NELSON COUNTY (KY): 424 sq. mi. "This co. was est. in 1784 by the Va. leg. and named for the ex-Va. gov. and signer of the Dec. of Ind., Thomas Nelson (1738-1789). It was taken from Jefferson Co., one of the 3 cos. into which Ky. Co., Va. was divided in 1780. From its orig. terri. were created all of 11 and part of 9 other co's. (Book-Pp. 210-11); All or part of 22 other co's. were taken from Nelson (acc. to Margaret Schroeder of Bardst [check....]"

NELSON COUNTY, KY: Created by the G.A. all of Jeff. Co. of Salt R. and in that act Beardstown was named the co. seat. Included in 1792 tax lists for N. Co. were: Osten (?) Bland, James and James Baird, Jr., James Cravens, John & Jeremiah Craven, Jas. Daco, Ignatius Wimset, David and John Bland, John Bland, Jr., Wm. and Samuel Bland, John Cummins. Wm. & Alex'r. Baird. (REG. of KHS, Vol. 26, 5/1928, Pp. 137-54); When the co. was formed in 1784 it took in everything betw. Salt & Green Rivers from the e. bound. of Wash. Co. (Hardin & part of Green Co.'s (1792)) These co's. were taken from Nelson Co. (and their dates): Wash., Hardin, and part of Green (1792), part of Bullitt (1796), Ohio (1798), Breck. (1799), Grayson and part of Butler (1810),
Daviess (1815), part of Hart (1819), Meade (1823), part of Spencer (1824), part of Edmonson (1825), part of Anderson (1827), Hancock (1829), Marion (1834), LaRue (1843), Taylor (1848), part of McLean (1854). Chaplin & Beech Fk. Rivers "form most of its e and se boundary line. Rolling Fk. (of Salt) is sw line." (P. 643). Gov. Thos. Nelson (ca. 1739-1789), a signer of the Dec. of Ind. A va. native. Succeeded Jefferson as gov. in 1781. (P. 650). (Collins II, 1874);
NELSON COUNTY (Ky): The county originally took in all of the area betw. Salt & Green Rivers west from the e. boundary of the present Wash. Co; Org. 11/29/1784 from part of Jeff. Co. 437 sq. mi. "The topo. is varied and extends from the flatlands around Bardst. to rolling hills in the e. and knobs in the west." Rolling Fk. R. forms its sw border with LaRue Co. Beech Fk. and Chaplin R. form the ne bound. with Wash. Co. A mixed agri. co. 1st perm. settlements were made in 1780 by Col. Isaac Cox (Cox's Sta.) and Jas. Rogers. Sam'l. Pottenger came in 1781. Like its neighbors, Wash. & Marion Co's., tho' earlier, it was the earliest places of settlement in Ky. for Maryland Catholics. Current industries: greeting cards, plastic containers, busi-
ness machine ribbons. (Dixie Hibbs' entry in KY. ENCY. 1992, Pp. 676-7); The n. 1/3 of co. is in O.B. and the s. 40% is in the Knobs sect. Nelson was the 4th of Ky' co's. created by the Va. leg. in Nov. 1784. 19 (±18? other counties were wholly or partly taken from its orig. terri. A varied topo. extending from the "rolling plains" of the n. to the hills of the s.--The knob: "cross the co. from the nw to se." Drainage by Beech Fk, Rolling Fk, Wilson Creek, Cox's Creek, Pottengers Creek (of Rolling Fk.), Chaplin R. (of Beech Fk.) Town inc. by the early 1930s: New Haven, Fairfield, Bloomfield, New Hope, Chaplin, & Bardst; Varied topo. "ranging from " a relatively level area in the central part of the co. to rolling hills in the e. and the knobs in the w. and sw. (McGrain & Currens, P. 58);
ASH'S CREEK was named for John Ash, one of the 1st land developers and surveyors in this area. He was killed by the Indians in 1782. (Smith, 1971, P. 193);

BLAND: Wm. Bland (1777-1862) with parents moved to Ky. 1781 and settled nr Bloomfield in 1784. His parents were John & Margaret Bland. John died 1795. Osborn Bland (1748-ca.1828) was John and Margaret's oldest son. By 1788-90 he was living on Pottingers Creek. In 1786 he lived on Simpsons Creek nr. his father and sibs. John's dates=1725-1795. (Pp. 426, 428, 433).

Staughton Edward Bland (1807-1842), son of Chas. and Catherine (nee Staughton) Bland. Charles died 1819. Staughton est. a po in 1838 called Bland's Mill (in Ohio Co.) and was its 1st pm. (P. 468) His son, Rich'e
Parks Bland was a US Congressman from Mo...(Pp.468ff).
Elijah H. Bland ne 12/15/1814 7 mi n of Bardst. He was the son of Wm. & Sarah (Peak) Bland. Wm. was a Prince William Co., Va. native. To Nelson Co. ca. 1784, settling nr. Bloomfield. Wm. was a farmer and slaveholder. He moved to Hardin Co. in 1831. Elijah was a Louisville merchant and trader and owner of 1200 acres of Nelson Co. land as well as prop. in Lou. Among his (and wife Corrilla Willett)'s children were the late Stiles P, Wm. M, Geo. G. and Dr. Jos. E. (Perrin 4th ed., 1887; Pp. 791-2);
BALLTOWN (Nelson Co.): ("B(aw)l/town") Now: gro. & homes. Still called Balltown. The old Ball house was built c.1795-1800 and that was the beginning of the settlement. The Balls no longer live in the vic.... (Sarah Nelson Smith interview, 11/4/1978); "This hamlet on Ky 46, just east of US 31e, 4½ (air) mi ssw of Bardstown, was named for Jas. Ball who settled there just before 1800. A po was in operation here from 1884 to 1904." (Book- P. 13); Acc. to Monroe Greenwell, 2/14/1887, the po was 1½ mi w of Beech Fk. and ½ mi nw of Sugar Camp Run, 6 mi s of Bardst. po. (SLR); Acc. to Monroe Greenwell, 4/1882, this po was 6 mi n of Bardst. po (sic), 1 mi n of Landing Run. A vil. of 50. SLR);
BALLTOWN (Nelson Co.): Named for Jas. Ball who, in early days, "owned nearly all the land in that section." Later settled by the Wheeler Cecils & Ballards. Local cem., one of the oldest in co. James was son of Jas. & Raphel (sic Culver Ball. Jas. Jr.'s family farm is now owned & occupied by the Wm. C. Clark family.

...(Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO. 1971, P. 224); po est. 5/14/1884, Monroe Greenwell... Disc. eff. 10/31/1904 (mail to Smithstown);
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co., Ky): Enacted as town 12/2/1788 by the Va. G.A. on 100 acres at site called Baird's Town in Nelson Co. owned by David Baird & John C. Owing. est'd. as a town with James Baird, etal. as trustees. Authorized it to be laid off and lots sold. (From Wm. W. Hening's LAWS OF VA. 1823, Vol. 12, Pp. 718-20, Chap. 60, 10/1788); On lands of John Cockey Owining & David Baird at or nr the mouth of Stuart's Cr. on the n. side of Beech Fk, Nelson Co. authorized by GA to be called Stuart's Creek Warehouse. Enacted by GA on 12/5/1789. (Ibid., chp. 3, 10/1789, Vol. 13, Pp. 41-2).
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): The site of B'town was settled in 1776 by Proctor Ballard, Benj. Grayson, Gabriel Cox, et al. and named Salem. The name was ch. to Bardstown when the town was inc. by the Va. Ass. on 12/2/1788. At that time David Bard, one of the co-owners of the site, donated 100 acres for the town. Acc. to a traveler's journal of the time, the place was called Bardstown at least by May, 1788. Wm. Bard arr. from Va. in 1780 to settle on a 1000 acre grant to his bro., David. Mrs. Smith thinks the Salem name was applied to the commu. until 1784 "when we first find it referred to in the old records as 'Bairds Town' or 'Bards Town' and 'Beardstown.'" (P.301) It was Wm. who
petitioned the Va. Ass. and he asked that the town name be spelled Bardstown.... (From letter by me to Wm. Nicolaisen, SUNY-Bing., 1/13/1978); Benj. Grayson was appointed pm of Bardstown po on 6/11/1794. (Smith, Hist'c. N. Co., 1971, P. 123); Isaac Harrald was appointed surveyor of N. Co. in 4/1802; Wm. Beard (sic) was ne. north. Ireland. To Am. in 1782. From Pa. to Ky. ca. 1792. To Nelson Co. 1797. Died ca. 1802-7. Father of Alex'r. Beard (1763-1833). (KY. ANC. Vol. 23 (3), Winter 1988, P. 191);
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): In 1780, Wm. Bard (sic) arrived, representing his bro., David. He laid off the town. The settlement there was 1st called Salem. The Va. G.A. in 1785 issued a land grant of 1000 acres to include land for a county seat. Town was laid off by Wm. Bard who donated 2 acres for public bldgs. ir his brother's name. David stayed in Pa. 1st ct. hse., a log structure, was built in 1785. By then the commu. was known as Baird's Town, "a variation of family name." It was given as Bardstown when inc. in 1788. (Highway marker, Bardstown, Ky. acc. to BULL. OF KHS, Vol.6(3) 6/1980, P. 4);
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co., Ky): est. 10/13/1788; Wm. Bard (1738-1801); Nelson Co. was created by the GA and Beardstown (sic) was named its seat. Included in the 1792 tax lists were: James Baird, James Baird, Jr., Wm. and Alex'r. Baird; Pennsylvanian David Bard, father (sic) of Wm. Bard, rec'd. a Va. land warrant for 1000 acres. No evidence that David ever came to Ky. but Wm. arr. in 1780 to locate the warrant and arrange for its disposal. In that yr. a settlement was made on that site. Its 33 orig. settlers included Wm. & James Bard, John C. Owings, Gabriel Cox, Wm. Rogers, etc. This settlement was 1st called Salem. By 1784 it was known as Bairds Town but when it was chartered by the Va. leg. in 1788 it was, acc. to Wm. Bard's pet.,
named Bardstown. David Bard gave 100 acres for the town site. He and John C. Owings were props. of the site ca. 12/1780. Jas. Bard was one of the orig. town trustees (1788) and was still that in 1793 but apparently not in 1797. Wm. Bard was agent in the disposal of town lots. (NELSON CO. GENEALOGIST, spring 1991, Pp. 47-50 from Nelson Co. Records compiled by Dr. Lee Crume of Bardstown, c1930);
Mattingly Spalding, Bandstown, Town of Tradition, 94 pp. ill. (Balti: St. Mary’s Industrial School Press, 1947) (NYC, DLC)

(an Hist., Cult., & Lit. acc. of B. & numerous references to R. Co. 1st issued as Bio. of a Key Town, Balti. 1942.)

(Hist. guide to B. C. references to Nelson Co. Federal Hill and the Trappist Monas at Gethsemani)

