State of Texas
Gonzales County } I. F. Chenault Clerk of the County Court of the aforesaid County Certify that Thomas J Pilgrim whose name is signed as Justice of the Peace on the annexed Instrument of writing is now and was at the time of signing the same an Acting Justice of the Peace in & for said County duly qualified.

Given under my hand and Official Seal August 1st A.D. 1853

F. Chenault
Clk C.C.G.C.