Behind the Kiln

Bringing the History to life
THE RUMORS ARE TRUE!
There is more than corn in Indiana!
THERE IS ALSO LIMESTONE Y’ALL!
Harrison County
Scott & Washington Townships

Reoccurring names associated with plots of land with kilns & quarries present as well as association through occupations in census records.

- Weaver
- Dennison
- Rainbolt
- Cole
- Kindle
- Breeden

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Occupations in the area

• Farming- Along the Ohio pork and corn were significant to farming. Many names associated with property containing Kilns list their occupation as farming. Large properties would be used for more than just lime burning, and owners of property may not necessarily always work their own kilns but hired employees.

• Flat Boaters- Transporting of goods down the Ohio River could have included barreled lime. These boats often were maned by 5-10 men and carried products down south to southern planters. Such as pork products, lumber, etc.

• Lime Burners- Construction of and working the kilns. Would have included working the quarries as well harvesting the limestone. Associated names on the property map and census records were working the Lime Kilns.

• Coopers- makers of wooden barrels used for storing and transporting goods including lime.
So, Coopers are intertwined with the lime industry!
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1860 Scott Township Census
Weaver & Dennison
A Weaver & Dennison Kiln with limestone outcrop wall serving as back of kiln.
Limestone Outcrop serving not only as a quarry, but as the back wall to a kiln.
So much more than just kilns...