Montgom

File 297

Montgomery Bounty

Abst - 641

John Williams by ass^{ce}

204.4/10 acres

Warrant No 2716

See old wrapper within for endorsements

Correct and map of Montgomery County. March 7/77

C. W. Pressler.

For copy of Cert. (Cancelled) see Fannin 1425. Bly.

Patent to the Heirs of Saml R. Browning

deed. [illegible] Fisher

Mar 23/77.

Patented Mch 28th/77

J. B. Gildart

No 594 Vol 15

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1. Warrant
2. field notes
3. Copy of last will & test
4. Aff't of ownership
5. old wrapper
6. Cor field notes

June 24/76

D. N. R.

Dec 5/78 Luck

John & Spencer

No. 716 640 Acres

# REPUBLIC OF TEXAS.

**KNOW ALL MEN TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

That John Williams having served faithfully and honorably for the term of [illegible] Months from [illegible] day of Oct 1835 until the twenty April 1836 is [illegible] Acres Bounty Land, for which this is his C[illegible]

And the said Jno. Williams [illegible] is entitled to hold said Land, or to sell, alienate, convey and donate the same, and to exercise [illegible] of ownership over it.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, at the City of Houston this 28th day of March 1838

Charles Mason
C. C. & Acting
SECRETARY OF WAR.

Filed for entry in my Office this the 27th day of May 1839
A. Giesecke
C. L. W. C.

Copy of Certificate of the entire [illegible] for selection [illegible] delivered to [illegible]

Copy of Certificate [illegible] 28/7 [illegible] 18 [illegible]

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Montgo[illegible] 297

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John Williams

by ap.

Bty No. 2716.

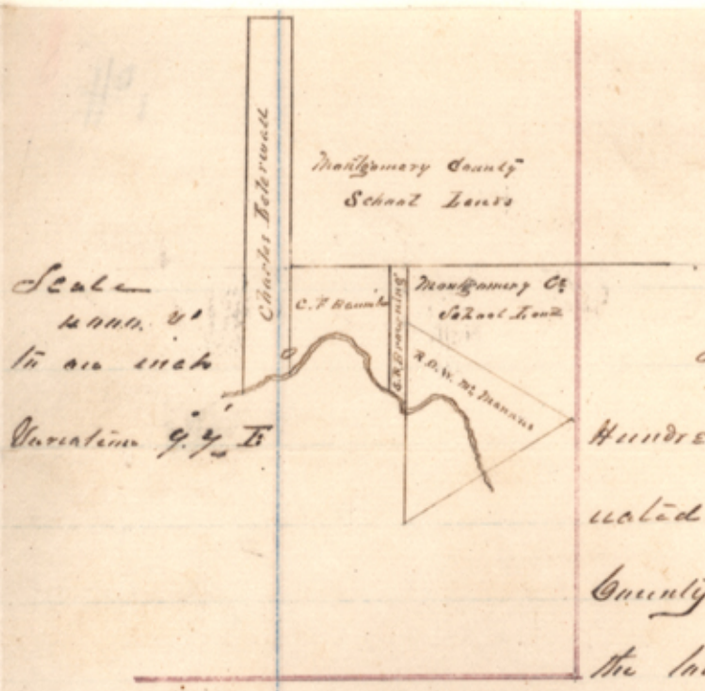
Filed by 7971.

[illegible]

J. H. Pollard

24/5 [illegible]

[illegible] Menfield




Field Notes of a Survey of One Hundred and Sixty acres of land Situated on Spring Creek in Montgomery County about 25 miles S 36° East from the town of Montgomery. Made by virtue of Bounty warrant No. 2716 granted to S. R. Browning Opignee of John Williams by Chas Mason Acting Secy of War on the 28th day of March 1838 for 640 acres of land. Beginning at a Stake on the North Bank of Spring Creek. On the West line of R. O. W. McMannus 1/3 league Survey from which a Sweet gum 30" diam Mk x''' bears N 57° E 8½ varas. and a Forked Ironwood Mk A 5" diam bears N 38° W 3 varas.

