This is an account ledger of a saloon and general store operated by John B. Fleming at Farmington, St. Francois County, Missouri. The volume includes an index.

The first entry in the volume was made on 29 April 1860. Accounts brought forward from an “old book” indicate that the business began prior to 1860. Regular entries occur for 1861-1863, during which period Fleming’s business seems to have involved primarily whiskey and groceries. The Civil War may have disrupted the business, for there are very few entries for 1864, and none for 1865-1866. Entries resume in 1867, at which time Fleming had expanded into the general merchandise trade. Evidently the saloon remained, for a list of “Expense of Repairing Saloon 1869” precedes page one. The last entry noted in the accounts is on 5 March 1874.

The volume contains an index, which includes the names of many prominent citizens of Farmington such as John Blue, Nettleton D. Cayce, John Highley, Reinhardt and Thomas Lang, David Murphy, John S. Pim, William Poston, and John H. Stam. Also named in the accounts are John A. Fleming and Nicholas S. Fleming, presumably relatives of the proprietor.

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