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To the Speaker of the
House of Representatives of the State of Texas

Dear Sir

Some weeks ago, a law passed by the Legislature of the State of Texas, providing Pensions for the Officers and Soldiers who served in the war which separated Texas from Mexico, was published in one of our City news-papers. Since then I have seen an Official Circular issued by the Comptroller of State in which he expresses doubts in respect to the proper interpretation of the law, or rather in regard to the class of persons and the date of service of those who were intended to be included in the provisions of the Act.

Before seeing this Circular, I supposed beyond doubt, that the law was intended to embrace within its provisions, all persons ~~all persons~~, who were regularly enlisted in the Army of Texas, and who performed Military services at any time before the Army was disbanded in the year 1837, and especially those who remained in the Military service of the Republic up to that period.

Before the battle of "San Jacinto", I was living in a small Town in the interior of the State of Ohio, and previous to that time but little was said and perhaps but little was generally