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# 1820 Roane County, Tennessee Schedule of Manufacturers

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The 1820 Census of Manufacturers is especially helpful for East Tennessee because there is no extant census prior to 1830. Included in the 1820 enumerations were questions relating to the items manufactured, number of persons employed, type of machinery, expenses, and production. The census taker was provided with the list of questions but not a form. So each enumerator recorded the collected information in his own arrangement. This explains why the format varies from county to county. Robert Cannon recorded the Roane County list in legible handwriting which averaged three entries per page. In order to help the reader and to save space, the questions are printed once, followed by indivdiual responses. The answers correspond to the number for each question. Blank answers are omitted from this transcription.

This list includes 37 men in 39 operations with distilling as the most prominent (18). The remaining were: sugar orchards (4), hat making (4) cabinet making (3), tan yards (2) saddlers (2), shoemaking (2), iron works (1), gun making (1) blacksmithing (1), and building supplies (1). Ambrose Jons [Jones] was the largest employer with 4 men while 25 operations employed only one man. Other operations employed men: two men (4), three men (4), unknown but probably only one (5). None of the county manufacturers employed women or children. Two men had two operations. Starling Camp had a distillery and a sugar orchard, Michel Arnold had two distilleries.

#### Information [Questions]

- 1 Raw materials: the kind
- 2 Raw materials: the quantity annually consumed
- 3 Raw materials: the cost of the annual consumption
- 4 Number of persons employed: men
- 5 Number of persons employed: women
- 6 Number of person employed: boys or girls
- 7 Machinery: whole quantity and kind of machinery
- 8 Machinery: quantity of machinery in operation
- 9 Expenditures: amount of capital invested
- 10 Expenditures: amount paid annually for wages
- 11 Expenditures: amount of contingent expenses
- 12 Production: the nature and names of articles manufactured
- 13 Value of production: market value of the article annually manufactured
- 14 General remarks: past and present condition of the establishment, demand for and sale of its manufactures



#### **Thomas Spence**

one whisky	destillery
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- 1 Corn and Rye
- 2 400 Bushels Corn
- 3 133.33 1/3
- 4 one
- 7 one still in operation
- 10 80
- 11 55
- 12 800 gallons
- 13 50 cents [per gallon] 400

#### Starling Camps

- 1 one whiskey Destillery
- 2 400 Bushels Corn
- 3 120
- 4 one
- 7 one Still in opperation
- 10 50
- 11 0 [unclear]
- 12 800 gallons
- 13 50 cent per gallon 400.00

#### **Starling Camp**

- one Small Shugar orchard
- 12 40 pound per yeare
- 13 25 per lb10

#### Jonathan Hagard[?]

- one whiskey Distillery
- 1 Corns and Ry[e]
- 2 Six Hundred Bushels
- 3 180
- 4 Two
- 7 one Still in opperation
- 10 150
- 12 Twelve hundred
- 13 50 cents p gallon 600

#### **James Hurt**

One whisky Destillery

- 1 Corn and Ry
- 2 1000 Bushels
- 3 333.00
- 4 two
- 7 one Still in opperation
- 10 300
- 12 two Thousand gallons of whisky
- 13 50 [cents] per gallon 1000

#### **Thomas Green**

- one Whisky Destillery
- 1 Corn
- 2 1000 Bushels
- 3 330
- 4 one man
- 7 one Still in opperation
- 10 none
- 11 none
- 12 Two Thousand gallons Whisky
- 13 50 cents [per gallon] 1000

#### **Thomas Cox**

- one Whisky Destillery
- 1 Corn
- 2 300 bushels
- 3 100
- 4 one man
- 7 one Still in opperation
- 10 50
- 11 10

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- 12 Six Hundred Gallons
- 13 50 cents per gallon 300

### Daniel Mason

	one small	shugar	orchard
12	makes 50	pounds	shugar

13 25 cents 12.50

# William Gilbreath

- one cabnet shop
- l cherry walnut and popler plank
- 3 85
- 4 one man
- 9 70[?]
- 11 50
- 13 600

