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Robertson Hill County Texas

31st Nov. 1856

Col. E.S.C. Robertson,

D^r Sir,

Having a little leisure time I have concluded to drop you a line to keep you posted as to your interest in this place. Everything is progressing smoothly Mr Martin is with us occupying the house he rented of you, Puckett having moved out in a few days after his arrival to his own dwelling. Improvements are going on slowly. Old Man Young being the only man, who has built. Blankenship has his frame on the ground to build, but appears to be slow. Mr. Greenwade is still occupying the stone house – but making preparations to move to his farm – Mr. Scott is occupying the house he was in when you were here. Mr. Cornett (Blacksmith) is still occupying the Same houses & working hard. Mr. Martin has a sister in Law who has taken up a School in the place, a fine lady deserving of patronage. I find Mr. Martin & family all I could have desired. Greenwade & Puckett are standing in “Status Quo” – both indicted – I am receiving my Goods & hope I will be able to do well we will have to put up with a Smaller Stock than I wished but in the Spring we expect we expect to order direct for this market a few Stock from the North – I have had several applications to rent the Stone building. I told him I was unauthorized to rent, I expected you would be represented by a gentleman in due time. Mrs. Martin’s mother (Mrs. Johnson) is speaking of it. You can either dispose of it privately or set it up to the

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highest bidder. I am frequently asked in regard to lots & I am under the necessity of asking those who were present as to what lots were sold. I am requested by an old man by the name of Rich to know if you will sell say 200 acres off of one of your leagues, the back end – he does not know whether it is on the upper or lower league, he has the money to pay down. Mr. Scott called on me to know what rent he would have to pay the ensuing year – I requested him to wait until I was further instructed.

Any information or instruction given me shall be strictly observed. I have the field notes of 1/8 League Land returned to the Genl Land Office Several years ago in the name of John Clary located in Hill County head of Chambers Creek Dr. Hunt requested that the patent should not issue until he could see if he or his friend did not have some claim on it. The Dr. claims a location interest only as he writes me be pleased to get me the Patent I am the purchaser at ????

Sale – so the patent will have to issue to Clary's heirs.

I will pay you for the same
As soon as I see you. your
friend ————— J T Eubank