

Collection #
M 0889

THOMAS WOOLERY ARITHMETIC BOOK, 1817–1818

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF
COLLECTION: 1 bound volume

COLLECTION
DATES: 1817–1818

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ALTERNATE FORMATS:

RELATED HOLDINGS: Abraham Lincoln Papers (M0567)

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Thomas Woolery was born in 1806, most likely in Kentucky. Woolery later moved with his family to Lawrence County, Indiana where he married Rebecca Mitchell, 24 May 1827. He died in Kansas, 1831. The book belonged to a descendant of Rebecca Mitchell, William Thomas Mitchell, whose grandson, Lee Newton, gave it to the Renton History Museum in Renton, Washington.

Sources:

Indiana State Library, Ancestry Library.com, Indiana marriage Collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The deerskin bound arithmetic book contains 160 pages and is dated 1817–1818. It belonged to Thomas Woolery, born 1806 [probably in Kentucky]. It documents Woolery's progress from simple addition and subtraction problems at the beginning of the book to more complicated mathematical problems at its end. This arithmetic book appears to be similar in form to the Abraham Lincoln sum book page in Collection M0567. Like Woolery, Lincoln attended school in southern Indiana during the early years of the 19th century.

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