

NOTE:

The following is a copy of an original
letter in the possession of Dean D. B. Kraybill,
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The names Hewitt and
Lohnston are questionable.
{ Hewitt for Hewitt. }
{ Lohnston for Lohnston }.

Maysville, Feb. 5 1834

Mr. Wm Tompkins
Kanawha Saline
Vir.

Dear Sir.

Mr Hewitt handed me the contracts signed by you for the account of the salt property belonging to the estate of the late Lohnston Ancestry for the ensuing year, which I have not signed, feeling the estate to be in such a situation as will not be enabled to meet your expectation, and I so informed Mr. Hewitt and proposed to him to advise you of my opinion on that subject. I would prefer to purchase the 6000 bushels to be delivered in the spring of year at 30¢ delivered here, weighed and inspected -- and making the account a cash account to be deducted out of the payment for the salt. The balance of the salt you manufacture, if you will send me as fast as you make it, I will endeavor to cash for you as soon as possible and in the meantime furnish you with such supplies as you may need. Mr. Hewitt thought it best, and in the present diverged and unsettled state of the accounts of the estate, I am decidedly of the opinion. Mr. H. will be at Kanawha in the month and will perfect the arrangement should it meet your views. In the meantime furnish me with a statement of all the salt you have delivered on account of your agreement, that I may make up the account for adjustment.

Yours very respectfully,

Wm B. Phillips