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Louisville, Kentucky 3 June 1833

John P. Oldham resident of the said city and post master thereof states on oath that he was well acquainted with a mulatto slave about 28 years of age named Thornton Blackburn. That he is a slave for life and is the property of Mrs. Susan Brown and her four infant children, all residing in the city of Louisville, that he has had the management and superintendence of the slave and other estate of Mrs. Brown since the death of her husband which occurred in the year 1829. That said Thornton being hired to Mr. Wurts and Reinhard as a porter in their store did on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1831, run away from them and has never returned, but is supposed to be now residing in Detroit MI. That when he run off, he took with him as his wife a mulatto woman, then and still the property of Virgil McKnight of this city, said woman having been purchased by him a short time before her escape of the administration of George Backros deceased.

He further states that said Thornton has always been kindly and humanly treated by his owners and employment.

Signed J.P. Oldham