

Aspermont, Texas
Jan. 23rd. 1905

Hon. J.J. Terrell,

Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to hand you herein my report of a survey made by me upon the ground, giving in full all corners and bearings, both natural and artificial, together with the lines run by me, and course and distance. 1st. In accordance with a suggestion of Geo. M. Williams, State Surveyor, handed me by your department of date 11th. day of July 1903, I went to the corner of the Daniel Martindale No. 1, a pile of rock from which a cross on a solid rock brs. N. 12° 45' as called for in the old original field notes of said Martindale No. 1 as being the S.E. corner. I then ran South from said corner 85° 10' W. 1344 Vrs.. I found an old rock pile in head of a draw which seemed to be very ancient. Continuing S. 85° 10' W. at 2570 Vrs. I found a rock set in the ground with several rocks piled around same. This corner had been almost entirely covered up- nothing showing but a small portion of the larger rock. I, with the assistance of my helpers, dug the dirt from around said corner and found that said rock had been placed there at some prior time as a corner, for we took said rocks up out of their position and took them to a ledge of rock near by and by placing them found that they had originally been taken from said ledge and had been placed in the position as we found them, which I believe beyond a doubt to be the old original S.W. Corner of the Philip H. Commons Survey. I then ran South 85° 10' W. 60 Vrs. making in all 2630 Vrs.

From this point I ran N. 4° 50' W. 2688 Vrs. from which an old pile of rock brs. N. 81° 1/2° E. 61 Vrs. From said point I ran N. 85° 10' E. to a point from which an old pile of stone brs. N. 82° 1/2° E. 61 1/2 Vrs.. Another pile of stone brs. N. 75° E. 121 Vrs. Another pile of stone brs. S. 40° E. 27 Vrs. Another pile of stone brs. N. 6° E. 140 Vrs. Another pile of stone brs. N. 41° W. 210 Vrs. Another pile of stone brs. S. 66° E. 214 Vrs. (There might have been other piles of stone at this point that I could have given you for bearings but I did not have the time to look them up as the whole place seemed to be covered with old piles of stone).

I then ran N. 4° 50' W. 2000 Vrs. which brought me to a place on the bank of the junction of the Salt Fork and Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos River. I then went back to the place of beginning and ran West 7165 Vrs. to the new Block "D" line as placed by Williams.

Going back to the place of beginning I ran ~~N. 4° 50' W.~~ N. 4° 50' W. 1344 Vrs. to a stone mound made by Geo. M. Williams. Thence N. 85° 10' E. to a small pile of stone. (At this point it looked as though there had been a considerable pile of stone at one time as there were ~~xxx~~ loose rocks lying around near the corner, and as it was on a prairie it showed that they had been brought there at some prior time).

Thence N.4^{50'} W. 1344 Vrs. to an old pile of rock from which a cedar marked X Brs. S.45^{80'} E. 80 Vrs. (I found this to be a very old corner but have no record of who placed it there as the bearings to said corner are not a matter of record in my office). From this point I ran N. 4^{50'} W. 4560 Vrs. to a point on a small prairie- loose rocks around could not fully identify corner. From this point I ran West 1344 Vrs. from which an old pile of stone Brs. S.88^{W.11} Vrs. Continuing West at 2688 Vrs a pile of stone in cedar valley from which a rock marked X Brs. N.4 Vrs. Another rock Brs. S.88^{1/2} W. 5 Vrs. (This corner I fully identify as the old original S.W. Corner of the W.F. Murry Survey, and do not believe that any surveyor has found or run from this corner for a number of years- For reasons, There were cedars from 2 to 4 inches in diameter growing in and around said corner so that no surveyor could have set his compass without first having moved said cedars which showed no signs of ever having been molested).

I then ran North at 400 Vrs. to the bank of a ravine- at 1250 Vrs. to a deep ravine or small creek - at 1344 Vrs. a stake. (On this run I found the callings for ravines and creeks correct or approximately so. The last corner called for was in a rocky flat and if there had ever been a corner there it could have been easily destroyed from identification as there rocks promiscuously piled and scattered all over the valley. This corner as located by me was on the West side or slope of a small cedar mound or mountain as called for in the original field notes, the bearings on cedar Marked X could not be found but there was a small cedar mound N.15^{E.} about 30 Vrs. which was also covered with rocks but I could not identify a pile of stones as called for in the field notes, but from the surroundings, taken in connection with the calling of the original field notes I am fully convinced that the original N.W. corner of the W.F. Murry was located at this point).

