

a sign there was a little wooden plough on the top of a pole, and many a time I drove with my father to attend the sittings of the Court. I remember several settlers were brought before the Court having been sued on notes they had given to a Yankee wooden clock pedlar. Many of the settlers had bought them, and a man came round and seized the clocks on the plea that they had not paid duty. The poor settlers, as the time drew near for payment, willingly gave up the clocks, but they did not get the notes they had given, and another party having possession of them sued the settlers and they had to pay them—but I remember the Commissioners gave them easy terms of payment. These clocks were not a bad kind, and I saw one which was in good running order after twenty-five years wear. Yours, &c.,

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