The State of Texas } Personally appeared before me
County of Quitt } William A Blair Clerk of the
District Court of said County and State William
P Stapp now present and who being duly sworn
as the Law directs doth on his oath says that James
A Downs now present is the identical person who
served in the Company commanded by Capt
Thomson Saint Louis Volunteers in the year
(1842) which was discharged at Eagle Pass in the
Month of August of the above year, and he
being a member of said Company at the time!

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 8th day of
March A D 1854
W A Blair
Clerk D C & W C

W. P. Stapp