of Secretary of War I remained two or three days at Austin for the purpose of guiding Mjr Genl Felix Houston to the ground of rendezvous who was momentary expected and when he arrived proceeded to Nashville took command of said Regiment I accompanied him as a volunteer in no particular capacity on a short campaign the result is well known on the close of week 14 of July he gave me an order to raise 12 men to scour up the country and espy out the enemy holds movements and positions and continue so to do untill further orders I only raised 8 as given on the roll we furnished ourselves every thing necessary for the scout and after the trip mentioned in the above referred to report remained on Little River at the three forts at an old fort known as Little River fort untill the latter part of ~~Sept~~ same year untill answers where received from Genl Houston informing me that in consequence of a failure of a projected expedition against the indians he intended marching on the information furnished by us the matter would be abandoned for the present and we might consider ourselves at liberty from the 6 of Sept 1840 untill this disbanded which was about the 20 of ~~Sept~~ [illegible]