# **Samuel Martin**

- one Tanyard 1 Raw hid[e]s a
- Raw hid[e]s and Barke
- 3 750
- 4 Two
- 11 300
- 13 leather taned and sold 1500

# Samuel Brown

- one cabnet shop
- Mahogany cherry walnut popler and pine plank
- 3 40

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- 4 one
- 11 135
- 13 1000

#### William McKamy

- one Saddlers Shop
- 1 taned leather
- 2 500
- 4 one man
- 11 200
- 12 fifty saddles
- 13 18 dollors each 900

# **Rubin Williams**

- one Whisky Destillery
- Corn
- 2 2000 Bushels
- 3 660

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- 4 Three
- 11 Fore [four] Stills in opperation
- 10 400
- 11 50
- 12 Fore thousand gallons Whisky

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13 50 cents pr galon 2000

#### **David Patton**

- one Tanyard
- 1 Raw hid[es]
- 2 three hundred hids
- 3 600
- 4 three
- 10 50
- 11 200
- 12 leather 42.00

John	i Eli Nelson	Olive	er Wallace
	one Sadlers Shop		one Whisky Destillery
1	Leather and trimings	1	Corn
3	100	2	five hundred Bushels at 33
4	one man		cents per Bushel
11	25	3	165
12	20 Sadles	4	one
13	15 Dollors [each] 300	7	two Stills in opperation
		10	96
John	Smith	11	60
	one Whisky Destillery	12	nineteen hundred gallons
1	Corn	13	50 cents per Gallon 950
2	400 Bushels		,
3	140	Thon	nas Black
4	one		one Whisky Destillery
7	one Still in opperation	1	Corn
12	eight hundred gallons whisky	2	three Hundred Bushels
13	50 cents per galon 400	3	fifty cents per Bushel 150
		4	one man
Thon	nas Walker	7	one Still in opperation
	one Whisky Destillery	10	100
1	Corn	11	8
2	seven hundred	12	nine hundred gallons of Whisky
3	238	13	62 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cents per gallon 562.50
4	one		
7	two Stills in opperation	Jame	s M <sup>e</sup> ellwee
10	100		one Whiskey Destillery
12	14 hundred gallons of whisky	1	Corn
13	50 cents per gallon 700	2	one Hundred Bushels
		3	33 cents per Bushel 33
Elish	a Williamson	4	one
	one Whisky Destillery	7	one Still in opperation
1	Corn and Ry	10	40
2	100 Bushels	11 *	2.50
3	34	12	250 gallons
4	one	13	50 cents per gallon 125
7	one Still in opperation		
10	96	Jame	s Dearmon
12	200 Gallons of whisky		one Whisky Destillery
13	fifty cents per galon 100	1	Corn
		2	three hundred Bushels
Willia	am Jolly	3	25 cents per Bushel 75
	one Whisky Destillery	4	one
1	Corn	7	two Stilles in opperation
2	150 Bushels	10	40
3	75	11	10
4	one	12	six hundred gallons
7	one Still in opperation	13	50 cents per gallon 300

Witt[] Galaher[?]

12

13

one Small Shugar orchard

Sixteen Sents per pound 4

25 pounds Shugar

- one Still in opperation 7
- 12 300 gallons of whisky
- 13 50 cents per gallon 150