I then ran East at 289 Vrs. passing the S.W. corner of the M. Cordova League as placed there by Geo. M. Williams. Continuing East at 2688 Vrs. an old rock corner in a ravine on solid rock. Rock is ~~xxxx~~ scaley and marks obliterated. (This corner is beyond doubt the N.E. corner of the Daniel Martindale No. 3 as called for in its old ~~xxxx~~ original field notes, and from this corner the M. Cordova League, G.H. & P. Ry. Co. Nos. 1 and 2, and all other surveys connecting thereto were located. I further made exami-

Surveyor- also his plat heretofore filed in the General Land Office, on date Sept. 3rd. 1902, and am of the opinion that Mr. Williams is in error in placing the old stone mound ~~xxxx~~ marked "A" on his said plat as the S.W. corner of Martindale No. 1, when it should be the S.E. corner. (See his letter of July 11th. 1903. Subject, Survey No. 1, Daniel Martindale, Stonewall County, Texas. Addressed to the Hon. J.J. Terrell, Com. General Land Office, Austin, Texas.)

For reasons:- First. -That the Martindales Nos. 1&2 and the Philip H. Commons were located by The Brazos & Croton Creek Mining Company for the purpose of the minerals thereon, which, if located from said corner marked "A" as the S.E. corner of Martindale No. 1, said surveys would cover the

entire mineral lands in that locality, or what is known as the copper mountain, but if said corner marked "A" should be placed as the S.W. corner of Martindale No.1, that would throw Martindale Nos. 1&2 on a valley and off of the mineral region entirely, which is fully explained in Mr. Williams' report of Nov. 1902.

Second.- Dr. B.W.Holcomb, an old and trustworthy gentleman of this county tells us that in the fall of 1869 and winter of 1870 he was in company with a party of miners and others when the old tunnels and shafts referred to in Mr. Williams' letter of July 11th. 1903, were dug, and at the time they had with them the District Surveyor, W.M.Bullion, who at that time located Martindales Nos. 1,2,3, & 4, and knows that Martindales Nos. 1 & 2 were located to cover the principal part of what is known as Copper Mountain in which said tunnels and shafts were dug, and that the Martindales Nos. 3 & 4 were also located to cover some copper croppings that were found by said miners at said time- one to the North and one to the South of said copper mountain, but as to the distance he did not remember but knows positively that Nos. 1 & 2 were not located on the valley as shown by Mr. Williams.

Third.- The corner marked "A" was found and recognized by Dickens who surveyed Block "D" , H.&T.C.Ry., as the S.E. corner of Martindale No.1.- See Beginning point of said Block "D".

Fourth.- To begin at a point 1344 N.85°10' E. of said ~~corner~~ corner marked "A" for a beginning point for the location of Martindale No.4, thence S.20°W.4750 Vrs. would throw the Martindale No.4 something over 1300 Vrs. too far East of its present location, which is fully identified on the ground.

Fifth:- To begin at a point 1344 Vrs. N.85°10' E. for a point- Thence North 4°50' W.1344- Thence N.85°10' E. 120 Vrs.- Thence N.4°50' W.1344 Vrs. for a beginning point for a connection line for Martindale No.3- Thence North 4°50' W. 4560 Vrs. for a beginning point for Martindale No.3 would throw said Martindale No.3 entirely off the mineral belt, and would throw it not to cover the old shafts sunk by the Brazos & Croton Creek Mining Company in the fall of 1869. Said old shafts are still visible.

Sixth:- From information gathered from the old settlers I learn that the N.E. corner of the Martindale No.3, as platted by State Surveyor Williams, was made and marked by A.J.Gibson in October 1888, and is not the original

and I have been further informed that the S.W. corner W.F.Murry, as platted by State Surveyor Williams, was made by a surveyor by the name of Cummings some six or eight years ago, and is not the original S.W. corner of said Murry as called for in the original field notes.

And for further reasons, running North from said point we do not find the ravines or creeks called for in the original field notes of said Murry Survey.

Seventh. State Surveyor Williams, in his report to the General Land Office, Filed Nov. 1902, gives his reason for putting in the D.Martindale, W.F.Murry, Daniel Kitchens, and R.Haley without variation was that he believed that the surveyor was ignorant of the variations of the needle, but

on our investigation we find that the same surveyor, Bullion, and at the same time that he located the surveys Nos. 1 & 2 and 3 D.Martindale, that he also located No.4, D.Martindale with a variation of the needle that is well indetified upon the ground, therefore I am of the opinion that Nos. 1 & 2, D.Martindale were put in without variation, for the reason that it would better fit the mineral locality of the country, as Copper Mountain lies nearly North and South without variation, but that 3 & 4 D.Martindale have been fully identified upon the ground, were put in with a variation, and That the Daniel Kitchens and R.Haley, with their corners and bearings as found upon the ground, show that they were put in with a variation beyond any question of a doubt.

