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Mr. J. T. Robison,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I will ans. yours of July 10th ult. The Stone mounds are gone at the ~~S.E. and N.E.~~ S.E. and N.E. Corner of No. 16, Block D 23. I know just about where they were on the ground. Mr. May the owner of part of No. 16, Block D 23 Said he could find them. But we fail to find them was an a little Rocky Ridge just North of a ravine that runs in to a large lake the sketch that I have of Block D 23. Shows the Holt line of Block L. Mag Wise insists that I should follow Holt's Survey. I follow it and call for South and west on these lines. So as to Comply with Mag Wise Ruling.

When I knew it was wrong, but ~~that~~ the State would get all of the land some day that belong to it. But the settlers on Block D 23 was having all kind of fits. For fear some one would jump their land And so I just put it in on the ground so Mag Wise would approve of the Field notes. So the Settlers could file on their land and stop any further trouble on that line. The deed from O.G. Kersner to J.E. Ketner which attach to this letter call begins at N.E. Cor. No. 6, Block No. 1 H.E. & W.T. RY Co. Thence west to N.W. Cor. No. 6 thence S.W. Cor. 15, Block L. Thence East to a point due North of the N.E. Cor. No. 6, thence South to the place of beginning. Conveying 120 acres of land, which would make a strip of 356-3/10 wide and 1900 varies long. And would leave a strip of land 253-7/10 wide at the East end. and 242-1/2 varies at the west end. 1900 varies long. Containng 83-1/2 acres which Mr. Ketner has recently filed on as scrap land. Mr. W.H. May deed call ~~for~~ for all of No. 16. Block D 23 except 120 acres off the East end which belongs to Mr Ketner. Mr. May's deed call for 236- 6/10 acres. ~~But I just made a calculation~~ So I just made a ^{Calculation} ~~count~~ how much that would cover. See accomping Sketch and that would leave 194-7/10 acres of public domain which Mr. May has recently filed on as scrap land. And I here attach Mr. May's deed. I have recently ~~run~~ run out all

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Beginning at the N.E. Corner of # 473 the original Corner thence north No 12' E. II559-6/10 varies to N.E. Cor. of No. 506. E.L. R.R. R.R. Co. Survey which is 2306I varies S. 89'48' East of a large circular mound the N.E. Cor. of #319 at Double Lakes. I have recently ~~changed~~ ^{chained} from the N.E. Corner 506 to N.E. Corner 473 three times. I then began at N.E. Corner 506 thence North 12' East. 7604 varies to N.E. Cor. thence #15 and N.W. #16 Block 7. Thence North 12' East on West Boundary line of NO. 3, Block D 20, at 3500 varies to Stake 4 pits for N.W. Cor. of No. 3, Block D 20, Thence S 89'48' E. 1035 Stake and One Stone for N.E. cor. of No. 3 Block D 20 Thence N. 12' East 324 vares to Capt. Holt's Line for South Line of Wilson County School Land # 4, thence N. 12' East 37 vares to South Line of Wilson County School Land # 4, as located by J.H Ramsey District of Surveyer of Howard Land District.

Which is an agreed line by the owner of the surrounding surveys. Which is on record in the Deed records of Lynn County, Then I returned to the N.E. Cor. #3, Block D 20, thence S. 89'48' East. 2396 vares to West Boundary line of No. 264, Thence N. 389 vares Set Stone 4 pits the N.E. ~~xxxx~~ Cor. of John F. Standerfer. Thence N. 11 vares Set Stone st by J.H. Ramsey for S.E. Cor. #4 Wilson County School Land.