Thence North with the West line of said McMannus Survey to the South boundary line of the Montgomery Co School lands. a Stake from which a Post Oak Mk A 12" diam bears S 57½ W 9½ varas. and a pine 18" diam Mk H bears S 68½ E 6½ varas 5° 20" diam Mk x''' bears North 5½ varas

Thence West with the South line of said School lands 305 varas to the North East Corner of a Survey of 800 acres. Made by virtue of Certificate No. 16/253 issued to

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Chas F. Bauniler for unlocated balance of Certificate No. 1820 - for 1280 acres of land -

Thence South with the East line of said Bauniler 800 acre Survey 2711 varas to the South East Corner of said Survey a Stake on the North Bank Spring Creek - from which a gum 9" diam bears S 10° E 6 varas and a do 12" diam bears N 8° W 5 varas both mk x -

Thence down Spring Creek with its Meanders S 41½° E 160 varas. Thence S 5½° E 182 varas S 55° E 125 varas. S 45½° E 107 varas intersecting West line of R.O.W. McMannus ⅓ league Survey. Thence South with said West line 318 varas along the Bank of Spring Creek to the place of beginning containing One hundred & sixty acres of land - Surveyed July 12th 1871

John Green }
G. W. Lingle } Chaincairers

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I. I. S. Collard District surveyor for Montgomery County Land District do hereby certify that I believe that the foregoing survey was made correctly and that the limits boundaries and corners with the marks natural and artificial are truely described in the foregoing plat and field notes and that they are duly recorded in Book I page 98 in my office

Given under my hand at Montgomery this 25th day of July 1871

I. S. Collard
District surveyor for
Montgomery County
Land District

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Fil. 297.

Montgomery Bty

Feldmarks 160 acres

John Williams

Filed Aug 7 1871

Cancelled by corrected feldmark

First distance not given
Aug. 30. 71. Richardson

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State of Louisiana
Second District Court of New Orleans

Last Will of Samuel R. Browning

State of Louisiana }
City of New Orleans }

Be it Known, that on this 7th day of March 1864. I William Shannon a Notary public in and for the city of New Orleans, and Parish of Orleans and for the State of Louisiana aforesaid duly commissioned and qualified — Did proceed to the dwelling house No 140. Canal Street in the second District of this city (and second house from Bourbon Street) when having arrived I found Samuel Russel Browning who was of sound mind and memory as appeared to me Notary and the subscribing witnesses hereinafter named, then the said Samuel Russel Browning declared that he had been suffering for a long time with Inflamatory Rheumatism and other diseases, and being aware of the uncertainty of human life — he had sent for me. for the purpose of having his last Will and Testament drawn up as he should dictate it, Whereupon I said Notary did

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immediately proceed to write down the will of the said Browning as dictated by him in the presence and within the hearing of the witnesses hereinafter named as follows to wit

First = My name is Samuel Russel Browning, I was born in the County (Now called) Rappahanock, in the State of Virginia — I have never been married and have no children. Wherefore I give and bequeath unto my good friend Susan Jane Browning a free woman of color of this city and to her son Samuel Browning all property Real, Personal or mixed that I may at the time of my demise possess or be in any wise entitled to, after the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses and constitute them unto my only heirs and Legatees, on account of the indefatigable kindness and attention of the said Susan Jane — Browning during my sickness.

Second — I nominate constitute and appoint the said Susan Jane Browning my Executrix of this my last will and Testament — hereby revoking all other wills which I may heretofore have made and give her seizin and detainer of my Estate of which I may die possessed, and which consists principally of Lands and other property in the State of Texas ___ It was

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thus that the foregoing Will was dictated by the said Testator and written down by me Notary in the presence of George Scratchley Thomas W. Bostick and Cameron Nesbitt witnesses of lawful age at one time without interruption and without turning aside to other acts. I then read the same in the presence of all the witnesses to the said Testator, who declared that he understood the same perfectly well, and persisted in its contents.

Thus done and passed in the Bedroom of the said Testator in the presence of said witnesses who hereunto sign their names to-gether with the said Testator and me said Notary, in the day month and year first above written

"Original" "Signed" Samuel N. Browning — Geo. Scratchley Jr
Chas. W. Bostick — C. Nesbitt —
William Shannon — Not. Pub. —

I certify the above & foregoing to be a true copy of the original Will on file & on record in office. N.C. March 8th 1864

"Signed" William Shannon Not. Pub.

