Department of War & Navy
16th February 1842

To

P. Edmunds Esq.
Texas Consul
New Orleans

Sir,

The Hon Secretary of the Treasury, has this day been requested to place at your disposition, one Thousand dollars, for the purpose of Purchasing at New Orleans, such provisions &c. as may be contained in the Requisition which will be handed to you. — In case your stay at the Island is prolonged Mr. James W. Moore of the Navy will receive the money, and proceed to New Orleans where he will make the pur=chases. — The necessity of the case requires prompt action

I have the honor to be
with high regard
Sir Your [illegible]

Geo. W. Hockley
Secy of War & Navy