

The affiant, J.T. Dever, says that he was born Jan 13, 1874 and says that he is the son of W.A. Dever and Malvina Dever and he says that when he was nine years old he went to live with his Grand Father and Grand Mother, James Thompson Dever and Elizabeth Dever and he says that when he went to the home of his said Grand Father there was in his home a corner Cupboard known as the Lincoln cupboard which had cut or engraved on the second top shelf " T.L. 1814" and that he has known this cupboard ever since and it is now in the possession J.O. Dever. He says that his said Grand Father told him said cupboard was made and owned by Thomas Lincoln and that it would be of value if kept some day. He says that J.O. Dever is also in possession of a cup and saucer and Meat Platter that has always been with said Cupboard and was said to have been purchased with said cupboard. Affiant's father told him these had been in the Dever family many years and that he wanted it kept in the Dever family.

J. T. Dever

Subscribed and sworn to before me this July 25, 1929.

Stephen W. Bell Notary
My Commission expires Feb 17, 1930

The affiant Elizabeth Figg says that she was sixty nine years old on July 16, 1929 and that she is the daughter of the late James Dever and Pheobe Dever and she says that her mother Pheobe Dever died when she was two years old and that she then went to live with her Grand Father and Grand Mother Thomas Dever and Elizabeth Dever and she says that from the time when she can first remember her said Grand father and Grand Mother owned and had in their possession a corner Cupboard, known as the Lincoln Corner Cupboard, which had cut or engraved on the second top shelf "T.L.1814" and that it was understood and often stated in the family that said Cupboard was made by Thomas Lincoln, father of Abraham Lincoln, and owned by him in his home on Knob Creek in Hardin County, Kentucky. This same Cupboard is now in the possession of J.O. Dever, grand son of Thomas Dever.

Elizabeth Figg

Subscribed and sworn to before me this July 25, 1929

Starling Wells N.P.

My Commission expires July 17, 1930

State of Kentucky,
County of Hardin:

A F F I D A V I T .

The affiant, George A. Kerrick states that he has known the corner cabinet or cupboard now owned by J.O. Dever for more than 50 years. When I first knew the cabinet or cupboard, the same was owned and in the possession of Thomas Dever, grandfather of the present owner who resided about 8 miles southeast of Elizabethtown, Ky. I have no interest in this matter and am not of kin to Mr. Dever but as I have known this article for many years, I am giving this affidavit at his instance to prove the age of the cabinet. I heard Mr. Thomas Dever the original owner state many times that it was the Lincoln cabinet and I understood from his statement that it was made by Thomas Lincoln and used in his family.

George A. Kerrick

Subscribed and sworn to before me by George A. Kerrick
this July 30, 1930.

Stanley W. Bell
Notary Public Hardin Co. Ky.
My Commission expires July 17, 1930

State of Kentucky,
County of Hardin:

A F F I D A V I T .

The affiant, T.H. Brown states that he is past 73 years of age and that he has known the corner cabinet or cupboard now owned by Mr. J.O. Dever for more than 60 years, and in fact ever since he can remember. He states said cabinet belonged to Thomas Dever when he first knew it, and that Thomas Dever was an uncle by marriage of this affiant. Affiant further states that the owner, Thomas Dever frequently referred to the cabinet as the Lincoln cabinet and stated that it was made by and used in the family of Thomas Lincoln.

T.H. Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me by T.H. Brown, this
July 30, 1929.

Starling W. Bell
Notary Public Hardin Co Ky
my Commission expires July 17-1932

State of Kentucky,
County of Hardin:

Affidavit.

The affiant, J.O. Dever states that he was born on Mar. 22, 1886, near Summit, Hardin County, Ky., and that he is a son of W.A. Dever and a grand son of Thomas and Elizabeth Dever, the original owners of the Lincoln covered cupboard, which affiant has in his possession at this time.

Affiant further states that he does not remember his grand father, Thomas Dever, as he died in 1890 and all the history relative to said cupboard was revealed to him by his own father, W.A. Dever. Affiant further states that after his grand father's death in 1890 that his father, W.A. Dever took care of affiant's grand mother and at her death in the year, 1899 his father, W.A. Dever was awarded the real estate of his grand father, but the personal estate was divided among his two brothers and himself and that affiant's father became the owner of the Lincoln covered cupboard. Affiant further states that he often heard his father state that this cupboard was made by Thomas Lincoln and was used by the Lincoln family and that his grand father, Thomas Dever came into possession of the cupboard a short time after he and his wife were married.

He states that his grand father and grand mother were married in 1830. Said cupboard has been in the Dever family for about 100 years. Affiant further states that there are two dishes, a cup and saucer and a meat platter that his grand father purchased with said cupboard and these dishes were supposed to be dishes that were used by the Lincoln family.

My grand father Thomas Dever was born on Feb. 7, 1810 eight miles south east of Elizabethtown, Ky., and only about 7 miles from Abraham Lincoln's birthplace and about the same distance from Knob Creek, the last residence of the Lincoln family in Kentucky. He states that his grand father remembered the Lincoln family well as he often talked to affiant's father of the family.

J. O. Dever

Subscribed and sworn to before me by J.O. Dever, this
Aug. 1, 1929.

Starbuck Wells
Notary Public
My Commission Expires Feb. 07, 1930