I am of the opinion that the within claim cannot be allowed, because it appears from the books and vouchers, that from 1 Jany. 1837 to 1 April 1839 say two years and 4 months the sum of $19105.94 has been paid to the Secy. and Clerks of the Treasury Dept. being $4739.28 more than the salary of the Secy. and two Clerks — And it does not appear that Thos. Bryson was ever employed as Clerk in the Treas. Dept. during the whole time, but that he was employed as Clerk in the 2nd Auditors office at the very same time for which he now claims pay for services in the Treas. Dept. — Therefore if Mr. Bryson assisted Mr. J. J. Welsheimer in doing the duties of Chief Clerk & act. Secy. of the Treas. Dept. for (which he Welsheimer has been paid) he must look to Mr. Welsheimer for the pay for the same

10 June 1839 Musgrove Evans
2nd Auditor