The State of Alabama } To Honorable A Bledsoe - Comptroller of
Barbour County } the State of Texas

The application of William Kaigler respectfully sheweth unto your Honor, that he is the identical person who was a private in Capt William Ryan's company, of Col Wm S Fisher's Regiment of Mounted Infantry or Cavalry raised under the authority of the Republic of Texas for the defence of the frontier of Texas: this applicant enlisted in said company for military service in the fall of the year 1842 - (does not remember particularly) for an indefinite term: that he was received in said service, & served for a length of time in said Company not remembered; that while in said service in the discharge of his duties as a soldier, he was actively engaged a battle fought with the Mexicans at Meier in the Republic of Mexico on or about the 25 December 1842; that on the next day after said battle, this applicant was captured & taken prisoner by said Mexican forces: and that applicant with the other prisoners of Meier was held as a prisoner from the time of his said capture until some time in the fall of 1844, - when applicant was discharged & released from said imprisonment by the interposition of Mr Shannon, United States Minister to Mexico - that the military service in which applicant was engaged & captured was known as the "Meier expedition" -: that applicant's name appears as in the published accounts as a member of said expedition - His application is fifty eight years of age: & now resides in Dooly County in the State of Georgia -