Seymour, Jackson County, Indiana, April 29th 1871

Hon, James P. Newcomb, Secretary of State,
Austin, Travis County, Texas

Dear Sir,

I have been recently informed, that there has been passed a Law by your State, given those men a pension, who served the Republic of Texas during her Struggle for Independence if so, please inform me, as I too served some twenty three months, in that Army, also please refer me to some one, with whom I may communicate on the subject, provide, it should be necessary.

Respectfully Yours
Henry Bannettell