I, Green Harrison, County Surveyor in and for Stonewall county, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing statement is true and correct.

Given under my hand at the Town of Aspermont, this 23rd. day of January, A.D.1905.

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Green Harrison
 County Surveyor of Stonewall Co, Texas

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Aspermont, Texas
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Stonewall County
Sketch files.

Bert. sketch and field notes
of connections & explanation
of surveys in N. E. part
of Stonewall Co. by
Green Harrison Co.
Sur. Stonewall Co.

Filed Jan. 30th 1900

John J. [unclear]
Counsel

Green Harrison

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17, A. T. 1800.

Given under my seal at the town of Appleton, Wis. this 30th day of January 1900.

I, Green Harrison, County Surveyor, do hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of the original survey of the N. E. part of Stonewall County, Texas.

Witness my hand and seal for said county.

Green Harrison
County Surveyor

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General Land Office.

State of Texas.

Austin.

JOHN J. TERRELL, COMMISSIONER.
J. T. ROBISON, CHIEF CLERK.

May 11, 1906.

Mr. H. C. Dozier,
Marcy, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

On March 30th, 1906, this department wrote you fully with reference to your file on 461 acres of land in Stonewall county, calling for survey 38, block G, S. F. 7367, as the time has lapsed and we have heard nothing from you as to what you intend to do in compliance with that letter we take this method of calling your attention to that letter, and ask that you comply with it at once. Otherwise, we will be compelled to cancel your file and consider any other file on it seeking to purchase it as unsurveyed school land.

Yours truly,

S. F. 7367.
Hutch-Guyer-Sp.

Commissioner.

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Aspermont, Texas, January 26th. 1905.

Hon. J.J. Terrell,
Austin, Texas.

Dear-Sir:- Inclose please find rough sketch and report of a survey made in the N.E. part of this county, You will have to look over the sketch as I have no tools to draw with or I probably would have done better. Please have your department to look over the report and let me know what you think of adopting it as I have several surveys to send in upon Public Domain in that locality if I am correct in my survey of that part of the country but if I am not correct it would be useless for me to send them in under the survey made by Mr. Williams for I could not identify them on the ground.

Would like for you to submit this report to Mr. Williams if you are not satisfied with it and have him to write me wherein it is not correct but I feel confident that he will adopt it from what he states in his letter to you of July 11th. 1903.

Respectfully.

Green Harrison

Ans'd 3/1/05-



General Land Office.

State of Texas.

Austin.

JOHN J. TERRELL, COMMISSIONER.
J. T. ROBISON, CHIEF CLERK.

Austin Texas Feb. 8/05.

Mr. G. M. Williams
San Antonio Texas.

Dear Sir:

Please look over the enclosed connecting
line or explanation and sketch of work in
Stonewall county, and let me know about
what you think of it. I think it will
answer all purposes.

Your very truly
O. von Rosenberg
Examining Asst. man



General Land Office.

State of Texas.

Austin.

March 3, 1905.

JOHN J. TERRELL, COMMISSIONER.
J. T. ROBISON, CHIEF CLERK.

Mr. Green Harrison,
Aspermont, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of January 26th was duly received, enclosing sketch and field notes of connections, &c. of surveys in Eastern portion of Stonewall county. After examining same, and at your suggestion the papers were mailed to Mr. G. M. Williams for his examination. Please find pencil copy of his reply herewith. I think you have solved the problem. I would suggest that in surveying the unsurveyed school land under the act of February 23, 1900, that you call for all the adjacent surveys, describing the corners, &c. I have filed your sketch and field notes of connecting line together with Mr. Williams' letter in Stonewall county sketch file.

Very respectfully,

E. von Rosenberg-Ewing

Commissioner.

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General Land Office,

State of Texas.

Austin.

JOHN J. TERRELL, COMMISSIONER.
J. T. ROBISON, CHIEF CLERK.

June 8th. A. D. 1906.

County Surveyor, ~~Waller~~ *Waller* County,
Aspermont, Texas.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the field notes of H.C. Dozier covering survey No. 38, Block "G", 461 acres, beg to say that after applying your corrections to the field notes recently authorized, the field notes still will not close by error in latitude 274 vrs.

I inclose you herewith ~~balance~~ *balance* sheet and will request that corrected field notes be sent to close in latitude and departure. The original field notes for this survey will not admit of any further corrections and hence we request corrected field notes. In writing further about this matter please mention SF 7367.

