

that Mr. H. Blake has reported in the County of Somerset
that I have used him unfairly respecting the Township
No. 1 in the Twelve Range. Having been informed that
he has represented the circumstances to you in a different
light from what I view them I take the liberty to state
to you the facts as they occurred, and am willing you
should judge as to the justness of my conduct.

About time previous to my being at Monson Miss
Blake & Col Scribner call on me to see if I would be a partner
with them & others in the purchase of lands on the Kennett
waters with a view to operate on them immediately
Col Scribner & others had a grant of one third of Township
to locate where they chose on lands not engaged and proposed
to locate on the above mentioned township and purchase
a part of letter A in there if after exploring trees thought
it would answer. I went on and explored with you
and you know the result I reported that it would not
be profitable to cut that timber until supplies could
be got with less expense. I recommended to Col
Scribner in the letter that I wrote at your house to
locate on No. 1 - as I thought it would eventually
be valuable. Soon after Col. S. returned from
Boston (I think two weeks after my return from Monson)
he call on me and observed that his circumstances were
such that it would be inconvenient for him to keep
his purchase unless he could take the timber off and
pay for it in that way; and wished I would purchase the
third of Township as his partners were wishing to sell