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**Texas Land, Tax & General Agency,**

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*Austin City, 13 Nov 1882*

*The At*

*John Henshaw Esq  
Goshen P.O. Oldham Co Ky  
Dn*

*I Mr Swensen owns the Western  
part of land in Richm Co. In reply to  
your inquiry he says three dollars and  
fifty cents per acre is the price  
which is one fifth above the worth or  
relative to surrounding lands according to  
our opinion*

*Yours truly  
D. Cordova*

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**E. S. GRAHAM,**

STATE OF TEXAS,  
 YOUNG COUNTY, }

Graham Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 1882

Mr John Hershaw  
 Hoshaw, Ky.  
 Dear Sir

In reply to your letter of 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. The Peters Colony had priority of right of location regardless of date of Patent, so by Special Leg. act 1852. Many instances have occurred of conflict of Patents & of two Patents for entire tracts, same land, & the facts justify the issuance of edicts to do issue as he may have got there first. I do not wish to say a colony tract thus.  This some other locator of the other, was in error as to beginning, & crossed on to colony on the ground, but sent up field notes which showed no conflict therefore Patent issue. I otherwise would not, had I have known owner of Spanish would have given you a copy. Otherwise sometimes tedious & troublesome to learn and like voluntary description which has cost money to know & give in this country would take half of ones time to do so. When to answer or even what one in such business may casually learn makes a long list of gratitude. Mr Wilson moves quite a distance west the Archer Co - a cow man - his PO is Archer city, DeWoe & Co - Surveyor Archer Co & he likely will try to get & give you information of the Spaniards as to colony owners.  
 Respectfully  
 E. S. Graham

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*1882*

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*Mr. H. H. Henshaw*  
*Goshen*  
*Oldham Co*  
*Ky.*

**L. W. HART,**

GENERAL LAND AGENT

—AND—

*Co Attorney*

ATTORNEY \* AT \* LAW

ARCHER CITY, ARCHER CO., TEXAS.

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TITLE OF WHICH WILL PASS IN FEE SIMPLE IF NOT REDEEMED IN TWO YEARS. LANDS MUST BE RENDERED  
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OFFICE OF

L. W. Hart,

General Land and Collecting Agent,

And Attorney at Law. County Attorney,

Archer, Archer Co., Texas, Oct 25<sup>th</sup> 1882

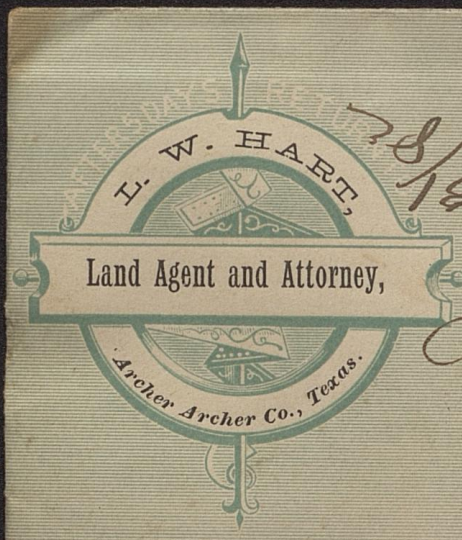
J. Henshaw  
Goshen Ky

Dear Sir, your letter to L. S. Wilson  
of Oct 9<sup>th</sup> was by him this day handed to me, with  
request that I answer your questions, which  
I take pleasure in doing;

