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No. 79

Field of the Survey of the Base line  
 from the South East corner of Sec  
 33 in Township N<sup>o</sup> 1 North of Range  
 N<sup>o</sup> 8 East to the South East corner  
 of Township N<sup>o</sup> 12 North of Range  
 N<sup>o</sup> 32 East of the Willamette Meridian  
 in the Territory of Oregon by  
 David P. Thompson deputy Surveyor  
 under his contract N<sup>o</sup> 79 bearing date  
 the 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 1858

commenced May 21<sup>st</sup> 1859  
 completed June 8<sup>th</sup> 1859

Washington Transcript - made and  
 transmitted July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1859

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We John Stricklin John M. Hughes  
 Allen Thompson & Zachariah Gotson  
 do solemnly swear that we will  
 faithfully execute the duties of chain  
 carriers that we will level the chain  
 upon uneven ground and plumb the  
 tally pins <sup>upon uneven ground</sup> whether sticking or dropping  
 the same and that we will report  
 the true distance to all notable ob-  
 -jects and the true length of all lines  
 that we assist in measuring to the  
 best of our skill and ability

John Stricklin  
 John M. Hughes  
 Y. S. Gotson

Sworn and subscribed to before me  
 this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 1859.

J. Fleming  
 Notary Public

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I Benjamin They do Solemnly  
swear that I will well and truly  
perform the duties of Aemard  
according to instructions given me  
and to the best of my skill and  
ability

Benjamin They  
sworn and subscribed to before  
me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 1859  
J. Fleming  
Notary Public

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185<sup>th</sup> Mile

T. 1. N. R. 31. E.

East on South boundary of Sec 35  
chain Variation 22° 50' East

4000 Set post for <sup>1/4</sup> Sec corner and build mound  
of Earth &c as per instructions

8000 Set post for corner to Secs 35 & 36  
and build a mound of Earth as per  
instructions

Land pretty rolling Grass hills. Soil 2<sup>nd</sup> rate

186<sup>th</sup> Mile

East on South boundary of Sec 36  
Variation 20° 25' East

4000 Set post for <sup>1/4</sup> Sec corner and build mound  
of Earth &c as per instructions

8000 Set post for corner to Townships 1 North  
Ranges 31 & 32 East and build mound  
of Earth as per instructions

Land Level Grass Plains  
Soil 1<sup>st</sup> rate

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1859

## General Description

For about 15 miles the Blue Mountains have been about ten miles South of the base line ~~and~~ their sides are covered with Pine & Fir Timber. Numerous small streams flow from their base and empty into McKay's Creek Willow & Butter Creek. The land is very rich and level or gently rolling to the foot of the mountains and covered with a thick growth of excellent "bunch grass".

The Musatilla River on the north of the line about twelve miles distant runs parallel with the line west for about 20 miles is a beautiful stream of clear cold water about six rods wide with thick growth of cotton wood timber on its banks and a dense undergrowth of Willow - Rose bushes & Birch.

There are about forty settlers on this stream.

The Base line passes about 3 miles South  
of Ft Dalles 5 miles South of Bridge  
over Deschutes River 4 miles South  
of Emigrant Road crossing of John  
Day River 8 miles South of Emigrant  
Road crossing of Willow & Butter  
creeks about twelve miles South  
of Indian Agency on Wamatta  
River

Its Terminus is 189 miles East of  
the Willamette River 149 miles East  
of the Summit of the Cascade  
Mountains and 114 miles East  
of Ft Dalles

A list of the names of the men actually employed to assist in measuring and marking the Base Line from the S.E. corner of Sec. 32 in Township No. 1 North of Range No. 8 East to the S.E. corner of Township No. 1 North of Range No. 32 East of the Willamette Meridian showing their respective capacities in which they acted

John Stricklin Chairman  
 John M. Hughes "  
 G. S. Dotson "  
 Allen Thompson "  
 Benjamin They Axeman

"We hereby certify that we assisted  
 David P Thompson deputy Surveyor in  
 Surveying the Base Line from the South  
 East corner of Sec 32 in Township N<sup>o</sup>. 1  
 North of Range N<sup>o</sup>. 8 East to the  
 South East corner of Township N<sup>o</sup>. 1  
 North of Range N<sup>o</sup>. 32 East of the  
 Willamette Meridian and that said  
 Line has been in all respects to  
 the best of our knowledge and belief  
 well and faithfully Surveyed and  
 the boundary monuments planted ac-  
 -cording to the instructions furnished  
 by the Surveyor General

John Stricklin

John M. Hughes

W. S. Gotsom

Allen Thompson

Benjamin They

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 10<sup>th</sup>  
 day of June 1859.

J. Fleming

Notary Public



I David P Thompson deputy Surveyor

do solemnly swear that in pursuance  
of a contract with John S Gibbs Sur-  
veyor of the public lands <sup>of the United States</sup> in the  
~~State~~ <sup>Territory</sup> of Oregon bearing date the 26<sup>th</sup>  
day of July 1838 and in strict con-  
formity to the Laws of the United  
States and the instructions furnished  
by the Said Surveyor General I  
have faithfully surveyed the Base  
Line from the South East corner of  
Sec 32 in Township 1 North of Range  
No 8 East to the S E corner of  
Township 1 North of Range No 32  
East of the Willamette Meridian  
in the <sup>State</sup> ~~Territory~~ aforesaid and do further  
solemnly swear that the foregoing are  
the true and original field notes of  
Such Survey

David P Thompson

Subscribed & sworn to before

me this 23<sup>d</sup> day of Jan 1839

Salem Oregon J. F. Carter

Not. Public

Surveyor General's Office.

Salem, Oregon July 2nd 1859

The foregoing transcript of the field notes of the survey of the Base Line, from the S. E. corner of sec. 32. in Township No. 1 North of Range No. 8 East, to the South East corner of Township No. 1 North, of Range No. 32 East of the Willamette Meridian; executed by David P. Thompson, under his contract of the 26th, day of July, 1858; having been critically examined, the necessary corrections and explanations made, the said field notes and the survey they describe, are hereby approved.

W. W. Chapman  
Surveyor General of Oregon