

WESTERN DISTRICT, ORLEANS TERRITORY.

B No. 2022

Register's No. 380 Natchitoches

By the Commissioners appointed for the purpose of ascertaining the rights of persons to Lands, within the District and Territory aforesaid; **It is hereby certified,** That the Legal Representatives of Edward Murphy of the County of Natchitoches are confirmed in their claim to a tract of Land containing about Two Hundred & three superficial acres, equal to one hundred & seventy one & $\frac{7}{8}$ American acres, founded on occupancy & cultivation by John Tarangu and those claiming under him on and about fourteen consecutive years previous to the 20th of December 1803 as appears by the testimony given in the claim & by deed conveyed to the claimant the 3^d of October 1793, situated in the County of Natchitoches, on both sides of Red River at a place called the Desert about a League from the Post, to be laid out as nearly conformable as can be to a Plat of Survey filed in the claim dated the 24th of February 1806 under signature of Samuel Cook an authorised surveyor, and to have

Such form and marks, natural and artificial, as shall be represented in a Plan thereof, to be returned by the Principal Deputy Survey of the said District; **Wherefore,** agreeably to the provisions of an Act of Congress, passed the third day of March, 1807, entitled "An Act respecting the claims to land in the Territories of Orleans and Louisiana," the Claimant is entitled to a patent from the United States, for the above described tract of land or so much thereof as is rightfully claimed by any other person. unless the same shall be found to include either a Lead Mine or Salt Spring. This certificate being filed with the Register of the Land Office for the said District, within twelve months from the date hereof, shall entitle the claimant to the Certificate of the said Register, on which a Patent shall issue.

Given under our hands at Opelousas Church, this 15th day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and twelve and in the Thirty Sixth year of the Independence of the United States

Attest

SIGNED

L. Posey.

Clerk of the Board.

Wm Garrard
Levin Mailes

Commissioners.

Land Office at Opelousas, }
State of Louisiana, }

September 26th 1836

I do hereby Certify the foregoing to be a true copy, from the Original
of record in my Office.

GIVEN under my hand and private seal of Office, the day and date
above written.

John T. Taylor
Register.

