Austin, Texas, July 4th 1899

Mr. Jack Hale

My Dear Friend

One time since I wrote you relative to your Pension; and a few days, since meeting with Mr. Brady — by him I received a message from you, and learned that you had got your pension, which I was pleased to hear. this Mr. Brady turned Radical, to get the office of District Attorney, got the nomination by that band of carpet bag thieves, negroes, and infamous unprincipled Scallawags; a man Jack I cant fancy none of those fellows, a man who supported the Confederate cause, and rallyed under its flag, and afterwards joins our enemies and open enemies, for the sake of office and publick plunder, never can get my support or patronage in any thing. now to the object of this writing; you will see by a letter of Col. C. G Forshey of New Orleans, to Austin Bryan of Independence Texas, that Col Forshey has consented the cydea, and engaged in the work of grouping together the likenesses of all persons, who are living, that was engaged in the Revolution, that seperated the lone Star Texas, from the Government of Mexico; and that each contributor, will receive one of the pictures. I enclose to you Forshey letter to M. A. Bryan, and Bryans reply in the Brenham Times, also Forshey letter to me. I have sent my Photograph on to the Col. in Album size, and want you to send