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BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): po est. as Bairdstown 10/1/1794, Benjamin Grayson... sometime after 1797 it became known as Bardstown or Bardstown Ct. Hse. ....(NA); In 1780, Wm. Bard (sic) came from Va. to settle on 1000 acre grant to his bro., David. William ne 6/7, 1738 and died Bardstown 7/31/1802. He was raised in Adams Co., Pa. As a surveyor he mad the 1st map of Louisv' 1779. Aka Baird, Acc. to trad., he 1st visited Ky. in 1776. On a salt hunting expedition to Salt Lick, he survived an Ind. attack... Wm. built cabin 4 mi. of present site of B'town., on Buffalo Cr. ...(P.300) When he arr. at the site of B'town he found already a small settlement there of
cabins, & residents called the place Salem. So-called till 1784 "when we first find it referred to in the old records as 'Bairds Town', or 'Bards Town' and 'Beards-town.'" Inc. 1788 by the Va. Leg. in pet. submitted by Wm. He asked that it be spelled Bardstown. Acc. to Roger H. Futrell "The Other Ballard" (FILSON CLUB Q., 4/1969), Proctor Ballard, Gabriel Cox, Isaac Morrison, Benj. Grayson, Walter Beall, 1776, settled the site of B'town and called it Salem. n.ch. to Bardstown when it was inc. 1788. (P. 301) Salem when est. had 33 persons...Inc. 12/2/1788 by the Va. Ass. David Bard & John C. Owings became the prop's. of the site of
B'town. David donated 100 acres for the town site...(P. 301) Went by the name of Bardstown at least by 5/1788, acc. to a traveller's journal....(P. 314) (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971);
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.) 34 mi. s. of Louisv. via Ky. Tpk. & Ky. 245. My Old Ky. Home State Park, aka Federal Hill with 3 story brick mansion built by Judge John Rowan in 1795, alleged to be the place where Stephen Foster wrote "My Old Ky. Home." = 1 mi. e. of cbd. Became st. pk. in 1922. (brochure pub. by the B'town C of C., date=dk); Salem was on the no. side of Beech Fork in the vic. of the present Bardstown. (O.M. Mathers, "The Mathers Papers: Hist. of Hodgenville & LaRue Co.", orig. publ. 1925 (LaRue Co. Herald-News, 1968, P. 1);
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): ("B(ah)rdz/town")
1st called Salem, then Bards/Town. Two Bard bros. came here and est. a town. On early records, it was spelled at least 3 different ways: Beardstown, Bairdstown, and Bardstown. Named for both Wm. and his bro. David and their surname was Bard, not Baird. Corruptions due to persons not knowing how to spell or spelling as they thought it sounded.... (Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4/1978);
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): Wm. Bard "lived out his life w of B'town 2 mi. but disowned the town--died c. 1804 I think. James Baird (no relation) moved away from B'town in 1797. I find no record of any of his family in this area after that. But the sons of Wm. Bard played an important part in the town's affair: after 1815, incl. Wm. Bard, Jr. Various maps show Bairdstown up until about 1820. I feel certain that the Bard 'sons' finally got the correction made to the proper 'Bardstown' abo that date." (David H. Hall, letter to me, 8/5, 1980);
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. city and the seat of Nelson Co. is on US 31e, 62, and 150, 32 mi sse of downtown Lou. Acc. to trad., the site had been settled by 1776 and was first called Salem or Salem Town. In 1780 Wm. Bard (1738-1802), a Pa-born surveyor, arr. to represent his bro. David who had been granted a 1000 acre tract here by Gov. Patrick Henry o Va. Wm. soon laid off the town which as Bardstown was made the seat of newly created Nelson Co. in 1784. In early records the name was variously spelled Bards Town, Bardstown, Bairdstown, and even Beardstown partl because of confusion about the proper spelling of the family name. The Bards were the sons of Archibald Bard, an Irish immi, who was also known as Beard. In
Scotland, years before, their family name had been spelled as Baird. To complicate matters unrelated families of Baird and Beard had also settled in the area before 1800. The po was est. as Bairdstown on Oct. 1, 1794 with Benj. Grayson, pm, and is said to have retained this spelling until around 1820 when Wm. Bard's sons legitimized the present form." (Book-P. 14)
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): Wm. Bard ne c1738 and died c.1804. (David H. Hall, "Old Nelson Notebook" col. in the (Bardstown) KY. STANDARD, 7/15/1976); Bardst. 1st officially called Salem or Salem Town..."No explanation exists as to the origin of the name which failed to gain pop. acceptance...my personal opinion is that 'Salem' was the choice of David Bard, one of the proprietors....David had just completed his initial training as a Pres. minister in 1777. The name Salem is often found used in this religion....Most likely David Bard chose it because of his conviction
and the Bards (sic) intentions to align the new town and its institutions with the Pres. Religion. . . . " John Filson, in his 1784 map, spells the settlement's name as Bards Town (sic). "Shortly after . . . there began to appear variations of the spelling in official records, deeds & lawsuits. Soon it was spelled 'Bairdstown' more often than not; and the various clerks were obviously much confused about the proper spelling for the family name 'Bard' as well. Often a record will show this as 'Baird'
or 'Beard' when referring to the brothers Wm., David, & Richard." The confusion was justified since, in fact, there were actually 3 unrelated families in the community in those days with "closely related surnames"..."Wm., David & Richard Bard were the sons of Archibald Bard who spelled his name 'Beard' most of his life. This was the common Irish spelling of this surname while in Scotland it had been written 'Baird' for many generations. We may presume all renditions were pronounced about the same. (Arch. came to Am. from abroad)...his sons
apparently always spelled their name Bard. ...In the same general area of Pa. where the Bards originated was another family by the name of Baird. (incl. Jas. Baird, son of Thos. Baird, who came to Ky. early. The Bairds & Bards) knew each other and had common relations and perhaps this is the reason James ended up with land claims just e of the Bardstown pre-emption. (*and Irish Tommy) James Baird was an early arrival in this area and began to play a part in the new town's affairs from an early date. (he was a trustee of the town
in 1788). All the spelling in those official acts of the Va. govt. refer to 'Bairdstown' and David Bard is called 'David Baird'....By this time Wm. Bard was no longer living in Bardstown. He had moved nr. Danville....Could there have been a conscious effort to change the town's name to Bairdstown because Wm. and David Bard had not made good their promises to the orig. settlers? We will never know. But for over 20 yrs. after the official Va. act was passed and pub-
lished the town was most often dubbed 'Bairdstown' in official records. However, here and there we find 'Beardstown' and there was yet another separate family of 'Beards' living in Nelson Co. But they played no part in town govt....Slowly the spelling...shifted to our present day Bardstown form c. 1815-1820...." (David H. Hall in his col. "Old Nelson Notebook" in the (Bardstown) KY. STANDARD, 9/16/1976);
BARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): In 1780, Gov. Henry granted 1000 acres to David Bard & John Owing. No evidence of David's ever having been in Ky. His brother, Wm., came to "dispose of the land." And gave 2 acres for public buildings. Thus the town was named for him. The Bairds also came from Pa. with the Bards but remained while the Bards sold out and returned to Pa. cf Dixie Hibbs, a Bardstown historian. The L& was completed thru Nelson Co. in 1860. (John Ed Pearce, "Nelson Co." LCJM, 10/14/1979, Pp. 12ff, 19, 47, 49);
BEAM (nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to 1880 Census, James Beam (14), son of David Beam (46), a farmer, lived in Bardst. Prec. #1. Other sons of David were Thos (17 Wm. (10), and Geo. L. (8); Also acc. to 1880 Census, John H. Beam (40) was foreman of a distillery in Bards Prec. #1. Living with him was John Shaunty, a nephew (10), Edward, his son (7), Wm. Beam (30), his brother. Wm. worked at the dist. as did David Beam (21) who lived next door; Jacob and his wife Mary Beam were living in Bullitt Co. in 1801 (?);
BEAMS (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. M. Brown, 5/14/88, this prop. po would be 1½ mi sw of Stringtown po, 2 mi w of Woodlawn po, 4 mi e of Bardst. po, 5 mi n of Botland po, ½ mi n of Stuarts Creek (sic), 20 rods n of Beams Sta. on the L&N. Not a vil. (SLR); Acc. to J.W. Shaunty, this was a n.ch. and site ch. from Beams and one mi w (changed 12/14/1892) to a pt. ¼ mi w of Stuarts Creek, 3 mi e of Bardst. po, 3 mi w of Greenbrier po, 4 mi n of Botland po, 200 ft. s of the Early Times (RR) Sta. and the office was now called Early Times: (3/13/1893). Acc. to John S. Smith, 1/9/1914, the po was ¼ mi e of Steward Creek (sic), 2½ mi
w of Greenbrier po, 3½ mi e of Bardst. po, 8 mi nw of Botland po (sic), 50 yds. n of the L&N. (SLR); The Early Times (or Beams) Distill. nr Woodlawn is now called Double Springs. DK the origin of the E.T. name (Sarah Smith, 11/4/1978); Jack Beam est. his 1st dist at Woodlawn and it was called the Early Times Dist. (Smith, Hist. Nelson Co., 1971, P. 200); In 1795 Jacob Beam "began the distilling of Beam Bourbon." (Smith, 1983, P. 105); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., E.T. was just a po; Acc. to 1880 Census, John Shaunty (10) was living at the home of his uncle John H. Beam (40) and wife Maria (34) in Vot. Dist. #1 (Bardst.) Also there was John's son Edward (7);
BEAMS (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to 1810 Census, Geo. Beal but there were no Beams listed for Nelson Co. in the 1820 Census. Jacob & Thos. Beam were listed in the 1830 Census for Nelson Co; Jacob Beam was the prog. of the Nelson Co. dist. family c1788. He was succeeded by his son, David, in 1818. David, in turn, was succeeded by his son John H. in 1850. By that yr. whiskey was being made under 3 labels: Early Times, A.G. Nall, and Jack Beam. The Early Times Distillery was on Stuart's Creek, Beaml's Sta., Nelson Co. Jacob owned 1000 acres 5 mi from Bardst. and farmed. This was 2 mi from the dist. The dist. was on the L&N at the Early Times Sta. Jacob wed Maria Nall, daughter of A.G. Nall. Edward was son of Jack & Maria. In 1894 /John H. (or Jack)
Edward became gen. mgr. of E.T. In the early 1900s John Shaunty was the plant mgr. and acquired 1/3 interest in firm from Jack. Jack died 1915. Shaunty died ca. 1920. S.L. Guthrie became sole owner of ET in 1920. From ca. 1915-20 Guthrie had 1/3 interest. Then bought out Shaunty's widow. In 1923 Guthrie sold out to Owsley Brown. And ET became a part of Brown-Forman of Lou. and moved there. (Harvey Harrison Krol. BLUEGRASS, BELLES, AND BOURBON (A Pictorial Hist, of Whiskey in Ky), NY: A.S. Barnes & Co., 1967, Pp. 100-110); David succeeded Jacob, his father, in 1820. In 1853, David's son, David, Jr. (ne 1833) heired the business. He died 1892 and was succeeded by his son James B. Beam. (Ibid., P. 70);
BELLWOOD (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 4/25/1898, John S. Smith; Disc. 1/31/1906 (mail to Bardstown) (POR-NA); On Rt. 733. Several homes and Cedar Creek Chu. which is extant. The 1 rm Cravens Sch. is gone. cf highway marker.... Much on church.... (Smith, 1971, Pp. 275-7); [behl/wood] The chu. & sch. was all there was there. (Smith, interv., 11/4/1978); Acc. t John S. Smith, 4/21/1898, this prop. po would be 7 mi sw of Bardst. po, 6 mi due s of Craven (?), 2 mi n of Beech Fk., 1 1/2 mi s of Cedar Creek. Not a vil; The Bellwood Home on Beech Fk. R. There's now a Bellwood Rd. named for the home. (Smith, Hist'c. N. Co., 1971, P. 266); No families of Bellwood listed in 1860 or 1880 Censuses;
Bellwood (Nelson Co., Ky): Harry Belwood died before 1816. His son William was then under the guardianship of Eliz. Jarboe (Administrators, Executives & Guardians Bonds, Book 3, P. 56); Several pion. Bell families in the county;
BLACK (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 1/7/1899, Wm. B. Black; Disc. 1/31/1908 (mail to Chaplin); Acc. to Wm. H. Black, 9/19/1898, this prop. po would be 2½ mi e of Chaplin po, 3½ mi w of Sparrow po, 4 mi s of Greens Chapel po, 2 mi s of Chaplin R. and 1 mi n of Timber Creek. Serving only a store & home. (SLR); This was nr. Chaplin. Named for local family. Now only homes. (Smith, interv., 11/4/1978); This place is 3 mi from Chaplin. Store & po. W.H. Black, the pres. of the People's State Bank in Chaplin (org. in 1920) came from there. (Smith, Hist'c. N. Co., 1983, P. 197);
BLOOMFIELD (NELSON CO., KY): DR. John Bemiss (MD) was son of Jas. Bemiss. Ne 2/16/1773. Studied medicine in Mass, his home state. To Bloomfield, Ky. in 1801 and named the town for his wife Eliz. Bloomer and his daughter Abigail’s husband, Col. Fielding Merri­field. (Acc. to T. Wayne Bemiss of Springfield, Ky. in Wash. Co. Hist., 1991, Pp. 228-9); In 1917 the po was 40 ft. e of Simpson Creek. (SLR); apo; A sometime mfg. town: rope works, linseed oil factory, carding fact., tanyard, coffin & furn. fact;
BLOOMFIELD (Nelson Co.): 1st called Middle­

bury. B. and vic. was once known as "The

Dixie of the South" implying a "town of cult­

ure." (P.158)...(Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC

NELSON COUNTY, 1971); po est. as Middleburg

(sic) 7/1/1803, Hadin (?) Edwards; 1/1/1807,

John Bemiss...Disc. 1818; Re-est. as Bloom­

field 2/3/1818, Edmund Guthrie (who had been

pm from 7/1/1810 to 10/1/1813)...Disc. 11/30/

1864; Re-est. 3/25/1865, S.B. Merrifield...

(NA); Est. 2/5/1819 (ACTS, 1819, P. 678);
BLOOMFIELD (Nelson Co.): 12 mi. e. of Bardst. 
Inc. 1819. 1970 pop. = 1072. Founded by Dr. 
John Bemiss who came to Ky. from Rochester, 
NY in 1800 and 1st settled on the e. side of 
Cox's Cr. After a few yrs., he moved to the 
s. side of Simpson's Cr., ½ mi. below the 
present site of Bloomfield. There he built a 
mill & dist. And he acquired the land that's 
the present site of B'field and adjacent leve 
Heavily timbered; he cleared it and planted 
it in corn & wheat. He est. town 1817. He & 
co. surveyor Isaac Harrison laid it off and 
named the streets. He named it for his wife 
who was a Miss Bloomer and for a Mr. Merri­ 
field, his son-in-law. He was an MD who
practiced at B'ield and occasionally preach-
ed. Not long after est., the town was divide-
into 2 sections: that on the w. side of the
creek was called **Gandertown** and that on the
e. side was **Bloomfield**. How Gandertown got
its name: "A post was set into the ground ar-
thena piece of timber fastened across the
top (sic) forming a cross. A gander would be
suspended from one end of the cross by its
legs; its neck having been previously soaped
to make it slick. The sports of town and
country, mounted on horses would gather ther
and riding at full neck speed beneath the
gander would make a grab at the bird's sus-
pended neck. The one who succeeded, in jerkir
the head off was considered the best man and entitled to a prize. 'Gandertown' was also called the 'battleground' because her many bloody encounters occurred." (P. 154) Tobacco warehouses for tob. is now prin. ind. (P. 156) (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971);
BLOOMFIELD (Nelson Co.): Founded by Dr. John Bemiss who arr. Ky. 1800 from Rochester, NY. 1st settled on the e. side of Cox's Creek; after a few yrs. he moved to the s. side of Simpson's Creek, c. ½ mi. below present Bloomfield site. He built there a mill and a distillery. He acquired the Bloomfield site and cleared the heavy timber and undergrowth and planted it in corn and wheat. Organized a town on Simpson's Creek, 1817. He and county surveyor, Isaac Harrell, made the survey and platted the town which Bemiss called Bloomfield for his wife, a Miss Bloomer, and Mr. Merrifield, his son-in-law. No mention of a Middleburg. (...) (ms. hist. of "Early Bloomfield" author & date unknown. Appeared...
The Bandstand Standard

