

Fort Terrett, Texas.

Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> /53

Dr. Sir,

Sometime since I wrote to you concern-  
-ing some land in Grayson County owned by  
F. A. Rose, and you were kind enough to inform  
me that land in that section of the State was  
selling for from one to two dollars per acre -  
Since then F. A. Rose has written to me, request-  
-ing me to sell his land & will take \$1.25  
per acre for it. - If that can be had he  
will send me the patents & necessary papers  
from himself & his to sell, or will make the  
transfer to me by deed in blank. - I am too  
far out of the world to be able to do anything  
for him & being but slightly acquainted in  
Austin I have taken the liberty to trouble  
you - The land consists of one tract of  
1476 acres and another of 431 acres - The 431  
acres is the remainder of a 1280 acre tract of  
which 849 acres, from the west side, were  
deeded to Vincent B Sims of Arkansas in 1846.  
My proposition is, if you, or any responsible  
person will sell the land, F. A. Rose will  
allow you all above \$1.25 per acre, &  
should only \$1.25 per acre be got, then a  
fair percentage on that - F. A. Rose

proceeds the money if the sale can be made  
for cash the papers will be forwarded to  
me with authority to act in the case -

please let me know if there is a prospect  
of selling, or the best mode of disposing of the  
land for time - and much obliged

Very Respectfully,  
Young Wm. Holt Smith,  
James Oakes

To

Capt. S. Crosby  
Commissioned Gen. Land office  
Austin, Texas,

Address Capt. J. Oakes U.S.A.,  
Fort Terrett,  
Vic, San Antonio,  
Tex.

Am. Oct 17. 53

Am. Oct 26. 53

Wm. W. R. R.