





Republic of Texas      Second Class  
County of Harrisburg      One third of a League.

Number 241.

This is to certify that John D. Preston, has proven, according to Law, that he is entitled to One third of a League of Land as a Soldier of the Army of Texas arriving in the Country previous to the first of August 1836. and subsequently to the date of the Declaration of Independence under & by virtue of an Act of Congress, approved Dec 14. 1837.

Given under our hands, at Houston  
this the 2<sup>d</sup> day of May 1839.

Associate Commissioner      John Shea  
Benj. F. Hanna

Attest

W. W. Clinton Harris

Clerk of the County Court

Ex. off. Clk of the Board of Land Comm.



✓ File 138  
Milam Co. T. Claps

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Madright Certificate

John T. Preston

of League

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John A. Brown



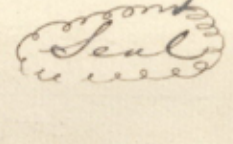
Republic of Texas  
County of Harris

Know

all men by these presents  
that I Abram M. Gentry of the

County and Republic aforesaid  
for and in consideration of Three Hundred and Forty Dollars  
to me in hand paid, Have this day bargained sold alienated  
and conveyed and do by these presents bargain sell alienate  
and convey unto Richard C. Blossman, his heirs administrators  
executors and assigns all my right title interest and claim  
in and to One third of a League of Land / One Thousand Four Hundred  
and Seventy six Acres / to be entered and surveyed upon any  
of the public domain of the Republic of Texas, by virtue  
of Headright Certificate number Two Hundred & forty one / 241 /  
2<sup>nd</sup> Class, Issued to John S. Preston for One third of a League, by the  
Board of Land Commissioners for the County of Harrisburg / now  
Harris / on the second day of May A. D. Eighteen Hundred and  
thirty nine, 1839, as will fully appear by reference to the original  
Certificate herewith accompanying, which said Certificate  
is hereby surrendered and declared a part and portion of this deed  
together with a deed from the said John S. Preston unto John H.  
Williams, and transferred by the said Williams unto Magnus  
J. Rodgers and from the said Rodgers to me the aforesaid  
Abram M. Gentry, To have and to hold the said Land unto  
him the said Richard C. Blossman his heirs administrators  
executors and assigns forever, in full fee simple right, free  
from the claim or claims of any and all persons, whomsoever,  
claiming or to claim the same. Hereby directing myself  
my heirs executors and assigns of any and all right title and  
interest in and to the said land and all the rights, privileges,  
tenements and appurtenance, unto the same belonging, or in  
any manner, incident or appertaining thereto. and declare  
the same vested in the said Richard C. Blossman his  
heirs administrators, executors and assigns, Forever.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and  
used a scroll for my seal, in the City of Houston this thirtieth  
day of October A. D. Eighteen Hundred & forty five. / 1845 /

Abram M. Gentry 

Republic of Texas  
Harris County

Before me A. R. Thompson  
Chief Justice and ex  
officio Notary Public, in and for the County  
of Harris



of Harris this day came and appeared Abram  
Gentry to me personally known and in my  
presence signed sealed and delivered the fore-  
going deed of sale, as he declared to be in good faith,  
and for the uses and purposes in the same set forth  
written and contained

To authenticate which I grant  
these presents under my hand  
and seal of Office as my Office  
in the City of Houston this 30th  
day of October A. D. 1845 =

A. P. Thompson

Justice of the Peace

Ex Officio Public



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Record the  
23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1846  
J. H. North Clerk of  
Milam County by his deputy  
James Stephens

J. P. Bluffman

of  
A. W. Gentry

Book F:  
pages 202, 203, 204  
205, 206, 207  
J. H. North Clerk  
of May 1846  
by James Stephens deputy

