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lowest bid which was given -in (which was by myself) was \$99,00 you will please to hand that ammount[sic] to Dr G. W. Hill if he is yet at Austine[sic] & if he has left please to forward an Order to the high Sherriff[sic] to pay that ammount[sic] when he makes his Collection

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Respectfy Wm. McKnight assessor of taxable property in Robertson County for the year 1839--

PS In consequence of an act passed for the relief of Certain officers of Robertson County and allowing an extention[sic] of time for the asses[s] or and high Sherriff[sic] to make their returns I was put to an additional trouble for I had made my returns to the Chief Justice before the act came out and thereby oc[c] asioned a great deal of labor extra and if you think the additional labor merits an additional remuneration pleas[e] to allow me for the same Wm McKnight

No. 563 Jan 20th WILTSE TO STARR

Austin January 20th 1840

To the Honble Jas H Starr Secretary of the Treasury

Sir

In accordance with the instructions contained in yours of the 9th Inst I entered upon the Survey of the Town Tract, and now have the honor to hand you the minutes &c of the work as far as I have progressed

In commencing this survey I adopted a variation of the Needle of 10 1/2 degrees, the one in general observance in this section of the country, and my Courses are given relative to it. I have traced the boundaries of the entire tract including the meanderings of the River and find the area of the whole including the City plat to be Seven thousand four hundred and thirty five and one quarter Acres. /7435 1/4/ The courses given are such as will run a direct line from corner to corner, in these courses as well as the distances you will perceive that some vary a little from the original field notes, which no doubt were occasioned by inaccuracies in the former Survey, as I have given it my particular attention and place full confidence in the correctness of my work.

To enable me to obtain a general knowledge of the Topography of the tract I ran various transverse lines over it, and submit to you the accompanying sketch made from the data thence obtained, all of which I trust may prove satisfactory

I have the honor &c

Your Obd Svt S.C. Wiltse
