

Statement made in reference to 42 Surveys made for
the Houston & Texas Central Railway Co., situated in Guadalupe Co., on the South side of the Guadalupe river.

This Statement will be accompanied by a Sketch of said Survey
& the adjoining ones, which was filed July 7th 1873, and was
withdrawn October 15th 1873, for the purpose of entering the courses
& distances on it, & of plating theron the Surveys made upon the
public domain since the filing thereof.

To determine a beginning point for said Surveys, the undersigned
began at the S. W. corner of the six league Survey made
for Joao de la Barrera. There ran with its West line Nor 80 deg 64' vs to P. Lynch's N. W. corner, one of the old bearings of which is
still standing, & another bearing which was probably made at the same
time but which does not, answer exactly to the other bearing by the field notes
recorded in Land Records of this County. From this corner continued
North with La Barrera's line 3292 vs & after searching in vain
for some time, for Thos. G. Weeks N. E. corner, established a new
corner for the initial point of the Surveys & began work
From this point ran West 3292 vs & South 3292 vs & not
being able to find the Weeks corner established new ones, also
from P. W. corner made for Weeks ran West 291 vs & after spending
half a day in searching for Lynch's N. W. corner & West line

Stoped work at this point, and endeavored to find Lynch's West line by running from another point. With this view began at the N.W. corner of P. McDonough's Preemption which was found to be 560 vs South of E.P. Myrick's N.E. corner instead of 400 as by Myrick's field notes. Hence ran East 990 vs to McDonough's N.E. corner. Then making search for D. Floyd's N.W. corner could find none. Thence ran South with McDonough's & Sheltors Survey 1700 vs to Geo. Mortons North line & thought I found the stump of the bearing made for S.W. corner of Floyd. Retained to N.E. corner of P. McDonough & ran North 200 vs on an old well marked line & finding no corner, established one & ran East 1900^{vs} & found no line for corner Floyd's North line or Lynch's West, but establishing the N.W. corner of Lynch & running South 2979 vs, found that it was necessary to extend D. Floyd's North line East 177 vs to intersect this line. This distance 2979 was confirmed by running out W.B. Beatty's & J.N. Beatty's Preemptions & running a line from J.N. Beatty's S.E. corner to the established North line of D. Floyd.

To fix the North boundaries of Nos 3 & 4th met to J.D. Clements S.W. corners. Thence ran South 580 vs to J. Carter's S.E. corner 1900 vs established South line of Nelson & Cavers sur. vgo as I found now. From point 580 vs South from J.D. Clements corner ran South 2702 & found Huberts S.E. corner which was 1047^{vs} ^{West} & 672^{vs} South of N.W. corner of No. 5, this would give a space of 700 vs between Nos. 5 & 6 & Carter & Nixon. As all the late Mts

from the L. Office make the South boundary of the G. de Witt League & the South boundary of J.D. Clements begin to form one common line I have called the distance from the North line of No. 2 to de Witt's S. line 710. de Witt's S. line was not hunted for, & it may prove to be several hundred vs or further North than J.D. Clements S. line

In making No. 18, ran from East corner of J.H. Williamson (both bearings found) Thence S 40° W 2900 vs found the marked line ceased, but there is no corner that can be identified & so line running S 50° W Contained S 40° W 3485 vs and intersected what is commonly regarded as the S.W. line of Williamson on a few vs N 51° W of the supposed South corner of this Survey, From this point ^{"corner"} an old & well marked line run N 51° W 2908 vs to T. Corotefal^{"S.E."} line. Jas. Castillo & B.P. Hordwick lie on this line, on opposite sides —

The East & West corners of Jas. Wilder were found. North corner determined by intersection of the marked lines running from these corners, as the bearing trees were cut down.

J. F. L. P. Wilder conflicts with Mr. C. Wing 184 vs & its N.E. line is in excess 213 vs. J. F. L. Parrotto North corner was found & a well marked line S 60° W to a point near where the S.W. corner should be, but now could be found. B. Phillips was located by reference to its position in regard to Parrotto. The lines & corners of the other surveys which bound these 42 Surveys & those that are surrounded by

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them were found & their true positions are indicated on the accompanying Sketch. Several of these surveys have hitherto been incorrectly mapped because the lines connecting them with other known surveys were incorrectly given. Their positions as shown on the Sketch have been determined by careful measurements from various points.

Most of the old surveys are largely in excess, but Thos. Jackson has a small deficit. C. C. Kimble is in a very different position from that represented in its field notes. The Surveyor made connection with some old abandoned Survey, supposed to be the James Alley, which I found. — See sketch corner found but N.E.

J. A. M. Erskine County Surveyor of Guadalupe County do hereby certify that the above statement is true in every essential particular & that the courses & distances marked upon the accompanying Sketch correspond with those actually made upon the ground in the Surveys made for the Houston & S. C. R. R. Co.

J. A. M. Erskine

C. Surveyor Guadalupe Co

N. B. — On the 31st of Oct. I went to N.E. corner of P. Lynch to endeavor to find its N.W. corner & West line. There ran West 3000 vs, line which to be marked, \$292 plus corner made for Weeks 3583, corner made for Lynch, 3663 line marked again

3760 a corner, with one bearing answering to one of Lynch's. Three South or added line 2000 vs & can find no more of it between that point & O. Hwy L- counter 24689 A. M. Erskine San. Guadalupe

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Letters of explanation in re
to cor. F.N. of H & T C R R Co
Guru's, -

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