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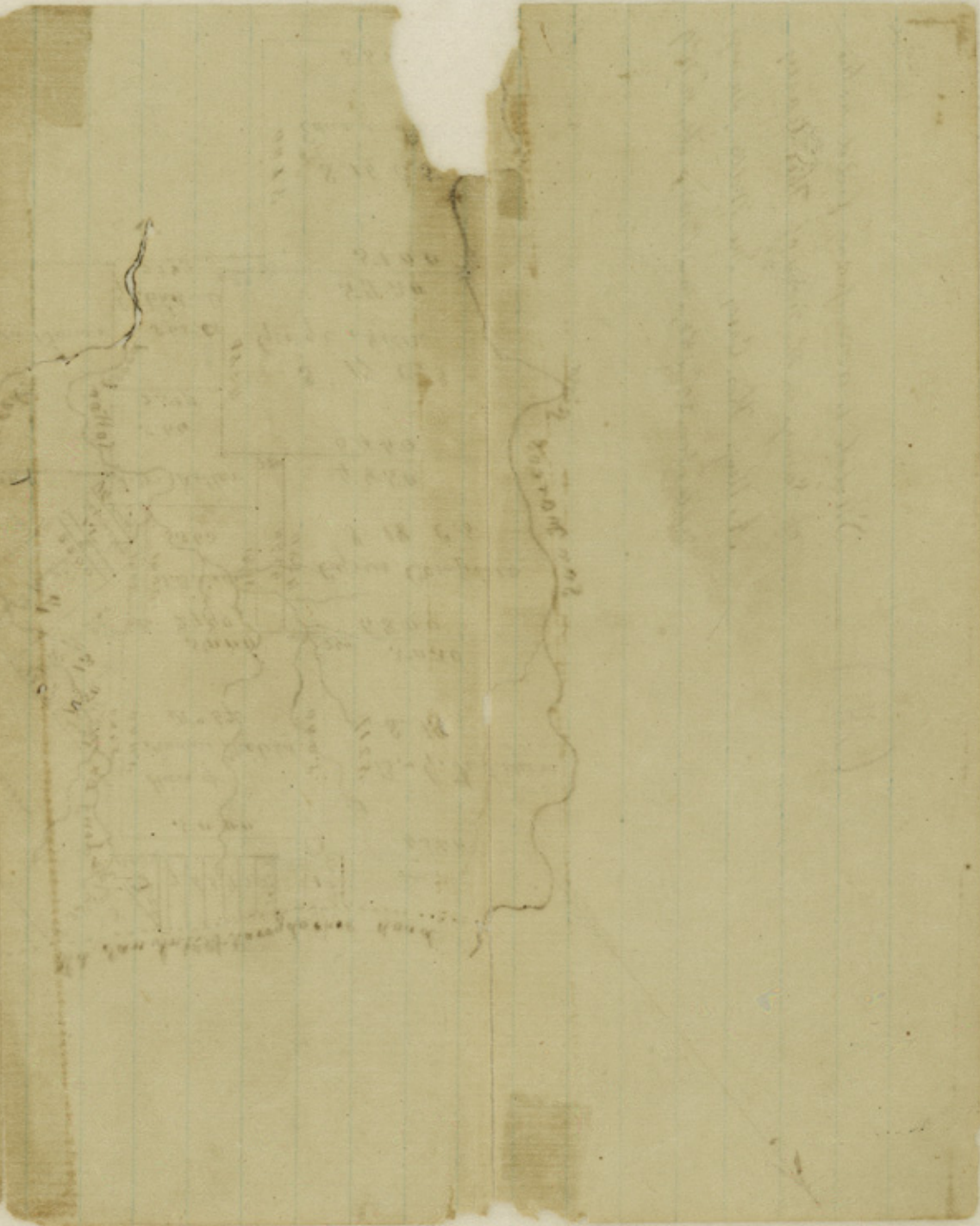
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SK to accompany statement 6. in re to Thos. Casey, et al Surs. South of San Marcos R. Nov. 27-28, 1868-Apr. 17, 69

Sketch of a section of Country in Guadalupe County, on the waters of the San Marcos river, and York's Creek, to accompany field notes of Survey made for

Thos Casey
A. Reup
Thos Casey
Geo. Wells

1868-69



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Explanatory Statement

Explanatory Statement of a sketch of surveys marked (A) accompanying four sets of field notes respectively in the name of Thos. Casey, August Reap, Thos Casey and Geo. Wells, situated on the waters of York's Creek and contiguous to survey No. 62 in the name of the heirs of Andrew Mitchell dec'd, for the purpose of showing that a vacancy exists upon which the aforementioned surveys have been located, although the Map in the General Land Office represents no vacancy, from the fact that several of the surveys made prior, call for connections with each other, when such connections do not really exist.

Most of the corners of these older surveys which have not been identified by their bearings terminate by measurement in locations sufficiently timbered for affording bearing trees, and this is a strong reason for supposing that the original bearings have been destroyed by devastating fires or by the woodman's axe. In support of this suggestion it may be said that some of these corners can be fixed unquestionably by the intersection of two marked lines, yet the original bearings cannot be found, destroyed perhaps by some of the numerous fires that swept over the prairie each fall at a time when the grass was more abundant than at present.

