

About Springfield in 1837)

Springfield in 1837 contained about 1500 inhabitants. The houses were mostly frame, though there were several log ones. The more pretentious dwellings, including the Edwards house, were made of brick. About this time Congressman W.L. May built an elegant brick residence, which is still standing in Springfield, being now occupied by Mr. Charles Lanphier.

(Note for Receipt--Lincoln home)

Receipt for a payment on the Lincoln home.--Written by Lincoln and now first published.

This appears on the back of the contract elsewhere reproduced. S.M. Tinsley, who signed with Mr. Dresser as surety for the repayment of the money advanced, in case the property ~~was~~ should not be duly conveyed, was at that time ^{about} the wealthiest business man in Springfield.