

Durham N.C. Sept. 6/67

To J. Crosby Commissioner Land Office

Sir Accompanying I

transmit 5 Certificates of 640 Acres of Land ea belonging to the N.C. & O.C. with the Field Notes of 10 Surveys under or by Virtue of them 2 of which are fractional but exceed 320 Acres. The numbers 1, 2, 3 & on these survey are only intended to designate the Surveys & are not numbers of Sections being compelled to adopt some mode of designation as I was.

The lands on which these surveys are made are only valuable for timber (Yellow Pine) and coarse grass being principally low & marshy or level pine woods, and having no sinister interest to subserve. I may perhaps be allowed to observe that no material injustice will be done either to the State or Company by their being ^{numbered} nearly as I have arranged them in the Certificates which number from 901 to 905 inclusive I transmit herewith a sketch of these 10 surveys I have been particular to avoid conflict & I think I have not failed in this line if this you will of course judge.

Will you have the goodness to number the surveys numbered 10 & 13, also 18 & 19 and 20 & 21 already surveyed but not returned also the sections sketched in the block of 24 sections south the Robt Goodwin League which I intend running out soon, all sketched.

The true position of the Bristol Haynie & Sherrod ^{is given in} is given in the accompanying sketch & not as on the map of N.C. in my possession. They are near the county line adjoining Robt Goodwin.

1st I desire information about B. F. Mudd's of League one line of which is drawn west of L. Sonaboo on section 12 & 15. If the field notes of this survey are in your office please send me a copy. B. F. Mudd is accredited but with one survey on the Abstract. The field notes of his labor are to be found on the Records but none of any other survey, but he has another survey of 320 acres & miles N.E. of his labor which is on the map also.

I wish to know whether B. F. Mudd has a valid claim west & adjoining L. Sonaboo.

2^{ndly} Is the Perry League open to location? Several locations are made upon it, to wit E. Kelly's, J. Alexander's labor & 2 other pre-emptions, one of which is patented & I suppose the R. Goodwin

League also. The Perry League is not on the Abstract of Patented Lands
3rd Ed. Is the Soc. Medrano ^{League} part of which is in Newton County open
to location?

Please inform me of the Condition of the accompanying
field notes as soon as convenient.

After ascertaining the true magnetic
variation by Mr. Davis method as nicely as available instruments would allow
I find it to be at this time $7^{\circ} 30'$ corresponding with old surveys run at a variation
 $\frac{1}{4}^{\text{th}}$ of $7^{\circ} 20'$ A.S.P. -

I return the Sketch sent from your Office the Labor south of the
Rich^d Williams' Lage on the Sabine River on which the name of S. Mc
McMahon occurs (is the same) is the one originally filed upon by Hickman
as his Labor. Is there any evidence in your Office of the final disposi-
tion of his Labor Certificate.

I enclose \$100 for Examination & Field Notes by Mudd
& League

Very Respectfully
Wm N Burnham Surveyor
Newton County

J Crosby Esq
Commissioner Genl Land
Office

J Crosby Esq
Commissioner
J. H. Mudd

Office 17.10.87
Newton County
Burnham the 1st & 4. 1/1
7-6

Enclose certificate. Surveys
& c/o Louisiana

Wm N Burnham's letter
Dated Sep. 6. 1867
In re to F. N. Oth & T. C. Ry Co. 10511
v. y. s.

Wm N Burnham

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Newton County
1865
1867

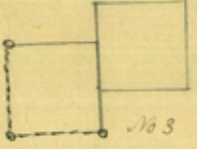
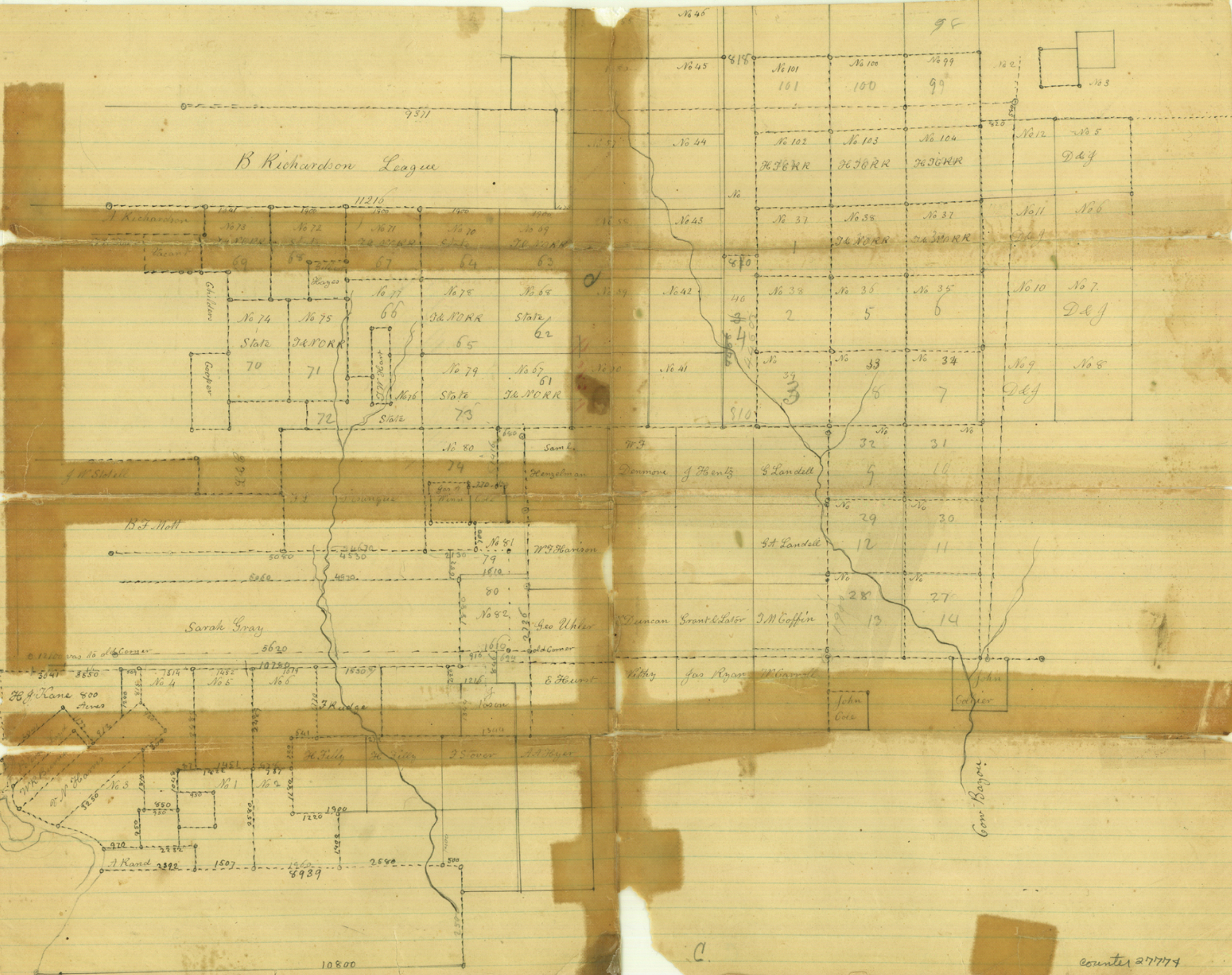
1864
Wagner Co. 6

South Point

July 19th 1864
Wagner Co.

counter 27473

B Richardson League



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