

San Marcos Jan 24th 71

Com of Genl office sir

I was called on some time since by Mr James Hester to certify that the C-Henderson League & Labor J. Jones and W. J. - Ragsdale surveys gained the Ennesa survey I done so - the Ennesa survey is a large survey it lies in Gaudaloupe county the map shows that they do not gain (I think) on mature reflection I recollect that my compass would not trace the line But I found the corners to a certainty as called for in Track-harts field notes I thought that my compass might get out of order I called for the line and I trace the line of the large survey - I afterwards named it to Track-hart the surveyor that run the line of the Ennesa survey he said that his compass had had the variation turned he said how much but I have forgot - he said it was the only line the he run while his compass was wrong he ~~said~~ he corrected his compass as soon as he found it out so I am satisfied that the ^{front} lines of them surveys do not run due North and South as called for which may account for the vacancy as seen on the map I also run the surveys adjoining the surveys of C. Pates G. Allen - C. Campbell and B. H. J. - Fulcher and they gain to a ^{I found} certainty all the corners and lines as called for in the field notes of the river surveys with the exception of the North West corner of the Fulcher survey and I found where it ought to be by tracing the lines I understand that Mr James Hester pretends to find vacant land adjoining the back lines of the river surveys there certainly cannot be any vacant land

There I am in no way intrusted in what I say but I wish
to keep down litigation and trouble Mr French Smith of
Guadalupe county was with me when I made those survey
I will swear to this if it necessary Respectfully yours
Peter C. Ragsdale

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Sketches & Surveyor's statement
about vacant land
in the North corner of
Guadalupe County.

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