Yours truly,

Hutch to Guyer.

Commissioner.

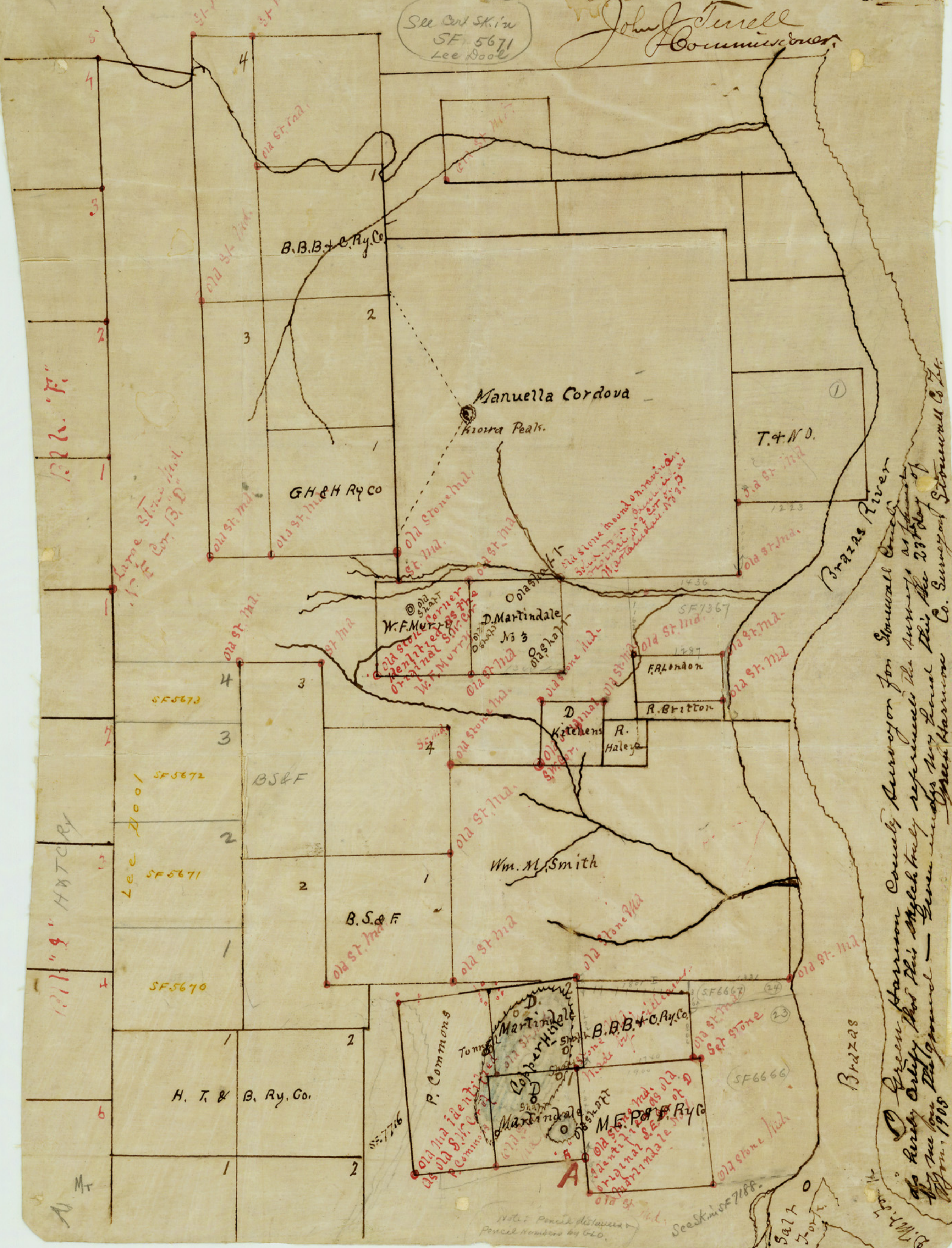
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John J. Turell
Commissioner.

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Kiorra Peak.

G.H. & H. Ry. Co.

W.F. Murray
D. Martindale
No 3

R. London
R. Britton

D. Kitchens
R. Haley

Wm. M. Smith

P. Commons

D. Martindale
Copper Hill

B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co.
M.F. P... Ry. Co.

Brazos River
Green Harrison County Surveyor for Stonewall County
As Surveyor certify that this sketch truly represents the survey as shown
by me for the ground - Green Harrison Co. Surveyor Stonewall Co. Tex.
Jan. 1905

Note: Pencil distances
Pencil Numbers by G.L.O.

See skin SF 7188.

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