Then I return to points in W.B. Line 264 thence S. 0' 12' W. 2930 vares for South West Cor. No. 250, Thence S. 12' ²⁶⁰ ~~Wxx22x~~ 571 vares a point thence S. 89'48' E. 370 vares to a Stake and 2 pits. For N.E. Cor. # 17, Block 7, Thence S. 89'48' E. 5703 vares and fall 20 inches North, 52 inches East of a Stake and 4 pits which I established for N.W. Cor. of # 6, Block I, from the South thence South 89'48' E. 272 vares Post's fence as established by W.D. Twischell thence North 20' East 511-4/10 vares to a ~~Stx~~ Set Stone marked M.W. 1430, thence N. 20' East 98-2/10 vares to set stone marked X and South boundary line # 16, Block L. ~~Thxxxx~~ The most North West Corner of # 1429 as surveyed by Twichell my line is 3 vares North of Twichell's line. But I ran in the corner of Block J. that was turned down by Mag Wise and was in ~~subject~~ ^{instructed} by him to strictly adhere to Capt. Holt's Survey which I did in order to get the Field Notes approved. I then returned to the N.E. Corner

No. 17, Block 7, and ran North 89'48' west 3801 vares and closed on an Iron pipe for N.E. Cor. # 15. See Sketch attached to this letter.

When I ran out Block D 23, I Didn't know anything about the Old corner on the N. Blines of No 5,479- 461-462-465-604-605, but from the Old Cor. at S.W. 55I and the Old Cor. of I36I, and also N.E. 55I and N.E. Cor. 5532 Old pits. Thence No, 20'E' 1900 vares per mile and N. 89'40' W Magnetic Needle.. Instrument 1900 vares per mile to a point for N.E. Cor. of No. 402. Thence I went to the N.E. Cor. of No. 319 at Double Lakes and ran N. and E. 1900 vares per mile Mag. needle leave and ~~xxxxx~~ found an average of 28 vares per mile exces. from double lake Cor. to S.W. 55I Capt. Holt's south the average was 29 vares per mile excess. G.B. Sweet of Brownwood made average 28 vares per mile.

I find the ~~Space~~ the N.B. line of 6. Block D 20 to S.B. line of Wilson Co. School Land No.3 at Point 87I vares East of it S.W. Cor. as located by Ramsey to 999 vares on the Survey I made for Block D 23 my distance was 898. But my ^{chain} ~~Chain~~ men made a mistake of ~~2~~ 2 Chains for S.B. line of No. 6 is right on the line I ran in 1902, and Mr. Ferm who Bought No. 6, Block D 20 was his home Section and put a fence on the North line of No. 6 instead of 950 it is 1050. But I will ^{show} ~~show~~ all this up on my Large Map which will send you of Corrected Field Notes of Survey No. 12-1e Block D 23, you ~~ask~~ ask why did I put the N.B. Line of 50277 vares N. of Mr. Twichell line of 502. This is ~~nx~~ where a line ^{True} West leaves from a point 1 mile North from S.E. Cor. of I223 an Old ^{original} ~~original~~ Corner as Called for in Field Notes I225 and I223 Mr. Twichell once Mr. Martroff was present when I testified in the Case Post ~~vs~~ V.S. Robinson about the position~~x~~ of the lines and also about the 2 Old pits at N.W. Corner of No. I255 Twichell had ^{re-surveyed} ~~re-surveyed~~ all the land Between I223 and 502 and Martroff had been over the same ground and if my Statement had not been Correct they would have said so for they was looking for an opportunity to Bust my Evidence so they could win the Case. They knew my Construction was absolutely Correct, but I was liberal on my Construction making the Beginning at N.W. I255 ~~nx~~ put the lines and South from this point and West

allowing an E xcess North & South. No. I430- 2009

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see Post Judgment fixing certain
surveys in G.C. & S.F. Bk. 1.
11-17-16. G.W.P.

The Judgment Calls.

For 5910 and 842 Wide it varies Excess from N. E. Cor. of I223 to Set Stone by Twichell for N.E. Cor. of 502. But to Start at N.W.

I255 and run South allowing an excess and West of 70 ~~xxxxx~~ vares per mile I970, 4miles to reach the line . I ran from I223 to a point 77 vares North of Twichell line and would place the N.E.

