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County of Travis } set

This day personally appeared before me P. DeCordova a Notary Public in and for said County James Maul to me well known who makes oath and says that he commenced to work as one of the hands, under Edwin Waller, superintendent of Public buildings in the City of Austin, on the 19th day of May 1839. that shortly after, say from the 22nd to the 30th of the same month Dennis Walsh was employed by said Waller or his Lieut-agent ~~Robt. M. Brown~~ as a Blacksmith for and in behalf of the government and that said Walsh remained and continued in said employment steadily, and sometimes on Sundays from that time until ~~[illegible]~~ two to three weeks after the balance of the hands quit or after Congress met which was about the 1st of Nov. 1839. and that said Walsh during all the time was a steady hardworking and one of the best hands employed.

James. his X mark