The State of Texas }
County of Bexar } On this fourth Day of March A.D. One thousand eight hundred and seventy five, Before me, Sam. S. Smith, Clerk of the District Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Juan José Gonzales, aged (72) Seventy two years who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Juan José Gonzales who participated in the Struggle for the Independence of Texas, that he was born in San Carlos de Candela, in Coahuila y Texas, that Came to San Antonio Texas in the year A.D. 1831, that he Volunteered in the Company Commanded by Capt Manuel Leal at the Storming of Bexar which took place between the 5th and 10th days of December A.D. 1835, and actually assisted in the reduction of that place, and remained there until the Surrender of Genl Cos, and was honorably discharged from the Service, but never applied for or received the Bounty or Donation Lands to which he was entitled that his residence has been Continuous to the present date in this State.