San Augustine Aug^st 28th 1858

Hon. R. Clark

Dear Sir

I have just been informed by the Stor Comr of the first Land Office, that the certificate and transfer of Matthew Graham for 640 acres of land had been filed with the Comr of Claims for approval: will you do me the favor to advise me as soon as may be convenient, what (if any thing) has to be done before a patent can be obtained on the land surveyed by virtue of the certificate?

If it be necessary to prove any thing relative to the certificate or its transfer, it will probably be indispensable for me to have the papers here.

Your attention hereto will be a favor confered on

Yr Friend & Obt Servt

A. Rusk Wallace

Nothing definite is known here, as to the result of the election for Speaker Pastor — as you have doubtless learned before now, the Nominee could not concentrate the party strength in the East — the result may injuriously affect party action hereafter. I hope it will not, but still have fears of the contrary