File 138  
Milam Co. Deed  
A. W. Gentry  
vs  
J. P. Bluffman  
Conveyance



Republic of Texas Know all men by these presents that  
Garrison County & John S. Preston of the County and  
Republic aforesaid for and in consid-  
eration of the sum of five Hundred Dollars  
the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained  
aliened sold and conveyed and by these presents do bargain  
alien sell and convey unto John W. Williams of the County  
of Talbot and Republic aforesaid Fourteen Hundred  
and Seventy six acres of Land to which I am entitled  
as a soldier of the Army of Texas arriving in the Country  
previous to the first of August Eighteen Hundred and Thirty  
six (as the annexed Certificate Number 241 obtained from  
the Board of Land Commissioners of Harrisburg County will show)  
to be located in any part of the Republic aforesaid that  
the said Williams may direct To have and to hold the  
said Fourteen Hundred and Seventy six acres to him and  
his heirs forever. I the said Preston for myself my heirs  
administrators and assigns unto the said Williams his  
heirs administrators and assigns forever warranting and  
defending of the same against myself my heirs executors  
administrators and assigns and against every other person  
whomsoever In testimony whereof I have hereunto annexed  
my hand and seal this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of June One Thousand  
eight hundred and forty -

W. S. Preston  
J. S. Preston  
W. S. Preston

John S. Preston



Republic of Texas

County of Fort Bend

Before me Mills M. Bates a Notary public in & for said County, duly Commissioned and sworn as such, came and appeared F. M. Gibson one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Within Instrument of Writing and first being duly sworn according to Law, declares & says that John S. Priston signed, sealed & acknowledged the same in his presence for the purposes therein expressed and declared it to be his act and deed.

To Authenticate which, I Grant this presents under my hand and official Seal of my office at Richmond the 24<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1845  
Mills M. Bates Notary

Republic of Texas } For a valuable consideration I John  
County of Harris } W. Williams do hereby grant bargain sell and  
deliver possession of the Tracts of Rodgers his  
heirs and assigns forever in fee simple the within certificate  
granted to J. S. Priston for 1476 acres of land granted to him  
as a soldier previous to August 1836, No 241 obtained from  
the Land Commissioners of the County of Harrisburg  
to have and to hold the said certificate to himself the said  
M. S. Rodgers his heirs and assigns forever  
In testimony of which I have here to set my  
hand & seal for a seal in the city of Houston

Witness my hand & seal  
this 15<sup>th</sup> May 1841

J. M. Wilcox Seal



Republic of Texas }  
County of Harris. } Before me Daniel D  
culp, a Notary Public in and for Harris  
County, duly commissioned and sworn  
this day came and appeared the citizen  
W R Baker, to me well known, who on  
oath declared that John W Williams  
signed sealed and delivered the instrument  
of writing on the opposite page, in his  
presence, as he declared to be in good faith  
and for the uses and purposes in the  
same set forth and contained, and that  
he deponent, signed the same by request  
as a witness.

To authenticate which I grant  
these presents under my hand  
and seal of Office at Houston  
on this the twenty fifth day  
of November A D 1845. A. D. 1845

Daniel D Culp  
Notary Public  
H.C.

State of Texas }  
Madison County } Filed and recorded in Book  
F. pages 304 & 305. this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May A. D. 1846

J. Hood Clerk of M. C.  
By Sam. Stephens Deputy



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Milam C. D. Claps

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To Cawycane

W. W. Williams

To Cawycane

Mr. J. Rodgers

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Republic of Texas  
County of Harris

Know all men by these presents  
that I Magnus P. Rodgers of  
the County & Republic aforesaid for and in consideration of the sum  
of three Hundred & Twenty five Dollars to me in hand paid  
the Receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Have this day  
Purchased sold alienated and Conveyed unto Abram M.  
Gentry his heirs executors & assigns all my right title int-  
erest and Claim in and to One third of a league of Land  $147 \frac{1}{2}$   
Acres to be located and surveyed upon any of the Public Lands  
of the Republic of Texas by virtue of a Headright Certificate -  
number No Hundred & forty one / 241 / Second Class, for One third  
of a league of Land, Issued to John S. Preston, on the Second day  
of May A.D. 1839 - by the Board of Land Commissioners for the  
County of Harrisburg / now Harris / - as will more fully ap-  
pear by reference to the original Certificate hereunto annexed,  
which Certificate is hereby surrendered and declared a part  
of this title, together with a Deed from the aforesaid John S.  
Preston to John W. Williams, and from the said John W.  
Williams to me, To have and to hold the same unto the said  
A. M. Gentry and his Heirs, executors and assigns  
Forever, in fee simple, free from the Claim, or claims of all persons  
whosoever claiming or to Claim the same, hereby divesting my  
self, my heirs executors & assigns of any & all right, title, and interest  
in and to the aforesaid Land, together with all the rights, privileges, and  
appurtenances thereto belonging or in any manner incident or apper-  
taining thereto - hereby declaring the same vested in the said A  
M Gentry his Heirs executors & assigns forever - And  
I hereby further authorize & empower the Commissioner General of  
the Land office to issue a patent or patents for the same unto the said  
A M Gentry his Heirs executors, or assigns, as fully and  
and in every respect as to me, were I in person to apply

