

# SYNCOATED NOTES #17

A Sedalia Convention & Visitor's Bureau Blog

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## SEDALIA PLANTATION, LA

Now all this weekly Sedalia place name business was instigated by an eBay sale I made awhile back. This is a photo of my purchase and If you will observe carefully I think you will see why I was so intrigued.



In case you are having a hard time making out the inscriptions here's what they read:

Sedalia  
51

and

Sedalia Plantation  
The bearer is authorized  
To be in Natchez  
At any hour  
With Buggy and Horse  
1830

This is a slave tag from a Louisiana Plantation and since I have nearly used up my allotted space for the week, I'll continue this gruesome story. Before I end however, I want to be sure you noted the date on this tag and remember that George R. Smith founded his Sedalia in 1860 and supposedly named it after his daughter Sarah who was nicknamed Sadie or Sed. Oh yes and remember Kentucky's name was derived from the young suitor's response that he was going to "See Dalia". We do indeed have a lot to figure out before next week and I have even more tags to throw into the quandry.