The State of Texas }
County of Matagorda } Before me James A Tel
kirk clerk of the County Court for the County
aforesaid personally appeared James Stanley and
D. E. E. Braman resident Citizens of this County
and to me personally well Known, who being
duly sworn depose & say that they Knew
Howard Decrow (now deceased) in his life
time; and that they Know Mary Decrow; for-
merly the wife, and now widow of said
Howard Decrow dec^d. And that they have
Known the said Mary Decrow, wife as
aforesaid for many years past as a resident
of the County of Matagorda but that her present
residence is Wolfe County in said State
that the said Howard Decrow was married
to the said Mary in Matagorda County, and
that they lived there together as man and wife
until the time of his death.
Deponents further say that the said Howard
Decrow never had any other wife in Texas
Known to them excepting the said Mary
Decrow.

Sworn to & subscribed
before me this 14th day of
December AD 1853 which
I hereby Certify under my
hand & seal of office at
Matagorda

James Stanley
D. E. E. Braman

Ja^s A Tel Kirk
Clerk C.C. M.C.

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