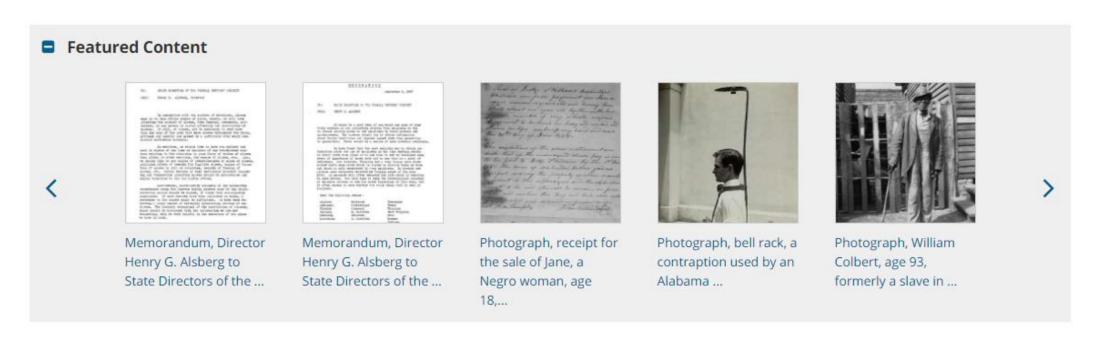
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Guide to Using the Collection

This short guide provides background on the scanning process, notes legibility issues, and offers basic search tips.

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- Receipt for sale of Jane, age 18, and her son, Henry, age 1 and all future children, December 20, 1849
- Source: Portraits of African American ex-slaves from the U.S. Works Progress Administration, Federal Writers' Project slave narratives collections
- Transcription of text: Recd of Judge S. Williams six hundred Dollars in full payment for Jane, a negro woman 18 years old and henry her child, about one year old, together with her future increase if any which negroes I warrant to be sound in body and mind and slaves for life witness my hand and seal this 20th day of Decr 1849. The conditions of the above instrument are such that if the undersigned shall pay or cause to be paid to Judge S. Williams by the 1st Jan 1851 the sum of six hundred Dollars good and lawful money the property as above described to revert to the undersigned and the Instrument to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue this Day and Date above written, signed, sealed, and delivered in presents of [?] J. M. Lamply, John Williams seal

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- US and Canadian Cities
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- PANORAMIC MAPS of Cities in the United States and Canada, second edition (1984), by John R. Hébert and Patrick E. Dempsey

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The tradition of perspective mapping flowered in Europe in the late sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries. Mathias Merian, George Braun, Franz Hogenberg, and others produced perspective maps of European cities. These early European town plans, most often portraying major political or marketing centers, were small in size and were generally incorporated in atlases or geographical books. The perspective was usually at a low oblique...



Panoramic Artists and Publishers

The Library of Congress, Geography and Map Division holds panoramic maps done by Albert Ruger, Thaddeus Mortimer Fowler, Lucien R. Burleigh, Henry Wellge, and Oakley H. Bailey who were among the most prolific and successful panoramic map artists. Such well known print makers as Currier & Ives also made panoramic maps. Although this was not a leading panoramic mapmaking firm, this company's distinctive views...

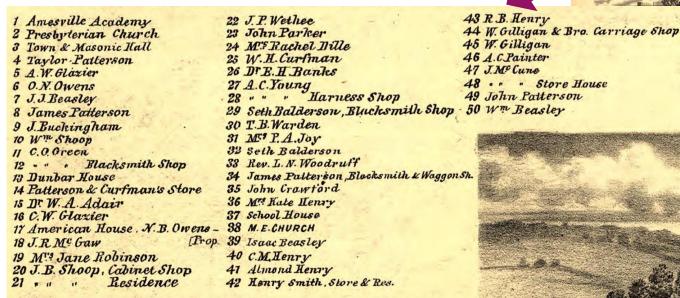


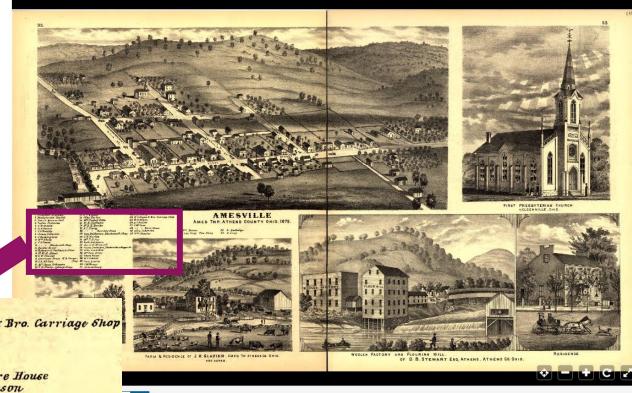
Browse Maps by State

Select states on the map to browse items.