Order granted on petition of Susan Jane Browning filed April 30th 1866 praying for probate of Will of S. N. Browning for inventory &c — Ret. the last

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Will and testament of the deceased a certified copy of which is hereto annexed and filed be registered and ordered to be executed, and let the petitioner be confirmed as Testamentary Executrix of the deceased, and let Letters testamentary issue to her on her complying with the requisites of the Law — Set the inventory prayed for be taken by Wm Shannon Not Pub. in the presence of all the parties interested or then duly called, and let A Nechnet & M. H. Samuels be appointed & sworn as appraisers to value the property to be inventoried

New Orleans April 30th 1866 —

Signed J. W. Thomas Judge

Oath of Executrix

State of Louisiana

Second District Court of New Orleans —

Succession of Samuel R. Browning No 26967 =

Before me A. T. Villere deputy clerk of the Second District Court of New Orleans personally came & appeared Susan Jane Browning who solemnly swears that she will well and faithfully perform all and singular the duties of testimentary Executrix of the last Will and testament of Samuel Russel Browning

So help her God —

"Signed" Susan J. Browning

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Sworn to and subscribed —
before me this 30 April 1866 —
Signed A. J. Villere dy. clerk —

Letters Testamentary issued to Susan J. Browning —

The State of Louisiana —
To all whom these Presents shall come.
Greeting: —

Whereas Susan Jane Browning named and appointed Testamentary Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Samuel R. Browning deceased has applied to the second District Court of New Orleans, by Petition, praying said Court to grant letters testamentary thereon —

Now know ye that the said Susan Jane Browning is hereby authorized and empowered to collect all the goods and effects which were of said Samuel R. Browning deceased, to make a just Inventory and all other acts to do and perform as Testamentary Executrix of the said Last Will and Testament

Witness our hands and the seal of this Honorable Court at New Orleans
Seal — this 30th day of April in the year of our Lord. one thousand eight hundred and sixty six

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Signed — J. W. Thomas Judge
— " — A. J. Villere dy clerk

United States of America
State of Louisiana
Second District Court of New Orleans

I P. R. O'Rorke Clerk of the Second District Court of New Orleans do hereby certify that the foregoing three pages contain true and correct copies of viz 1st of the last will & testament of S. R. Browning 2d of the order probating said will 3d of the oath of the testamentary Executrix 4th of the letters testamentary issued to said Executrix the original of which documents are on file & of Record in this office in the succession of S. R. Browning No 26697 of the Docket of this court

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court, at the city of New Orleans, on this 14th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty six and in the 90th year of the Independance of the United States of America

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P. R. O'Rorke Clerk

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now produced in Court purporting and alleged to the last Will of Samuel Russel Browning deceased: And it appearing to the Court that said Will has been regularly probated in the State of Louisiana according to the Laws of the state of Louisiana; and a copy thereof, and of the probate thereof duly attested by the Clerk of the Second District Court of New Orleans in the State of Louisiana; the Court in which said Will was admitted to probate and the seal of said Court, together with the certificate of the sole presiding Judge of said Court, that said attestation is in due form, being filed among the papers of this cause

It is therefore ordered, that said Instrument of writing is proved, and that it be recorded as the last Will of the said Samuel Russel Browning deceased; and that the testimony aforesaid be recorded with said Will—

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The State of Texas
County of Burleson

I, Thomas McHunt Clerk of the District Court of said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Instrument of Writing now on file in my Office purporting to be a copy

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I. I. W. Thomas. Sole Judge of the second District Court of New Orleans, do hereby certify that P. R. O'Rocke, is clerk of said Court: that the same is a court of Record having Common Law Jurisdiction, and that the signature P. R. O'Rocke Clerk to the foregoing certificate is the proper handwriting of him the said P. R. O'Rocke Clerk; to his Official acts as such full faith and credit are due and owing; And I do further certify, that his attestation is in due form of Law

Given under my hand at the city of New Orleans on this 14th day of June in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty six

I. W. Thomas Judge

Estate of Samuel Russell Browning Deceased } In the matter of the last will of said Samuel Russel Browning deceased

S. S. April 5th A.D. 1872

Upon the petition of Susan Jane Browning for the probate of a certain instrument of writing a certified Copy of which

