Information Sheet

R Sainte Genevieve (Mo.). 386 Tax book, 1861. One volume.

MICROFILM

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Despite its short length, the tax book contains a substantial amount of information on the relative wealth of the citizens of Ste. Genevieve. It should be noted, however, that the volume includes assessments only on property within the limits of the town, and thus may not represent the total net worth of each taxpayer. Real estate holdings comprise the single largest taxable category, followed by notes and bonds, slaves, and miscellaneous personal property. There are running totals for each category, and combined totals are entered on the last page of the volume. A total of \$1655.58 was levied, including \$402.40 assessed on the value of 108 slaves. Some of the town's leading citizens are represented in the 258 individuals assessed, as well as some of its less distinguished residents. The wealthiest included Felix Amoreaux, Auguste Bequette, Charles Bisch, Pelage Berthold, Felix Janis (estate), Mathew Kern, Herman Lelie, Anthony LaGrave, Louis Menard, Adolph Papin (estate), Felix and Ferdinand Rozier, Felix Valle, and Sebastian Ziegler. Four "Negro" and one "Meulatto" taxpayers are also included on the list of taxpayers.

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Shelf List

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A list of assessees has been filed in the Information Folder.

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