

**Indenture Records of
Hendricks County,
Indiana
(1837-1849)**

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AUTHOR'S NOTE:

This is an index followed by abstracts (arranged in alphabetical order) of Hendricks County's *Records of Indentures, Apprentices and Poor Children Book No. 1*, which covers 1837 to 1849. The abstracts are brief summaries of the information that is included in each indenture record but you should consult the actual book to view all the details.

Hendricks County Government has digitized this book and it is available in the Archives section of their website (www.co.hendricks.in.us). This book has also been microfilmed and that microfilm is available locally at the Plainfield Public Library, as well as at the Indiana State Library and through the Family History Library.

BACKGROUND:

In the 1800's, children (particularly if their families were poor) were sometimes given in indentured servitude to adults. Indenture was a legal contract made between the child's parent, guardian or the township's overseers of the poor, and an adult, known as the master. The agreement usually specified the terms of service—what the master would provide for the servant during their term (such as teaching them a particular trade), and what the servant would receive from the master when they had completed their term. It was common for the servant to receive a set of clothes at the end of their term of servitude—sometimes called their “freedom suit.” The standard term of servitude was until age 18 for girls; age 21 for boys.

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Last Name	First Name	Date	Remarks
Alley	Elizabeth	25 June 1847	see indenture of Isaac Alley
Alley	Isaac	25 June 1847	indentured to James Green
Alley	William R.	22 February 1845	indentured to George Hartman
Arington	Caroline	10 March 1842	indentured to Solomon Garr
Arington	Malinda	10 March 1842	indentured to David Wilson
Atkins	Andrew	4 January 1843	see indenture of Silas Steerman (1843)
Barnett	David S.	1 May 1837	see indenture of Samuel Lewis (1837)
Bland	Henry	1 May 1837	see indenture of Sarah Ann Lewis
Bland	Henry	15 October 1839	see indenture of James Knight
Bond	Robert	2 June 1837	see indenture of James Gilleland
Bray	Hannah	9 November 1835	see indenture of Harvey White
Burris	Abigail	12 April 1838	indentured to John Pierce
Cannon	Ann	6 June 1840	see indenture of Harriet Cannon
Cannon	Harriet	6 June 1840	indentured to Skelton Fowler
Carter	David	11 June 1849	see indenture of William Riley Fox
Carter	John	3 April 1840	see indenture of John Staunton
Clampet	John	20 January 1846	see indenture of John N. Clampet
Clampet	John N.	20 January 1846	indentured to Benjamin W. Tincher
Copeland	Elijah	1 May 1837	indentured to Jonathan Mophett

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Copeland	Isaac	2 April 1840	indentured to Jeremiah Prather
Copeling	Isaac	6 January 1843	indentured to John T. Hamrick
Copeling	Patience	6 January 1843	see indenture of Isaac Copeling
Crow	George	4 June 1843	see indenture of James Steerman
Darrough	Thomas	11 March 1848	see indenture of William Parker
Davis	Evan	31 January 1837	see indenture of William, Squire, Isaac & Joseph Forkner
Davis	Evan	5 June 1837	see indenture of Mary Ann Hiatt
Davis	George Washington	15 June 1837	indentured to Elias Rogers
Davis	Rebecca	5 June 1837	see indenture of Mary Ann Hiatt
Day	Noah	25 January 1842	see indenture of Elijah P. Pierce
Depew	Jeremiah	3 March 1838	see indenture of Martha White
Devenport	Isaac	10 January 1839	see indenture of Elisha Keff
Devenport	Nancy	27 March 1840	see indenture of Greenberry Keff (1840)
Devenport	William	20 August 1838	see indenture of Greenberry Keff (1838)
Devenport	William	27 March 1840	see indenture of Greenberry Keff (1840)
Erls	Jacob	6 April 1846	indentured to Wiatt Tigner
Erls	Mary	6 April 1846	see indenture of Jacob Erls
Fielder	James	6 December 1844	indentured to Vincent Hamblen
Fielder	William	6 December 1844	see indenture of James Fielder

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Forkner	Isaac	31 January 1837	indentured to Evan Davis
Forkner	Joseph	31 January 1837	indentured to Evan Davis
Forkner	Squire	31 January 1837	indentured to Evan Davis
			see indenture of William, Squire, Isaac & Joseph Forkner
Forkner	Thomas	31 January 1837	
Forkner	William	31 January 1837	indentured to Evan Davis
			see indenture of Harriet Cannon
Fowler	Skelton	6 June 1840	
Fox	William Riley	11 June 1849	indentured to David Carter
			see indenture of Caroline Arington
Garr	Solomon	10 March 1842	
Gilleland	James	2 June 1837	indentured to Robert Bond
			indentured to Samuel C. Mitchell
Gilleland	Lauricy Elvina	2 June 1837	
			see indenture of Isaac Alley
Green	James	25 June 1847	
			see indenture of William H. Harris
Hadley	Alvah	1 January 1848	
			see indenture of Silas Steerman (1847)
Hadley	John T.	13 September 1847	
			see indenture of Ira Towel
Hadley	William T.	8 September 1840	
			see indenture of James Fielder
Hamblen	Vincent	6 December 1844	
			see indenture of Isaac Copeling
Hamrick	John T.	6 January 1843	
			see indenture of Matilda Keff
Harlan	John	3 January 1839	
			indentured to William Megee
Harper	John	19 June 1839	
			indentured to Isom Thompson
Harper	Mary Elizabeth	24 April 1848	
Harper	Sarah Jane	11 July 1839	indentured to Eli Lee
			see indenture of William H. Harris
Harris	Mary	1 January 1848	