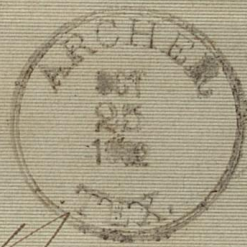
This is a very healthy climate, - dry  
& airy, sheep do well here, but the country is mostly  
occupied by cattle men in large pastures,  
your tract 1842 is high rolling prairie land  
no timber no water, except one good spring  
which furnishes permanent water, enough  
for more and best, - Post Oak timber is  
3 or 4 miles away, fencing is mostly with  
wire, the quality of your land is a dryish red  
mud, covered with native Sage & Musquite  
grasses, good for cattle & sheep, no tame or  
cultivated grasses have yet been tried,  
no farming done, some raising a little  
willet for feed in winter and a few small  
potatoes, - the nearest Rail Road station is  
at Henrietta, in Lloyds Co. about 35 miles  
away, - building material is fine shipped

from eastern Texas, that is the wood material. We  
have a natural limestone in great abundance  
which is used for building, and is excellent  
The general belief is that this country is only  
suitable for grazing, for cattle principally, and  
sheep & horses do as well, but cattle  
men have bought the land in so large  
quantities & fenced it that it retards  
immigration & population from coming  
here, your track has a fence on the north  
side 4 wires good fence, & there is enclosed  
75,000 acres in one postum; north of that  
is an enclosure of 140,000 acres, on the  
west one of 75 to 80,000 acres and there  
are 2 others of like dimensions, in  
the land being bought & fenced, the whole  
population of the county (30 miles square)  
will not exceed 200,000 inhabitants, the  
land seat about 100 inhabitants, we have  
been organized only two years; the price  
of land rates from \$1.00 to 1.50 per acre  
south of your land there are no enclosures  
as the land was surveyed and sold in 1/2 sections.  
The south east part of the land is rough &  
covered with scrubby Post Oak good for posts  
& firewood -

In the vicinity of your track you can make a  
good sheep ranch but you need more land  
should be glad to hear from you & answer any  
further inquiries. Your obedient S. M. Hart



*Oct 31/87*



*J. Henshaw Esq  
Goshew P. O.  
Oldham Co  
Kentucky*



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John Henshaw  
Dr. Sir.

Your favor at  
hand & in reply will say, I have  
no sectional map of Texas,  
but have a good Cy. & Cy. map  
price 50. Have, also no map  
of Holy Land.

Yours truly,  
Geo. F. Cram.

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John Hencham,  
Gasheen P. O.  
Oleham Co. Ky.



The Law requires all payments for University, School and Asylum Lands, and purchases made under Act of July 14, 1879, to be made to the State Treasurer—they must not be sent to this office.



# General Land Office.

Austin, Oct 9 1882

John Mueshaw Esq  
Goshen. Ky.  
Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 9th inst  
will inform you that Survey 1832  
conflicts with Wm. Sparin Survey  
the orders are old. Patented surveys  
name of owners, can only be ascer-  
tained from Tax rolls on file in  
the Comptroller's office —

Very Respcy

McNair  
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General Land Office.

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Ans  
Oct-17<sup>th</sup>  
1882

John Newsham Esq  
Gashen Ky

which seems to me would be a good price, though am not posted. I think it would be better for you to buy your Ewes here but Bring y<sup>r</sup> Buckes from there. good mules will bring a good price though not enough to make it profitable to bring them from there or Mr. Prices range from \$175.00 to \$300.00 per Span. owing all together to size, large mules will broke, will be worth, this fall \$250.00 or \$300.00 I think.

I have ans. your questions as well as I can, and will give you any other information you want, that I can, willingly at any time. There is a new town started up out west in Wiltshire County there will be a large sale of lots on the 27<sup>th</sup> of this month.  
M. F. Brashears

Little Elm Tex. Sept 1, '52

Mr. John Henshaw.  
Goshen Ky.

Dear Sir:

I received your letter several days ago, but have neglected to ans. until now, as I have had to make some inquiry to be able to give you any of the information you want, and can not give you much yet. I have been here seven years, and one would think that a person ought to be pretty well posted in regard to general matters, but I am not, from the fact that I have been right here in one place all the time, and most of the time at work on a farm.

