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Austin  
Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> 1854

Dear Sterling

I have been waiting to have something definite to write you. On yesterday at 12 o'clock the parties signed the contract for building the Pacific Road. The terms are nearly set forth in the lease. The additional provisions you will see in the paper. The editorial was examined and approved by all parties, so you may put that down as semi-official at least.

Oldham has bought out Scurry.  
I anticipate taking service with the rangers.

I can give no information of the places the Road will cross the Trinity, Brazos and Colorado rivers, though, I think near the 32<sup>nd</sup> degree of latitude. You must watch the surveyor for that.

I have no other news.

Your friend

John S. Ford

Col. E.S.C. Robertson

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Aug 12/54