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SPARKS & BARRETT,

Attorneys-at-Law,

COOKE COUNTY,

Gainesville, Texas, August 7, 1877

Stewart, Lowdon & Hubrecht
Attys Austin Texas.

Gents: My attorneys, Messrs Barrett & Sparks have submitted to me your favor of Aug 2nd in which you propose to collect my pension claim against the State or ~~[illegible]~~ the five quarters ending Sept 30th 1877, informing me of ~~the~~ price at which the accts are selling, viz 50 & 55 cents on the ~~dollar~~ If you can make disposition of ~~the~~ my acct ~~[illegible]~~ for Pension from July 1st 1876 & Sept 30th 1877 upon those terms, I hereby confer upon you special authority for that purpose, and when you have made the sale remit the amount to my attorneys Barrett & Sparks who will hand the amount to me and forward receipt ~~[illegible]~~ For your services in this matter you are authorized to retain 2½ per cent upon the amount you forward under these instructions

Respectfully Yours Louisa, C, Bickey