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Dear M and R: I dashed over to Rick's and told him to "Break out the champagne! We found Leander!" ...His mouth fell open and he dropped the plow handles. He's going to the library today during his noon break and look out the 1900 Ledger and will call me ...I think we are in business: I had a letter in Feb. 1978 fm Bureau of L.M., Portland, saying that if we knew the legal case of the claim they could tell us the name of the original patentee. We can of course get that since we know it was the Ekenstam place ...Now see if one of your smart students can find out where Leander was buried. We think it might have been on the Cowlitz. But maybe on his claim or maybe just near Nisqually. Rick suggests we set to work with a metal detector to see if we can find the house site here...Over

Rick says, "Murray would be the one to turn this up."

We are extremely grateful.

Love you both,

Hazel

Judge Evans must have gotten his info from the ledgers - Cope's. No Evans speech was 1885

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