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BLOOMFIELD (Nelson Co., Ky.) Founded 1799 by Dr. John Remiss of Rochester, NY. Named for his wife, a Miss Bloomer and his son-in-law a Mr. Merrifield. (RR South, "Our Station Names" L&N MAG., 11/1949, P. 15.); ("Blūm/fēld Before Bemiss org. the town, there was on that site a little town called Middlesburg, in 1811 DK why called Middlesburg... (Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4/1978); Act to est. the town, as Bloomfield, approved by G.A. 2/5/1819 that had been laid off by John Bemis (sic) on the e. fork of Simpson's Creek (sic). Trustees= Edmund Guthries, Sam'l. Merrifield, Spencer Miner, Chas. Davis, Jos. Huston.... (ACTS 1818, Pp. 678-80);
BLOOMFIELD (Nelson Co., Ky): "This 5th cl. city with po is on US 62 and Ky 55 and 48, 9 (air) mi ne of Bardstown. At or near this site, on the e. fk. of Simpson Creek, the po of Middleburg was est. on 7/1/1803 with Haden (?) Edwards, pm. In 1807, Edwards was succeeded by John Bemiss, MD, who had arr. in Ky. from NY State a few years before. In 1817 Bemis is said to have founded the town and named it Bloomfield for his wife, the former Miss Bloomer, and his son-in-law, a Mr. Merrifield. The po was renamed Bloomfield in 1818 and the town was inc. in 1819." (Book-P. 27);
BOSTON (Nelson Co., Ky): Goodwin Fort was at the site of Old Boston, at the jct. of Bellwood and Wilson Creek Rds, US 62, just e of the present Boston. The fort was 300 yards from Rolling Fk. R. on a knoll. It was est. by Isaac and Samuel Goodwin, bros. They were there in 1779 scouting and est. the fort the next yr. Strategic location on the road betw. the Falls of the Ohio & Pottinger's Sta. and the Beech and Rolling Fk. settlements. A 'stopping place for settlers.' ...Sam' died in 1807. The fort was 3 mi from Rolling Fork and 5 mi from the confl. of Beech & Rolling Fk. aka Isaac Goodwins Sta. The fort was torn down ca. 1920. (Smith: Hist'c. Nelson Co., 1971, Pp. 28-30);
BOSTON (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to C.H. Arnold, 2/14/1904 this po was 300 yds. n of Lick Creek, 4 3/4 mi n of Nelsonville po, 30 ft. e of L&N, 2½ mi from co. line. // Acc. to Marian C. Harned, 7/27/1939, this po was 342 ft. e of L&N depot, 200 yds. n of Lick Creek, 12 mi w of Bardst. po, 5 mi n of Nelsonv. po. (SLR); APO; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this town had a pop. of 200. E.H. Arnold was pm and dealer in fertilizers & implements. Also there: hotel, 3 gen. stores & other businesses; Charles Boston ne 1869, son of T.W. Boston, lived in the nw sect. of the co. and is bur. in Old Mt. Moriah Cem., 1 mi e of Ky. 61, 1 mi n of Boston, Ky. No Bostons listed in the 1830 or 1850 Censuses of Nelson Co;
BOSTON (Nelson Co.): 12 mi. w. of Bards. on R 62 nr. the Rolling Fk. R. Seat of "some of th most productive farms" in the co. L&N RR pass es thru vil. Old Boston was originally on Rt. 733 south, an early stage stop on the Pine Tavern Rd. Boston moved a short distance to the w. of the Lebanon Br. of the L&N built to there in 1856. Acc. to trad., the town moved because of river flooding....(Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971, P. 268);
BOSTON (Nelson Co., Ky): Old Boston, the 1st commu. center was on Pine Tavern Rd., on the stage route betw. Louisv. & Bardstown, via the Shepherdsv. Commu. "gradually shifted to the present town of Boston," 1 mi w on the Lebanon Br. of the L&N RR. Petersburg Crossing was west of Boston. (McClure, Hardin Co. hist., P. 188); po of Boston was est. 6/14/1831, Wm. M. Howsley; 10/11/1834, Daniel Cotton.... (POR-NA)
BOSTON (Nelson Co.): ("B(ah)s/tan")....The Pine Tavern Rd. (Rt. 733) came from Louisy. in early days. Vil. gradually shifted to its present site. The town of Boston (at present site) was est. in 1856. DK origin of the name unless it was for Boston, Mass. Walter Beall of Bardstown formed an org., (went-down to-site-of-Old-Bosten) and est. a little town close to the site of O.B. It was called Beallsborough ("Beelz/ber/a") = 2½ syl.) The 2 sites are not over 3 mi. apart. Now at the present Boston site: 2 gro. stores, gas station(s), homes. Had a hotel; po, bank, wa on the rr, was a trad. ctr. for nearby Nelso
Furn. (in Bullitt Co.). Nothing now at the site of O.B. In the flood path of the Rolling Fk. R. DK who was responsible for est. the new site. It was mostly a mill town at one time as well as a trad. ctr... Beallsborough was charted as a town on 6/1/1795. Beall didn't come from Boston, Mass. (Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4/1978);
BOTLAND (Nelson Co.): c. 6 mi. E. of Bards. Named for Botts Stage Coach stop. Botts Bros. owned a lot of land in the vic. PO and toll-gate house on the premises of the old Allen Gen. Store in the center of the commu. Bear Creek heads in the back of the vil. and flows sw. This site was known as The Kemps yrs. ago. Botland Christian Church...(P. 210) Chas. Bott bought a brick house there in 1816 but the place was not yet called Botland. But it was so-called before 1850, acc. to old deeds. Some old homes were built there before 1806....(P. 212) po est. 4/28/1873, Geo. Holt...(P. 213) the 1st po was probably in the toll gate hse, 1888-1898; then moved to F.B. Briney's gen.
store... (P. 214) The 1st name of the vil. was **Botts Stagecoach Stop**, very early 19th cent. Horses were changed here and people could spend the night. Mr. Botts' slaves served the passengers. The Botts house was the start of the vil... (Pp. 216-17) (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON COUNTY, 1971); po was est. as **Botland**, 5/18/1868, Leo Rosenham (≡); Disc. 9/15/1870; Reest. 4/2/1873, Frederick B. Briney (≡)... 10/16/1901, Frederick B. Briney; Disc. 2/28/1914. (mail to Bardstown) (NA);
BOTLAND (Nelson Co.): ("B(ah)l\m[nd]")
On US150. May have been called The Kemps
before the Botland name came into common use
("K-ie-mps") The Kemps owned land there too.
The tollgate house is still there. The chu.
was est. in 1834. DK when the Botts Bros.
arrived or where they came from or anything
else about them. No Botts descendants nor
Kemps there now....Now: chu. and 2 gro.stores
and homes. Hasnt been called Kemps for years
(Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4/1978); Albert G.
Botts represented N. Co. in the Ky. Hse. 1845-6.
(Collins II);
BOTLAND (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to Frederick B. Briney 9/30/1885, this po was 3 mi w of Beech Fk, ½ mi w of Bear Creek, 3 mi w of Frederickstown po, 6 mi e of Bardst. po. (SLR); On US 150, on the main rd. betw. the Bluegrass & Lou. and grew from a stand or stage stop 1st known as Botts' Stagecoach Stop; For the Botland-Mill Creek area of the co., see Wash. Co. 1991 Bicent. hist. notes, P. 267....; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., its pop. was 100 and it was 6 mi se of Bardst. Mary M. Stuart was pm. Several stores, 2 sawmills and 2 flour mills. Distill; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz. there was here then a sch., chu., T.B. Briney was pm. F.O. Briney had a gro;
BOURBON (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 4/2/1912, James B. Beam; Disc. 6/15/1918 (mail to Nazareth) (POR-NA); Acc. to James B. Beam, 5/7/1912, this po was ¼ mi e of Fromans Creek and 4 mi n of Beech Fk R., 3 mi nw of Nazareth po, 2½ mi se of Hunters po, 4½ mi sw of Cox's Creek, 40 ft. s of L&N. On the L&N betw. Naz. & Hunters po; Acc. to James B. Beam, ca. 1912, the po was at the sta., 1 mi sw of Nazareth po, 1½ rail mi se of Hunters Depot (and 2½ mi from there by road); 3 rail mi & 4 rd. mi nw of Bardst. po. (SLR); Bourbon whiskey may first have been distilled in N. Co. by John Ritchie in the late 18 cent. in the co's. 1st dist. N. is called the "Bourbon Capital of the World" for 60% of the world's bourbon is made here. (Smith, Hist. N. Co., 1983, Pp. 101); Bourbon whiskey is named for Bourbon Co., Ky.
where it was first distilled. Actually this was in Georgetown, Ky. in 1789 by Rev. Elijah Craig but at that time this was a part of Bourbon Co. (check) (Id.); James B. Beam Distilling Co. is 1 mi from Boston. Its present plant was built in 1933-4 by the Churchill Dist Co. The plant was bought in 1954 by the Jas. B. Beam Distilling Co. Booker Noe is plant mgr. (Smith, 1983, P. 105);. The Bourbon po was on the rr, 1 mi+ nw of Nazareth po and e of Froman's Creek. c.1914;
BOURBON (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to Flaget M. Nally in KY. ENCY. (1992), Pp. 103-4, it's not known who was Ky's 1st distiller. This honor has been attributed to several persons. It was most likely named for the co. where some of the 1st such distilleries were. A part. way of making whiskey, using a fermented mash of at least 51% corn and distilled limestone water. DK when the name was 1st applied to that method of making whiskey. At least by 1821; Stephen Ritchie is known to have distilled whiskey on Cox's Creek in 1776. (Acc. to Thos. H. Syvertsen in KY. ENCY. Pp. 266-7);
Beam and Hart "Old Tub" Dist'y. ca. 1895 this was the only brand then of the Beam & Hart Dist. David M. Bean (ne Wash. Co. 1833) succeeded his father David in the family's business and in 1892 he turned it over to his son James B. and his son-in-law Albert J. Hart. This dist'ry. is at the head of Froman's Creek, 2 mi from Bardst. on the rr. James B. was ne Nelson Co. 1864 and went to work at the dist. in 1882. (Sam'l. Carpenter Elliott....1896. See Early Times....); D.M. Beam & Sor Stewarts Sta. (sic) nr Nazareth, 3mi n of Bardst. Run as Hart & Beam. (EST'D. RATES OF KY. DIST'S. BONDED AND FREE, WAREHOUSES, CATTLE, AND PENS, comp. by S.L. Rice, Indianapolis: Rough Notes Co., 1892);
Jacob Beam started distilling bourbon whiskey in N. Co. in 1788. The Beams came from Pa. To Ky. via Va. 1st to Wash. Co. where Jacob opened a dist. He was succeeded by his son David. David's son, David M., moved the family's business to Nelson Co. with a dist. at Stuarts Switch before the L&N reached Bardst. When rr arrived the dist. was moved to it. By then, David M's. son, James B. Beam had entered the family's business. The rr sta. and po was renamed Bourbon. With prohibition (c.1919) the dist. closed as did the sta. and po. During proh. the family engaged in coal mining in w.Ky. and opened a quarry at Clermont (Bullitt Co.) Here later they started the James B. Beam Distilling Co. by Jas. B. and his son T. Jeremiah Beam, at the
site of an earlier dist. In 1954 a second dist. was opened at Churchill, ca. 1 1/2 mi nnw of Boston and 3/4 mi from the Bullitt Co. line, just e of Ky 61 and the L&N. This was just within the Nelson Co. line. It later became Beam, Ky. (A HIST. OF BULLITT CO., pub. by the B. Co. Hist'l. Soc., 1974, P. 54); The Churchill Dist'ng. Co. built the plant that later housed the Jas. B. Beam Dist'l. Co., 1 mi from Boston. In 1954 the Beam Co. of Clermont bought that plant. Booker Noe, James' grandson, was mgr. of the plant. (Smith, 1983); P. 105
BURLEY (Nelson Co., Ky): po, est. 7/18/1900, John A. Miller; 12/13/1900, Mary B. Kirsch; 11/14/1901, Ida B. Carey; Disc. 10/15/1902 (papers to Chaplin) (POR-NA); Acc. to John R. Miller, 4/30/1900, this po was to have been called Bodine and would be 4 mi s of Bloomfield, on the Springfield Pike, Prec. #9, 3 mi n of Maud po, 2 mi n of Chaplin and Beech Fk. R's. (SLR); No such named families in 19th cent. records; The Bodines were a Bloomfield area family. Actually a no. of related families throughout the ne sect. of the co. since the early 19 cent; Isaac Bodine was listed in the 1810 Cens as a slave owner; John Bodine was appointed sheriff of Nelson Co. 9/1804;
Acc. to 1900 Census, John R. Miller, a blacksmith, lived next door to a family of Bodines in Bloomf. Prec. #9. A family of Bodines lived elsewhere in that prec;
BURNT STATION (Nelson Co.): ("Bernt Stā/ shən") The sta. est. by Polks and Kinceloes that was burned by the Indians c.1781 or '2. Hence its name. cf highway marker....Now: nothing at the site now. Never a community there, only the fort. (Sarah B. Smith, interview, 11/4/1978);
CAMP POPE (Nelson Co., Ky): Nr. New Haven. ca. 1861+ Probably named for Col. Curram Pope, a West Point grad., cl. of 1831, who was commander of 15th Ky. Inf. Reg. that was org. in the fall of 1861 at this place. He was Clerk of Jeff. Co. Ct. Mortally wounded at the Battle of Perryville in Oct. 1862. Died 11/5/1862. Son of Worden Pope, a Louisville atty. (McClure's Hardin Co. hist., P. 204);
CEDAR CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH (Nelson Co., Ky): the second oldest in Ky. was est. 7/14/1781 5 mi. sw of Bardstown. (PATCHES OF GARRARD CO., 1974, P. 190); The Rev. Jos. Barnett came to Hardin Co. in 1780 where he co-org. the Severns Val. Bapt. Chu. in 1781. Shortly thereafter he helped est. and pastor the Cedar Creek Bap. Chu. in Nelson Co. (McClure Hardin Co. hist., P. 138);
CHAPLIN (Nelson Co., Ky): "This prosperous vil. with po is centered at the jct. of US 62 and Ky 458, 1 mi from Chaplin R. for which it was undoubtedly named, and 13 (air) mi ne of Bardstown. The po was est. on 1/4/1832 with Asher Bodine, pm, and the town was first inc. in 1850. Capt. Abraham Chapline (1754-1824), one of Jas. Harrod's party which settled Harrodsburg in 1774, discovered this branch of Salt R. that bears his name. The name of the stream and community is no longer spelled with the term. 'e'." (Book-P. 56);
CHAPLIN (Nelson Co.): 15 mi. e. of Bardstown. Inc. 1850. Originally but no longer spelled with a terminal "e". Named for nearby Chapline Fork stream named for Abraham Chapline, a member of Capt. Jas. Harrod's party which settled Harrodsb. in 5/1774. He discovered the ford while exploring the headwaters of the mouth of the Licking in the fall of 1779.".... (Sarah I Smith, HISTORIC NELSON COUNTY, 1971, P. 191); po est. 1/4/1832, Asher Bodine... (NA); ("Char(lae)plän") Now: bank, a no. of nice churches and nice homes. Very relig. & prosperous settlement. Stores. Famed covered bridge and nearby Sutherland Mill on the rive; not over a mi. from town. Bridge burned a few yrs. ago... (Sarah Smith, 11/4/78);
CHAPLAIN (Nelson Co.): 1st inc. 2/20/1850, (ACTS, 1849/50, P. 172); also Act of 3/9/1876 incorporating. (ACTS, 1876, Vol. 2, P. 244); Capt. Abraham Chaplin, one of Harrod's party that arr. site of H'burg in 1774 and helped survey the town. He discovered the branch of Salt R. "that bears his name". Son of Wm. Chaplin, a Virginian of English descent but this has never been confirmed. He was b. 12/27/1754 in the present Jefferson Cnty., Va. He served under Geo. Rogers Clark. Was one of Harrodsburg's 1st trustees. Was in the Ky. state hse. and senate. Died 1/19/1824. Among other children, had a daughter, Indian:
Chaplin, who marr. Wm. Robertson in 1826...
(Rebecca Conover & Alma Ray S. Ison, "Capt. Abraham Chaplin--One of Harrod's Men" HARROHER. 7/13/1972, P. 3:1-7); Acc. to Laura G. Combs, 10/21/1885, this po was 2½ mi w of the Chaplin R. (Acc. to Ibid., 1/17/1899, the po was 1 mi se of Ashes Creek, 2 air mi from co. line. (SLR); APO; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., had pop. of 200. Laura G. Combs was pm. Had 2 stores, hotel, flour mill, other busi­nesses; Chapline was inc. in 1850. (Collins II, P. 645);
CHURCHILL (Nelson Co., Ky): rr sta. on the Lebanon Branch line, L&N, 1 mi. n of Boston First called Smith's Switch (so given on 1921 time tables, L&N RR) "but after Louisville interests purchased the distillery there the name was changed to Churchill Downs. Whereupon the famous race track at Louisville immediately brought suit to compel a change. As a sort of compromise the word 'Downs' was dropped and Churchill it has remained to this day." (R.R. South, "Our Station Names" L&N EMPLOYES' MAG. 12/1949, P. 17)
CLAND - (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 7/31/1904, Benj. K. Pulliam; Disc. eff. 9/30/1909 (mail to Colross in Spencer Co.) (POR-NA); This po as Cland was serving Pulliam's Store. Prop. name for the po was Ash. This po would be 4 mi s of Colross, 5 mi nw of Chaplin po, 5 mi w of Green Chapel po, 1 mi e of Ashes Creek. Only a country store. (Acc. to Benj. Kelin Pulliam, 2/08/1904) (SLR); John Bland acquired 550 acres on Simpson Creek 5/29/1781. (Acc. to Book A, P. 210) This was ca. 1 1/2 mi down Simpsons Creek from Bloomfield. (Acc. to Cert Book of the Va. Land Comm'n. of 1779-80, by Mrs. Jouett Taylor Cannon in REG. of KHS, 4/1934, P. 176); John Ash, Sr. on 4/26/1780, "claimed pre-emption of 1000 acres (...based on his improvement of it in 1776) on"
Town Fk. of Salt R., ca. 2 mi e of Jos. Cox's land. (Ibid., P. 175); Ashes Creek was named for the Ash family that had a settlement on it ca. 1780; John Bland's Spring Branch of Simpson's Creek. Acc. to a dep. by Thos. Polke (sic). Date-? in Nelson Co. ct. records, Dep. Book D, P. 380, acc. to REG. Vol. 32, 4/1934, P. 174); The above was 3/4 to 1 mi above the site of the Burnt Sta. This branch was one of the head of Simpsons Creek. (Ibid., P. 175);
Acc. to 1880 Census, Taylor Bland (35), a farm worker, lived with his parents Jacob (62) and Rachel (61) in Vot. Dis. #3 (Bloomfield); Jake Bland (1862-1944) and wife Lena (1860-1939) were buried in the Bloomfield Cem. Nancy Bland (1825-1864) was buried in the Bloomfield Bapt. Chu. Cem; John, Samuel, Daniel, and Osborn Bland lived in the Simpson Creek-Chaplins Fk. area in 1782, as did John Ash; Acc. to 1900 Census, B.K. Pulliam ne 7/1849 lived in Chaplin Prec. Taylor Bland ne Jan. 1852 lived in Bloomf. Prec. #9 with wife Eliza Listed in the Nelson Co. Poll Book--Chaplin 8/1836: Bryan Bland; Gideon, J., James, John, and Samuel Pulliam; Acc. to 1850 Census, Wm. Ford (34) lived next to Warrenton Bland (5), both farmers (Dist. #2);
COON HOLLOW (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. as Cummins, 12/23/1881, Nicholas Miller; ch. to Coon Hollow 4/18/1882, Nicholas Miller; 10/24/1899, James A. Wathen....10/28/1909, Arthur Cummins; Disc. 4/15/1918 (mail to New Hope) (POR-NA); P&G has this as Corn Hollow. Check...
Acc. to Nicholas Miller, 8/4/1881, the name prop. for this po was Coon Hollow and it would serve the commu. o that name, a vil. of 175 persons. But the po was est. as Cummins and would be 2 mi e of New Hope po, 3 mi w of Chicago po, ½ mi s of Pottingers Creek, on the n side of the tracks. Coon Hol. Sta. () Acc. to Ibid. 5/10/82, the po was Coon Hollow and it was 1 mi s of Pottinger Creek, 2 mi e of New Hope po, 3 mi w of Chicago po, in the depot of the Coon Hol. Sta. of the Knoxv. Branch of
the L&N. Acc. to A. Cummins, 1/9/1914, the po was 1 m s of Pottingers Creek, 1½ mi e of New Hope po, 1¼ mi w of Dant po, 15 ft. n of the L&N. (SLR); [kun hahl/ər] Nr. Pottingers and New Hope. Distillery. aka Cummins. (Sarah Smith, 1/4/1978); Named by early hunters for a cove in the knobs "noted for its growth of fine large trees (many of which) had hollow limbs which afforded safe and comfortable homes for râcoons." ca. 1861 a descendant of Col. Sam'l. Pottinger sold this tract to the Winsatt bros—Hillary and Louis. Several yrs. later Rich'd. Cummins bought the land and opened a sawmill at that site. He later operated a dist. which he sold several yrs. later and built a larger one on the rr, above New Hope. The C.H. Dist. & its warehouse later burned. (Thos. J. Pottinger, THE KY. STANDARD, 2/26/03)
COON HOLLOW (Nelson Co., Ky): Richard Cummins was ne in Ireland in 1830. To Am. in 1848. Settled first in N.J. to Lou. and then Bull. Co., Ill., and Raywick, Ky. wher he operated distilleries and then a sawmill. In 1868 he moved to New Hope area of w Marion Co. and opened the Coon Hollow Distillery. The local rr sta. and po were named for this. In 1881 it was acquired by the Nelson County Dist. Co. and he then operated a dist. at Loretto. Also a cattle and horse farm. (Perrin, 4th ed. 1887, Pp. 834-5); Coon Hol. is s of New Hope. "Surround ed by knobs on all sides exc. the n. side, being what is termed a cove in the knobs. This tract or cove is noted for its growth of large trees many of which had hollow limbs which afforded safe and comfortable homes
for raccoons. They were found here in great numbers and the place was named by the hunters who frequented the spot Coon Hollow." Once home to the famed Coon Hol. Dist. (Smith, HIST'C. NELSON CO., 1971, P. 241); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was on the L&N 18 mi s of Bardst. Pop. 300. N. Miller was pm and pub. of the Coon Hol. Herald. John Heston had hotel. J.E. Heston was rr agent. N. Miller was also the pres. of the Nelson Co. Distilling Co. and agent for Adams Expr. Co. J.E. Thompson had gro. Also a Willow Spring Dist. Co; Acc. to 1883/4 Gaz., pop. of 150. N. Miller was pm. Nelson Co. Distillery Co. Osborn & Cummins were coop­ ers. R. Cummins was a wire manufacturer;
CREEK (Nelson Co., Ky): "This settlement with po on US 31E/150, 4½ (air) mi n of Bardstown, and the nearby creek, a branch of Salt R., were named for Col. Isaac Cox, Jr. (1756-1787), a Pa-born Rev. War vet. Co: arr. in the vic. in April 1775 to settle on a 1000 acre pre-emption and est. the nearby Cox's Station, said to have been the first pion. sta. in the co. The xrds. settlement of Cox's Creek was founded at the jct of the present US 31E and Ky 509 where the po was est. on 11/28/1856 with John C. Cox, pm. In the early 1960: the Ky. Highway Dept. ordered the removal of the local store and po, which obstructed the view of oncoming traffic at the intersection and had been responsible for a no. of serious accidents. The po is now about ½ so. of the intersection." (Book - p. 70)
COX'S CREEK (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to James O. Manning 3/1914, this po was ½ mi w of Cox's Creek, 4 mi e of Samuels po, 5 mi w of Fairfield po, 6 mi n of Bardst. po. On 1/20/1936 Porter Stoner pet. for a site ch. 2400 ft. s of the old site to a pt. 4½ mi e of Samuels po, 5½ mi n of Bardst. po, 3/8 mi w of Cox's Creek. On 1/21/1939, Thos. Harold Hall pet. for a site ch. ½ mi n to a pt. ½ mi w of Cox's Creek, 4 mi e of Samuels po. Reason for move: for convenience of patrons. Returned to the site of the 1st po. (SLR);
COX’S STATION (Nelson Co., Ky): 5 mi. n of Bardst., off US 31e & 150. Named for Col. Isaac Cox, Indian fighter and land speculator, 1780. He was also a surveyor. He & party had left Pa. 4/1775 and went down Ohio R. The creek was also named for him. The sta. site was settled in the spr. 1780. The sta. was on the creek. Cox was killed by Indians in 1788. The sta. was known by this name by 1780. (Smith, Hist. N. Co., 1971, Pp. 17-22); The Cox’s Creek po is apo; Cox’s Sta. was built in 1780 on Cox’s Creek, ca. 5 mi n of Bardst. on Isaac Cox’s 100 acre pre-emption. Cox & several other settlers. (Nancy O’Malley in KY. ENCY. Pp. 237-8);
COX'S CREEK (Nelson Co.): c. 9 mi. n. of Bardstown on US31E and 150. 1st settlers=Col. Isaac Cox et al., 4/1775. He built fort there called Cox's Sta. the 1st fort in the co. He was a Rev. War officer from Va. Killed by Indians, 1788. Isaac had a pre-emption of 1000 acres in this vic. Crossroads commu. with gro. store opened by J. Manning in 1878. Cox's Creek Bapt. Chur. was est. 4/17/1785... (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO. 1971, P. 288); Cox's Creek po est. 11/28/1856, John C. Cox; 12/5/57, David H. Cox. Disc. 4/19/60; Re-est. 6/29/1869, Orion N. Cox... (NA);
COX'S CREEK (Nelson Co., Ky): As a settlement name this has been traced back to 1779/80 in Cert. Books of the Va. Land Comm'n. Col. Isaac Cox's 1st trip to Ky. was in 1776. Chu. & sch. were built at this Cox's Creek settlement by 1785. ca. the 1920s the Cox's Creek po was nr. the early sta. site. Col. Isaac was the son of Isaac who died in 1783. Col. Isaac ne 1744? and was killed by Indians in 1788. (Evelyn C. Adams, "The Coxes of Cox's Creek, Ky." FILSON CLUB HIST. Q. Vol. 22(2), April 1948, Pp. 75-103); In the spring of 1776 Col. Isaac Cox took up land on Cox's Creek. In 1780 he and his 2 bros. David & Benj. est. Coxes Sta., the 1st settlement in the future N. Co. (Evelyn Crady Adams "Rolling Fk. Bap. Chu. 1788-1948" REG. Vol. 46, 4/1948, Pp. 459-83);
COX'S CREEK (Nelson Co.): ("K(ah)x/əs Kreek"

