provisions of every denomination suitable and necessary for the relief of her Army and people, paid the charter party & the Bills and dispatched her promptly to the scene of suffering, the Herald of Joy & relief to the depending Nation — She arrived in safety at the Island of Galveston just after the battle of San Jacinto — And, as Genl Houston & Genl Morgan who were there at the time, affirm, saved the lives of the conquerors & conquerred of that bloody Field! The silent contributors to that timely deed of charity, were never known, nor will they be ever known to the recipients of their bounty — No demand was ever made, or expected, of remuneration for that act — I do not know that it was ever noticed even by the Government of the Republic, but whether it was or not, is now not material — The gratification of those who gave was a sufficient reward for what they did — It was a pure offering of the heart and nobly and timely did it perform its holy office —

But enough — You have assured me of your belief that every dollar advanced would be refunded with interest — And further, you have assured me that you would do every thing in your power to obtain this result — Here then I leave the subject, satisfied that you will do, not only all you can to serve me, but that your exertions will be attended with perfect success —

With sincere respect & regard, I remain

Dear Sir, Your Obt Servt

Saml Houston