

Clarksville July 25. 1855.

Sir — I have been for some time in making  
correction of Surveys, and making sketches, showing  
the connection of divers surveys, a part of which I have  
handed over to Geo H Lawton, who will forward them  
perhaps by the present mail

I have made out a ~~sketch~~ embracing a considerable  
portion of country N. W. from Clarksville, but will retain  
it, for a few days to go ~~upon~~ upon the ground to place it  
beyond doubt for the future about the localities of some  
surveys. I mean the long run survey about 12 miles N. of  
Clarksville, it was first run as square of two mile each  
line, and afterward cut down considerably. Mr  
Huffer afterward opened a corner more than a mile South  
of the first survey, and found some surveys both in and on  
the track, some connections were made regarding this  
corner as correct, and now it has been abandoned and  
vacated, and that part of the head right is taken westward  
and new surveys are now being made upon the land  
which together with the error committed by Huffer  
makes it proper that care should be taken, in supplying  
the connection of surveys calling for the old survey  
and the blunders committed by Huffer, which I  
shall complete in a few days, and forward them

I was pleased in the reception of the form which came to  
hand some time ago, but regret to say that I am  
confounded not knowing how to comply with its  
requirements, that is in the N. part

I find that my predecessor at first recorded ~~separately~~ all  
first class claims for a while in Book A & C but  
afterwards the Records show that <sup>all</sup> classes fell together  
in the same Book B or my land as well as others  
I saw the condition of things in this way but could  
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not chalk out a remedy, and when Mr Seidemann  
opened a new Book for his Correction surveys, beginning  
again at No 1, 2, &c. throwing all classes promiscuously  
together. And I leave as you will see, not put the  
number when I return, and you will pardon  
me for intruding on your time and patience in  
dropping me a line, stating how I shall in future  
(in this particular at least) proceed.

Yours with respect

William D. Cross

N.B. Sketches of the S. A. Ritchey League & Labor  
survey, the statement in relation to R. Y. Bryarly  
survey near the old Le Groves survey is explained & set  
rights together with the connection of the L. R. Johnson's  
and Sketch 1, showing the Joshua Turner & H. Brown's  
survey.

The Sketch & explanation of the Edward Deair survey  
and those surrounding it, is made out & sent to  
The one embracing Northward of Clarksville retained  
a short time for further information to be had.  
The John Higby by Fishback's South of Lewis Road  
will also be made out & forwarded shortly.

File #

Red River

North west from Clarksville

Rec<sup>d</sup> 30 August 1855

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