

File 3265 *Bosque copy*

Milam Preemption

Saml C. Swann.

160 Acres

Act May 26<sup>th</sup> 1873

Covers part of W. S. Coote P-1113  
other view correct old map of Bos-  
que County. Febr. 4/79  
G. W. Pfeiler.

April 22/79 Shouse

P-1113 no obstacle

Prior to Con 76

Correct for patenting

May 24/80 *Muller*

Patented May 26/80  
mka ptd *Muller*

*Muller*  
No 557 Pat 1000

mka Pat Reg

Mgl. 14141

see 23  
over 79

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80  
132  
147

55<sup>00</sup> deposited Sept. 14 78

by Jas M. Robertson  
*Muller*

A. B. Vol.

*Bosque &*  
Meridian

**AFFIDAVIT FOR PRE-EMPTION.**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS,**

COUNTY OF BOSQUE.

Before me, John R. Johnson, Clerk of the District Court of Bosque County, this day personally appeared S. C. Swann, to me known, who after being by me duly sworn, upon his oath deposes and says: that he is now a bona fide settler upon one Hundred and sixty acres of Land, that he believes to be of the public vacant lands of the State of Texas; that he is improving said land for a Homestead, and has no other; and further that he is a Married man and makes this Affidavit for the purpose of obtaining a Home. Said Land is situated in Bosque County, about 18 miles S. E. from Meridian, on the waters of Stells Creek: beginning at the N.E. corner of the William Hull survey, and more particularly described by the accompanying field notes.

Given under my hand and the seal of the District Court of Bosque County, at office, in the Town of Meridian, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December A. D. 1878,

John R. Johnson,  
Clerk District Court, Bosque County, Texas.

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

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*J. C. Swann,*

**Affidavit for Pre-emption.**

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ISSUED

the *9<sup>th</sup>* day of *December* 1878,

*John H. Johnson,*  
C. B. C., B. Co.

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

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# Proof of Settlement under Homestead Act.

The State of Texas, }

County of Pasque

Before Me, the undersigned County Clerk in and for the County aforesaid, this day came and personally appeared Samuel C Swan a resident citizen of said County, who being by me duly sworn, declares that he is a bona fide settler upon 160 acres of vacant public land, situated in said County, and surveyed for Samuel C Swan on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February ~~January~~ 1874, by L. H. Fentchfield a Surveyor of said County; that he has occupied and improved the same as a Homestead for a period of three consecutive years, beginning on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February ~~January~~ 1874, that he is Married and that he makes this affidavit for the purpose of obtaining a title to the same for a Homestead, under an Act supplementary to "An Act for the Benefit of Actual Occupants of the Public Lands," approved May 26th, 1873, and Acts prior thereto; and that he has not a Homestead other than the above.

AND, also, at the same time came and personally appeared J. J. Swan and and Calvin Holmes, two credible resident citizens of said County, to me well known, who being duly sworn, depose and say that Samuel C Swan the person first above named in this affidavit, has actually settled upon and cultivated as a Homestead, the land surveyed for him on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February ~~January~~ 1874, by the Surveyor aforesaid, for the period of three years, and they, nor either of them, have any interest in the said land.

S. C. Swann  
Calvin Holmes  
J. J. Swann

Sworn to and subscribed before me, and I hereby certify that Calvin Holmes and J. J. Swan are credible and trustworthy citizens of said County.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County, at office, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 1878

G. W. Collier  
 Clerk of County Court Pasque Co.

T. M. Hallier Deputy



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Boquete

Milam Preemption

Samuel C. Swann

Certificate of occupancy

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Rhoads Fisher,  
Chief Clerk

My field notes return

\$ 5<sup>00</sup> dep<sup>d</sup> Sept 14/78  
by James M. Robertson  
Valley mills

Boquete  
notified Sept 18/78 that no field  
notes were returned & advised to send  
copies from sent records

PROOF OF  
SETTLEMENT OF LAND

Samuel C. Swann  
Settler.