The creek and the settlement were named for
Col. Isaac Cox...(cf marker)...The Jefferson Co. Surveyors Office was maintained at the sta. in 1780. Never had another name. The orig. site was the jct. of 4 roads. A store at the intersection responsible for a lot of wrecks because it obstructed traffic, in the line of vision of cars coming to the xrds, they couldnt see approaching traffic around it. So the Ky. Hiway Dept. caused the store to be removed, c. 15 yrs. ago. At that site now are only a few homes built around the store site. Not over ½ mi. away, on US
is the site of the new Cox's
road to Bardst. Here are a no. of
site of the highway marker.
and a "ham place." The new site is
called Cox's Creek. It's right on
highway. Very close by, but off the
highway, is Nazareth (q.v.) but they're
both really part of the same community.
The postmaster Cox(s) were descendants of
Isaac's. (Sarah Nelson, interview, 11/4/1978);
CRAVENS (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 9/6/1895, James A. Coyle; Disc. 2/14/1906 (mail to Bardstown) (POR-NA); Jeremiah Cravens was appointed J.P. of N. Co. in Dec. 1796; [cravan] (Smith, 11/4/78); Acc. to Jas. A. Coyle, 8/19/1895, this prop. po would be 6 mi ne of Boston po, 6 mi sw of Bardst. po, 2 3/4 mi n of Beech Fk. R. and 3/4 mi w of Cedar Creek. Vil. of 75-100 with a store, mill, blacksmith shop. On the road betw Bardst. & Boston, just w of Cedar Creek and due s of Samuels. (SLR); Acc. to 1880 Census, Tom Cravens (32) was a laborer in Vot. Dis. #11 (New Hope). John Cravens (55), a farmer, lived with wife Eliz. F. (54) in Vot. Dist. #8 (Balltown). Jas. A. Coyle (24) lived in Vot. Dist. #6 (Boston, Nelsonv.)
Solomon Cravens was that family's Nelson Co. prog;
CULVERTOWN (Nelson Co.): ("K(uh)l/ver/town"). Owned originally by the Smiths and first called Smithstown (sic) Smiths were then the predominant family. Renamed later when the Culvers replaced them as major family. The Culvers are still there...It's still called Culvertown...The Rose Greenwell house had been a stage coach stop but don't think this had a name...The 1st Smiths were John, Ed, & Kirby, brothers. No one refers to it anymore as Smithstown. (Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4, 1978);
CULVERTOWN (Nelson Co.): 1st called Smith's Town. On US31e, nr. Rt. 247. Several stores, chur., sch., homes=now. Smiths owned much land in vic. Jas. Culver=son of Rev. War vet. who came to Ky. & helped build Lynn's Fort nearby. James died age 108...(Sarah B. Smith HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971, P. 226); po est. as Smithstown (sic), 12/5/1903, John H. Smith; Disc. eff. 11/15/1905 (mail to New Haven); Acc. to John H. Smith, 11/17/1903, this prop. Smithstown po would be 4½ mi n of New Haven po, 3½ mi s of Balltown po, 4 mi w of Trappist po. (SLR);
DACON (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 9/7/1898, Wm. Blair Robards; 12/13/1900, Andrew Wilcoxon; 11/14/1901, Jas. B. Deacon; 8/26/1903, Harvey T. Kurtz; Disc. 11/30/04 (mail to Lenore) (POR-NA); Acc. to W.B. Robards, 7/6/1898, this prop. po would be 3 mi s of High Grove po, 4 mi n of Cox's Creek po, 3 mi e of Lenore po, 1 mi w of Cox's Creek (stream). (SLR); Acc. to 1880 Census, Jas. Dacon (42), a farmer, lived with wife Julia (35) & family in Dist. #9 (High Grove) nr Wm. Deacon (42), a farmer, and his wife Eliz. A. (40). No Wm. Blair Robards; Acc. to 1870 Census, Elijah Deacon (36) lived in the Samuel's Depot po area (prec. #5);
DACON (Nelson Co., Ky): Nancy Dacon (1816-1880) married Anderson Rouse and may have lived (c.1868) in High Grove area of Nelson or Bullitt Co. (KY. ANC. Vol. 28 (1), Sum. 1992, P. 18); Dacon and Deacon go together in the Davis Prec. (High Grove) acc. to the Poll Book. These were indi. families: Amgrade, James M., Doctor, John, Michael, Nathaniel, and Nathan; Acc 1880 Census, A. Wilcoxin (46) and wife Elen L. (38), farmers, lived next door to Jas. Dacon (42), a farmer and his wife Julia (35) and nr. Wm. Deacon (42), a farmer, and his wife Eliz. A. (40) in Vot. Dist. #10 (High Grove). James B. Deacon (5) was son of Wm;
DEATSVILLE (Nelson Co.): po est. as Sayer's Depot, 3/13/1866, Wm. Samuels; 8/12/1869, Alex. Sayers; 9/22/1869, Richard W. Deats; changed to Deatsville, 8/24/1870, Ibid.; 2/19/1874, Taylor W. Samuels....(NA); Sayers Depot was located betw. Deatsville and Samuels. This was "only a train stop at the Sayers Farm which is now (c. 1969) known as the late Frank Blanford farm." (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971, P. 280);
DEATSVILLE (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to T.W. Samuels, 3/2 1885 this po was serving what was locally called Sayers Sta. and was 1 mi n of Wilson's Creek, 2 mi w of Samuel's Depot po, 3 mi e of Cane Spring po, on the rr, w of Samuels. \(\) Acc. to T.P. Samuels, 2/10/1909, this po was ½ mi n of Wilson (sic) Creek, 2 mi nw of Samuels po, 2½ mi se of Lotus po, on the s side of L&N and 2 mi from the co. line. \(\) Acc. to Pearl E. Woodward, 7/24/1939, the po was 190 ft. w of rr sta., 3 mi n of Wilson Creek, 2 mi w of Samuels po, 5 mi s of Lenore po. (SLR); In May 1868 (no pm listed), this po as Sayer's Depot was 2 mi w of Samuels Depot, 3 mi e of Cane Spring po, 8 mi w of Bardst. po. (SLR);
DEATSVILLE (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., this place was aka Sayer's Depot and was a vil. & L&N sta. T.W. Samuels was pm, storekeeper, & expr. agent. Also a distiller. A. Salyers had another gen. store. G.W. Swearingen was a dist. too; T.W. Samuels opened a dist. here in 1844; Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., T.W. Samuel was pm. T.W. Samuels & Co. owned dist. T.W. Samuels & Sons gen. store & expr. agents. A. Sayers gen. store. Swearingen & Co. distillery;
DEATSVILLE (Nelson Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po is located by the jct. of Ky 523 and the Bardstown Br. of the L&N RR, 7 (air) mi nw of Bardstown. A po est. as Deatsville on 10/30/1850, with Leander P. Bradshaw pm, was moved in 1860 to the site of the hamlet of Samuels, over 1 1/2 mi se, and renamed Samuels Depot. On 3/13/1866, a po called Sayers Depot was opened by Wm. Samuels at a short lived train stop on the Sayers Farm midway between Deatsville and Samuels. Richard W. Deats, who became its pm in 1869, had the po moved to and renamed Deatsville on 8/24/1870. It is not known when the Deatsville name was first applied to that site but it probably honored R.W. Deats, a veterinarian, pion. settler, and his family's prog. in that area." (Book-P. 79);

"Deets/v(ih)l" 6-7 M'd. families settled this area over 150 yrs. ago. Named for R.W. Deats, veterinarian. Deats was the 1st settler and family progenitor. Now: store & po right on th rr, dist. and some homes. It's now about as large as it was c. 100 yrs. ago. Still called Deatsville. RR arr. 1877. DK where Deats came...
from. The Samuels family had a 4000 acre land grant around Deatsville. DK when the Deatsville name was 1st applied. No more Deats in the county. (Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4/1978) (q.v. Samuels....) The Deatsville po officially closed 2/8/1992 so it probably actually closed in 1990; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this place was on the L&N and had a pop. of 60. T.W. Samuels was pm and he and his son ran the local gen. store. W.I. Samuels was rr & tel. agent. R.W. Deats, Jr. was a veter. surgeon. Mobley & Samuels had a flour mill;
EARLY TIMES (Nelson Co., Ky.)  
"A popular brand of whiskey distilled by the Beam Brothers Distillery... was known as Early Times. The place soon became known as Early Times and when the railroad came (in 1886) its station adopted the name also." (RR South, "Our Station Names", L&N MAG., 9/1949, P. 15). 

.po est. as Beams 6/6/1888, Wm. M. Brown; ch. to Early Times 11/3/1892, Wm. M. Brown; 11/28/1892, John W. Shaunty... 1/14/1899, Edward D. Beam, declined... 10/13/1914, S. Lewis Guthrie; Disc. 7/15/1924 (POR-NA);
EARLY TIMES (Nelson Co., Ky): Early Times Dist'y. Co. In 1788 Jacob Beam began distilling in Ky. actually in then Nelson Co. where he arr. from Pa. in 1785. He was succeeded by his son David in 1818. In 1850 David's son John H. Beam took over. John's Early Times Dist'y. was 4 rd. mi from Bardst. on the Springfield Br. of the L&N at Early Times Sta. Wm. M. Brown was named gen'l. super. in 1891 and Edward Beam (John's only child) was named gen. mgr. in 1894. B.R. Hurt was co. pres. and John H. was v-p. John Marr. Maria Nall who died in 1890. Edward was ne 1873. The Early Times method of making whiskey involved "mashing the grain in small tubs and boiling the beer and whiskey in copper still over open fires." John's home was 5 mi from Bardst.

*E.T. Label started 1860 (?)*
FAIRFIELD (Nelson Co.): ("F-e/feeld") ("Ter/kee Town") In c.1830, this was a very prosperous town with a bank, hotel, many businesses. DK why renamed. Dist. was sold recently but dk what the bldg. will be converted to....Now: gro., serv. sta., homes. H. McKenna Dist. was started in 1856. Cath. chu was built there in 1806 by the Gardinners. The Cath. settlement was 1st called Gardinners Sta. ("G(h)ard/ɜ/nerz Stā/shan") at the site of the cem. where the Gardinners are buried. Figures the site was 1st settled betw. 1800-1806. Turkey Town was just a nickname. Sr. Catharine Spalding was an adopted daughter of one of the pioneer settlers, Tom Eldred.
In the 1780s most of the land in the Fairfield area belonged to the Gardiners and the Bryants. In 1795, a dozen families under the leadership of Clement Gardiner and Nicholas Miles settled on Cox's Creek, 1 mi. from the present site of Fairfield. By 1880, there were some 40-50 families in the settlement.... (Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4/1978);
FAIRFIELD (Nelson Co.): 1st called TURKEY TOWN. Est. 1/30/1818 (ACTS, 1818, P. 429); Inc. 2/22/1870, (ACTS, 1869-70, Vol. 1, P. 372); Now: gro., factory, 2 service stations, po. (Obs. 5/17/1979); With the closing of the distillery, residents have had to commute to Bardstown & Louisville for jobs. It's still inc. (John Ed Pearce, "Nelson Co." LCJM, 10/14/79 Pp. 12ff, 14); Acc. to P&G this po was est. in 1818...11/23/1840, Covington Wells; 11/25/42, Benj. A. Wilson... (POR-NA); Inc. 1820 (Collins II).
FAIRFIELD (Nelson Co., Ky): 1st called Cox Creek Settlement. Settled ca. 1792-5 by Catholics n of Bardstown. Families of Gardiner, Miles, Coomes, Aud, Knott, Adams, Montgomery, Clements, Wathen, Hagen, Simpson, Jarboe, Thompson, Pitt, Payne, Brewer, Rogers, Spalding, Mitchell, Dougherty, etc. (Hardin Co. hist. by McClure, P. 38); Acc. to Jas. H. Shanley 12/24/1898, this po was 2 mi w of Simpsons Creek, 5 mi ne of Cox's Creek po, 4 mi w of Bloomfield po, ½ air mi from the co. line. | Acc. to C.M. Luckett, 10/10/1939, the po was 40 ft. n of Ky 48, 2 mi w of Simpson Creek, 3½ mi s of Salt R., 4 mi w of Bloomfield po. (SLR); APO; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., it had a pop. of 250. Jas. H. Shanley was pm & storekeeper. A no. of other stores & shops & other businesses...
FAIRFIELD (Nelson Co.): On Rt. 48 between High Grove & Bloomfield. Est. as a settlement "out from Cox's Creek Sta. In 1795, a dozen Cath. families, under the leadership of Clement Gardiner and Nicholas Miles, settled on Cox's Creek, one mi. from the present site of Fairfield." Came mostly from Md. Orig. called Turkey Town for the profusion of wild turkeys in the vic. Later n.ch. to Fairfield. Inc. 1820 as Fairfield. H. McKenna Distillery was the only industry there in c.1870 when pop. = 167. This is the oldest extant dist. in the co., now owned by Jos. E. Seagram & Sons. Pop. (1970) = 163. Prosperous in the 1830s. Now has a bank.... (HISTORIC NELSON CO. by Sarah B. Smith, 1971, P. 147);
FERGUSON'S CHAPEL (Nelson Co., Ky): was built in 1792 by Rev. Joseph Ferguson, Meth. minister, on his own land. Mill Creek Bapt. Chu. was est. nearby in 1793. (Evelyn Crady Adams, "The Wood Family of Woodlawn, Ky." REG. of th KHS, Vol. 47, July 1949, Pp. 171-85, 177);
FORTY ACRE KNOBS (Nelson Co., Ky): (F503)
3 or 4 knobs 2 1/2 mi. ne of New Haven, collectively called Forty Acre Knobs, acc. to the New Haven top. map. M. Boone, the New Haven PM, recently asked several local oldtimers about these and they said they did not know of such feature(s). (Letter to me, rec'd: 3/6/1987)
GETHSEMANE (Nelson Co.): Pottinger's Sta. was in this vic. On Pottinger's Creek, of the Rolling Fork of Salt River. (Jillson, PIONEER KY. P. 99); Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani, on Ky. 247, the oldest Cistercian monastery in the US. 90 monks there. Peak pop. of 200+ after WWII. Cistercians of the Strict Observance who accept the rule of St. Benedict. This reform was initiated in the late 17th cent. and LaTrappe, France nr. Paris. Thus followers were known as Trappists. 39 Trappist monks from Melleray, France "established themselves at Trappist." ("The Gifts of Gethsemani" by Bill Norton; LCJM, 4/15/1979, Pp. 23ff);
GETHSEMANE (Nelson Co., Ky.)

