

Specs Lane Texas December 11<sup>th</sup> / 1886

Mr R. L. Gwyn

Dear Bro., we received your last letter stating you  
would accept our feeble proposition of fifty five hundred  
dollars. after writing to you we found we could raise some  
more money. and have just closed the land transaction  
and received the deed to day. and <sup>put</sup> in Bank in New York  
Exchange \$6275.00, sixty two hundred and seventy five  
dollars. and gave one note payable in 12 months for  
\$562.50 five hundred and sixty two dollars  $\frac{50}{100}$  and one for the  
same amt to be paid in two years with interest from date  
now Bro Richard. I regretted to see the Lawyers that Bro George  
has been corresponding with take one hundred dollars out of this  
money for a fee. They have done nothing but deliver the deed. and write  
a few letters. I have paid for all the deeds, acknowledgments, & recording  
fees, and had it not been for agents, and Lawyers, your money would have  
been paid years ago. but if I had sold the land they would they would have  
missed their commission

I have just  
written to  
Bro R. L. Gwyn  
stating you  
would have  
been paid to  
have your money  
had no commission  
to pay in New York

My kind regards to sister Elizabeth & children  
My best wishes to Bro Richard, and Bro George

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Now Bro Richard you perhaps will think a little  
strange of my last remarks, as I introduced you  
to the firm of Hannah & Hoggsett, telling you they  
were good Lawyers & safe men. so I did  
and all I said was true. Mr Hoggsett had not  
been here many years, and Capt Hannah took him  
in as a partner, and controlled him in his charges  
and controlled him in the business with me, and  
transacted all the business I had in my troubles before  
you came and attended to drawing the deed when  
you purchased and only charged fifty dollars. Now Capt,  
Capt Hannah has been dead about 4 years  
Hoggsett & his new partner both good Lawyers and got very wealthy  
since you were here. They charge one hundred for delivering a deed  
and holding it a few <sup>new</sup> and writing a few letters back that the  
poor fellow can't pay the deed out, &c. hoping <sup>for</sup> the Commission for  
selling it. I do hope you & Mrs. Harper will not <sup>give</sup> them any more money  
for nothing. I will do <sup>you</sup> write, and can do better without <sup>pay</sup> guard also  
me, and my determination is to refund <sup>five</sup> dollar with the interest you charge  
Give me a chance without agents, or Lawyers.

I sent your letter Bro. John Green