unless I knew and thought so and that I am deserving of it and need it, I certainly would not make an effort to obtain it. —

My brother Frank has made affidavit in aid of my claim which is now in the hands of C. R. Johns & Co. Austin, which procure from them if you please. — My old friend Major A Beaton of Corsicana is my agent in this matter and you will please keep him informed of your progress and address him all communications on the subject.

I remain your Friend, W. G. Cooke

Mr. Cooke recd a H R 1/3 League Certificate as shown on page 82 Burlage & Hollingsworth's Abstract of Valid Land Claims an additional fact I think in his favor and supporting the allegations of his petition for a Pension. He is a deserving man with a large family to support do all you can for him and if I can do anything here further please inform me

Yours A Beaton