

Seguin Texas August 1st 1874

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Yours of the 23^d ultm.
rec'd yesterday — You say, why should you make
correct field notes of Nos. 16, 17, & 18 I cannot see
they were not reported by the Land Office as in
correct" It is true they were not "reported in
correct", but they were nevertheless, and when I went
upon the ground to correct Nos 15 & 21, I found them
so. The error is the East & South lines of No. 16, af-
fected several Survey's, and I believe I was only
doing my duty to correct them whether total or not.

If you would reflect a moment you would
know that when a number of Survey's are connected
& dependent on each other, an error in one of them
will necessarily lead to an error in all that are
dependent on it — What I did, was done knowing
by and designedly, and was not "such a blunder"
as you ignorant of the facts have hastily termed it.

The fact is that my partners (Frank Evans & George Tumbull)
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were tired and anxious to get to Seguin, and all the work they did that day was badly done, and has given me a great deal of trouble.

I am quite as anxious as any one else, ^{to have this work completed} but I cannot suffer a Survey to be much incorrect and not report it. — Had I known that those surveys were palatable, I would have reported the errors and waited for instructions from the office.

It would have been better, to have withheld the plotting of Nos. 16, 17 & 18 until the surveys contiguous were corrected.

As requested I send corrections of Nos 22 & 29 to be filed by you. I would have sent the others to you but was fearful you might not be in the City — Please acknowledge the receipt of this

Respectfully

A.M. Erskine

Guadalupe Co.
Sketch File 15^e
File 130

Gonzales Script
Letter

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