Cor. of 502, 532 vares East and 77 rans North of N.W. Cor. of 50I as located by Twichell now I will give you Mr. Hays Statement he made on the Witness Stand Tahoka in I9I2. He said he ~~wanted~~ want the N.W.

Cor. of No. I4I in Cross^{by Co} and he ran 2I miles South and I3 miles and IO vares West and put in Survey I20I on the 27 of S ept. I877 and ~~he~~ went West- put the Cobb Corner Thence S. and E. and put in several surveys down to I223 and ~~in~~ I225-I227 and I228 and Went

back to Graham and all Surveys West they plotted them in dated Oct. the Ist. I879. Then in Jan. I878 he went to Cobb Cor. and ran West-3 miles for N.W. Cor. of No. I255 and put I255 on the IOth of Jan. I878 and ran 3 miles South from N.W. Cor. of No. I255 and East

3 miles and went back to Graham and that they ^{Plotted} ~~put~~ in all the Surveys in that Block to I4II and I4I2 on The IO day of Jan. I878 Sec.

Original Field Notes in May I878 they went to W. Cor. near Mndia Kong Peak in Borden Co. and ran N. I4' WW and put in I67 & I68 E.L. RRRR Ry. Co. Survey. Thence N.&W. and put 402 Old Cor. or Near Spring on the I2 day of May I878 also I36I on same days and that he never run any connection back to the work he done in I877 or Jan. I878. So the 6 Old Corners that Twichell based his work that was

not Called for in Field Notes Come to Naught after hearing Statement How he ~~just~~ put I255 the only ^{way} ~~way~~ to locate I4I^I add 50/G^{C & S F} & S L

RR Co. is to follow^{or} the Field Note in Original Field notes and not Some old pits that an not called for in Field Notes what ever, Post had Mr. ^{Scally} ~~Harper~~ Austin when they tried the Case but Mr. Batt would

not put him on Stand Mr. Terrell said in his Speech. But when Judge Batt made his Closing Argument he said he thought he knew when he had enough. I had written this long letter so you could get all the

Facts in the Case. In Conclusion I think that John Standerfer is ^{Caused} ~~Caused~~ the man that ~~caused~~ all the Old Corners ^{THROWN AWAY} put in by me on Section I5 and I6 Block D 23 to throw^{id} away. He wanted the Survey Corrected to

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excess I had been down on the South line of Wilson Co. School Land and found the Old Corner that I put in on the Holt line. I said if I could find out who had thrown away the Corners I would prosecute them Standerfer Went to several Lawyers I understand, they told him I would have to Hold to the Old Corner and all ~~the~~ vacant Land between his land Wilson Co. School Land was Vacant so it was ~~all~~ ^{Rife} all over the County that of these Stone Mounds could be found that it ~~was~~ would be vacant land and that may & Kitner could not Hold any more land than there ~~due~~ ^{Deeds' call for} ~~all for~~. I will see the State get every foot that belongs regardless of Kin folks or any one Else I would have written you some time ago but I have been Confined to my Bed with Sciatic Rheumatism was the delay,

Yours Respt.

W R Standerfer
 P.S I don't think that Kitner or Mr May had any to do with the ~~with~~ the descension of the Old corner the parties that live on No 14 and 15 won't have their fields corrected and there is 120 acres more than No 14 & 15 called for the corners of these two Sections got an Idea that if they their land resurveyed and the Old Stone mounds found they lose some land and would have to pay the State for it at a much higher Price I will use my very Best efforts to cooperate with you Seeing that State gets all the land that belongs to it

Yours very Respt
W R Standerfer

WR Standefer's letter JTRob-
ison, Comr. Dated Aug. 11. 1916,

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As regards of kin folks or any one else I would have
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vacant land and that may a Kinner could not hold any more
product that of these some would be found that it is

Yours Resp.

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