"The famed Trappist Order of Monks, who have taken a vow of silence (with certain exception have a monastery near this station called 'Our Lady of Gethsemane.'" The station was named for the monastery. (RR South, "Our Station Names" L&N MAG., 1/1950, P. 16).

Gethsemani is 12 mi. s. of B'town. This is the Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani, founded 12/21, 1848. Trappist Monastery "neatly tilled fields furnish food for the monks... (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971, P. 229) (more info. if needed, ibid., Pp. 229-35)... po est. calle Gethsemani 2/19/1866, Brother M. Benedict... (NA); Another po called Trappist est. 7/10/1901, Frederick M. Dunne... (NA); 9 v. New Hope,
GETHSEMANE (Nelson Co., Ky):  Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., This settlement was on Pottinger Creek, R.C. Reid was pm, expr. & sta. agent. Patrick Cummins was wagon-maker. F.M. Head & Co. distillers and wholesale liquor dealer. James E. Peak ran hotel;
Gethsemane (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to B.M. Benedict, 2/8/1866, this prop. po would be Gethsemane Abbey and it would be 7 mi n of Wickliffe po, $\frac{1}{4}$ mi w of Pottingers Creek. Acc. to Fronia Blair, this po as Gethsemane was 1 mi e of Rolling Fk. R and 200 yards r of Pottingers Creek, 60 ft. n of L&N tracks. (11/2/96)

Acc. to Thos. E. Moore, 8/9/1939, this po was in the rr depot, 30 yards s of Pottingers Creek, $3\frac{1}{2}$ mi e of Rolling Fk. R, 15 road mi s of the Bardstown po. (SLR)

Acc. to 1896 Gaz., Gethsemane then had a pop. of 50. J.B. Dant Distillery. Guthrie & Co. gen. store. Head & Beam Distillers; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., R.C. Reid was pm, gro., & expr & sta. agent. F.M. Head & Co. dist.
and a flour & sawmill. Jas. E. Peak had a hotel.;
GETHSEMANI (Nelson Co., Ky): This name was applied by Fr. Nerinckx to a sch. in the home of M&M Jas. Dant that had been est. in 1818 by the Sisters of Loretto. In 1848 this prop. was acquired by the newly arrived Trappists from France for their monastery which became the Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani. (P. 90). Here a dist. was built in 1912 by J. Bernard Dant and it was operated as Taylor & Williams under their Yellow Stone brand. Several other owners and brands until it was acquired by Schenley Distillers, Inc. in 1953. (P. 104) (Smith, Hist'c. N. Co., 1971); "Trappists from Mellary France, under their Superior Fr. Maria Eutropius, arr. in Ky. and settled on a farm in N. Co. called Gethseman (1848). In 1850 the monastery (became)...an abbey." Fr.
Eutrobius was its 1st abbot. (Ibid., P. 69); Gethsemani Coll. was est. as a sch. for poor boys in the area. Founded by Fr. E. Bro., Cyprian was dir. Bldg. completed 1861. Chartered 1868 as the United Sch. of the Abbey of Gethsemani" but generally called The Boys Sch. In 1891 Gethsemani Coll. Closed after a disastrous fire in 1912. (Ibid., P. 79); The po was disc. in 1969 (P&G); The Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani was est. in 1848 by the bros. of the Cistercian Order (Trappist), 3 mi from New Haven. (Allan M. Trout, LCJ, 7/12/1965);
ABBREY OF OUR LADY OF GETHSEMANI (Nelson Co., Ky): The official name of the monastic order: The Order of Reformed Cistercians and it is a branch of the Order of Benedictines. The order acquired 1400 acres and 40 members of the Order, led by Fr. Proust, arr. in Amer. and developed this site. They were maintaining there (ca.1935) a 2000 acre farm incl. vineyard and dairy. (WPA ms., 9/1937);
OUR LADY OF GETHSEMANI MONASTERY (Nelson Co.)
12 mi. s. of Bardstown off US31e, on Ky. 247.
1st mona. of Trappist monks in US. Est. 1848.
Open to the public for worship & confessions.
(PR brochure by Bardstown C. of C., date unk: 
Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani, Est. 1848.
Order of Trappist-Cistercians which was founded in France 1098...(Highway marker on Ky.
247, e. of New Haven, acc. to GUIDE, No. 168,
P. 27);

(officially called The order
of Reformed Cistercians (by Bettie M.
Henry, WPA no. 9/27/1937).
GREENBRIER (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 10/6/1892, David W. German; 3/8/1902, Nellie H. German; 7/7/1904, John J. Sweeney; Disc. 3/24/1925 (mail to Woodlawn) (POR-NA); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this place was 5 mi from Bardst. and had a pop. of 30. David W. German was pm and superintendent of the Greenbrier Dist. Co. and rr agent. H.T. Craven was a dist. T.C. Mann ran a boardir house; [green/brah/r] nr Woodlawn. Extinct. (Sarah Smith, 11/4/1978); Acc. to David W. German, 9/24/1892, this prop. po would be 2 mi w of Woodlawn po, 2 mi e of Beams po, 6 mi e of Bardst. po, ½ mi w of Mill Creek, 15 ft. s of L&N. Greenbrier Sta. Vil. of 50. Acc. to John J. Sweeney, 2/24/1903, this po was on e bank of Mill Creek, ½ mi nw of Woodlawn po, 2½ mi e of
Early Times po, 1½ mi s of Stringtown po, 70 ft. sw of L&N. Acc. to Ibid., 8/1917, the po was 800 ft. nw of Mill Creek, ½ mi nw of Woodlawn po, 2.2 mi e of Early Times po, 80 ft. w of L&N. (SLR); Greenbrier Dist'g. Co. by G.M. Gowan at Greenbrier, Ky. po at Woodlawn, 5½ mi e of Bardst. (EST'D. RATES OF KY. DIST'S., Rice, 1892);
GREENBRIER (Nelson Co., Ky): an area along the road betw. Ballard's Prec. & Rapier's Ford. Named by a news correspondent who lived in the area. He title his col. "Greenbrier". Then as now these families were there: Greenwells, Reids, Downs, Paynes, Cecils. Washington Greenwell was prog. of that family. Two ridges extend thru this area and are divided by Quirks Run val. Winsatt and Cecils also lived in this area as did Thos Ballard. (KY. STANDARD, 5/21/1903, P. 1:6-7). Benj. & Robt. Winsett lived here. (Ibid.)
GREEN CHAPEL (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 3/23/1894, Wm. F. Sutherland; 12/30/1896, James M. Sweezy; 8/24/1903, John T. Ockerman; Disc. 6/28/1914 (mail to Bloomfield) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. H. Sutherland, 1/18/1894, this prop. po would be 3 mi sw of Vanburen po, 5 mi ne of Chaplin po, 2½ mi s of Salt R. and 1 mi w of Timber Creek. Acc. to J.T. Oekerman (sic), this po was 1½ mi w of Timber Creek, 3½ mi s of Salt R., 5 mi n of Chaplin po. (SLR); Acc. to P&G Greenchapel is one word; Acc. to Smith, Hist. N. Co., 1971, P. 193, Green's Chapel is a small vil. 3 mi n of Chaplin, off US 62. With a Meth. chu; [ghreenz chaep/al] derived from a family name. (Sarah Smith, 11/4/1978);
GREEN CHAPEL (Nelson Co., Ky): The Green Chapel Cem. a Green Chapel Meth. Chu. on the Green Chapel Rd. ca. 2 m
n of US 62. Includes several Greens (e.g. Wm. T. Green, 1845-1917, father of Jas. R. Green, 1879-1952; Acc. to
1900 Census, J.T. Ockerman (ne 3/1855) lived next to
J.H. Sweazy (ne 11/1857) in Chaplin Prec. and nr. Wm.
Green (ne 11/1845);
HIGH GROVE (Nelson Co.): ("H(eye) Gr(oh)v"");
Originally on a high elevation and was mostly a little schoolhouse and a few homes. The school was in a grove of trees. The commu. was moved to the val. but curiously retained its name. Now: has c. 50 homes and a couple of groceries. Moved c. 1895-1900. DK of any other name for it and it's still called this. Nothing on the orig. site. DK when the orig. site was 1st settled. An early community. (Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4/1978);
HIGH GROVE (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 1828 (P&G); 1/8/1830, Samuel Cassell; 12/20/1835, David H. Cox...2/16/1891, W.T. McClure; Disc. 5/14/1906 (mail to Smithville, Bullitt Co.) (POR-NA); "This hamlet with epo, where US 31E/150 crosses the e. fk. of Coxs Creek and is joined by Ky 48, is 10 (air) mi n of Bardstown. The name is derived from the orig. location of the po, est. on 1/8/1830, with Samuel Cassell, pm, in a grove of trees on a high elevation about 2 mi s of its present site. The po retained its name when it moved sometime in the 1890s; it closed in 1906. The name is given as one word on cont. maps." (Book-P. 13
HIGH GROVE (Nelson Co.): "...Years ago High Grove was located up the highway, where the High Grove one room schoolhouse stood on a hill." Now it's in a valley. So it's a transferred name. c. 1970 the hamlet had a skating rink & a gro. store owned & operated by Mrs. Ruth Hays, and a no. of homes. PO there located in McClure store. Commu. on US31e and 150 where they join SR48....(HISTORIC NELSON COUNTY, by Sarah B. Smith, Louisville: Gateway Press, 1971, P. 145);
HIGH GROVE (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to Jas. C. Fenton, 9/29/1885, this po was 3 mi s of Salt R. and on the n. side of East Fk. of Cox's Creek, 3 mi s of Smithville po, 13 mi due n of Bardst. po. Acc. to W.F. McCormac, 4/27/1887, this po was 3 mi s of Smithville po (in Bullitt Co.), 5 mi n of Lenore po, 1/8 mi n of E. Fk. of Cox's Creek. Vil. of 50. (SLR); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was 13 mi from Bardst. W.T. McClure was pm and storekeeper. Hotel & other businesses there; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., H.D. Rodman, MD, was pm. N.W. Deacon had one of the 3 gen. stores. W. Deacon had a flour mill. P.D. Grant had a sawmill. Other businesses;
HOWARDSTOWN (Nelson Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po lies at the jct. of Ky 84 and 247, 3/4 mi e of the Rolling Fork R. and 16½ (air) mi ssw of Bardstown. It was named for the Howard family whose prog., Wm., and Englishman, settled on the Rolling Fk. R. around 1811. The po was est. as Lunar on 3/10/1884, named for the nearby creek. Francis M. Howard, the first pm, was in this position when the po was renamed Howardstown in 1893. Around 1900 the store and po were moved to the present site to escape the flooding potential of the river." (Book-Pp. 145-6);
LUNAR (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to Francis M. Howard, 2/2/1884, the name proposed for this po was Howard and it would serve Howards Mill (sic). They were asked to select another name. The po would be on the e bank of Rolling Fk., 200 yards n of Lunars Run (stream). Country store and blacksmith shop.  

Acc. to Ibid., 9/22/1890, the Lunar po was serving Howards Mills(sic) on the w side of Rolling Fk. and at the mouth of Lunar Run (sic). (SLR); Acc. to Ibid. the po was now Howardstown and was serving Howards Mills and was on the e. bank of Rolling Fk. R, on the west bank of Lunar Creek. Acc. to F.M. Howard, 12/23/1898 it was still serving Howards Mills and was on the se bank of Lunars Run.  