•Atlas of Athens county, Ohio, to which is added a township map of the state of Ohio, also an outline and railroad map of the United States.

•Philadelphia, Titus, Simmons & Titus, 1875.





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- Fire insurance maps published by the Sanborn Map Company
- Arranged by state, then city and release data
- Online checklist is based upon the Library's 1981 publication *Fire Insurance Maps in the Library of Congress* and will be continually updated to reflect new acquisitions



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The Sanborn map collection consists of a uniform series of large-scale maps, dating from 1867 to the present and depicting the commercial, industrial, and residential sections of some twelve thousand cities and towns in the United States, Canada, and Mexico.



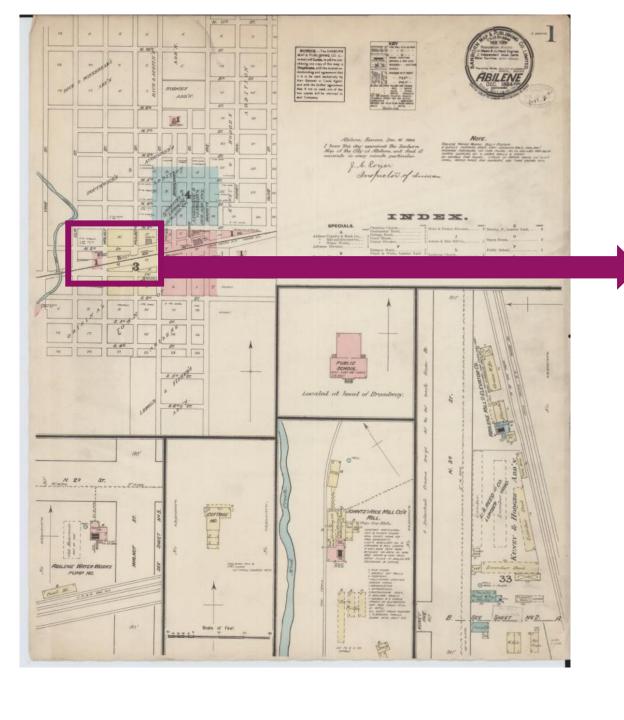
Sanborn Samplers

To illustrate the value of fire insurance maps for historical research, maps of a number of locations around the country are reproduced here and presented with a brief history of the site and some explanation of significant features as portrayed on the maps. These locations were selected because of their historical importance, their popularity as places to visit, or because they represent important types...

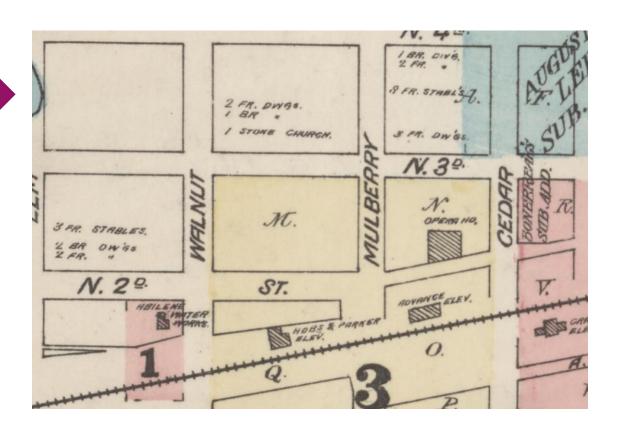


Sanborn Time Series

Fire insurance maps are valuable to much historic research because they often provide evidence of change over time. Specific changes in an individual site such as when a building was expanded or torn down, can often be dated within a reasonably accurate time frame, depending on how many different map editions for that city are available. Change can also be examined in a larger...



- •Sanborn Fire Insurance Map from Abilene, Dickinson County, Kansas.
- •Sanborn Map Company, Dec 1884





- There are thousands of records – Explore those images!
- Contact a librarian when you get stuck
- Make sure to read background information
- Records are continuously being added

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