The State of Texas } Personally came and
County of Fayette } appeared before me, R. Y. McA
[redacted] for the County of
[redacted]
to me well known, & to whose acts I give full
faith and credit, and who, after being duly sworn
by me, according to law, deposed & said that, he is
well acquainted with William S. Rapsell, & has be
for more than forty years, in Texas, and for many
years as a citizen of Fayette County, that he remem
bers him, as a soldier in the army [redacted] the Revolution
that separated Texas from Mexico, from its orga
nization at Gonzales in October ~~in~~ 1835 until afte
the battle of Conception in the same month
~~after~~ when we were separated; that he believes
him to be about 68 years of age, & is now a citi
zen of Fayette County Texas, and he believes the said
Rapsell to be justly entitled to a pension for serv
ices under the pension act approved August 13th 1870

William H Matthews

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this the 5th day of October A.D. 1870
R.Y. McAshan
A Tary Public
Fayette Co Texas