Acc. to Stella Ellis, 7/24/39, the po
was 3/4 air mi & 1 rd mi. from LaRue Co. line, 1 mi s. of Rolling Fk. R., 4 mi nw of Stiles po. (SLR); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., F.M. Howard was pm, sawmiller, and storekeeper. Mahoney & Howard were distillers. Gilkey and Cecil had another store. Other businesses; APO;
HOWARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): ("H(ow)/ardz/town") DK of Luner. Named for Wm. Howard, the 1st settler. He owned a water mill there. The old store is still standing. DK of Austin Howard. Chester was a descendant. Now: store is still in operation. A trad. ctr. on the Rolling Fork R....(Sarah B. Smith, interview, 11/4/1978); In the late 19 cent. the local store was run by Milburn Howard, while his bro. Sam ran the nearby saw & flour mills. The commu. has long centered at the store. (Greenwell "Howardstown Store...." KY. STANDARD, 8/10/78)
HOWARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): 18 mi. from B'town on Ky. 84. Named for the Howard family. The 1st was Wm. Howard who came from England to that vic. the same yr. that Abe Lincoln's father settled Knob Creek farm in 1811. Wm. ran a water mill there called Howards Mill on the Rolling Fk. R. nr. the vil. Wm. was one of 7 bros. who left Chesterfield, Engl. for Am. because of relig. persecution, acc. to trad. (Chester Howard). Wm. from Engl. via Md. & in 1786 settled 1st nr. Cartwright Creek, Wash. Co., Ky. Died in his 90s and buried in St. Catherines Old Cem. at New Haven. Present Howards of that area are descendants of Wm. He was Cath. His bro., Edward, led a party of
Catholics from the Ohio R. to Nelson Co. in 1787...They settled 3 mi. s. of B'town in a section called Poplar Neck. (cf to Chester Howard who lives on US31e, across the road from Lincoln Knob Farm. F.M. Head runs the store at Howardstown. In 1900 the store was moved from a site on the river to its present site. (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971, P. 244); po est. as Lunar, 3/10/1884, Francis M. Howard; Disc. 2/17/1885; Re-est. 2/25/89, Ibid. name changed to Howardstown, 6/30/1893, Ibid. ...8/15/1912, Chester F. Howard...(NA);
HOWARDSTOWN (Nelson Co.): Austin Howard settled in this vic. in mid 19th cent. At that time it was called Lunar for the creek that flows thru the vic. His 5 children built & ran large gen. store, adjacent saw and flour mills, and nearby farm. Francis M. Howard was 1st pm of Lunah and was pm when the name was changed to Howardstown 6/30/93. The current pm, Mr. F.M. Head (since 12/1948) also runs the store. Before 1900, the store was moved ½ mi. from Rolling Fork R. to its present site to get away from the high water & be closer to the pop. PO in the store. (acc. to info. supplied by Mr. Head and by Austin's 5 children (incl. Sam, Willard, Milburn,
Paul Howard, a gt. grandson of Austin, who is now owner of Howard's Gen. Merchandise Store in New Haven, Ky.)(...) ("Howardstown Store Weathers the Years" by Ron Greenwell, THE KY. STANDARD, Bardstown, Ky. 8/10/1978);
HUNTERS DEPOT (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 7/17/1866, Wm. R. Hunter; 11/6/1872, John B. Hunter; Disc. 12/22/1881; Re-est. 3/19/1884, Thos. Clemons.... Disc. 7/3/1912 (mail to Bourbon); Re-est. 4/1/1915, John A. Morgan; 12/13/1915, Ruie J. Watson; Disc. 6/14/1919 (mail to Bardstown) (POR-NA); [huhn/tərz _dee/poh] on the L&N but nearer Nazareth. Extinct. DK why called this. (Acc. to Sarah Smith, 11/4/1978); Acc. to Thos. Clemens, 3/6 1884, this po was 5 mi se of Samuels Depot po, 5½ mi nw of Bardst. po, 3 mi n of Beech Fk. R., 11 ft. n of L&N, to serve a flag sta. (Acc. to J.A. Morgan, 11/10 1914, this po was 2 mi s of Fromans Creek, 1½ mi nw of Burbon (sic) po, 5 mi ne of Samuels PO, 33 ft. n of L&N. Sta=Hunters Depot. (SLR);
HUNTERS DEPOT (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was 4 mi nw of Bardst. Mrs. Mannix had a gen. store. Moore and Beam were distillers; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz. this was 4 mi nw of Bardst., John B. Hunter was pm, storekeeper & expr. agent. 3 distilleries owned by McGee, Stuart, and Walker; Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., this was on Froman's Creek and was a sta. on: the Bardst. Br. of the L&N, 4 mi from Bardst. Pop. 25. John B. Hunter was pm, storekeeper, & expr. agent. J.J. McGee had a dist. A. Stuart Dist. F.G. Walker Dist.;
ICETOWN (Nelson Co.): ("(Eye)s/town")
1st called Greenwelltown ("Ghreen/wal/town") for a large local family...Now locally called Icetown. A lot of Greenwells still live in the county. The Ices moved in after the Greenwells were there and became an important family. (sic) It was renamed for them. The Ices are still there. They settled there in 1780. Eliz., the mother of John Lee, married James Ice in 1789 and lived on the Beech Fork R....
Boat Yard Bottom on the Beech Fork R. was where the flatboats were hitched, acc. to Lucille Ice. Boats were loaded there for
shipping to the south. At one time there was a distillery there nearby. Now: just homes and the Ictown Chu. A settlement rather than a town....(Sarah B. Smith, interview, 11/4/1978);
ICETOWN (Nelson Co.): Betw. Culvertown & Nelsonville on Rt. 46 (the Nat Rogers Rd.) Named for the Ice family who settled there in the 1780s. Jas. Ice lived on the Beech Fk. R. and died 9/1818. Mission Oakdale Bapt. Chur. there. This was formerly the old Icetown Baptist Schoolhouse once owned by Francis Smith. (cf. Miss Lucille Ice & her sister who live on Rt. 46 nr. Beech Fk. R. Nearby is Boat Yard Botto: where the flatboats hitched... (P. 258) (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO. 1971);
LACONTON (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 4/8/1884, Nathaniel Thomas; Disc. 9/22/1884 (papers to Smileytown in Spencer Co.) (POR-NA); Acc. to Nathaniel Thomas, 3/25/1884 this prop. po would serve a commu. called Lacon and would be 5 mi due n of Chaplin po, 3 mi s of Salt R. and 1½ mi w of Timber Creek, 5½ mi from Wakefield Sta. Serving a country store. Just s of the Spencer Co. line, less than 2 mi e of Ash Creek (i.e. about midway betw. Timber and Ash Creek. Due s (l=1½ mi) of Doe Run. (SLR); Acc. to 1880 Census, Nath'l. Thomas (72), a farmer, lived with wife Mary (75) in Dist. #2-Chaplin; Acc. to Collins II (P. 645) Nath'l. G. Thomas represented N. Co. in the Ky.'Hse. 1846;
LANDING RUN (a trib. of Beech Fork in Nelson Co., Ky) (F503c) 6 miles from Bards- town. Settled c. 1779 by John Ritchie, Wm. Cleaver, others. "...given the name because, running swift and deep, it made a natural boat landing. On one side of Landing Run the land was rich bottom land covered with cane, good for farming. On the other it rose to a bluff where houses might be built. In the edge of low range of hills called 'The Knobs' ....." (on Cleaver's Beech Fork settlement in HAPPY LAND by Wm. A. Owens, NY: Scribners 1975, P. 103); Many large beech trees on the Beech Fork. (Ibid., P. 105);
LENORE (Nelson Co.): 5 mi. n. of Deatsville on Rt. 523. c.1969=gro. store in bldg. that formerly housed po, run by Jas. Ed Magruder. PO was named Lenore by Mrs. Sallie Duvall Bean from the Poe poem "The Raven". c1969: 20 homes, the orig. store, built 1890, is extant The nearby Chas. D. Bean farm was orig. owned by John Fitch, steamboat inventor....(Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971, P. 286); po est. 8/6/1886, Jas. E. Magruder...Disc. 5/2/1894; Re-est. 4/6/96, David Stallard, Jr.; Disc. 7/21/99; Re-est. 6/20/1900, Wm. E. Stansbury...(NA);
LENORE (Nelson Co.): ("Len/(aw)r") Locally still called Lenore....(Sarah B. Smith, interview, 11/4/1978); Acc. to Wm. E. Stansbury 4/20/1900, this po was 3½ mi sw of Dacon po, 4½ mi ne of Deatsville po, 4 mi e of Solitude po, ¼ mi n of Cox's Creek (stream), 6 mi s of Salt R. Not a vil

Acc. to H.W. Jones, 7/27/1939, this po was 2 air and 2½ rd. mi. from the Bullitt Co. line, 1/8 mi w of Cox's Creek (stream). (SLR); PO disc. in 1943 (P&G);
MILLERS INN PO (Nelson Co., Ky): 7/21/1825? with Jos. Miller, pm; Disc. 2/21/1925 (?); Re-est. 5/1825 (?) (Acc. to POR-pre 1830);
NAZARETH (Nelson Co., Ky): Nazareth Acad. was est. in 1812 by the Sisters of Mercy. On the Lou. & Springf. Branch of the L&N. On a 1000 + acre tract. Bldgs. incl convent, acad., chapel, infirmary, museum. (J.C.M. in REG. of the KHS, Vol. 17, Jan. 1919, P. 76); The seat of the former Naz. Col. & the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity, almost a mi w of US 31e and 1½ air mi n of Bardst., is now the home of Catherine Spalding Center, a multi-prog. conference and retreat ctr. The Motherhouse has been located at this site since 1822, when it moved from nearby St. Thomas where the order had been founded in 1812. Naz. Acad., later Col., est at St. Thomas in 1814 and chartered in 1829, was named
for the home of Jesus. In 1860 when the Louisv. & Bar (now L&N) RR was building thru this area, permission was granted by the sisters to run the right-of-way through their property. The Sisters later built the depot so the sta. was called Nazareth, as was the po, est. 4/14/1863 with Mother Columba Carroll, pm. For some reason, this office closed the following month and did not reopen until 1888. It is still in operation. (RMR as confirmed by Sr. Agnes Geraldine McGann, archivist, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, in letter to me of 12/21/1979); Acc. to Ibid., St. Thos. is ca. 4 mi w of Bardst. On the orig. site is now a Cath. chu. & sch. The chu. may have been built in 1819; apo;
NAZARETH (Nelson Co.): "Mother House of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth since 1822. The 1st establishment was made in 1812 at St. Thos. Plantation five mi. sw of B'town. The site of Nazareth Acad., now Nazareth Coll. of Ky., founded 1814, chartered 1829. Bishop John Baptist Mary David and Mother Catherine Spalding, co-founders buried in cem." (Highway mark at coll. entrance, US31e, n. of B'town, acc. to GUIDE, No. 896, P. 151.); Nazareth Coll. is now called King Center and is a corporate div. of the Sisters of Charity. Provides facilities for meetings of various Cath. groups. Located 3 mi n. of Bardstown. (Ellen Schneider, "Sense of Community..." CJ&T, 8/25/1974, P. B20:1-6);
NAZARETH (Nelson Co., Ky): At the St. Thomas site, or the e side of US 31E, 4 mi from Bardst., 400 acres were donated by M&M Thos. Howard. The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth was founded here in Dec. 1812. In June 1822 they moved to their present site 2½ mi n of Bardst. Sr. Catherine Spalding was the 1st Superior. The Nazareth name was given to the convent by Bishop David. Later Sr. Spalding's religious order was called Sisters of Charity of Nazareth. (Smith, HIST'C. NELSON CO., 1971, Pp. 85-7);
NAZARETH (Nelson Co., Ky): "This po and rr sta. are almost a mi w of US 31e and 1½ (air) mi n of Bardstown. The Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, founded in 1812 in St. Thomas, moved here in 1822. Nazareth Acad., later College, founded in 1814, also moved from St. Thomas and was chartered here in 1829. In 1860 the Sisters granted the right-of-way through their prop. to the Lou. and Bardstown (now L&N) RR. Since the Sisters later built the depot, the sta. was called Nazareth, as was the po est. on 4/14/1863, with Mother Columba Carroll, pm. The po closed the following month but reopened in 1888." (Book-P. 210);
NAZARETH. (Nelson Co.): St. Vincent Chapel on the Nazareth Motherhouse College campus. The chapel at N. was built 1829 and named St. Vincent's Chapel. ...(HIST' C. NELSON CO., Mrs. Lee Smith, 1971, P. 68); Acc. to Sr. Etienne Pargny, 3/22/1888, the po was 3 mi n of Bardst. po, 2 mi s of Hunters Depot, 5 mi sw of Cox's Creek po, 1/8 mi e of L&N. (Acc. to Ibid. 1/16/1914, the po was serving the Naz. Convent & Acad., 3 1/2 mi n of Beech Fk. & 1/2 mi se of Froman's Creek, 2 1/2 mi ne of Bourbon po, 2 1/2 rail mi nw of Bardst. po, 4 1/2 mi s of Cox's Creek po, 600 yds. n of L&N. (Acc. to M.M. LeBray, 7/24/39, the po was 1 mi e of Ky 168, 600 yds. n of rr & sta., 2 1/2 mi nw of Bardst. po. (SLR);
NAZARETH (Nelson Co., Ky.) "When the Sisters of Charity was founded in 1812 in Nelson Co., Ky., their log-cabin convent was named Nazareth after Jesus of Nazareth. Later on, just before the War Between the States, when the railroad was completing its line between Bardstown Junction and Bardstown, permission was sought and given to run the right-of-way through property belonging to the Sisters. The latter, in fact, subsequently erected the brick station building, so it was only natural that the stop should be titled Nazareth." (RR South, "Our Station Names" L&N MAG., 9/49, p. 15); po est. 4/14/1863, Mrs. Columba Carroll; Disc. 5/20/63; Re-est. 4/16/88, Etienne Pargny... (NA);
The log house at St. Thomas was, long the home of Bishop Flaget. The Nazareth name was chosen for Christ's birthplace. St. Thomas = 3 mi. from Nazareth. Fr. David & Bishop Flaget helped Sr. Cath. Spalding est. her order. During the CW, Lincoln issued a proclamation that that no damage was to be done to the school at Nazareth. Now at the N. site: home for quite a few of the sisters, commu. ctr., building a housing project, current po. Never had a store. Used for relig. retreats and commu. activities. (Sarah Smith, 11/4/78
NAZARETH (Nelson Co., Ky): APO (1993); Nazareth Coll. of Ky. was chartered by the Ky. GA 12/29/1829. Became a j.c. in 1922 and a sr. coll. in 1940 and moved to Lou. in 1971 where it merged with Spalding U. Early attracted students from all over the south. (Mary Michael Creamer in KY. ENCY. 1992, Pp. 675-76); Nazareth Acad. was the 1st Cath. convent sch. west of the Alleghenies. Est. by the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth on 8/23/1814 in a cabin on the St. Thomas farm, 5 mi se of Bardstown. Moved 1822 to new site at Nazareth on 237 acres, 2 mi n of Bardst. It was renamed Naz. Acad. Margaret Carroll (later Sr. Columba) was the school's 1st graduate and director from 1832-62. (Ibid.)
NEEDMORE (Nelson Co., Ky): see Smith, 1971, yellow sheet P. 6 #28...
NELSON FURNACE (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to W.H. Crady, 6/22/1876, this po was serving that commu. & L&N sta. of the same name and was 1 mi e of Rolling Fk. R. and 2 mi w of Beech Fk., 4 mi s of Boston po, 20 ft. w of the depot. // Acc. to G.W. Barkhurst, 8/13/79, the Nelsonville po & com. was 2 mi n of Rolling Fk. and Beech Fk., 1 mi n of Mud Run, 4 mi s of Boston po. The po was in the depot. // Acc. to Wm. H. Crady, 1/22/99, the po was 1 mi e of Rolling Fk. R., 5 mi e of Roanoke po, 75 ft. e of the L&N, 1 air mile from the co. line.// Acc. to Josie L. Troutman, 7/25/1939, the po was 1 air mi & 3 rd mi from LaRue Co. line, on the sw side of Ky 52, 300 ft. s of the station, 1 mi e of Rolling Fk. R.
NELSON FURNACE (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., it was a rr sta. Settlement founded in 1833 on Rolling Fk. R., 16 mi from Bardst. Pop. 400. W.H. Crady was pm. Crady & Miller had gen. store. B.D. Florence had another gen. store;
NELSON FURNACE (Nelson Co., Ky): was built in 1836 by Wm. and Mordecai Miller & John Irwin. Was a twin stacked blast furnace. The 1st iron smelting furn. in the Knobs or Rolling Fk. sect. of the state. In 1865 Miller & Irwin merged with Belmont Furn. but in 1874 both furnaces ceased op. (Highway Marker #1113); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., Nelsonville had a pop. of 100. J.H. Cady (sic) and J.H. Peters had gen. stores; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., Nelson Furnace was on the L&N, 16 mi w of Bardst. Pop. 200. G.W. Barkhurst was pm, storekeeper, sta. & exp. agent. Beeler & Terry had a flour mill. Also: shoemaker, wagonmaker, chair manu, another saw & grist mill. Several stores, other businesses;
Nelsonville (Nelson Co., Ky): Halfway between Boston & New Haven at jct. of Ky 52/46. Named for the Nelson Furn. The furn. was built in 1836 by Wm. Miller and John H. Irvin to smelt the ore from the knobs. Promoted the vicinity's growth. Ore was floated down the Rolling and Beech Fks. by barge. RR into there by 1857. Furn. operated till the 1870s. Trade ctr. & ind. com. (P. 260) Also there: tavern, grist mill, several stores, L&N depot. Pion. homes of Dan'l. Carter & Sharp Spencer. Spencer donated site for cem. on top of Slate Hill. 1st sch., 1 rm: log bldg. was 2 mi n. Rolling Fk. Bap. Chu. was 2 mi s. Founded 1788.... (P. 261) Log bldg. burned down and replaced by current
brick bldg. in 1840. Orig. log structure was s of the present bldg. (Pp. 262-3). PO bldg. burned down in 1965. The po was disc. 8/30/1958. White Dove Sch. is also gone. After the furn. closed the pop. declined and this is now an agri. com....The furn. closed down in 1874. Nearby (over the line in LaRue Co.) is Lyons Sta. This bldg. is falling down....(P. 262). (Smith, 1971); [nehl/sən/viəl] (Smith, 11/4/1978). Now: homes, chu., and store. (Ib.); PO closed in 1958 (P&G);
NEW HAVEN (Nelson Co., Ky): "This 6th cl. city with po is centered at the jct. of US 31E and Ky 52, on the Rolling Fork R. and 11 (air) mi ssw of Bardstown. It is very close to the site of Pottingers Landing which served the pion. sta. Col. Sam'l. Pottinger and other members of Jas. Harrod's com. est. on nearby Pottinger Creek in 1781. Pottinger is said to have later rename the landing New Haven for the city in Ct. of which he was fond. The town was officially founded in 1820, t po was est. in 1832 (sic), and the town was inc. in 1839." (Book-P. 212); APO;