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Harris	William H.	1 January 1848	indentured to Alvah Hadley
Hartman	George	22 February 1845	see indenture of William R. Alley
Henton	Milton	14 January 1846	see indenture of Albert Richards
Henton	William	14 January 1846	see indenture of Albert Richards
Herron	Joseph	2 June 1837	see indenture of Reuben W. Hiatt
Hiatt	Mary Ann	5 June 1837	indentured to Evan Davis
Hiatt	Reuben W.	2 June 1837	indentured to Joseph Herron
Hornaday	Samuel	3 May 1847	see indenture of John Thomas Strong
Hutch	Enoch	30 March 1844	see indenture of Martha Jane Lowder
Jones	Henry Clay	3 July 1849	indentured to Zadock C. Jones
Jones	Sarah Elizabeth	20 June 1849	indentured to Joseph Winson
Jones	Thomas N.	20 June 1849	see indenture of Sarah Elizabeth Jones
Jones	Thomas N.	3 July 1849	see indenture of Henry Clay Jones
Jones	Zadock C.	3 July 1849	see indenture of Henry Clay Jones
Keath	Armilda	26 August 1839	indentured to Philip Shuck
Keff	Elisha	10 January 1839	indentured to Isaac Devenport
Keff	Greenberry	20 August 1838	indentured to William Devenport
Keff	Greenberry	27 March 1840	indentured to Nancy Devenport
Keff	Matilda	3 January 1839	indentured to John Harlan
Keff	Polly	20 August 1838	see indenture of Greenberry Keff (1838)

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Knight	James	15 October 1839	indentured to Henry Bland
Kygor	Daniel	3 November 1839	see indenture of John Owens
Lee	Eli	1 April 1839	see indenture of Stephen Lee
Lee	Eli	11 July 1839	see indenture of Sarah Jane Harper
Lee	Stephen	1 April 1839	indentured to Eli Lee
Lewis	Isaac	31 July 1840	indentured to Andrew Nichols
Lewis	Samuel	1 May 1837	indentured to David S. Barnett
Lewis	Samuel	12 March 1839	indentured to Andrew B. Shelledy
Lewis	Sarah Ann	1 May 1837	indentured to Henry Bland
Logston	George	11 October 1844	indentured to James Neavill
Lowder	Martha Jane	30 March 1844	indentured to Enoch Hutch
McAninch	Samuel	20 January 1846	see indenture of John N. Clampet
Megee	William	19 June 1839	see indenture of John Harper
Meredith	Nathan	12 June 1837	see indenture of Alfred B. Pegg
Mitchell	Polly P.	2 June 1837	see indenture of Lauricy Elvina Gilleland
Mitchell	Samuel C.	2 June 1837	see indenture of Lauricy Elvina Gilleland
Mophett	Jonathan	1 May 1837	see indenture of Elijah Copeland
Neavill	James	11 October 1844	see indenture of George Logston
Newton	Mary Norman	27 August 1844	indentured to Joshua Pickett
Newton	Mary Norman	28 July 1843	indentured to Joshua Pickett

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Nichols	Andrew	31 July 1840	see indenture of Isaac Lewis
Owens	John	3 November 1839	indentured to Daniel Kygor
Parker	William	11 March 1848	indentured to Thomas Darrough
Pegg	Alfred B.	12 June 1837	indentured to Nathan Meredith
Pickett	Benjamin	26 May 1845	see indenture of William Sharp
Pickett	Joshua	27 August 1844	see indenture of Mary Norman Newton (1844)
Pickett	Joshua	28 July 1843	see indenture of Mary Norman Newton (1843)
Pierce	Andrew J.	25 January 1842	see indenture of Elijah P. Pierce
Pierce	Elijah P.	25 January 1842	indentured to Noah Day
Pierce	John	12 April 1838	see indenture of Abigail Burris
Prather	Jeremiah	2 April 1840	see indenture of Isaac Copeland
Richards	Albert	14 January 1846	indentured to William & Milton Henton
Richards	Dudley	14 January 1846	see indenture of Albert Richards
Rogers	Elias	15 June 1837	see indenture of George Washington Davis
Sharp	William	26 May 1845	indentured to Benjamin Pickett
Shelledy	Andrew B.	12 March 1839	see indenture of Samuel Lewis (1839)
Shuck	Philip	26 August 1839	see indenture of Armilda Keath
Simmons	Ezekiel	2 April 1840	see indenture of Nathan Staunton
Staunton	John	3 April 1840	indentured to John Carter
Staunton	Nathan	2 April 1840	indentured to Ezekiel Simmons

