The state of Texas – County of Harris

I. Thomas W. Marshall hereby certify that in the latter part of the year A.D. 1835, an armed expedition, composed of citizens from the towns and country on and about the lower Brazos river in this state, left Velasco on board the armed schooner "San Felipe" in pursuit of the Mexican War Vessel "Montezuma" then cruising off the Texas coast near the mouth of the Brazos river in armed hostility against Texas –

I was then pilot of the steamer "Laura" belonging to Messrs "McKinney & Williams" of Quintana, and I certify that Thomas F. McKinney of said firm was a member of the expedition alluded to, and on board of the "San Felipe" as such during said cruise, and at the time of the wreck of said schooner on Matagorda peninsula while in pursuit of said Mexican war vessel "Montezuma"

Houston Nov. 18th 1874 Thos W. Marshall

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of Nov 1874

D. Nunklin
Notary Public
Harris Co. Texas