.... (Allan M. Trout, "Reflected Pride, Glory of its Own" LCJ, 7/12/1965); Acc. to P&G the New Haven po was est. in 1829; 5/21/1832, Felix B. Thomas; 8/21/1833, Henry T. Howsley....(POR-NA);
NEW HAVEN (Nelson Co.): In summer, 1773, Sam'l Pottinger built cabin on Pottinger's Creek nr. present site of New Haven...(O.M. Mathers, "The Mathers Papers: Hist. of Hodgenville & LaRue Co." orig. publ. in 1925, published in book form as THE MATHERS PAPERS, LaRue Co. Herald-News, 1968, P. 1); ("Nyū Hāv/ən") The landing site on the Rolling Fk. is now suburban N.H. Thinks Pottinger arr. at the site in c. 1780 and that he named it N.H. P.L. was an important shipping pt. for the sta. est. in 1781 by the Harrods Co. on Pottingers Creek. ("P(ah)t-əndj/ərz"). Large quantities of fur, timber, meat, and whiskey were shipped from there...Still distilleries there... (The Leb.) (Sarah Smith, interview, 11/27/78)
NEW HAVEN (Nelson Co.): 12 mi. s. of B'town on US31e. Founded 1820 and inc. 1839. 1st called Pottinger's Landing. Harrod's company est. a sta. on Pottinger's Creek in 1781. Col. Sam'l. Pottinger, one of the company, hoped to see it become an imp. shipping pt. & to that end built a large landing & warehouse there for flatboats on the Rolling Fk. to Salt & Ohio R's...passage to N.O. Pottinger renamed it New Haven "because he admired New Haven, Ct Whiskey prod'n. is still its major econ. activity. The Lebanon Br. of the L&N reached N.H. by 1856 to boost local econ. Iron ore in the knobs se of N.H. was profitably smelted. Nearby Nelson Furn..."(Sarah B. Smith, HIST. NELSON Co. 1971, P. 245);
NEW HAVEN (Nelson Co., Ky): First inc. 2/18/1839. (ACTS of GA, 1838/9, P. 213); Acc. to J.B. Tennelly, 12/24/1898, the po was 1/8 mi e of Rolling Fk. R., 40 ft. n of the L&N, 1/8 mi from the co. line. On 10/19/1912, Green B. Price pet. for a site ch. 110 (air) ft. n to a pt. 300 yards e of Rolling Fk. R., 2 mi e of Lyons po, 14 mi s of Bardst. po, 75 yards n of L&N. Acc. to M.C. Hagan, 7/25/1939, the po was 80 air & rd. ft. from the LaRue Co. line, 700 ft. w of the L&N sta. and 300 ft. n of the tracks. 800 ft. e of Rolling Fk. R. (SLR);
NEW HAVEN (Nelson Co., Ky): In the Rolling Fk. valley. Inc. in 1839; APO; The Leb. Br. of the L&N reached N.H. in 1856. (REG. Vol. 46 4/1948, P. 467); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., its pop. then was 450. Many businesses listed....; a 6th cl. city with a 1990 pop. of 800;
NEW HOPE (Nelson Co.): 15 mi. se of Bards.
Rt. 52. Home of several distilleries. Near the
present Trappist Monastery. Among the earliest
settlers of N.H. was Monica Hagan, a widow &
hers 3 sons, Clement, Jas., and Edward, who
came from Md., 1782, & located in the vic. of the
present Trappist Mona.... The mona. is on the
farm 1st owned by Jas. Dant (Daunt) who lived
in Marion Co. before 1800.... In 1817, Dant
"offered his farm of 400 acres to the Sisters of Loretto for educational purposes." In 3/
1818 they moved into his home & set up school
which Fr. Nerinckx called Gethsemani. (P. 236)
....(Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO.,
1971); po est. as New Hope, 4/5/1844, Lawrence;
J. Berry... Disc. 10/11/1861; Re-est. 6/5/66,
Francis Head... (NA):
NEW HOPE (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to John S. Mook, Feb. 1904, this po was $\frac{1}{4}$ mi s of Pottingers Creek, 2 mi n of Attila po, 150 yds. s of L&N, 2$\frac{1}{2}$ mi from co. line. On 3/25/1913, illeg. signature pet. for a site ch. 45 (air) ft. w to a pt. $\frac{1}{4}$ mi s of Pottingers Creek, 2 mi v of Coon Hol., 2$\frac{1}{2}$ mi e of Gethsemane po, 400 ft. s of L&N, 2 air mi w of co. line. On 12/25/1913, Lizzie B. Thompson pet. for a site ch. to a pt. 1300 ft. s of Pottingers Creek, 1$\frac{1}{2}$ mi n of Gethsemane po, 12 yards s of L&N's New Hope sta. Acc. to Ibid., 7/26/1939, the po was 150 ft. s of Ky 52, 300 ft. e of New Hope Sta. depot, 250 ft. s of Pottingers Creek, 2$\frac{1}{2}$ mi w of Dant po, 1$\frac{1}{4}$ mi e of Gethsemane po. (SLR);
NEW HOPE (Nelson Co.): ("Nyu H(oh)p") At one time a real prosperous little town with a bank. Not much left. 6-8 mi. from Trappist mona. In 1787 Philip Miles & family came to New Hope. DK why so named. Not the name of the chu. which was called St. Vincent de Paul, a very old chu. A Cath. commu. DK of any other name for it. Now: several stores. Still called New Hope....(Sarah Smith, interview, 11/4/1978); Inc. 3/31/1884 (ACTS of GA 1883/4, Vol. 1, P. 943-47);
NEW HOPE (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was on the L&N and had a pop. of 350. It was 17 mi sw of Bardst. F.M. Head had gen. store, John Blair ran the hotel. B.S. Hall had sawmill. Two other gen. stores run by R. Masterson and T.J. Miller; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., the pop. was 150. Francis Head was pm, Head & Ballard had gen. store. T.J. Miller had another gen. store; Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., its pop. was 60. Head & Boles gen. store. E.L. Miles & Co. distillers;
POPLAR NECK (Nelson Co., Ky): Three (then road) mi. from Bardst. On Beech Fk. R. Edward Howard led a group of Maryland Catholics to Ky. in 1787, with son Thomas. They settled at P.N. With them was Fr. Chas. Whelan, an Irish Capuchin, the 1st known priest in Ky. The St. Thomas Sem. was est. in the Howard home and served the P.N. settlement. On his death, Thomas, Edward's heir, willed their prop. to Fr. Badin. Their station was called St. Thomas named by Thos. Howard for his patron saint. The sem. was founded there and took that name. There on 12/12/1812 the Soc. of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth was founded by Teresa
Carrico and Eliz. Wells and shortly joined by Catherine Spalding. Latter became Mother Superior (June 1813). Girls school started there in 1815. Removed to Nazareth in 1822. (Wm. J. Howlett OLD ST. THOMAS (Hist'l. Tribute to St. Thomas' Seminary at Poplar Neck near Bardstown, Ky.), St. Louis, 1906, Pp. 33-7);
POPLAR NECK (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 9/16/1852, Geo. Ball; 7/19/1853, James Coy; Disc. 11/21/1867; Re-est. 5/1/1868, Wm. Sutherland; Disc. 6/8/1868 (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. Sutherland, 5/28/1868, the local name of this commu. was Ball Town and it was 2 mi n of Landing Run. (SLR); This place was 3 mi s of Bardst. nr. St. Thomas. Settled ca. 1787 by Edward Howard and his son Thomas. (Smith, 1971, P. 64); Settled by a party of Catholics led by Edward Howard who came here ca. 1787. (Ibid., P. 244); Poplar Neck was a little way n of Balltown;
POTTINGER'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH (Nelson Co., Ky): org. 1785 by Benj. Linn, its first pastor. He also helped est. nearby LEVEL WOOD CHU. (Wm. A. Owens, A FAIR AND HAPPY LAND, NY: Scribner's., 1975, P. 124);
POTTENGER'S STATION (Nelson Co., Ky): Capt. Samuel Pottenger (1754-1831) of Prince Georges Co., Md. built his sta. 1781 ca. \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi n of the future Gethsemani po and \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi s of Gethsemani Abbey. He was a Rev. War vet. After the sta. disbanded, with its residents moving to their own claims in the co. and elsewhere, Capt. P. settled a site 2 mi e. (Nancy O'Malley's entry on Pottenger's Sta. in KY. ENCY., 1992, P. 731); Pottenger's Sta. was est. in the spr. of 1781 by a party led by Md-born Capt. Samuel Pottenger (1754-1831) that included his large collateral family and families of Gilkeys, Withrows, Willetts, Grafts, Mastersons, Millers, and Kincaids.
In 1778 Capt. P. built a home ½ mile of the sta.(sic). By then the stream was Pottinger's Creek. P. Creek is alleged to have earlier been called Heaton's Creek for Jonah Heaton. (S. Forrest Pottinger on Pottinger's Sta. in NELSON CO. GENEALOGIST, Winter 1991, Pp. 18-23
ROOSTER RUN: (Nelson Co., Ky): On Ky 245, 7 mi NW of Bardstown. The Rooster Run Gen'l. Store Acc. to trad.,, when Joe Evans opened the local store, a concrete slab was outside the store. Men would sit there and crow or brag while they drank their beer. But then it was against the law to drink beer outside. If law or wife was seen, the men would quickly leave. Someone said "Look at those roosters run." Evans named the place this. ("There is Only One Rooster Run" BACK HOME IN KY. 5-6/1989, P. 28)
SAMUELS (Nelson Co.): Taylor W. Samuels, ne 1/9/1821, son of Wm., a Va. born farmer, to Ky as a young man. Taylor W. was sheriff & magist of Nelson Co. for years and opened his distil in 1844 and acquired extensive land holdings in the county... (NELSON CO. RECORD--Ill. Hist'l. & Industrial Supplement, written by Sam Carpen er Elliott, 1896, n.p.); Son of Wm. His son Wm.I. was ne 1845. Latter ran local store (at Deatsv.) 1864 and became gen'l. super. of TWS Dist. 1866. Still by 1896. Taylor W. Samuels Dist. was ½ mi e of Deatsv. (Sta. on the Bardst. Br. of L&N). Dist. was started there by TWS in 1844. (Ibid.);
SAMUELS (Nelson Co.): PO abandoned. Little of the business district is left. (Bob Hill, "How a Search for a Bootlegger Led to a Ky. Travelogue" LCJ, 4/30/1978, P. Bl:1-6, 5-6); (Pron. "S(ae)m/yu/əlz Dee/p(oh)"=2½ syl.) Now just a little wide place on the road with a few homes on Ky. 245 1 mi. from Deatsville. (q.v.)... Samuels=Samuels Depot... The commu. was made up primarily of Samuels(es). Thinks that William was the 1st Samuels in there; he was father of Alex P. Samuels. T. Wm. Samuels, the gt. grand-father of T. Wm. Samuels (who is still living) came from Pa. to Ky. before 1800. The family
had a land grant of 4000 acres around Deatsville. T.W. est. a grist mill powered from a big spring. Later he began making whiskey. By 1840, he est. his 1st commercial distil. (see Deatsville....) DK about Leander P. Bradshaw...(Sarah B. Smith, interview, 11/4 1978);
SAMUELS (Nelson Co., Ky): "This hamlet with recently disc. po lies at the jct. of Ky 245 and 609, 5 (air) mi nw of Bardstown. The po of Deatsville, est. on 10/30/1850, with Leander P. Bradshaw, pm, was moved to this site in 1860 when the Lou. & Bardstown (now L&N) RR was built through, and renamed Samuels Depot for the prin. family in that area. The family's prog. was Virginia-born Wm. Samuels (ca. 1771-1836) who built a spring-powered gristmill on part of a 4000 acre grant in the vic. and later opened the first commercial distillery in that sect. of the co. In 1894 the po became merely Samuels." (Book-P. 263); Samuels po was disc. in 1987, acc. to P&G (check....);
SAMUELS (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to 1896 Gaz. this place on the L&N had a pop. of 100. Alexander P. Samuels was pm and gen. storekeeper as well as rr & expr. agent. Mobley & Samuels had flour mill. W.B. Samuels had gen. store and W.B. Samuels & Co. distillers. A hotel there; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., this place as Samuels' Depot had Alex. P. Samuels as pm, storekeeper, & expr. and sta. agent. Sutherland & Murphy Co. had a distillery. Other businesses incl. mill & wagonmaker. Alex'r. Sayers was Justice;
SAMUELS (Nelson Co.): 7 miles w. of Bards. or the L&N RR. Named for Alex. P. Samuels' father. Called Samuels Depot in 1877 when the rr came thru. In 1970, there was a store run by M&M J. Anderson, St. Gregory's Chù and sch., & several homes... (P. 280) One time a chair factory & a hotel there; also a distillery... (P. 280) (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971); po est. as Deatsville, 10/30/1850, Leander P. Bradshaw... ch. to Samuel's Depot, 4/17/1860, Wilson Samuel; 8/14/1874, Alex P. Samuels; changed to Samuels, 8/8/1894, ibid. ... (NA);
SAMUELS (Nelson Co., Ky):  Acc. to Alex. P. Samuels, 7/11/1876, this po as Samuels Depot served the sta. of this name 1/8 mi n of Rogers Run, 2 mi s e of Deatsv. po.  Acc. to A.P. Samuels, this po was now Samuels and was on the n side of Rogers Run, 2 mi s of Deatsv. po, 3 mi n of Hunters Depot po, 60 ft. e of tracks.  Acc. to Mary Cornelia Hibbs, 7/25/1939 this po was 2 mi se of the nearest rr sta. at Deatsville.  On 3/16/1949, Sara H. Anderson pet. for a site ch. 100 yards e to a pt. 50 yds. e of Samuels Sta. (depot) on the L&N. (SLR);
Samuels Depot (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., this place had a dist., sawmill, sch., po. Pop. of 100. Samuels & Morrow gen. store. N.R. Hardin gen. store. Wm. Hughes ran hotel. Walker & Co. had sawmill. W.B. Samuels & Co. distillery; W.B. Samuels & Co. founded in 1869 at Samuels by WBS, ne 1842 in N. Co. He was the son of Wilson Samuels. By 1896 he was in partnership with Geo. R. Burks (ne ca. 1867). (Sam'l. Carpenter Elliott in THE NELSON CO. RECORD: AN ILLUSTRATED HIST'L AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPLEMENT, pub. by the Record Print'g. Co., Bardst., Ky. 1896, reprinted 1973 by Old Nelson Ltd., n.p.);
Taylor W. Samuels, a merchant and distiller, was born in 1821, the son of Wm. Samuels (ca. 1771-1836), a Virginia native who, after moving to Nelson Co., became a farmer & slaveholder and sheriff & mag. Other sons of Wm. were Robt. F. and the late Rev. Preston B. Among the children of Taylor W. and his wife, Levina (nee Osburn), were Wm. I, Thos. P., and the late Robt. B. T.W. owned some 3000 acres of Nelson Co. land ca. 1885. He had been a merchant since 1867 and began distilling whiskey in 1844. He too was a Nelson Co. sheriff & mag. (Perrin, 4th ed., 1887, Pp. 992-93); Wm. B. Samuels (1843), son of Wilson Samuels. Wilson (1814-1874) was a merchant and co. mag. & judge of its ct.
of claims. Wilson was the son of John Samuels, a Nelson Co. mag. and slaveholder. Other sons of Wilsc and Martha Samuels were Alex. P. and the late John, James S. and Dr. Augustus W. William B.'s son was Harry Mark (ne 1875). Wm. B. opened a gen. store at Samuels' Depot in 1850. nr. where he was born. He began distilling in 1870. (Ibid., P. 993); Taylor W. Samuels ne.l/9/1821, son of Wm. and Sarah (nee Hog- land) Samuels. Wm. was Va-born, came to Ky. early & was a slaveholder and farmer, sheriff and N.Co. mag. and died in 1836, age 62. Wm. was son of James Samuels. Among Wm. & Sarah's other children were
Robert F. and the Rev. Preston B. Taylor and his wife Levina (nee Osburn) whose own children included Wm. I., Thos. P., Robert B, etc. Taylor was ne N.Co. and by 1882 owned 3000 acres of Nelson Co. land and was a farmer, a storekeeper (since 1867) and distiller (since 1844), sheriff & mag. (Ibid., Pp. 254-5);
STILES (Nelson Co.): 1st called Rolling Fork. David Stiles owned 5000 acres in the vic. Divided it among 11 children. He was from N.J. This land is still in his family. Comm. is sc of Howardstown nr. the Rolling Fk. R. on Rt. & Had a po. Nearby is the Stiles Cem. & the Unic Band Bapt. Chu. David Stiles came to Co. in 1809. Died 1839. His dates (1760-1839). He & wife, Eliz. (Kitchell) were prog's of Stiles family in Ky. Settled in that val. in 1809.... (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON CO., 1971, P. 243); Rolling Fork po est. before 1833- maybe... 1/28/1833, B.W. Ousley; 4/10/33, Abraham Stiles; Disc. 4/25/39; Re-est. 2/18/40 Mitchell M. Stiles; 3/29/42, Ogden W. Stiles; 7/15/63, Lafayette Stiles; Disc. 5/12/1864;
A Stiles po was est. 7/15/1905, Rebecca R. Miller; Disc. 1/14/1911; Re-est. 5/14/1915, Fannie B. Stiles... (NA);