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and used a  
scroll for seal at the City of Houston, this Tenth day of October A.D. 1845  
In presence of J. M. Chilton  
M. J. Rodgers



Republic of Texas  
Galveston County

Before me Robert  
D. Johnson, Notary

Public in and for the

County of Galveston duly commissioned  
and sworn, this day came and appeared  
J. K. Brown to me personally known, and  
being sworn according to law, declared  
that Magnus T. Proyer signed the foregoing  
 deed of sale, as he the said Proyer  
 declared, in good faith, and for the  
 uses and purposes in the same set forth  
 written and contained

To Authenticate which I grant  
 these presents under my  
 hand and seal of office  
 of my office in the City  
 of Galveston this 25<sup>th</sup>  
 day of November A. D. 1845  
 Hundred & forty five

R. D. Johnson  
Notary Public  
G. T.



State of Texas  
Milam County

Filed and recorded  
in Book F pages  
314-305 - this 25<sup>th</sup> day  
of May A.D. 1846

J. A. Hood Clerk M. Co.  
By Saml. Stephens deputy

1476  
Magnus T. Rodgers

vs. David

A. M. Gentry

Filed for Record the 25<sup>th</sup>  
day of May A.D. 1846

J. A. Hood Clerk  
of Milam County, by his deputy  
Saml. Stephens

Recorded the 25 day of  
May A.D. 1846

J. A. Hood by his deputy  
Saml. Stephens

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Milam Co. 2<sup>nd</sup> Class  
M. T. Rodgers  
vs. Conveyance  
A. M. Gentry

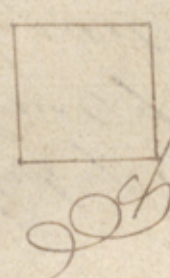


State of Texas

County of Milam

Survey for John T

Preston of one third of a League of  
Land Situated on the N.E side of  
the North prong of the Bosque River  
and 6 miles above the mouth of  
Duffaus Creek, It being the quantity  
of land to which he is entitled by virtue  
of Certificate No 241 Second Class  
Issued in Harrisburg County



Beginning at the N.E corner of a survey made  
for Medeah Dodson for the S.E corner of this survey from  
which a Post Oak marked P Bears N. 86, E. 8 Varas and  
another marked O Bears N. 17, W. 37 1/2 Varas running  
thence S. 60, W. 200 Varas Enters Prairie 1400 Varas Enters  
Post Oak 2080 Varas a creek 2887 Varas to S.W corner  
from which a Post Oak marked W Bears N. 5, W. 14 Varas  
and a Black Jack marked V Bears N 53 E. 8 Varas  
thence N. 30, W. 315 Varas a Branch 2550 Varas a Branch  
2887 Varas to the N.W corner on a Post Oak from which  
another marked D Bears S. 35, W. 10 Varas and another  
marked A Bears S. 77 E. 17 Varas thence N. 60, E. 373 Varas  
to a Branch 600 Varas Enters Prairie 1250 Enters Post  
Oak 2170 Varas a Branch 2887 Varas to the N.E corner  
from which a Post Oak marked H Bears N 36 E. 3 Varas  
and another marked F Bears S. 2, E. 6 1/2 Varas thence S. 30 E.  
2887 Varas to the Beginning Surveyed April 16 1846

D Robison <sup>containing 5 tables of marks</sup>  
<sup>and the remainder as per standard</sup> George Green, J. J. Norc  
J. C. Dayton  
I me Surver marked  
Caldwell may 5 1846  
I do solemnly declare the  
above survey was made according  
to law and at the time above  
written  
George Green  
J. J. Norc et



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Milam Co. Ind. Chap.  
Field notes of 3 Leagues  
John S. Preston

Patented

Examined & Recorded

John S. Preston,

1/3 Leagues

State of Texas }  
County of Milam } I do certify that I have examined  
the within field notes and find them correct, and  
the survey made according to law  
Given at Caldwell this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 1846  
J. M. Caldwell  
County Clerk