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Staunton	Sarah	2 April 1840	indentured to Amos S. Wills
Steerman	James	4 June 1843	indentured to George Crow
Steerman	Silas	13 September 1847	indentured to John T. Hadley
Steerman	Silas	4 January 1843	indentured to Andrew Atkins
Steerman	Valentine	13 September 1847	see indenture of Silas Steerman (1847)
Steerman	Valentine	4 January 1843	see indenture of Silas Steerman (1843)
Steerman	Valentine	4 June 1843	see indenture of James Steerman
Stinson	John	11 June 1849	see indenture of William Riley Fox
Strong	Asa B.	3 May 1847	see indenture of John Thomas Strong
Strong	John Thomas	3 May 1847	indentured to Samuel Hornaday
Taulbee	Aaron	2 May 1836	indentured to Zephaniah Taulbee
Taulbee	Hiram	2 May 1836	indentured to Zephaniah Taulbee
Taulbee	Rachel	2 May 1836	indentured to Zephaniah Taulbee
Taulbee	Zephaniah	2 May 1836	see indenture of Hiram, Aaron & Rachel Taulbee
Thompson	Isom	24 April 1848	see indenture of Mary Elizabeth Harper
Tigner	Wiatt	6 April 1846	see indenture of Jacob Erls
Tincher	Benjamin W.	20 January 1846	see indenture of John N. Clampet
Towel	Ira	8 September 1840	indentured to William T. Hadley
Towel	Margaret	8 September 1840	see indenture of Ira Towel

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Townsend	William	6 June 1840	see indenture of Harriet Cannon
White	Harvey	9 November 1835	indentured to Nicholas Yount
White	Martha	3 March 1838	indentured to Jeremiah Depew
Wills	Amos S.	2 April 1840	see indenture of Sarah Staunton
Wilson	David	10 March 1842	see indenture of Malinda Arington
Winson	Joseph	20 June 1849	see indenture of Sarah Elizabeth Jones
Yount	Nicholas	9 November 1835	see indenture of Harvey White

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Title:	Isaac Allee to James Green
Date:	25 June 1847
1st Party:	Elizabeth Alley of Putnam County, Indiana
2nd Party:	James Green
Indentured:	Isaac Alley, son of Elizabeth Alley
Details of Indenture:	To be taught farming until 1 March 1854 (when he is age 21). He is to receive 12 months schooling. At expiration of service he is to receive \$100.
Witnesses:	James Maccoun
Recorded:	25 June 1847

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Title:	William R. Alley to George Hartman
Date:	22 February 1845
1st Party:	James Dugan & Stephen C. Crawford, overseers of the poor in Center Township
2nd Party:	George Hartman
Indentured:	William R. Alley, a poor boy aged 13 years, 6 months
Details of Indenture:	To be taught farming until age 21. He is to receive 1 year of schooling. At expiration of service he is to receive \$100.
Witnesses:	John Darnall
Recorded:	22 February 1845

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Title:	Caroline Arington to Solomon Garr
Date:	10 March 1842
1st Party:	William Henton & Robert C.S. Maccoun, overseers of the poor in Center Township
2nd Party:	Solomon Garr
Indentured:	Caroline Arington, a poor girl aged 1 years, 1 month and 4 days
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. At the end of her service she is to receive a bed & bedding.
Witnesses:	W.W. Matlock
Recorded:	17 March 1842

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Title:	Malinda Arington to David Wilson
Date:	10 March 1842
1st Party:	William Henton & Robt. C.S. Maccoun, overseers of the poor of Center Township
2nd Party:	David Wilson
Indentured:	Malinda Arington, a poor girl aged 2 years, 5 months and 6 days
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. At the end of her service she is to receive a bed & bedding.
Witnesses:	W.W. Matlock
Recorded:	17 March 1842

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Title:	Abigail Burris to John Pierce
Date:	12 April 1838
1st Party:	Evan Davis & Jesse Cook, overseers of the poor of Liberty Township
2nd Party:	John Pierce
Indentured:	Abigail Burris, a poor girl aged 8 years and 10 days
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. She is to be taught the occupation of housewife. She is to receive 9 months schooling. At the end of her service she is to receive 1 cow, a good bed and bedding worth at least \$35, and a suit.
Witnesses:	--
Recorded:	18 April 1838

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Title:	Harriet Cannon to Skelton Fowler
Date:	6 June 1840—Belleville, Ind.
1st Party:	William Townsend, guardian of Harriet Cannon, and Ann Cannon, mother of Harriet Cannon. The father of Harriet Cannon is a slave in North Carolina.
2nd Party:	Skelton Fowler
Indentured:	Harriet Cannon, a black girl aged about 5 years
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. At the end of her service she is to receive a bed & bedding worth at least \$20. She is not to be removed from the state of Indiana under penalty of \$1000.
Witnesses:	James S. Odell, Justice of the Peace
Recorded:	4 July 1840

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Title:	John N. Clampet to B.W. Tincher
Date:	20 January 1846
1st Party:	Samuel McAninch, guardian of John N. Clampet, who is the son of the late John Clampet
2nd Party:	Benjamin W. Tincher
Indentured:	John N. Clampet age 9 years, 11 months
Details of Indenture:	To be taught farming until 21. At expiration of service he is to receive 1 horse saddle & bridle worth at least \$55 and 1 suit worth at least \$10
Witnesses:	James Wright, Milton Wright
Recorded:	13 February 1846

