life and sacrificed his ease. he has been taking out a living from that date by renting lands and working them with his own hands

Your Honorable body knows well it is only the young, Vigorous & stalwart man that makes a living for a family who pays high rent for land. It is more than can be expected of the old man who has passed his three score years Your applicant is not "indigent" in the sense that he is a mendicant or begger, ~~that Hon~~ there are very few of the men who had nerve enough & heroism enough to volunteer in the Cause of Texas Independence who will ever be reduced to such indigence or beggary they will fight against old age as hard and as bravely as they did against Mexican tyranny. But he is indigent in the true sense of the law his whole Estate consists of four horses of ordinary Value and four cows and yearlings and an old two horse wagon. old age is beginning to press heavily upon labor which was once but a pastime is now sorely wearing and irksome, his eyes are beginning dim, his limbs trembling and the whole frame is fast ~~becoming~~ becoming rickety and under the existing strain will totter & fall

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