Galveston August 1st 1851 —

I hereby certify that Robert R. Gcott joined the Santa Fe Expedition as a guest of Major B B Sturges, and during that officer's long & trying illness, & up to his death, continued to attend him as a friend & performed services, which would otherwise have required a soldier from the command — In his capture, he was performing duty under my orders, & held himself at all times during the march liable for service, in case of action —

H M Cook
Late Bvt Brig Genl
Comdg