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Title:	Elijah Copeland to Jonathan Moffin
Date:	1 May 1837
1st Party:	William Davidson & Thompson Farmer, overseers of the poor in Eel River Township
2nd Party:	Jonathan Mophett
Indentured:	Elijah Copeland, aged 7 years, 11 months and 23 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to receive 12 months schooling. At the end of his service he is to receive 2 good suits of clothing and a horse saddle & bridle worth \$75. There is a note that Elijah Copeland signed 9 May 1850 attesting that he received these items.
Witnesses:	Th. Moreland, Stephen Harper
Recorded:	--

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Title:	Isaac Copeland to Jeremiah Prather
Date:	2 April 1840
1st Party:	Jeremiah Prather, overseer of the poor of Liberty Township
2nd Party:	Jeremiah Prather
Indentured:	Isaac Copeland, a poor boy aged about 7 years
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught farming. He is to receive at least 12 months of schooling. At the end of his service he is to receive 1 new suit worth at least \$20 and a horse saddle & bridle worth at least \$50.
Witnesses:	Amos S. Wills, Ezekiel Simmons
Recorded:	11 April 1840

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Title:	Isaac Copeling to John T. Hamrick
Date:	6 January 1843
1st Party:	Patience Copeling, mother of Isaac Copeling
2nd Party:	John T. Hamrick
Indentured:	Isaac Copeling, aged 11 years and 3 months
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught farming. At the end of his service he is to receive a horse saddle & bridle, a 2 year old heifer, 2 sheep, 1 sow & pigs, and a new suit.
Witnesses:	Amos S. Wills, K.C. Jones
Recorded:	15 January 1843

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Title:	George W. Davis to Elias Rogers
Date:	15 June 1837
1st Party:	David Matlock & Samuel A. Verbrike, overseers of the poor of Center Township
2nd Party:	Elias Rogers
Indentured:	George Washington Davis, a poor boy aged 12 years, 6 months and 5 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught the occupation of farmer. He is to receive 18 months of schooling, 6 months of which when he is 19. At the end of his service he is to receive 2 new suits and a horse saddle & bridle worth at least \$55. Sanford Rogers, John Rogers and Isaac Miles are to help Elias Rogers fulfill his obligation.
Witnesses:	J.M. Gregg
Recorded:	18 April 1838

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Title:	Jacob Erls to Wiatt Tigner
Date:	6 April 1846
1st Party:	Mary Erls
2nd Party:	Wiatt Tigner
Indentured:	Jacob Erls, son of Mary Erls
Details of Indenture:	To be taught blacksmithing until 10 October 1855 (when he is age 21). At the expiration of service he is to receive a set of blacksmith tools, or the means in cash to purchase the tools; also one good suit and one suit of common broadcloth.
Witnesses:	Berry Burks, Ellen Burks
Recorded:	11 May 1846

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Title:	James Fielder to Vincent Hamblen
Date:	6 December 1844
1st Party:	William Fielder, father of James Fielder
2nd Party:	Vincent Hamblen
Indentured:	James Fielder
Details of Indenture:	Until 24 July 1849 (when he is 21). He is to be taught the trade of tanner & courier. He is to receive 1 year of schooling, to be given quarterly. At the end of his service, he is to receive \$100 in "good & lawful money."
Witnesses:	John Bohannon, Alfred Workman, Clayton T. Swindler-Justice of the Peace
Recorded:	3 January 1845

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Title:	William, Squire, Isaac & Joseph Forkner to Evan Davis
Date:	31 January 1837
1st Party:	Thomas Forkner, father of William, Squire, Isaac & Joseph Forkner
2nd Party:	Evan Davis
Indentured:	William, Squire, Isaac, & Joseph Forkner
Details of Indenture:	Each to serve until age 21—1 st to serve until 15 October 1847; 2 nd to serve until 29 August 1850; 3 rd to serve until 23 October 1853; 4 th until 4 January 1856. Each to receive 12 months of schooling—6 months before the age of 12 and 6 months after. Evan Davis is allowed to take the boys anywhere in the United States. At expiration of service William is to receive a horse saddle & bridle. If they are worth less than \$100, he is to receive the balance in cash.
Witnesses:	William Wright, William Davis
Recorded:	5 July 1837

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Title:	William Riley Fox to David Carter
Date:	11 June 1849
1st Party:	John Stinson of Hamilton County, Indiana, guardian for William Riley Fox, minor
2nd Party:	David Carter
Indentured:	William Riley Fox
Details of Indenture:	To be taught husbandry until age 19 (in September 1857). He is to receive 15 months of schooling.
Witnesses:	Joel Hodgkin
Recorded:	23 June 1849

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Title:	James Gilleland to Robert Bond
Date:	2 June 1837
1st Party:	Evan Davis & Jesse Cook, overseers of the poor in Liberty Township
2nd Party:	Robert Bond
Indentured:	James Gilleland, a poor boy aged 7 years, 6 months and 8 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught the trade of a farmer. He is to be given 12 months schooling, half of which after he is 12. At the expiration of service he is to receive 2 new suits and \$100 cash.
Witnesses:	James S. Odell, --
Recorded:	--

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Title:	Lauricy Elvina Gilleland to Samuel C. Mitchell
Date:	2 June 1837
1st Party:	Evan Davis & Jesse Cook, overseers of the poor of Liberty Township
2nd Party:	Samuel C. Mitchell
Indentured:	Lauricy Elvina Gilleland, a poor girl aged 3 years, 10 months and 21 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. She is to be taught in household & kitchen affairs by him and his wife, Polly P. Mitchell. She is to receive 12 months schooling, 6 months of which after age 12. At end of service she is to receive new clothes, a bed, and furniture worth \$25.
Witnesses:	James S. Odell, William Green
Recorded:	3 August 1837

