

Frances Cabaniss Roberts Collection: Series 1, Subseries C, Box 8, Folder 6

Davidson, J. M. to Cabaniss, Septimus Douglass, Sr., 1856

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Cabaniss, Septimus  
Davidson, J. M.

Fayetteville, Tenn

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24<sup>th</sup> March 1856

Friend Cabaniss

I owe you an apology for failing to furnish you sooner with the result of my interview with Morris. It has been partly owing to the fact that our Aunt has been in sickness for four weeks, and that I have been occupied all the time in cases of some magnitude, and partly to the fact that on two occasions when I called on Morris our conversation was interrupted by the presence of others. I have seen him this morning and he has told me pretty all I asked, as far as he could remember. The date in substance that in 1846 on his return from Columbus Miss. in company with a man who represented himself as being near McMinville or Sparta. He met at Walker's in Alabama a man who was introduced to him there as Mr Sawyer or Sawyers, and another named Saml J. Jones after whom a city in of this place, and who died here about 1852 or 1853. Sawyer, Jones, Morris, and the McMinville man travelled in company for three days, and staid in the night before. They separated at Loe's 8 miles on the side of Athens. Morris & Jones then took the road for this place, the other two started for their home in company.

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Cabaniss, S. D.  
Davidson, J. M.

Isaacs, Samuel J.  
Morris,

Sawyer,  
Walker,

**Places:**

Fayetteville,  
Tennessee

**Types:**

correspondence

**Dates:**

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Sawyer and his companion said before parting with Brown & Isaac that they were going by way of Hazel Green, they left today and took the road leading to the place last named.

Morris cannot give the probable age, size, complexion, dress, &c. of Sawyer. The latter represented himself as a trader who had been South with stock, and since he was going home to purchase more, in order to take another trip. Sawyer said he lived in Safford or about so and Isaac represented himself as well acquainted with him.

Morris thinks that he could find out the name of the man who left him in company with Sawyer, by going to a house a few miles from Columbus, and if desirable he would go, if his expenses were paid for as well as his trouble — also he gives me to understand.

Bingham was here for an hour or two one evening about a month ago, but I did not enquire of Morris as to him or his purpose. Morris told me, however, that both parties had, by themselves or others applied to him.

Write to me again if necessary, and I shall give it immediate attention.

Your friend J. M. Davidson

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# Frances Cabaniss Roberts Collection

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**Collection Scope and Content:** The Collection of 114 Linear ft. includes a total of 156 Archival Boxes. The Frances Cabaniss Roberts collection covers the historical records of the Cabaniss Roberts family. This collection contains extensive correspondence records of the Cabaniss Roberts family circa 1830 to 1930.

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