# Peter Bowman

- one Small Shugar orchard
- 12 50 lb Shugar
- 13 16 cents per pound 8
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Mich	hal Sellers	Willi	am Leftwich	
	one Set of Iron Works		one Cabnet Shop	
1	Iron orar [ore]	1	Cherry popler walnut and pine plank	
3	300	2	two Thousand feet pine and Popler	
4	two men		one Dollor per hundred	
7	one furnice in opperation		two Thousand feet of walnut and	
10	540		Cherry at 3 Dollors per hundred	
11	810	3	80	
12	sixty thousand pounds of Bare Iron	4	three	
13	eight cents per lb 4800	7	one set of Shop –ound tulls	
		10	900	
Mich	el Arnold	11	150	
	one Whisky Destillery	12	Side Boards Buerowe [Bureau]	
1	Corn		Desks Chine Presses Cubeards	
2	100 Bushels		Chests etc	
3	25	13	2760	
4	one			
7	one Still in opperation	John	Esary	
10	30		one Gun factuary	
11	none	2	500 Pounds of Iron	
12	200 gallons whisky	3	at 8 cents 40	
13	50 cents per gallon 100	4	one	
	1 0	11	25	
Mich	el Arnold	12	Twenty five Rifle guns	
	one whisky Destillery	13	20 Dollor[s] each 400	
1	Corn	15		
2	150 Bushels	Jesse	Walters	
3	37.50	00000	one Shoe makeing Shop	
4	one	3	three Hundred Dollors	
7	one Still in opperation	5	worth of Leather 300	
10	30	4	one	
12	375 gallons whisky	10	none	
13	50 cents pr galon 187.50	13	500	
10	e o oona pi galon 107.50	15	500	
Andr	ew Tower	Bengi	man More	
	one whiskey Destillery		one Shoe makeing Shop	
1	Corn	1	Taned Leather	
2	150 Bushels	3	100	
3	37.50	4	1	
4	one	10	none	
10	40	11	5	
11	15	13	300	· .
12	three Hundred gallons whisky			10
13	50 cents per gallon 150	Hener	ry Ligget	
			one Hattin Shop	
Willia	am M <sup>e</sup> brayer	1	Fur and Wool	
	one Hatting Shop	2	200 pound[s] of wool at fifty cents	5
1	Wool and fur		per lb 100	
3	100		300 Hundred Dollors wo[r]th of	
4	1		fur 300	· · ·
10	120	4	2 [? 1 or 2]	
12	150 wool hats at one Dollor and	10	150	.1
	fifty cents 225	11	150	
	18 fur hats at 6 Dollar[s] each 108	12	200 wool Hats	

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[wool hats] \$1.50 300 150 fur hats \$5

750

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Ambrose J	ons [Jones]	Gillu	m Wiles
on	e Blacksmith Shop		one Hatting Shop
2.	&3 fore thousand pounds of Iron	1	wool and fur
10	cents 400	3	250
15	0 Pounds of Steel at 37 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cents	4	1
pe	r lb 56.25	10	50
4 4		11	25
7 tw	o Sets of Tools in opperration	12	400
10 18	0	13	three Dollors each 1200
11 75			
13 12	00	Hezel	kiah Hotchkiss
		1	Plank Scantling Nails Iron Cast
Nicholas M	lansfield		Wheels Wire Oil and Paint
on	e Hatting Shop	2	1800 feet Plank 500
1&3 500 Do	llors worth of Fur and wool		Ditto Scantling, 15 lb Nails
4 3			2 Bare Iron 75 lb, 10 Cast Wheels
10 10	00		Screen wire 100 lb
11 20	0	3	Totle [total] cost 134.25
12 10	00	4	1
13 thr	ee Dollors each 3000	10	no wages pade [paid]
		11	5
		12	Wheet [wheat] Fans for Gle[a]ning Grane; wire meal sives for sif[t]ing commeal
		13	562.50

The account of the fourgoing Manufactures was assertained by me as I p[r] occeeded to take the census of Roane County for 1820. Robert Cannon

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#### List of Names appearing in 1820 Roane Co M C

Arnold, Michel Black, Thomas Bowman, Peter Brown, Samuel Camp, Starling Cox, Thomas Dearmon, James Esary, John Galaher[?] Witt[?] Gilbreath, William Green, Thomas Hagard, Jonathan Hotchkiss, Hezekiah Hurt, James Jolly, William Jon[e]s, Ambrose Leftwich, William Ligget, Henry Mansfield, Nicholas Martin, Samuel

Mason, Daniel McBrayer, William McEllwee, James McKamy, William More, Bengiman Nelson, John Eli Patton, David Sellers, Michel Smith, John Spence, Thomas Tower, Andrew Walker, Thomas Wallace, Oliver Walters, Jesse Wiles, Gillum Williams, Rubin Williamson, Elisha

