Houston, Harris Co. Tex.

Hon. Edward Clark; Oct 2. 1888.

Austin — Tex. Dear Sir: I address you this letter in your official capacity.

Here is a singular circumstance. A man emigrated to this country at a time when by law he was entitled to 640 acres of land. He received from the Land Board a certificate for 320 acres only — that certificate has been located, surveyed, and carried into patent.

Proof of the time of emigration can be furnished, and the records at Austin in the General Land Office will show that the emigrant received only 320 acres in all — that neither one foot more nor one foot less has ever been patented to said claimant. I think