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Title:	John Harper to William Megee
Date:	19 June 1839
1st Party:	Pemberston S. Dicken & William Henton, overseers of the poor of Center Township
2nd Party:	William Megee
Indentured:	John Harper, a poor boy aged 8 years, 9 months and 5 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught farming. At the end of his service he is to receive 1 new suit worth \$30 and a horse saddle & bridle worth \$65.
Witnesses:	H.H. Marvin
Recorded:	10 August 1839

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Title:	Mary E. Harper to Isham Thompson
Date:	24 April 1848
1st Party:	Henry Miller & James Dugan, overseers of the poor in Center Township
2nd Party:	Isom Thompson
Indentured:	Mary Elizabeth Harper, a poor girl age 8 years, 4 months
Details of Indenture:	To be taught housekeeping until age 18. At the expiration of service she is to receive 1 new suit, a feather bed, bedding & bedstead, 1 set of plates, 1 set of teacups & saucers, and 1 set of knives & forks.
Witnesses:	Thos. Nichols, F.R. Crawford
Recorded:	18 September 1848

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Title:	Sarah Jane Harper to Eli Lee
Date:	11 July 1839
1st Party:	Pemberton S. Dicken & William Henton, overseers of the poor of Center Township
2nd Party:	Eli Lee of Putnam County
Indentured:	Sarah Jane Harper, a poor girl aged 8 years
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. At the end of her service she is to receive 1 suit, 1 cow and 1 good bed & bedding.
Witnesses:	--
Recorded:	11 August 1839

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Title:	William Harris to Alvah Hadley
Date:	1 January 1848
1st Party:	Mary Harris
2nd Party:	Alvah Hadley
Indentured:	William H. Harris, son of Mary Harris, age 14 years, 5 days
Details of Indenture:	To be taught husbandry until age 21. He is to receive 9 months schooling. At the expiration of service he is to receive a horse saddle & bridle and 2 suits.
Witnesses:	James Shirley, William Shirley
Recorded:	14 January 1848

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Title:	Mary Ann Hiatt to Evan Davis
Date:	5 June 1837
1st Party:	Evan Davis & Jesse Cook, overseers of the poor of Liberty Township
2nd Party:	Evan Davis
Indentured:	Mary Ann Hiatt, a poor girl aged 5 years
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. She is to be taught household & kitchen affairs by him and his wife, Rebecca Davis. She is to receive 12 months schooling, 6 months of which after age 12. At end of service she is to receive new clothes, bed and furniture worth \$40.
Witnesses:	James S. Odell, Saml. C. Mitchell
Recorded:	30 August 1837

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Title:	Reuben W. Hiatt to Joseph Herron
Date:	2 June 1837
1st Party:	Evan Davis & Jesse Cook, overseers of the poor in Liberty Township
2nd Party:	Joseph Herron
Indentured:	Reuben W. Hiatt, a poor boy aged 8 years, 1 month and 27 days
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught the trade of a farmer. He is to receive 12 months of schooling, half of which after he is 12.
Witnesses:	--
Recorded:	--

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Title:	Henry Clay Jones to Zadock C. Jones
Date:	3 July 1849
1st Party:	Thomas N. Jones
2nd Party:	Zadock C. Jones
Indentured:	Henry Clay Jones, son of Thomas N. Jones, born 27 September 1847
Details of Indenture:	To be taught geography and the elements of English grammar, until age 19. At expiration of service he is to receive 1 suit worth \$35.
Witnesses:	N.T. Hadley
Recorded:	3 July 1849

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Title:	Sarah E. Jones to Joseph Winson
Date:	20 June 1849
1st Party:	Thomas N. Jones
2nd Party:	Joseph Winson
Indentured:	Sarah Elizabeth Jones, daughter of Thomas N. Jones, born 4 April 1849
Details of Indenture:	To be taught housekeeping until age 18. At expiration of service she is to receive 1 bed & bedding, 1 cow, and good wearing apparel.
Witnesses:	N.T. Hadley
Recorded:	20 June 1849

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Title:	Armilda Keath to Philip Shuck
Date:	26 August 1839
1st Party:	John S. Woodard & Thompson Farmer, overseers of the poor of Eel River Township
2nd Party:	Philip Shuck
Indentured:	Armilda Keath, a poor girl aged 6 years and 10 months.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. She is to learn women's labor. She is to receive 6 months schooling. At the end of her service, she is to receive 25 pounds of new feathers with a good tick and bedding; 2 new calico dresses, and a bonnet worth \$2.
Witnesses:	--
Recorded:	3 September 1839

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Title:	Elisha Keff to Isaac Devenport
Date:	10 January 1839
1st Party:	William Davidson & Thompson Farmer, overseers of the poor of Eel River Township
2nd Party:	Isaac Devenport
Indentured:	Elisha Keff, aged 14 years and 10 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. At the end of his service he is to receive 1 good suit.
Witnesses:	Wynn Jones
Recorded:	20 January 1839

