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Mr. J. Bascom Giles Commissioner General Land Office Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

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Pursuant to the request of J. E. Turner, I have made a survey of three portions of Texas Central Railway Survey #186 and present herewith a map and field notes which I have identified as Surveys 186-A, 186-B and 186-C.

I find that the Burnet-Travis County line had been surveyed preceeding the location of the J. O. Hendricks Survey #1, the T. C. Railway Survey #186 and the T. C. Railway Survey #187, all in Travis County, Texas.

I find from the records in your office that this county line survey had been made upon the ground and that monuments were placed at each mile together with bearing trees for identification.

I also find that T. A. Chamberlain made two original surveys for the G. C. and S. F. Railway Survey #30 and for Texas Central Railway Survey #75 and that he fixed definite corners and bearing trees in connection with his survey. I also find that John E. Campbell prepared field notes of Texas Central Railway Survey #185, 186 and 187 and that he recognized the Chamberlain series of surveys and that he tied his corners between Surveys 185 and 186 into the 16 mile monument and that he tied his northwest corner of Survey #186 and his southwest corner of Survey #187 to the east corner of the Singleton Thompson Survey.

I find that T. A. Chamberlain who made the survey for Texas Central Railway Survey #75 also tied his survey into the Singleton Thompson Survey and that John E. Campbell apparently recognized all of the survey locations made by T. A. Chamberlain, save and except the northeast corner of Harris Vickers Survey #9.

Upon the ground I have been able to locate the northwest corner of Survey #30 made by T. A. Chamberlain, the 16 mile monument, the southeast corner of Texas Central Railway Survey #.75, the 15 mile monument, the northeast corner of Texas Central Railway Survey #75, the east corner of the Singleton Thompson Survey and the northwest corner of Texas Central Railway Survey #186, all in good relation to the original records found in your files.

The field notes of Texas Central Railway Surveys 185 and 186 appear to have been a paper location of said surveys and I find upon the ground that John E. Campbell did not find the true relation between definite monuments on the west line of Burnet County line and the corner of J. G. Stewart Survey #703.

I went to the northwest corner of Survey #30 and ran N 30° E 1405.0 varas and found a pile of rocks around a post and continued N 30° E 1473 varas then continued 237.4 varas where I fixed the division line between Survey #185 and 186. I then ran N 60° W 235.7 varas and S 26° W 111.0 varas where I found the 16 mile monument identified by its original bearing trees, I returned to my reestablished northwest corner of Texas Central Railway Survey #185 submitting to the older claim of the Harris Vickers Survey #9 and ran N 30° E passing through many old cuttings a distance of 554.1 varas where I replaced the mortheast corner of Harris Vickers Survey #9, which corner was S 60° E 275.7 varas from the southeast corner of Texas Central Railway Survey #75. The southeast corner of Texas Central Railway Survey #75 as found upon the ground was identified by its bearing trees.

I returned to my reestablished northwest corner of Texas Central Railway Survey #185 and ran S 60° E 2207.9 varas to a point which was S 30° W 50.6 varas distant from the southeast corner of the J. G. Stewart Survey #703.

The west line of the Martin Feeney Survey was identified by some very old cuttings and by one old subdivision corner.

To fix the north corner of Survey #186, I ran S 60° E from the northwest corner of Survey #186, an old scattered rock mound found upon the ground as the division corner between Survey #186 and #187. to the intersection of the Martin Feeney west line.

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