

Corpus Christi, Texas, May, 16th, 1932.

Mr. E. J. Foster  
Laredo, Texas.

In answer to yours of the 15th.

On January, 1st, 1906, the East  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec 574 was awarded to Pedro Hernandez and my Father, John J. Dix, was employed by Hernandez survey it for him, I was with him, He began at the South corner of 574, the old corner stake was still standing, and the bearing was found, a Frijolio Mkd. ---, North 8 Vs., from this corner he ran N 45 E, at 950 Vs he set the South corner stake of the Hernandez East  $\frac{1}{4}$ , and continued on but before getting the additional 950 Vs he intersected a fence that was supposed to be on the dividing line between surveys 574 and 126 and crossing this fence and completing the distance needed, we found an old stake standing in a rock mound, just about 50 or 60 Vs after crossing the fence. I do not know but I do not suppose that this fence has ever been changed, we then completed the survey setting all four corners.

When my Father and I surveyed the lines for Smith & Corkill to fence all that country, they did not cut out 574 but had us leave it in their pasture, and I am sure that they never changed this fence to our line, along the N.E. line of 574.

On May, 20th 1907, Anastacio Nunez was awarded the South  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 574, and his Father Nicolas Nunez told me that Hernandez had moved the South corner stake of his East  $\frac{1}{4}$ , down on to the South  $\frac{1}{4}$ , and on September, 12th, 1907, he took me out and I chained the S.E. line of this South  $\frac{1}{4}$ , beginning at the same South corner of 574, which was still on the ground, and chaining N 45 E, to the South corner stake of the East  $\frac{1}{4}$ , ~~XX~~ I found the distance to be 946 Vs a difference of 4 Vs over my chaining when we surveyed the Hernandez land.

Smith & Corkill failing to acquire these two  $\frac{1}{4}$  sections, they finally wanted them fenced out of their pasture, but they never had it surveyed by me or my Father.

I never did any work in either 574 or 576 at the instance of Cano or Ruiz, and I do not believe that any one else has.

If you want to look for these corners from another angle, I can tell you how to find the West corner of sec. 577, so that you can go to it without having to run for it, I found it in May, 1922.

Yours truly

Corpus Christi, Texas.  
Box 830. Rt. 2.

Hayes Dix

Report on survey 574.  
Duval County, Texas.

Laredo, Texas, May 28, 1932.

Hon. J. H. Walker, Land Comm'r.,  
Austin, Texas.,  
Dear Sir:-

The foregoing map and field notes to survey 574-2, being for the east quarter of survey 574, Pedro Hernandez, in Duval County, were made for Thomas and Larver Inc., the present owners as noted by their abstract which I am also forwarding for your information.

The south east line of survey No. 574, is a fence line, which is on the south east line of this survey and also 576, 598, and 580.

This is a very old fence line, and was on the ground according to Mr. Hayes Diz of San Diego before 1904.

As per Mr. Dix' letter enclosed (Photostat print), this fence line was on the true line of these surveys as he and his father on a survey of 574 found the original south corner and the Frijollic tree called for in the original notes of 576, this tree only the roots and new growth are now standing, and the fence line which is a corner and a dividing fence runs N 45 W from the south corner of 574, taking in all of the S-1/4 of 574.

I ran N 44-48'E along this fence line and at 1842.6 vrs found a line running N 45 W, but continued to the 1900 vrs point where the fence corners and ran N 45 W 125 vrs to an east and west fence line, on which fence line I found an old stake marked "C" and pile of rocks, supposed N.W. Cor., of survey 126;

From my 1842.6 varas point I ran N 45 W, and at 1992.8 vrs placed a stake 35 varas N 45 E of a fence corner, and at 1842.8 vrs found a large stone and stake in fence line, from which a stump of a mezquite tree cut 4" above ground bears N 50-45'W 10.5 vrs, the supposed original bearing of the North corner of 574, and continuing the line at 1938.6 vrs N 45 W from this stone, I found a stake, from which a large stone bears S 45 W 38 vrs., the supposed corner (East) of survey No. 582; This was sufficient evidence to prove to me that the line run was the proper N.E. boundary of 574, which I accepted as such and placed a good stake at its E. Cor. for the E. Cor., of 574-2.,

