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Hon. J. H. Walker, Commissioner General Land Office, Austin, Texas,

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Dear Mr. Walker :-

A short time ago I was in your office to investigate relative to a possible vacancy supposed to exist between the G. B. Jones and the Thomas Vernoy surveys, situated on the Clear Fork of the Trinity River in the southeastern portion of Parker County, Texas.

I am inclosing a copy of the letter which I wrote to the Fort Worth National Bank and others under date of Dec. 12th., 1935, relative to my findings from surveying upon the ground.

The bearing tree called for at the southwest corner of the J. F. Gomer survey No. 496 and the trees called for at the southeast corner of the Rice Duerrett have all been destroyed by the road and the improvements incident to a residence just to the west of the Durrett corner.

I am sending this information to your office that it may be available to interested parties in the future.

> With best personal regards to you and others in the office,

> > Very respectfully,

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December 12th., 1935.

Fort Worth National Bank and Others, Fort Worth, Texas, Gentlemen:-

In connection with my survey of your Corn Ranch property I have investigated the possibility of there being a vacant tract of land lying south of the southwest portion of the T. Vernoy survey and north of the most eastern north line of the G. B. Jones survey, and make the following report :-

Please refer to the attached plat and the field notes of the Sol Durrett, T. C. Durrett, Rice Durrett, R. Matthews, J. F. Gomer survey No. 496 and the T. Vernoy surveys.

The Vernoy and the three Durrett surveys were made by the same surveyor during an interval of a few days in 1853; the same surveyor also returned some very imperfect field notes for the G. B. Jones survey at the same time, but these notes were rejected by the Land Office for irregularities. Later the Jones was re-surveyed by the Parker County surveyor. I examined these notes in the Land Office a few days ago and found that several interlineations had been made in different handwriting from the body of the notes and with red ink; no explanation is now to be had for such changes; I also noted that all the calls relative to objects upon the ground as made in the original field notes were not carried into the patent description; nor do these changes appear in the copy of the field notes taken from the County surveyor's records at Weaterford, as furnished by the abstractor. The patent calls of the Jones read "passed the southwest corner of the Vernoy to a stone in a valley prairie"; the word "passed" had been interlined in the original field notes, which had been writted to call for the southwest corner. The west line of the Verney calls to be 2300 varas long, whereas the sumof the calls of the east lines of the surveys lying west of the Vernoy totals 2516 varas. If the distances along the west line of the Vernoy are run as called for and the line extended the full 2516 varas from the northwest corner of the Vernoy we strike on the south side of the Clear Fork in big pecan timber, but the 2300 varas strikes in a valley prairie as called for. There is now a road along the west line of the Vernoy, which would have destroyed any witness trees for the corner between the Jones and the T. C. Durrett or eigher of them if separate.

The J. F. Gomer survey No. 496 lies south of the Vernoy; the call along its west line is 2308 varas; the sum of the calls along the east lines of the surveys lying west of the Comer totals 23095 varas.

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We thus have calls for 216 varas more distance on the west sides of the west lines of the Vernoy and Gomer surveys than the total of the calls of the two surveys and as the actual measure is in accord with the sum of the calls of the Vernoy and Gomer surveys, there must be a conflict between some of the western surveys.

The call at the northwest corner of the Rice Durrett survey is for "a Livecak tree on a high hill in the edge of a Livecak grove". I found this tree as called for; it is now 22 inches in diameter, is hollow, is at the northwest corner of a fence; the Livecak grove covers the top of the hill and extends about fifty varas to the north and about seventy five varas to the south from the corner tree, which is on the eastern edge of the top of the hill and of the grove.

I then ran from this tree east to the west line of the Gomer survey and thence north 658 varas to the northwest corner of the Gomer whence a Livecak, 20 inches in diameter, now dead bears south 19 varas. Thence west to the southwest corner of the Vernoy. Thence north 905 varas to the northeast corner of the G. B. Jones as now fenced. Thene west along said fence, at 1133 varas a syone forthe northwest corner of the Jones, in all, the fence continuing, 1861 varas to an old mound of stone at the southwest corner of the fence. I was unable to find the Livecak or the postoak called for at the southwest corner of T. C. Durrett, although I searched for a hundred varas around, and extended the search for more that two hundred varas to the south. My measure on the Vernoy was 2308 varas and on the Gomer was 2298 varas.

The matter clearly resolves itself into a simple conflict between the G. B. Jones and the T. C. Durrett surveys.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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