The State of Texas
County of Rusk } This is to certify
that, in the year of 1840 —
upon a requisition made upon me
as Brigadier General of Militia
by Genl Felix Huston in said
year, and in order to carry out
said orders as therein directed
that I employed one Leonidas
E. Tipps to carry an Express
from Nacogdoches, to the counties
of Liberty Jefferson, Jasper
Sabine, San Augustine, and
I think Shelby — and that
for said service I issued him
draft on the government for one
hundred dollars — as balance
due for said service, the amount
I paid him was to the best of my re=
collection was $20.00 in Texas Money
or their about, which was to go towards
his expenses — and further State
that said service was worth at the
time it was rendered $100.00 in
good money and that that was
the contract I made with said
Tipps, that the amount specif=
=ied in said draft, was not
more than the actual value
of said services in pro funds
at the time, and that it was
the least that I could get any
person to do it for, and that
said Tipps lost a horse in
performing said service