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## Downtown Rock Hill Survey Plats - Accession 1685 M816 (873)

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**DOWNTOWN ROCK HILL SURVEY PLATS**

**I**

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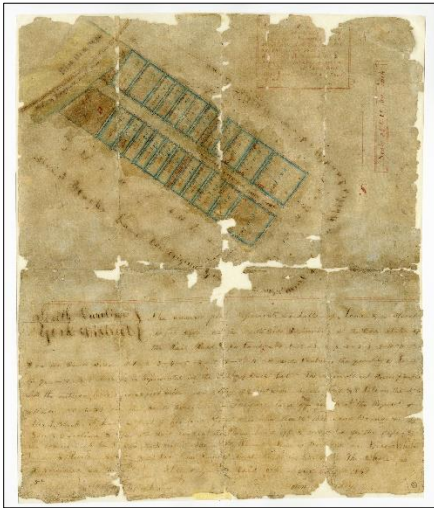
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Scope and Content Note: **The Downtown Rock Hill Survey Plats consists of two plats laying out Main Street and downtown Rock Hill, SC on November 6 and 7th 1851 and November 26 and 27th 1856. Both surveys were conducted by John "Squire" Roddey, Esq. (1805-1860), Deputy Surveyor. These plats are the earliest known surveys conducted of Rock Hill, SC. These surveys were conducted to determine the layout of the new town as the Columbia and Charlotte Railroad built rail line and depot nearby beginning in 1848. Rock Hill would be founded in 1852 and incorporated in 1892. These plats offer an invaluable source for researchers interested in the founding of the city of Rock Hill.**

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

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[Red writing at top right] Section A represents a [scrap ?] of \_\_\_ Acre \_\_\_\_\_ between the rail road land and the first lot on the north side. Section B represents a [scrap?] of one acre between the rail road land and the first lot on the south side.

Scale 2 ½ C.[hains] to an inch

South Carolina  
York District

The annexed plat Represents 23 Lotts of Land. & a street 60 feet wide, on the North Side Beginning at the Cor[n]er Stake of the Rail Road Depot Land. No. 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10 - 11 - 12 & on the South Side No. 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10 - 11 - and contains the quantity of land

of ½ - 1/3 - & 1 Acre as is Represented in the Plat of Each Lot. The Main Street Runs Parallel [?] with the outside lines & is 60 feet wide. an Alley of 20 feet wide divides No. 7 & 8 Lots on the N S[ide] & divides No 6 & 7 on the South Side. They are laid off for [?] at the Request of Alex. T. Black it being a part of his Land Granted to him May 26<sup>th</sup> 1845 And Bound on the South Carolina & Charlotte Rail Road at the Place Laid off & designated for the depot. & we believe is to be called (Rock Hill). The NW Boundary Line is Bounded on Widow Whites Land & Runs N 54 36" E the Lot lines Runs at Right Angles [vis?] S 36 W. The Whole as Represented in the Plat. Survey Laid off Novr. 6 & 7<sup>th</sup> 1851

John [?]

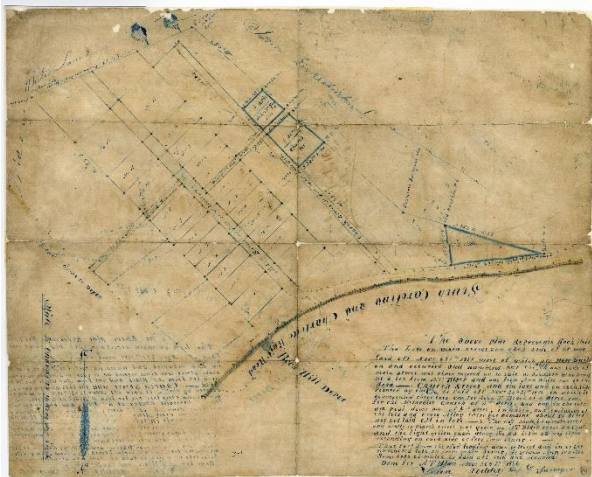
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John Roddey, Eqr.

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**Typescript:**

Scale 2 ½ Chains or 10 rods per inch

The above plat Represents Rock Hill. The Lots on main Street & on each side of it was Laid off Nov. 6 & 7<sup>th</sup> 1851 most of which are now built on and occupied and numbered but the alley on one side of main Street was since moved to suit Dr. Johnston who bought a lot from A.T. Black and one from Ann White out to the Road—Church Street and the lots and on each side Pointed by the  is Laid off Nov. 26 & 27<sup>th</sup> 1856 in which is Represented three lots one for John F. Black of 4/10 acres. one for the Methodist Church of 7/10<sup>th</sup> acres: and one in

the extra m peak down R.R. of 8/10<sup>th</sup> acres; in which, and exclusive of the lots and cross Alley there yet remains about 8 ½ acres not yet laid off in lots----: The dark shade below main street and nearly to Church Street was given by A.T. Black to the R.R. Comp. and the light yellow shade along the R.R. is the R.R. way right extending on each side 65 feet from center.

That part from the road leading down to Depot and in to the numbered lots on from main street, is widow Ann Whites

Some lots of which is laid off sold and occupied.

Done for A.T. Black Nov. 26 & 27<sup>th</sup> 1856

John Roddey Deputy Surveyor