Information Sheet

ROsage Mining and Smelting Company.1241Bond certificate, 1840.
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This is a bond certificate dated 29 May 1840 for \$250, issued by the Osage Mining and Smelting Company, a Missouri corporation with offices in Baltimore, Maryland. The certificate is signed by Edward Hinkley, President *pro tem*, and F. H. Davidge, Secretary.

The Osage Mining and Smelting Company was incorporated by an act of the General Assembly of the state of Missouri on 3 February 1837. The first directors were Charles A. Warfield, Arthur L. Johnson, Charles D. W. Johnson, William Wright, and Uriel Wright. On 2 January 1839 the General Assembly passed a supplemental act authorizing an increase in the company's capitalization from \$200,000 to one million dollars.

By this bond, the company promised to repay \$250, plus interest at 6%, on 29 May 1845 at the Union Bank of Maryland in Baltimore. This was part of a bond issue of \$20,000 approved on 25 May 1840. As collateral, the company pledged "over Five Thousand Acres of valuable Mineral Lands in the State of Missouri, clear of incumbrance [*sic*], which Lands are rich in Lead Ore."

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