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Title:	Greenberry Keff to William Devenport
Date:	20 August 1838
1st Party:	Thompson Farmer & William Davidson, overseers of the poor of Eel River Township
2nd Party:	William Devenport
Indentured:	Greenberry Keff, a poor boy aged 12 years and 2 months, son of Polly Keff.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. At the end of his service he is to receive 2 new suits and a horse saddle and bridle worth \$50.
Witnesses:	John Devenport, William Trotter
Recorded:	1 September 1838

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Title:	Greenberry Keff to Nancy Devenport
Date:	27 March 1840
1st Party:	John S. Woodard & Thompson Farmer, overseers of the poor of Eel River Township
2nd Party:	Nancy Devenport, widow of William Devenport
Indentured:	Greenberry Keff, aged 12 years and 5 months
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to receive 6 months of schooling. At the end of his service he is to receive a horse saddle & bridle worth \$50 and 2 suits.
Witnesses:	Rebecca Devenport
Recorded:	4 April 1840

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Title:	Matilda Keff to John Harlan
Date:	3 January 1839
1st Party:	William Davidson & Thompson Farmer, overseers of the poor of Eel River Township
2nd Party:	John Harlan
Indentured:	Matilda Keff, aged 8 years and 9 months
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. She is to receive 9 months schooling. At the end of her service she is to receive a good bed & bedding and 2 new suits.
Witnesses:	Perlina Farmer
Recorded:	12 January 1839

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Title:	James Knight to Henry Bland
Date:	15 October 1839
1st Party:	William Barnett & Asher Hunt, overseers of the poor in Marion Township
2nd Party:	Henry Bland
Indentured:	James Knight, a poor boy aged 5 years and 1 month
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to receive 12 months schooling—6 months between the ages of 9 and 10, 3 months between the ages of 12 and 13, and 3 months between the ages of 15 and 16.
Witnesses:	Zimri Hunt, Stephen Hunt
Recorded:	10 March 1841

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Title:	Stephen Lee to Eli Lee
Date:	1 April 1839
1st Party:	Pemberton S. Dicken & William Henton, overseers of the poor of Center Township
2nd Party:	Eli Lee
Indentured:	Stephen Lee, a poor boy aged 3 years
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught farming. At the end of his service, he is to receive a horse saddle & bridle worth \$100 and 2 suits worth \$30.
Witnesses:	W.W. Matlock
Recorded:	5 April 1839

Page:	58-59
Title:	Isaac Lewis to Andrew Nichols
Date:	31 July 1840
1st Party:	William Christie and Zimri Hunt, overseers of the poor in Marion Township
2nd Party:	Andrew Nichols
Indentured:	Isaac Lewis, a poor boy aged 11 years, 11 months
Details of Indenture:	To be taught farming until age 21. At expiration of service he is to be given 2 new suits worth at least \$35, 1 horse worth \$40, 1 saddle & bridle worth \$15, and 1 fur hat worth \$5.
Witnesses:	William Megee, Mereen Bonnifield
Recorded:	3 February 1845

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Title:	Samuel Lewis to David S. Barnett
Date:	1 May 1837
1st Party:	William Barnett & Asher Hunt, overseers of the poor in Marion Township
2nd Party:	David S. Barnett
Indentured:	Samuel Lewis, a poor boy aged 5 years & 6 months
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to learn the brickmason's trade. At the end of his service he will receive a horse worth \$50 and a suit of clothes worth \$40.
Witnesses:	William Tomlinson, Henry B. Tomlinson
Recorded:	----

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Title:	Samuel Lewis to A.B. Shelledy
Date:	12 March 1839
1st Party:	Pemberton S. Dicken & William Henton, overseers of the poor of Center Township
2nd Party:	Andrew B. Shelledy
Indentured:	Samuel Lewis, a poor boy aged 7 years, 4 months and 19 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught the occupation of a farmer. At the end of his service he is to receive a horse saddle and bridle worth \$75 and a suit worth \$30.
Witnesses:	S.T. Hadley
Recorded:	14 March 1839

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Title:	Sarah Ann Lewis to Henry Bland
Date:	1 May 1837
1st Party:	William Barnett & Asher Hunt, overseers of the poor in Marion Township
2nd Party:	Henry Bland
Indentured:	Sarah Ann Lewis, a poor girl aged 4 years, 6 months
Details of Indenture:	Until age of 18. She is to receive 12 months schooling—6 months between the ages of 7 and 9, and 6 months between the ages of 10 and 12. At the end of her service she is to receive \$10 worth of clothing.
Witnesses:	William Tomlinson, Henry B. Tomlinson
Recorded:	----

Page:	52-54
Title:	George Logston to James Neaville
Date:	11 October 1844
1st Party:	Lemon Christie & David Higgins, overseers of the poor of Marion Township
2nd Party:	James Neavill
Indentured:	George Logston, a poor boy aged 10 years, 3 months and 16 days
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught farming. At the end of his service he is to receive a horse saddle & bridle and a suit, totaling \$100.
Witnesses:	David Higgins, B. Trotter
Recorded:	23 October 1844