J. H. COON,  
County Attorney.

J. M. Robertson  
Co Surveyor  
COON & LOCKETT, & Robertson

P. J. LOCKETT,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW AND LAND AGENTS.

Meridian, Texas, Jan 17th 1879.

W. C. Walsh Esq

Comm. Gen. S. O. Jce.

Dear Sir:

Yours of 13th recd. In  
reply I will say I am apprised of the  
fact that the law requires me to run  
out a prescription square if I can get  
the vacant land but I could not run  
out land to Swann's prescription in  
a square. I measured from the  
NE corner of Wm Hall, survey and  
that at 855 vars brought me to a  
point opposite Joseph Ragsdale's  
corner and in pursuing the East  
line I pass Ragsdale's SW corner  
so you see I could not get it wider with  
out a conflict. It may show by plotting  
a vacancy wider than 855 vs but the  
land is not there when you get on the

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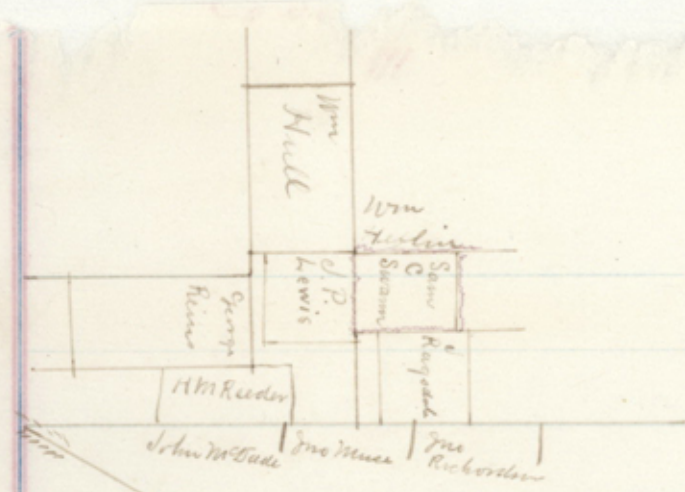
Saml C. Swan.

160 acres

Surveyor's statement.

Filed Jan'y 20 79

Charles Fisher,  
Chief Clerk



Scale 2000 ft to the inch  
 Red ink is the tract in question



granted. As to the conflict with W. G. Coats he has left his pre-emption long since and if necessary we can furnish the proof to that effect.

And I am willing to certify that 855 acres from Halls & Co corner runs to Reagradale West line.

I trust you will properly consider this matter and issue patent. If necessary to furnish proof of the removal of W. G. Coats let me know and I will have same sent up. You will find pre-emption of H. M. Riedman I sent you not long since not to be in a square but I could not get it in a square I made it as wide as I could going to the John McDade line yet I did not call for McDade because there is good prospects of a low sink in the N. E. cor of H. Passano and S. E. of McDade. Let me hear from you at once.

James M. Robertson  
 Surveyor 1854

J. H. COON,  
County Attorney.

J. M. Robertson  
County Surveyor  
**COON & LOCKETT,** & Robertson

P. J. LOCKETT,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW AND LAND AGENTS.

2265 Meridian, Texas, Jan 27th 1879.

W. C. Walsh Esq.,

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 23rd ult to hand and in reply I will say, as I have before written Saml. C. Swann's pre-emption can not be surveyed in a square nor any nearer a square than it is at the present time. It is only 855 varas from Wm Hulls N & corner to Joseph Ragsdals west line or opposite to it. Now, you may find by plotting that it is further but I was very particular in making Swann's survey and 855 varas is as wide as it can be made with out conflicting with Ragsdal.

I enclose you sketch. Please examine this thing closely. There is no use talking about squaring a thing that can not be squared

As to Coats abandonment I will send proof thereof when I hear from you.

Examine this thing closely before you answer if you please

Yours very respectfully,

James M. Robertson Co. Surveyor

James M. Robertson Co.

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Surveyors statement  
embracing cert of the  
abandonment of P-1113

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Filed Feb 3<sup>d</sup> 1879

McCauley  
Commr

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