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ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA. 11-23-23.

SUBJECT: Application - J. R. Deane.

Mr. Frank J. Pepper,
Messrs. Pepper & Potter,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Mr. Pepper:

I have your favor of the 21st inst., advising that you had been shown a telegram from Mr. Deane to Captain Jaudon, requesting him not to reply to any communications from Washington regarding his Cape Sable land purchase proposition until he had received a full report from him. Of course we do not understand what object Mr. Deane had in view in reference to the above.

We have not reported the transaction to you further than our previous communication because the matter is not much further forward. We have tried to block out a contract of sale and get it in shape for the acceptance of Mr. Deane and ourselves, but have not yet completed same. After it is written out it will have to receive the approval of Mr. Ingraham and the criticism of our attorneys and when in shape we will submit it to Mr. Deane. We will keep you fully advised of the progress of this transaction.

Another obstacle arose in the matter of our inability to find our copy of the Gov. Plat of Township 60-37, and we wired you asking if you could obtain the loan of one for us, and we very much appreciate your courtesy in having forwarded same to us. We find, however, we shall also require a copy of the Township Plat of 59-37, and have wired you asking if you can get this for us, together with the field notes of Townships 59 and 60 - 37. After we have gotten this information it will then become necessary for us to determine whether or not there is a hiatus between Townships 59 and 60, and if such is the case, which we are rather inclined to think it is, before we can sell any of the lands from this plat they would have to acquire the title to the intervening land. We have so advised Mr. Deane today.

In the event of this transaction going through there will be no cash payments upon same until April or May, 1924. However, as previously stated, we will let you know just exactly how the transaction is progressing from time to time.

Yours truly,

Sidney Harrison
Secretary.

H-s.