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Title:	Martha Jane Lowder to Enoch Hutch
Date:	30 March 1844
1st Party:	Samuel Barker & Hugh D. Smith, overseers of the poor of Washington Township
2nd Party:	Enoch Hutch
Indentured:	Martha Jane Lowder, a poor girl aged 3 years, 6 months and 13 days
Details of Indenture:	Until 18. She is to be taught the occupation of females, such as spinning, weaving & sewing.
Witnesses:	George Moore, Morris J. Hutch
Recorded:	6 April 1844

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Title:	Mary N. Newton to Joshua Pickett
Date:	28 July 1843
1st Party:	Levi Jessup & John Myers, overseers of the poor of Franklin Township
2nd Party:	Joshua Pickett
Indentured:	Mary Norman Newton, a poor girl aged 1 year, 9 months and 14 days
Details of Indenture:	Until 18. She is to be taught housewifery. At the end of her service she is to receive a bed & bedding worth \$30 and 2 new suits worth \$5 each.
Witnesses:	David Boswell, UD Parker
Recorded:	31 July 1843

Page:	54-55
Title:	Mary N. Newton to Joshua Pickett
Date:	27 August 1844
1st Party:	John S. Newton of Vigo County, father of Mary N. Newton
2nd Party:	Joshua Pickett
Indentured:	Mary Norman Newton
Details of Indenture:	Until 14 October 1859 (when she is 18). At the end of her service, she is to receive \$500
Witnesses:	S.A. Duncan, A.D. Bland, Berry Burks--Justice of the Peace
Recorded:	24 October 1844

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Title:	John Owens to Daniel Kiger
Date:	3 November 1839
1st Party:	Pemberton S. Dicken & William Henton, overseers of the poor of Center Township
2nd Party:	Daniel Kygor
Indentured:	John Owens, a poor boy aged 10 years, 5 months and 16 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. At the end of his service he is to receive 1 good suit and a horse saddle & bridle worth \$75.
Witnesses:	--
Recorded:	10 November 1839

Page:	78-79
Title:	William Parker to Thomas Darrough
Date:	11 March 1848
1st Party:	Henry Miller & James Dugan, overseers of the poor in Center Township
2nd Party:	Thomas Darrough
Indentured:	William Parker, a poor boy age 4 years, 3 months
Details of Indenture:	To be taught farming until age 21. At the expiration of service he is to receive 1 new suit worth at least \$25 and a horse saddle & bridle worth \$75.
Witnesses:	J.D. Parker, James Darrough
Recorded:	18 September 1848

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Title:	Alfred B. Pegg to Nathan Meredith
Date:	12 June 1837
1st Party:	Evan Davis & Jesse Cook, overseers of the poor of Liberty Township
2nd Party:	Nathan Meredith
Indentured:	Alfred B. Pegg, an orphan boy aged 15 years, 11 months and 20 days
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught the trade of a farmer. He is to receive 10 months schooling. At the end of his service he is to receive 2 new suits and \$100.
Witnesses:	John Nicholas, Mary Cook
Recorded:	31 August 1837

Page:	41-42
Title:	Elijah P. Pierce to Noah Day
Date:	25 January 1842
1st Party:	Simon T. Hadley, guardian of Elijah P. Pierce
2nd Party:	Noah Day
Indentured:	Elijah P. Pierce, minor son of Andrew J. Pierce
Details of Indenture:	Until 20 November 1846 (when he is 21). He is to receive 6 months of schooling—3 months in the first 2 years, and 3 months after the first 2 years. At the end of his service he is to be paid \$40.
Witnesses:	James S. Odell, Justice of the Peace
Recorded:	10 February --

Page:	64-65
Title:	Albert Richards to William & Milton Henton
Date:	14 January 1846
1st Party:	Albert Richards
2nd Party:	William Henton & Milton Henton
Indentured:	Albert Richards, a minor aged more than 16 years, with the consent of his legal guardian, Dudley Richards of Dewitt County, Illinois
Details of Indenture:	To be taught farming until 18 April 1850 (when he is age 21). At the expiration of service he is to receive 1 suit of broadcloth, a fur hat, a pair of boots, 2 pairs of socks & 2 shirts.
Witnesses:	S.T. Hadley, John Baker
Recorded:	14 January 1846

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Title:	William Sharp to Benj. Pickett
Date:	26 May 1845
1st Party:	Robert Harvey & Thomas C. Parker, overseers of the poor in Clay Township
2nd Party:	Benjamin Pickett
Indentured:	William Sharp, a poor boy aged 2 years, 9 months
Details of Indenture:	He is to be taught farming until age 21. At expiration of service he is to receive 1 horse worth at least \$50, 2 suits worth at least \$15 each, and 1 saddle & bridle worth \$15.
Witnesses:	S.T. Hadley
Recorded:	3 June 1845

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Title:	John Staunton to John Carter
Date:	3 April 1840
1st Party:	Jeremiah Prather, overseer of the poor of Liberty Township
2nd Party:	John Carter
Indentured:	John Staunton, a poor boy aged 4 years, 11 months and 14 days
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught farming. At the end of his service he is to receive a new suit worth at least \$20 a horse saddle & bridle worth at least \$50.
Witnesses:	Amos S. Wills, Ezekiel Simmons
Recorded:	--

