

Said Investigating Board
Denton County,
Sept 2nd 1883.
Present.

Charles DeMorse,

Relijah Bridgerstaff, County Surveyor
being sworn says that he is 48
years of age, has lived in Denton
County Twelve years, and has
been County Surveyor about
four years. Section 102 Memphis & El
Paso, was taken up by G W Sangley late
in 1874 or 75 (Record burned) and it was
surveyed to him as 285 acres, and he
paid for it. A re-survey shows the tract
to contain 419 ⁵/₁₀ acres; The man
Sangley, who filed on the land is dead
& his father paid for the 285 acres but no
patent has issued. The excess quantity
is now worth four dollars an acre;
it lies 13 miles nearly due west of
the town of Denton. Besides the Sangley
tract there are about ~~five~~ hundred
acres of School lands in the County
285 acres in one tract, about 200
in another, and 19 or 20 in another.
The 285 acre tract was once located
upon by J W Russell, ^{the Russell} but ^{is} ^{now} ^{as} ^{declared}
by the Supreme Court void, and the land
is now occupied by James Bates, ^{who wants to buy it} and
a suit has been brought, by John Bacon
under the Russell claim; suit insti

tuted at the present term of the District
Court of this County. This land is
worth five dollars per acre. The 200
acre tract is seven miles south west
of Town poor rock, land, but good
for grazing purposes can be sold
for three dollars per acre. The small
piece containing between 19 & 20
acres, is 14 miles north of east
from Town, and could be sold
for two dollars per acre. There
are no University lands in the
County, knows of no irregularities
in obtaining the other 52 sections or
fractions of sections of School lands
originally in the County.

Elijah Biggerstaff
Surveyor of Denton County, Texas.

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GARRY MAURO, Com'r
By Don Kelli

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