first you want to know in  
regard to Archer Co. I have  
never been there but have seen  
persons that have been there  
and from what I camfined  
out It is well adapted to  
Stock raising of all kinds  
But not to farming only  
in valleys along rivers. there  
is not timber there of account,  
fencing is all of Stone, which  
you will find in abundance  
as It is rather mountainous.  
the R. R. you speak of runs  
to Hewitts Clay Co. and  
probably farther. I dont know  
though that It does. there is  
also a road running N. W.  
from Dallas to Denton. But  
dont run any farther. by  
making inquiry at Dallas when  
you get there you can find out.  
But I believe the best way

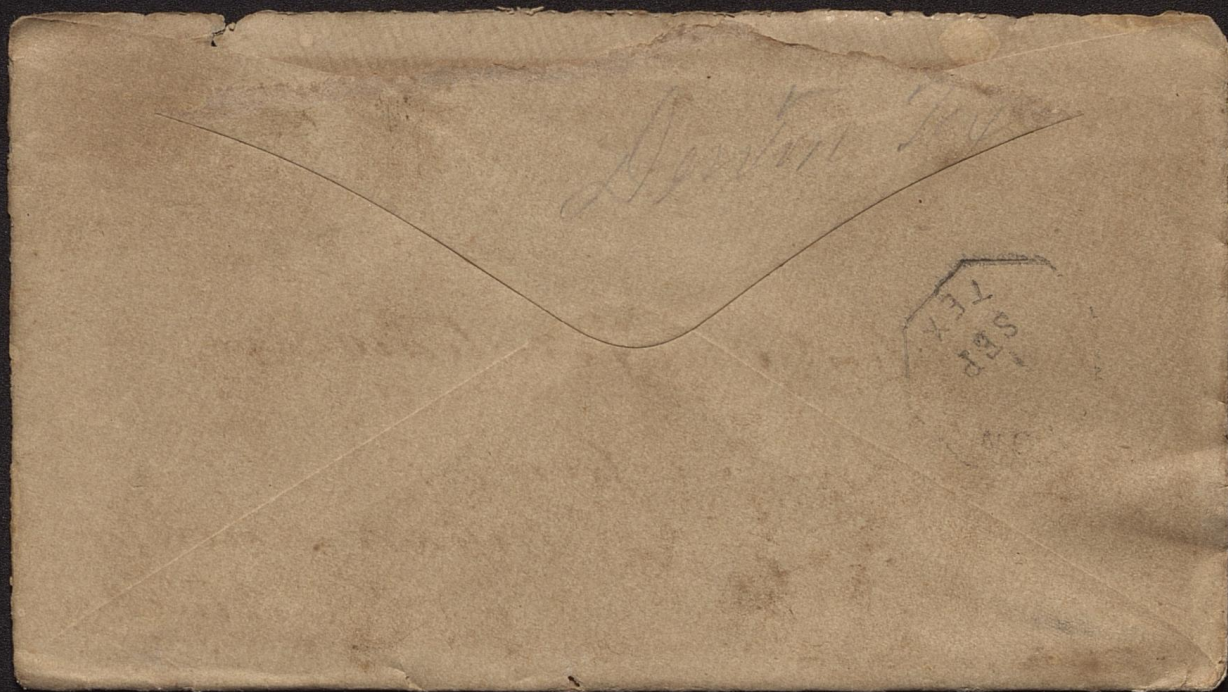
for you to come would be  
by Texison and then down  
to Sherman and there take  
the rout leading west to  
Gaisisville in Cook Co.  
I think this would be your  
best rout. Now as to what  
Sheep are worth. I have very  
little idea, as there are very  
few in our Co. I think though  
men that have Sheep here  
hold them at from \$2.50 to \$3.00  
per head. good Bucks I expect  
would find ready sale, at good  
figures, as there are very few  
blooded Sheep here in Texas  
as to the number It would  
take to supply the demand  
If you go to the Sheep ranches  
in the West and South, you  
need not be afraid of  
over stocking the market  
I hear of Bucks being sold  
for as much as \$100.00

Received  
Sept 1 1862

PAID  
SEP 1 1862  
Austin Co., Texas



John Sushaw  
Goshen P. O.  
K. M.



*Faint, illegible handwriting, possibly a name or address.*

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