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now produced in Court purporting and alleged to the last Will of Samuel Russel Browning deceased: And it appearing to the Court that said Will has been regularly probated in the State of Louisiana according to the Laws of the state of Louisiana; and a copy thereof, and of the probate thereof duly attested by the Clerk of the Second District Court of New Orleans in the State of Louisiana; the Court in which said Will was admitted to probate and the seal of said Court, together with the certificate of the sole presiding Judge of said Court, that said attestation is in due form, being filed among the papers of this cause

It is therefore ordered, that said Instrument of writing is proved, and that it be recorded as the last Will of the said Samuel Russel Browning deceased; and that the testimony aforesaid be recorded with said Will—

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The State of Texas
County of Burleson

I, Thomas McHunt Clerk of the District Court of said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Instrument of Writing now on file in my Office purporting to be a copy

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The State of Texas } I Thomas M. Hunt
County of Burleson } Clerk of the District Court

in and for said State and County do hereby certify that the foregoing Instrument of writing was filed in my Office for Record at 7 o'clock A.M. June 1st A.D. 1872 and was duly Recorded at 10 o'clock A.M. June the 1st AD 1872 on pages 370-371-372-373+374 of Book "L" of the Records of said County

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office in Caldwell this the 1st day of June A.D. 1872

Thomas M Hunt Clerk

By N R Barnes Dty

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of the Last Will and Testament of Samuel Russell Browning deceased; and also a true and correct copy of the Order of the District Court of Burleson County made at its April Term A. D. 1872, to wit. on the 8th day of April A. D. 1872, admitting the said Instrument of Writing to probate as the same appears of record on page 259 of the Probate Minutes of said Court.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court at Office in the town of Caldwell this the 1st day of June A. D. 1872

Thomas M. Hunt
Clerk

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Estate of
Saml. R. Browning
deceased

Certified Copy
of "Will" and
"Order" of the
District Court
of Burleson Co. Tex
admitting same
to probate.

Filed for record
at 7 o'clock
A. M. June 1st
A. D. 1872
Thomas McHunt
Clerk

Copy & record $6.50

No 3 File 297
Montgomery Bty

Jno Williams
by Apa

Copy of last will
& testament of S R
Browning decd

filed July 29. 1873
L. E. E. Kellner
Cpfblk

The State of Texas Personally
County of Grayson appeared before
me John J. McElvery — a Notary Pub-
-lic in and for said County &
State Susan J. Browning to me
well known who upon oath dep-
=oseth and says that she is the
sole heir at Law of Samuel R.
Browning who died in the year
1865 and by will left all his
Estate in Texas to her. that the
said Sr. R. Browning had a Bly
warrant issued to him as ass-
=ignee of John Williams No.
2716 that said warrant she has
been informed has in fact been
Located. but in conflict in Mon-
=tgomy County that it was with
out her knowledge or Consent
that she is still the owner of
said warrant having never sold
or transferred it or any part
there of. and wish to have the same
-ee. relocate or sold as she may Elect
now ask the Hon Commissioner of the
Land office that the said warrant
be delivered to my attorny. T. E. Tullis
LSS

Susan J Browning

Subscribed & Sworn to before me

File 297. No 4

Montgomery Bounty
John William
by Ass^ce

Affidavit of ownership and order to deliver copy of Certificate to T. E. Tullis for relocation

Austin, Texas,
July 30, 73

Received from Genl Land Office copy of Bounty Warrant No 2716 issued to Jno Williams Ass^ce S. R. Browning for 640 Acres, the same being floated in lieu of the orgl for relocation:-
T. E. Tullis of Austin
Agent for S. R. Browning
P. O. Address:

filed July 29, 1873
L. C. G. Kellner
Chf Clk

this 22nd day of July A.D. 1873
John J. McEwen
Notary Public
Grayson County
Texas

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Montgomery Co. Ill.

File 297.

Montgomery Bty

John Williams by Ass

160 ms

Bty W. No. 2716 S.W.

Survey abandoned on account of conflict and copy of certificate loaded in lieu of the original, for relocation July 30. 73

Delivered to J. C. Phillips

Z. Z. Co. Nov 1 1873

Chief Clerk

Also [illegible] by Bauchus [illegible] B-297 [illegible] 73 on its [illegible] B-296 Septr [illegible] Chicago

First [illegible] Aug 30 [illegible]

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No Certif

No Warrant

" 2 filed notes

" 3 Copy of Will

" 4 Affdt of ownship

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30th Sept/74

Calhoun

Spence & Gill

Aug 7/71.

