Dr Baldwin

Dear Sir

Your letter came to hand in due time, my excuse for not writing to you sooner is simply this, I had nothing to write with your attention. I have not seen Dr Kinney nor have I heard from him except that Curry told me that he saw him at Selvreton, I understand Curry to say that Dr Kinney told him he had written to you recently, and also that he had done all that could be done with the lands in Eastern Texas. I should have gone to see Dr Kinney before this time, but have been under the impression that you and Dr Kinney had probably come to some understanding about the matter through the agency of Curry. I have written to Dr Kinney once but have received no answer, the distance is so great, and the chance of seeing Dr Kinney so uncertain. My letters have repeatedly been returning. These things combined have prevented me from going to see him at his residence. I will write to him again, should I get an answer from him, I will go immediately and see him. Should he agree to it, and the thing can be made plain to be, that I will take enough to justify me in attending to it, I will report him in the matter, should he refuse to accept any evidence I will inform you immediately. You can then act in the
mater as you think best; if I undertake it, I will
attend to it faithfully, and post you on all subjects concerned
with the matter. My own impression is that Mr. Kennedy
has a great quantity of business upon his hands and but
little money, and it is to be feared that he will
only attempt to service such lands, as can be secured
with but little trouble or expense. Should this be
the case you will sustain a great loss, while he
loses nothing for a man in his business in this count.
I can employ his time better then by attending to his
suit and especially when he pays the fees.
I think General Chapman held the same opinion
of Mr. Kennedy that I did, that he had the ability
to attend to the matter, that he is anxious
and where the chances were good for him to make
money, would attend to it well.

I have no news of much interest to communicate.
My family and my relatives are well, all that
were with me from Prince I. Atlee have enjoyed
fine health generally. Since their arrival
there, Col. Smith arrived at home on last Tuesday
in fine health and spirits. Every thing on natives
looks flourishing around and about Leguan.
We have had some very warm weather in the last
week. The thermometer reached 102° Fahrenheit on Thursday
The weather changes on Thursday night and has been pleasant
ever since, water melons and all accompanying luxuries abounded
about home, and believe your friend,

John H. M'Neil