New Orleans April 8th/55

Messrs. Chubb brothers
Washington

1. 4th

Gentlemen.

There is a balance due me by Texas, of $172.84 for services as midshipman on board sloop-of-war Austin Commodore Moore, having mislaid my papers I only found them yesterday.

Nearly all the officers serving at the time I did, assured me they had been paid in full. & my object is to find out from you, whether you can collect the amount due me. & if so & you will take charge of it, what are the documents &c required by you. I enclose copy of my papers & should be obliged to you for an early answer.

Respectfully

Care of Henry Rodewald & Co.
N.O.

I have concluded to enclose the Original documents which may save a loss, of course if nothing can be done you will return them.

Samuel Kuma

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12 cents postage stamps enclosed

See memo in notice part Six