Spring Hill. Texas
Nov. 27th 1853

Sir,

Herewith I send you Petition &c. of Heirs of G. W. Lewel Dec^d. I was intimately acquainted with all the circumstances of Maj^r Lewel's coming to Texas, & his service. I came to Texas & entered service at the same time. He left McMinnville Tenn. with his company on the 16th August 1836. Entered Texas on 11th Sept. 1836 - Entered Service of Texas on 19th Sept. 1836 & served ~~in~~ six months. He was elected Maj^r in Ranging Service soon after entering, & I think this has been one obstacle in the way of settling his Acpts though you will see he was recognised in that capacity. I have no doubt his expenditures for the service is what broke him up from a very prosperous business in Tenn. His heirs should be paid. I have in=tended & yet intend to visit Austin & explain this whole matter to a committee, but have been delayed on account of some family sickness. & fearing I may yet be