



West Brownsville Pa. Dec. 16th 1880 "Secy" of Internal Affairs

Sir, A short time ago I received a communication from the Department stating that I had refused to go to Canonsburg and locate a warrant for a piece of vacant land for one J. P. Weaver of that place; I would say that I had visited that place once before and found on examination no vacant land there and reported the same to the Department; But since that time I received another communication telling me it is my duty to go and make a thorough investigation of the matter and report to the Department "At Mr. Weavers Expense" Now I have obeyed the order of the Department and here forward to you my report showing that every foot of land is completely covered by Patent and the lines all agreeing. The red lines on the Brackenhill tract will show you where Mr. Weaver claims vacant land and what led him to think so was he got hold of the Patent of the "Three Shares" as shown above and tried to locate it on the Brackenhill tract by turning the North to the East and fixing it to suit his own views but in fact I can't tell just what he was trying to do But in a word I think the man is more to be pitied than censured for you cant put Brin where there is none. Now by order of the Department I went some thirty five miles and made the investigation at a cost to me of some fifteen dollars and Mr. Weaver positively refuses to pay anything and is not worth a dollar that can be got hold of so what am I to do. I felt it my duty to obey the order of the Department But I am not able to loos my time and expence. Has Mr. Weaver any funds deposited with the Department which could be secured, if not will the Department let me loose my time and expence in making this investigation at their order. Hoping this will be satisfactory and expecting to here from you soon I am with Respect

Yours etc. J. H. Brown
County Surveyor
Washington Co. Pa.

IN TESTIMONY that the above is a copy of the original remaining on file in the Department of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania, made conformably to an Act of Assembly approved the 16th day of February, 1833, I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Seal of said Department to be affixed at Harrisburg, this
twenty-Fifth day of January 1910

Henry Hawks
Secretary of Internal Affairs.