In determining the vacancy indicated on the accompanying sketch by yellow tint, a beginning was made at the West or ^{corner} N. W. of league No. 16 made for E. C. Pettus fully identified by its bearings. This league has recently been subdivided for partition among the heirs of E. C. Pettus, and one of the Commissioners appointed for the partition, who pointed out this corner to me, informed me that the N. W. line of this league chained 5100 vs, instead of 5000 vs. From this corner I ran S 50° W with the Geo. Allen league line 930 vs to a corner known as the S or S. W. corner of the Geo. Allen league, although not identified by its

reported bearings. Thence on an old & well marked line $N40^{\circ}W$
2818 vs to a point for the N.E. corner of survey No. 65 for G. Chal-
well, not identified by its bearings. Thence $S50^{\circ}W$ 2519 vs with
the South line of F. W. Keller survey No. 64 to an intersection with
the N.E. line of the Sol. Barnes league, from which point traced
said N.E. line of Barnes league to its North corner, being also the
extreme East corner of the Geo. Jones league, fully identified
by their bearings. Thence $N40^{\circ}W$ 830 vs ^{to the} West or N.W. corner of the
survey made for F. W. Keller No. 64, said line was well marked and
an old stone corner was found not corresponding well with the orig-
inal bearings. Thence on an old & well marked line $N50^{\circ}E$
815 vs (instead of 880) to the South or S.W. corner of the J. B. Cawan
 $\frac{1}{3}$ league survey No. 63, identified by one original bearing, the other
being destroyed. Said corner was on the west bank of Cotton wood and
4 vs from the Creek. Thence traced the S.W. end of said Cawan
survey to its intersection with the S.E. line of league No. 63 made
for Hiers of A. Mitchell, and traced said S.E. line South 50° West
530 vs to the South corner of said league in a small Elm grove,
(bearings gone), from which traced the S.W. line of said league $N40^{\circ}W$
through timber some distance.

Then began work at the extreme N.E. corner of the Ches. Henderson
league, pointed out by the owner of survey No. 77, made for
J. Fry, who resides on the same. (This corner was represented
to me as being determined by running from the extreme N.E. corner
of the Eynaurizer 11 League grant due North to an intersection
with the Old San Antonio & Acogdoches road, thence due
East 3387 vs) - Thence $S50^{\circ}W$ 1200 vs and found the re-
entrant corner of Henderson league. Thence $S40^{\circ}E$ at 1650 vs
pass ^{North corner of} E. H. Fordt, at 4590 vs pass N.E. corner of W^m. Perkins identified by
its bearings; ~~then~~ ^{then} with Perkins line at 5420 its reentrant corner in
timber reach a point in timber from which the South corner of
the A. Mitchell league bears $N50^{\circ}E$ 240 vs

Again, I began at the South Corner of the A. Mitchell league and ran $N50^{\circ}E$ at 2280 vs cross'd a branch at 3270 to the N.E. corner of T. B. Cawan's league, bearings gone, but identified by its position with regard to Cotton Wood Creek; at 3280 vs Cotton Wood creek at 4000 vs cross'd the S.W. line of the Cyrus Campbell League No. 18 at a point $S40^{\circ}E$ 80 vs from its West Corner. (Said S.W. line of Campbell was traced $S40^{\circ}E$ 1500 or 1600 vs and found to be well marked wherever there was timber. It would have been traced throughout but it enters a dense & almost impenetrable thicket of Chaparral & Cacti.) Continuing said S.E. line of Mitchell league $N50^{\circ}E$ at 5000 vs determined its East ^{corner} to be 83 vs $S40^{\circ}E$ from N.W. line of C. Campbell league, showing an interlapping of the A. Mitchell on the C. Campbell. Then offsetting from the East corner of Mitchell league $N40^{\circ}W$ 83° to N.W. line of C. Campbell league, tracing said line $N50^{\circ}E$ at 740 vs reached the corner recognized as the South corner of the B. & G. Fulcher league No. 19, from which corner traced the Campbell & Fulcher line (sufficiently identified by marked trees) 5030 vs to their East Corner on the San Marcos river.

Again for the purpose of determining the position of Small Surveys Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7 bordering on the San Antonio & Atacogoches road, I went to the West corner of the B. & G. Fulcher league, which was pointed out by parties formerly owning it, thence ran $S50^{\circ}W$ 1200 vs and found South corner of J. W. Nelson survey No. 1, and continuing same course at 3150 vs distance, crossed Cotton Wood at 5933 vs found that I was 120 vs $S40^{\circ}E$ from the northeast corner of Ches Henderson, (marked, R.R. on accompanying sketch) and, the West corner of A. Mitchell league being established by extension from its South corner, there was found to be a vacancy of 420 vs between the small surveys above mentioned and the Mitchell league. The lower corner of small surveys Nos. 4 & 5 must be placed at the crossing of Cotton Wood Cr., Cotton Wood trees for bearings being called for, and these trees are confined to the banks

of the Creek. The stumps of such trees are found near where this line crosses this Creek.

I certify that the above statement is true in every essential particular

A. M. Erskine

County Surveyor, Guadalupe Co.

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Explanation of Sketch
marked (A.)

accompany field notes of
Survey in the name of

Thos. Caery - No. 501 - 2^d Blk
A. Reno - No. 320. Same
Thos. Caery - No. 501. 2^d Blk
Geo. Mills - No. 37. 4th Blk

lying on the claim of Sparks' Creek
Guadalupe County

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See Druggs' statement in file
2. My - Comarator.

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