N Orleans July 31st/72

Statement of Joseph Lopez.

I left New Orleans about in october 1834 with the Orleans Grays, Capt Breeze first Lieut. Bourgh the 2d Lieut's name I dont recollect the Company numbering about sixty men and we proceeded on a steamer to Nachitoches La and encampted about a mile from that Town after two weeks preparation spent by Capt Breeze to procure means to support the Command we commenced our march for Texas upon reaching Sabine River we received Arms and amunition and kept on our way until we reached Nacogdoches There the leading men of the town gave us a big dinner, a few days afterwards 2/3 of our men were furnished with horses and left for the seat of war while the rest of us had to wait for an other suply of horses I was one of those left behind, and when the next lot of horses came there was not enough for us all some of us had to wait still longer But Major Roth a man that kept a grocery store in Nacogdoches and who was afterwards the Butcher of the Army at San Antonio — was about starting for the seat of war with a small Command, we went with him and reached our destination three weeks before the Battle Commenced The Camp was about half a mile from Town all told there was some 1100 or 1200 men in it under Gen Burleson, It is useless to say there was any dissepline as every one acted as he pleased

upon our arrival at San Antonio I did not join Capt Breeze's Company but kept with our little band and went with them in the fight which lasted for five days