This Charter Party of Affreightment

Witnesseth that Samuel F. Watts owner and agent for the schooner William and Francis N. H. Watts master now in the Port of New Orleans hath letten to freight and charter the said schooner unto Edward Hall agent of New Orleans for a voyage to be performed from New Orleans to Copano in Texas. For consideration of which voyage, the said Hall is to give to the said Watts his order upon the Government of Texas signed by the agents for the Sum of Six hundred Dollars payable by the Government in public lands or cash in six months at his option. And for which Consideration the said Watts agrees to take on board the said schooner a full Cargo and passengers to land off the mouth of the Brazos river and obtain information as to the best point to land his passengers either in Matagorda Bay or at Copano at the election of Mr. Miller now on board said schooner. And the said Hall agrees to pay the tonage duty on said schooner at the Port of her discharge. The said Watts contracting that the said schooner during the voyage shall be fully equiped and manned in all respects suitable for such a voyage and that he shall have for his crew such provisions as may be on board to use the same for subsistence only untill his arrival at the port of discharge. And for the full and true performance of this contract each of the parties bind themselves each to the other in the penal Sum of Six hundred Dollars Witness our hands & seals at New Orleans March 2nd 1836

Edward Hall (Seal)

The word "Their" being altered to "his" before signing.

Witnesses to signing
Samuel Ellis
Geo. E. Quinan

(TX)

Saml. F. Watts.

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