Head Qrs So. Western Army
San Antonio 12th Nov. 1842

Lt Maj. V. Bennett
Qr Master

Sir,

I am directed by the Commanding Genl to instruct you to forward the piece of Artillery with the Caisson, Ammunition & all the fixtures attached with the greatest dispatch — The Army will now move to a place to Morrow and it is highly important that we should have the Artillery immediately — Any troops now at Gonzales on their way to H.s Qrs or that may arrive there, will be required to assist you in the performance of this duty — I am also directed to order you to have a flat boat sufficiently large for crossing Wagons, built for the crossing of the Guadalupe at Gonzales — If the Ammunition which I directed to be sent in from Houston by way of Washington has not yet arrived at your post, you will endeavor to obtain a dispatch to Col. S. Smith at Washington, requesting him to forward it without delay — Urge the troops that may arrive at Gonzales to push on as rapidly as possible

By Order of
A. Sommerville
Brig.r Genl Comd.g

Wm G. Cooke
Qr Mast. Genl. TA.

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