Stiles is 18 mi from Bardst. in the Rolling Fk. R. val. Settled 1809 by David Stiles. Vil. was early called Rolling Fork. David's older son, Lewis, was pm of R.F. po in 1824. The po of Stiles was est. 7/15/1905 and was disc. 1/14/1911. Re-est. 5/14/1915 and disc. 5/31/1958, eff. 6/30/58. The last pm was Mr. Willette Bennett Stiles. Lewis was a large landowner and distiller. The commu. later became part of Howardstown. Fanny Beeler Willette was another Stiles pm. David was family's prog. Willette Stiles had a
gen. store and gas sta. Nearby is the Union Band Ba-
from the chu. is Mt. Pisgah. David was ne Morristown,
NJ in 1760. He rec'd. land grant for 5000 acres on
Rolling Fk. R. (Lois Ogden Stiles Sparks, A HIST. OF
THE DAVID STILES FAMILY. (a geneal. 1575-1980),
UK, KHS) (Pp. 27-33);
STILES (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to Rebecca Ross Mille:
3/3/1905 this prop. po would be 2½ mi n of Ginseng po, 1 mi n of Rolling Fk. R. and 1 mi from Otter Creek., on the rd. due n from Ginseng. // Acc. to Fannie B. Stiles, 2/22/1915, this po was ¼ mi e of Rolling Fk. R., 1 mi below the mouth (s. of) Otter Creek, 4 mi s of Howardstown po, on the New Haven & Howardstown Pike, ¼ air mi e of the co. line. // Acc. to no signature, 7/1939, the po was ¼ air mi and 3 rd mi from co. line, ¼ mi ne of Rolling Fk. R., 2½ m s of Howardstown po. // On 12/10/1945, Willette B. Stiles pet. for a site ch. 4/10 mi. (700 yards) se to
a pt. 1 mi n of Rolling Fk. R., 3 mi s of Howardst. po, 1 mi n of the co. line (SLR); po was disc. in 1958 (P&G); David Stiles had been given a land grant for 5000+ acres in the neck of the river for Rev. War services. (Smith, 1971, P. 243); Lewis Stiles ne N.J. 1785 and died 1858. To Nelson Co. in 1809 and settled on Rolling Fk. His father, David, arr. 1810. Lewis was a Nelson Co. mag. & sheriff, farmer, slaveholder, and distiller. David was a Rev. War vet. Ogden W. Stiles (1823-1878) was son of Lewis. (Perrin, 4th ed., 1887, Pp. 1004-05);
STILES (Nelson Co.): ("St(eye)↔(ah)lz")
Now: gro., chu., good farming area. George Stiles lives there. ("R(oh)l/(ih)n F(aw)rk")
at same site as Stiles. R.F. name in use c. 1863...Part of the orig. David Stiles land is still owned by his descendants. All Stiles in co. are descendants of progenitor David. He arr. there c. 1809 probably to claim land from a Rev. War land grant. (Sara B. Smith, interview, 11/4/1978);
STRINGTOWN (Nelson Co.): ("Str(ih)⁴/town")
Nothing left but a few homes. Once had a store, blacksmith shop. DK who named it. Still called Stringtown Road. (Sarah B. Smith, interview, 11/4/1978); Acc. to Wm. Wright, 2/23/1898, this prop. po would be 3½ mi ne of Early Times po, 4½ mi nnw of Woodlawn po, ca. 6 mi e of Bardst. po. Pop. ca. 24 (SLR);
STRINGTOWN (Nelson Co.): On US62, 6 mi. e. o Bardstown. Geo. D. Marshall ran a store there in 1873. He was also a farmer. A home, store, blacksmith shop owned by John Maraman "comprised what was called Stringtown." DK why or who named it. At one time a prosperous community. School. Maraman sold out to Marshall. Marshall Stringtown Store thrived serving local farmers. PO was in the store. (P.199) The town in the late 19th cent. was often called "Stringtown on the Pike" when 7 mi. of road by 1886 was made a turnpike. Marshall moved west and sold his holdings to Wm. Wright...Mr. Mulligan was the last S'town merchant. Storehouse abandoned. Most of the town "passed out of existence and name was almost forgotten." Then a reviva.
of S'town 20 yrs. later (c. 1940) as a rural
neighborhood center with an active homemakers club
(acc. to Mrs. Myrtle Nicholls, 11/1940) (P. 200)
(Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON COUNTY
1971); po est. as Stringtown, 4/1/1898,
Wm. Wright; Disc. 2/18/1903, eff. 2/28/03
(papers to Bardstown) (NA);
TRAPPIST (Nelson Co.): The Trappist abbey stands right on top of Rohan Knob. The Dant family gave the land for the abbey at Gethsemane. (Gerald Thompson, St. Mary's, Ky., interview, 9/22/1978); (q.v. New Hope entry, Sarah Smith interview notes...); ("Tr(ap)iast") "Tr(ae)p/st")
The monks came to Amer. from France, 1848, to Nelson Co...Gethsemane is the official name of the commu. ("Gh(eh)th/s(eh)m/ən/ee") altho' both names are commonly used interchangeably. The monastery is all that's there now. Officially called the Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemane, founded 12/21/1848. Before that, the site was owned by Ann Miles who gave the land
to them with the stipulation that she be buried on the grounds. It wasn't actually given Abbey status until 1850....When the Trappists arr. in 1848, they found some old bldgs. at the site. There have been 2 spellings of the village's name: Gethsemane and Gethsemani. A little vil. with gro., po, and rr sta nearby but that's since been done away with. So all that's left of Gethsemane is the monastery. At the old vill. site now are just some homes. (Sarah B. Smith, interview, 11/4/1978);
of the Strict Observance. On 12/21/1848 48 brothers came from the mona. at Melleray, France, to The Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani, 10 mi s of Bardst. under the leadership of their abbot Fr. Eutropius Proust; Acc. to Smith, 1971, P. 230, the Cistercial monks from Melleray in 1848 purhcased 1400 acres of the Gethseman site from the Loretto sisters and arr. there Dec. 20. Fr. Eutropius, their leader, is said to have named it. Here the Sisters ran an orphanage for 30 yrs. but had moved from there by 1848. (Ibid., P. 231); The mona. bldgs. occupy the site of the Dant Bros. cabin. In 181 Jas. Dant deeded his home & farm to the Sisters of L. for their sch. for orphan girls.. The place became known as St. Barbara's. (Ibid);
TRAPPIST (Nelson Co., Ky): Acc. to Frederick M. Dunne 6/17/1901, this prop. po would be 2 mi n of Gethsemane po, 4 mi w of New Hope po, ½ mi s of Pottingers Creek, and would serve the monastery. \[1\] Acc. to Ibid., 7/27/3 this po was 1 3/4 rd. mi n of Gethsemane sta. & po. (SLR); this po was disc. in 1983 (P&G); James Dant (Daunt) and his wife settled on a farm that was later the site of the Trappist mona. In 1818 the Dants moved to the site of the later New Hope. (Perrin, 4th ed. 1887, P. 236); Corr. Smith, 236.
J.W. Dant was ne 1820 in Marion Co., son of John B. & Mary J. Dant, Marion Co. natives. John (1799-1881) was the son of Joseph Dant of Maryland who settled nr. Loretto early and died in 1833. Among J.W. and Mary's children were: Jos. Bernard, Thos. S., John P., Jas. R., Wm. W., Francis L., Geo. W. ca. 1885 he owned a distillery at Dant Sta. (Perrin, 4th ed., 1887, P. 836); The order owns 1000 acres of woods and farm lands at Gethsemane Farms Trappist Monastery. They make fruit cakes, cheese, and bourbon choco. candy for mailing;
WICKLIFFE (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 10/27/1856, Wm. S. Ford; 7/2/1858, Geo. A. Boles; 6/17/1863, Geo. W. Elliott; Disc. 6/4/1866 (POR-NA); this po was 7 mi s of Gethsemane po (1866); Chas. A. Wickliffe (1788-1869 was ne Springfield, Ky. (Lowell Harrison, KY. ENCY., F 951); Wickland was the elegant home of the Wickliffes just e of Bardst. on US 62. It was built 1825-8 for Chas. A. Wickliffe (who was gov. of Ky. 1839-40). Also home to a future gov. of La., Chas's. son Robert C., & Ky's. gov. J.C.W. Beckham, Chas.'s grandson. Extant & open to the public as a showplace. (David H. Hall in ENCY. P. 950); Wickland, a 3 story brick bldg., was home to 3 gov's. Built 1817 by Ky. Gov. Chas. A.
Wickliffe and birthplace and home of La. Gov. Robt. C. Wickliffe. On US 60, a short distance n of US 150, ½ mile of ct. house; Acc. to 1850 Census, C. A. Wickliffe, a lawyer (61) lived with wife Margaret (61) and sons Robt., a lawyer (31), and John C. (19), and nr. Nath' Wickliffe, a farmer (66) and wife? Ann S. (45) in Dist. #2; John C. Wickliffe represented the co. in the Ky. House 1857-9 and T. Logan Wickliffe did too 1841, 1843;
Charles, Martin, and Robert Wickliff acquired land on Cartrights Creek in 1780/81. Chas. was father of the future gov. Chas. A. (of Wickland). Aaronton (or Arrington) Wickliff acquired 200 acres on Beech Fork on 5/19/1780, 500 acres on Simpsons Creek on 5/29/1781 and 2000 acres somewhere in what became Nelson Co. on 7/24/1784;
WICKLIFFE (Nelson Co., Ky): This post may have been in the southern part of the county near the future Stiles post. Was this the site of Camp Wickliffe on the elevation between Wickland and the Lou. Pike (US31E) that had been named for Chas. A. who was instrumental in "keeping Ky. in the Union". Camp est. 1861. ca. 11/1861 was moved to Wm. Sutherland's farm on the New Haven Rd. near St. Thomas. The latter may also have been called Camp Morton (?). It was a "staging pt. for federal troops." Tent city housed as many of 10,000 troops (John B. Thomas, Jr.'s col. "It Happened Right Here--A Hist. of the C.W. in Nelson Co." KY. STANDARD, 9/16/1987) The camp may have closed 4/1862. (Ibid., 11/11/1987);
WIMSATT (Nelson Co., Ky): po est. 10/20/1904, Della M. Cecil; 8/22/1908, Etta Cecil; Disc. 6/30/1912 (mail to Bardstown) (POR-NA); Acc. to Della M. Cecil, 7/29/1904 the prop. name for this po was Beech Fork and the po would be 5½ mi se of Bardst. po, ½ mi s of Beech Fk. R. 1½ mi nw of Harrison's Run. It was probably in Wm. F. Cecil's home (SLR); Ignatius Wimset (sic) was included in the 1792 tax list for Nelson Co; [wihm/sat] (Smith, 11/4/1978); J.Austin Wimsatt (1868-1941) is buried at St. Joseph Cem. in Bardst. He may have been the oldest of that family there; John Wimsatt (1845-1889) is bur. at the St. Vincent de Paul Cem. at New Hope. Richard S. Wimsett (1861-1929) is bur. at St. Catherine Cem. at
New Haven as is James Matt Wimsett (1868-1947) and Mrs John Wimsatt (Nancy) (1819-1892) but not John. Also there: Sarah Wimsatt who died 2/1854, age 72 and Jas. Robt. Wimsatt who died 10/1913, age 71. Stephen Wimsatt (1839-1911) is buried at Nelsonville Cem; Acc to the 1870 Census, the Cecils and the Wimsatts were neighbors in Prec. #8, Bardstown po area, especially Stephen Wimsett (66) and Linus Cecil (58); Another var spelling of the family name: Wimpset; Raphael Wimsett, Rev. War Vet + Pensioner, died 1818;
WOODLAWN (Nelson Co.): ("Wood/lawn")
Anne Ferguson Wood, descendant of Rev. Jos. Ferguson who had brought Methodism into Nelson Co. Now: gro., chu., homes, which is all it ever had. Still called by that name. (Sara B. Smith, interview, 11/4/1978); Woodlawn po was disc. in 1954 (P&G); On Ky 605. Founded by its name source Dr. Jonathan Clinton Wood and wife Ann in 1887. RR stop and vil; The Woodlawn Meth. Chu. was org. 1790 as Fergusons Chapel, named for Jos. Ferguson who came from Fairfax Co., Va. (Smith, 1971, P. 201); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was 7 mi from Bardst. Pop. 50. Geo. W. Swearingen was pm & expr. agent. Swearingen & Herps had gen. store. J.M. Herps was rr agent. J.C. Wood was local MD;
WOODLAWN (Nelson Co.): po est. 3/10/1888, Geo. "R". Marks... (NA); 6 mi. e. of Bardstown. Vill. named for its 1st founder in 1887, Jonathan Clinton Wood & wife, Ann Ferguson Wood. His father, Rev. War vet. Jonathan Wood came to Ky. from Md. in 1796. He was son of Jos. Wood, a Md. landowner. Many of his descendants still live in the Bardstown area... Woodlawn's founder (1835-1923) was an MD. His wife, Ann (1833-1915). The Woods sold land to the L&N RR "when it was extended to Springfield in 1887 and gave the name of Woodlawn to the station nr. their home." A little vil. called Gasburg was e. of Woodlawn. Now at Woodlawn: gro. store, the Woodlawn Meth. Chu.
Had distilleries in the past... (P. 200) (Sarah B. Smith, HISTORIC NELSON COUNTY, 1971);

Acc. to G.R. Marks, 2/22/1888, the name prop. for this po was Woodvale and this po would be 6 mi e of Bardst. po, 4½ mi n of Botland po, 0.4 mi e of Mill Creek, 250 ft. n of the tracks of L&N's Springfield Branch. The L&N sta. there was Woodvale and it was 2 mi from Beam's Sta. (see map I copied).

Acc. to Geo. W. Swearingen, 1/9/1914, this po was ½ mi s of Mill Creek, on the n. side of the L&N.

Acc. to J. Hollan? Geoghegan, 7/25/1939, this po was 300 rd. ft. ne of the depot, 1 mi e of Mill Creek, 7 mi e of Bardst. po. (SLR);
WOODLAWN (Nelson Co., Ky): Jonathan Wood (1747-1837) from Frederick Co., Md. to Ky. 1796. Son of Jos. Wood with wife Catherine & fam. he settled 4 mi e of Bardst in 1798 he had acquired a plant. of 375 acres at the head of Stewarts Creek (sic), a branch of Beech Fk. (Nelson Co. Deed Bk. 5, P. 372). Here he lived till his death and it was here that his grandson, Dr. Jonathan Clinton Wood and wife founded and named vil. of Woodlawn in 1887. Botland, 2 mi s, on the stage rt. betw. Bardst. & Springf., was the local trade center for this area. Nearby was Fergusons Chapel org. 1792. Dr. Wood (1835-1923) was the son of Otho Williams Wood (1792-1854) & Eliz. Crume. Rec'd. med. degree from U. of Lou. 1866. Marr. his 1st cousin Ann McCown Ferguson
He and Ann sold site to L&N in 1887 and named the sta. Nothing said of a Woodvale. (Evelyn Crady Adams, "The Wood Family of Woodlawn, Ky. REG. of KHS, Vol. 47, July 1949, Pp. 171-85);
Nelson Co. pioneer stations: Isaac Cox, et al in 1780 built fort & stockade 5 mi. n. of what was then called Salem (Bardstown) and named it Cox's Station. In 1783 or earlier Benj. Linn (sic) built Linn's Station on Beech Fork 2 mi. from Landing Run. Polk-Kincheloe's Sta. was called the Burnt Station "because Indians killed or captured a number of whites forted there and burned the buildings." (Wm. A. Owens, XX A FAIR AND HAPPY LAND, NY: Scribner's, 1975, P. 114);
NAZARETH, Ky.—The board of trustees of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth voted unanimously yesterday to name its novitiate the Martin Luther King Center for the Study of Community.

In addition to housing young women preparing to enter the order, the novitiate also is used for special workshops, institutes, retreats and lectures.

Mother Lucille Russell, chairman of the Nazareth board, expressed the hope that "this change in the name of the building honoring a great man and publicly proclaiming confidence in and appreciation of black America will serve also to help to keep alive the memory of a life that was truly Christ-like."