on this claim be admitted, I hope to God that neither the necessities, nor the disposition of Texas will interpose, to deprive me of the interest, as well as the principal. And, I further implore the justice and humanity of Texas in behalf of my claim for interest on the amount you lent me last year of $7.984 - The interest is as justly due me, as the principal was, and its payment was pledged to be paid as solemnly as was the principal itself - This interest amounts now, to upwards of $13,500, and the principal & interest on the 1000 dolls to the Commission to $2700 - In all $16,000 and odd - I implore Texas to pay me this money - or I must starve - for at the advanced age of 70 years I cannot undertake new enterprises or labour for bread.

To show the importance of the services I rendered to Texas and the value set upon them at the time I rescued the two vessels of war, I enclose you two, out of many letters which I rec'd at the time, one from Col Morton and the other a joint production from S. M. Williams & Col Morton - You will perceive the stress laid on the necessities of the Republic, at the time and the value they put upon the preservation of the little vessels - Their appeal was not disregarded - I alone