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Montgomery Co. 71.

File 297.

Montgomery Bty

John Williams by Ass

160 ac

Bty W. No 2716 S.W.

Survey abandoned on account of conflict and copy of certificate located in lieu of the original, for relocation July 30. 73

Delivered to J. C. Pickens

Chief Clerk

Montgomery

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No Certif

No Warrant

" 2 Filed notes

" 3 Copy of Will

" 4 Affdt of ownership

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30th Sept/74

Calhoun

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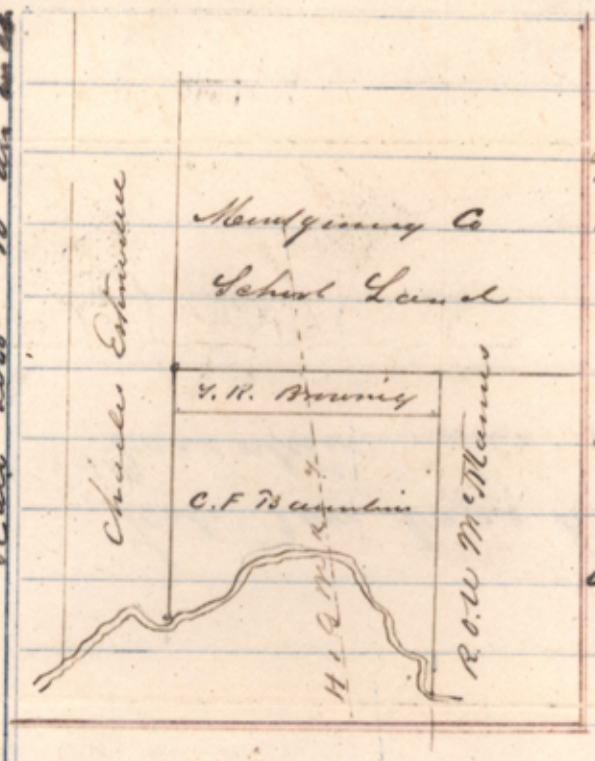
E. H. Cushing,
Stationer,
Houston, Texas.

Scale 2000 v to an inch




Corrected field notes of a Survey of two hundred and four, and 4/10 acres (situated) in Montgomery County (on the waters of Spring Creek), about 25 miles S 38° E from Montgomery by virtue of Bounty warrant No 2716 granted to S.R. Browning assignee of John Williams by Charles Mason acting Secretary of war on the 28 day of March 1838 for 640 acres of land

Beginning on the East line of a Survey made for Charles Esterwalle's survey of ~~Antenny~~ 1/3 large - a Stake from which a Pine 30" brs South 9 vs 5 vs 24" brs S 39½ E 7. 6/100 vs both marked H. being the North west corner of a Survey formerly made for Wm Bush for 320 acres, and raised - also being the Corner of the Montgomery County School land.

Thence East with the South line of the School lands at 1313 vars cross the G & G. N. Railway at 2772 vars a Stake from which a Pine 22" diam brs S 55 W 6 vs a Do 18" marked T.C. brs N 80 W 6 vs

Thence South 413. 3/10 vars to a Stake for the S. E. Corner of this Survey Thence west at 1374 vs cross G & Great Northern Railway at 2772½ vs to the East line of the Charles Esterwalle Survey for the S. W. Corner of this survey. Thence North with Esterwalle's line 413 3/10 vars to the beginning

containing two hundred & ten and 4/10 acres of land. This survey is all pasture land

E. Alsteaten
Deputy Surveyor M. Co

June 6th 1876
J. L. Collard
C. S. M. C.

I J. L. Collard County Surveyor of Montgomery County do hereby certify that I believe that the above survey was made according to law that the limits boundaries and corners both natural and artificial are truly described in the above plat and field notes and that they are recorded in my office in Book C page 83

Given under my hand at office June 6th 1876
J. L. Collard
C. S. M. C.

Scale 2000 Vans to an inch
Variation 9°45 East

File 297
Montgomery Bty
John Williams by apa
204 4/10 Acres
Cor: field notes
Filed June 24th 1876
J. J. Moore
Comm
Patented Mch 28th 77
J. D. Gildart

Montg. B & D

File No: 297
Certificate of Fact

Harry B. Sims
June 18, 1959