



Surveyor's Office

This office was responsible for surveying public lands and for laying out towns, new roads, etc.

This was a difficult job due to the rough terrain and primitive instruments they used.

The surveying equipment in this room could have been walked behind or pulled with a horse.

There are links that would be connected to the wheel and the odometer "counter" would count them.

There are so many links in a rod, so many rods in a chain and so many chains in a mile. There is a picture in the hallway that explains this in more detail.

Fun Fact: Lincoln was a surveyor when he lived in New Salem.

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