Pueblo, Colorado
County T. July 10, 1855

Jas B. Shaw esq, Dear Sir, At the instance and by the authority of Mr W. Alley of this County, I make this, the second communication in relation to his claim for furnishing supplies to the army of Texas in the spring of the year 1836 — His affd and proof to substantiate it being herein enclosed.

Your answer to my first, dated May 18th 1854, required "the receipt of a regularly appointed Quarter Master or Commissary for the articles furnished". The only thing approximating such proof is the affidavit of M. D. Ramsey No. 4 enclosed, who therein states that he acted on the occasion as Assistant Quarter Master. If the proof now offered to establish Mr Alley's claim is insufficient or unsatisfactory, the character & the peculiar merit of the service, I am sure be an apology, to be received with indulgence, for troubling you a second time on the subject.

Mr Alley's character for integrity and veracity among the original colonists of Texas, & maintained down to the present time, is almost proverbial. Besides on all occasions and in all ways he has proved himself a soldier, a patriot, & a useful citizen. He has only been guilty of gross injustice to himself by diminish &