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Title:	Nathan Staunton to Ezekiel Simmons
Date:	2 April 1840
1st Party:	Jeremiah Prather, overseer of the poor of Liberty Township
2nd Party:	Ezekiel Simmons
Indentured:	Nathan Staunton, a poor boy born June 25, 1830
Details of Indenture:	Until age 21. He is to be taught farming. At the end of his service he is to receive 1 suit of clothes worth at least \$20 and a horse saddle & bridle worth at least \$50.
Witnesses:	Amos S. Wills, John Carter
Recorded:	11 April 1840

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Title:	Sarah Staunton to Amos S. Wills
Date:	2 April 1840
1st Party:	Jeremiah Prather, overseer of the poor of Liberty Township
2nd Party:	Amos S. Wills
Indentured:	Sarah Staunton, a poor girl aged 11 years, 8 months and 4 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until age 18. She is to be taught housewifery. She is to receive 6 months schooling. At the end of her service she is to receive a bed & bedding worth at least \$20.
Witnesses:	Ezekiel Simmons, John Carter
Recorded:	11 April 1840

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Title:	James Steerman to George Crow
Date:	4 June 1843
1st Party:	David Higgins, guardian of the infant heirs of Valentine Steerman
2nd Party:	George Crow
Indentured:	James Steerman, aged 13 the next December 13 th
Details of Indenture:	Until 13 December 1852 (when he is 21). He is to be taught farming. At the end of his service he is to receive \$100 in the form of a horse saddle & bridle and Sunday clothing.
Witnesses:	William Steerman, Nancy Atkins
Recorded:	10 June 1843

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Title:	Silas Steerman to Andrew Atkins
Date:	4 January 1843
1st Party:	David Higgins, guardian of the infant heirs of Valentine Steerman
2nd Party:	Andrew Atkins
Indentured:	Silas Steerman, aged 4 years on the next 17 th of May
Details of Indenture:	Until 17 May 1860 (when he is age 21). He is to be taught farming. At the end of his service he is to receive a Sunday suit and a horse saddle & bridle worth \$100
Witnesses:	James Turner, Wm. Taylor
Recorded:	10 June 1843

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Title:	Silas Steerman to John T. Hadley
Date:	13 September 1847
1st Party:	David Higgins, guardian of the infant heirs of Valentine Steerman
2nd Party:	John T. Hadley
Indentured:	Silas Steerman
Details of Indenture:	To be taught farming until 17 May 1860 (when he is age 21). At the expiration of service he is to receive \$110, which may be discharged to him in a horse saddle & bridle (worth \$80) and clothing.
Witnesses:	John Caldwell, S.T. Hadley
Recorded:	14 January 1848

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Title:	John T. Strong to Samuel Hornaday
Date:	3 May 1847
1st Party:	Asa B. Strong of Marion County, Indiana
2nd Party:	Samuel Hornaday
Indentured:	John Thomas Strong, son of Asa B. Strong
Details of Indenture:	To be taught farming until 20 July 1861 (when he is age 21). At expiration of service he is to receive \$100 cash; a horse worth \$50 and a saddle & bridle.
Witnesses:	James Stobaugh
Recorded:	20 May 1847

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Title:	Hiram, Aaron & Rachel Taulbee to Zeph Taulbee
Date:	2 May 1836
1st Party:	Reuben Claypool & William Davidson, overseers of the poor of Eel River Township
2nd Party:	Zephaniah Taulbee
Indentured:	Hiram Taulbee, aged 6 years old as of 1 June 1835; Aaron Taulbee, aged 5 years old; Rachel Taulbee, aged 2 years, 11 months old
Details of Indenture:	Hiram & Aaron indentured until they are 21; Rachel indentured until she is 18. Each are to receive 12 months of schooling. At expiration of service, Hiram & Aaron are to each receive a horse & 2 suits of clothing; Rachel to receive 1 cow, 1 bed, and the necessary bedding & clothing.
Witnesses:	Daniel Davidson, William Davis
Recorded:	--

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Title:	Ira Towel to William T. Hadley
Date:	8 September 1840
1st Party:	Margaret Towel of Morgan County, mother of Ira Towel
2nd Party:	William T. Hadley of Hendricks County
Indentured:	Ira Towel
Details of Indenture:	Until 7 March 1850 (when he is 21). He is to receive 12 months schooling. At the end of his service he is to receive \$100 in cash and 2 suits.
Witnesses:	Zeno Hadley, James Hinson
Recorded:	10 October 1840

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Title:	Harvey White to Nicholas Yount
Date:	9 November 1835
1st Party:	Hannah Bray, mother of Harvey White
2nd Party:	Nicholas Yount
Indentured:	Harvey White
Details of Indenture:	Indentured until age 21 to learn "to spell, read wright and arithmatick." At expiration of service, he is to receive 2 suits and \$100.
Witnesses:	Hiram Tomlinson, Solomon Adams
Recorded:	5 July 1837

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Title:	Martha White to Jeremiah Depew
Date:	3 March 1838
1st Party:	David Matlock & Samuel A. Verbrike, overseers of the poor of Center Township
2nd Party:	Jeremiah Depew
Indentured:	Martha White, a poor girl aged 8 years, 11 months and 15 days.
Details of Indenture:	Until March 17, 1847 (when she is 18). She is to be taught housekeeping. At the end of her service she is to receive 1 suit, a bed and bedding, and a good flax spinning wheel.
Witnesses:	--
Recorded:	18 April 1838