From a point on the N.E. Line of 574, which bears N 45 W 150 vrs from the East corner of 574 as placed by me, I ran N 89 E south of and converging with a fence line which was 31.8 vrs north of my point, at 304. vrs I found an old stake marked "H"., with large stone mound, the supposed S.W. Cor., of survey 134, and beginning again from this S.W. 134, I continued the line N 89 E and at 1930 vrs found a large stone, and fence line running north, the south east corner of 134, from which point I ran East along a fence line 1935 vrs to a post and fence corner whence a fence line also ran north and south;

From the Stone, found on north corner of survey 574, I ran S 45 W and at 286 vrs placed a stake on a high hill called Atravasada, very prominent hill cut off from the rest of the range, and at 1841.4 vrs placed a stake in bottom for the west corner of survey 574 whence I had intersected a sendero run N 45 W from the south corner of 574; I thence ran along this line S 45 E 1950.0 vrs to the south corner of 574;

From my stake placed for the west corner of 574 I ran S 45 W along very heavy brush and found very good evidence of the original or a line having been run some thirty or more years before, as the large mezquite timber was clearly cut to show that such a line had been cut thru, I continued the line 1900.8 vrs and placed a stake on a hill and altho' covered with many thick mezquite trees, found no bearing tree altho', the ground was covered for two hundred varas in radius all around to see if there was any such bearings tree as called for at this corner, but none was found.

I then ran S 45 E and hit the fence line at 1956.5 vrs whence I placed a post marked T.T. for corner;

Thence N 44-48'E along fence line and at 1906 vrs I hit the stake and fence corner south corner of survey 574, a little variance in distance of 6 varas, which probably accounted for in bad changing over gulleys and creeks.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Foster  
Licensed surveyor.

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and al tho, covered with many thick mesquite trees, found no bearing tree  
cut thru, I continued the line 1300.8 varas and placed a stake on a hill  
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From my stake placed for the west corner of 244 I ran S 42 W

along this line S 42 E 1350. varas to the south corner of 244;

set a stake in bottom for the west corner of survey 244 whence I had inter-  
prominent hill cut off from the rest of the range, and at 1841.4 varas place  
and at 288 varas placed a stake on a high hill called Atravesado, very

From the Stone, found on north corner of survey 244 I ran S 82 W  
a fence line also ran north and south;

I ran East along a fence line 1932 varas to a post and fence corner whence  
fence line running north, the south east corner of 134, from which point  
I continued the line N 83 E and at 1930 varas found a large stone, and  
I supposed S.W. Cor. of survey 134, and beginning again from this S.W. 134,  
304. varas found an old stake marked "H." with large stone round, the  
converging with a fence line which was 21.8 varas north of my point, at  
from the east corner of 244 as placed by me, I ran N 83 E south of and  
From a point on the N.E. line of 244, which bears N 42 W 150 varas

for the E. Cor. of 244-S.

of 244, which I accepted as such and placed a good stake at its E. Cor.

38 varas, the supposed corner, from which a large stone bears S 42 W  
from this stone, I found a stake, from which a large stone bears S 42 W  
of the North corner of 244, and continuing the line at 1338.6 varas N 42 W  
4 varas above ground bears N 20-10.5 varas, the supposed original bearing  
a corner stake in fence line, from which a stump of a mesquite tree cut  
bore N.E. Cor. of survey 134, and beginning again from this S.W. 134,  
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E. J. Foster's Statement

Copy of Hays Dix Letter

Filed June 7th 1932

J. H. Walker, Comm

C. F. Blucher

File Clerk

Descriptive: Sec 574 B.S. & F.

25 Mi. N 85 W San Diego P.

See also accompanying Sketch No 26

See also French's sketch filed 7-14-30

From the south corner of 244, taking in  
and the fence line which is a corner and  
of 244, this tree only the roots and  
south corner, and the Prichard tree  
these surveys as he and his father on a  
enclosed (Photostat print), this fence

This is a very old fence line, and was on the ground according

is on the south east line of this survey and also 246, 248, and 280.

abstract which I am also forwarding for your information.

made for Thomas and Trevor Inc., the present owners as noted by their  
the east quarter of survey 244, Pedro Hernandez, in Duval County, were  
The foregoing map and field notes to survey 244-S, being for

Dear Sir:-

Anastin, Texas.

Hon. J. H. Walker, Land Comm'r.

Laredo, Texas, May 28, 1932.

Report on survey 244.  
Duval County, Texas.

*[Handwritten initials]*