State of Texas
County of Galveston

Before me L. C. Rump, a Notary Public in and for said County, this day appeared Capt. Luke A. Talbot, to me long and well known, who being duly sworn, says: That in the Spring of 1836 he was Captain of the Schooner Flash, under the orders of Colonel James Morgan, Commander of Galveston Island, and laying at the time at New-Washington, that he had on board said Schooner a considerable amount of provisions and Stores, belonging to Mrs. Peyton, now Mrs. Angelina B. Eberley, [redacted] — that he there and thereabouts received on board the majority of the members of the Cabinet & Government & their families and that the provisions belonging to Mrs. Eberley were there and then consumed both by the members of the Cabinet, their families and other families then on board, who were at the time flying from the Mexicans — but that some of the flour, at the best of his knowledge, was put on shore at Galveston Island for the use of the troops there & then commanded by Colonel James Morgan. That the said Members of Cabinet remained on board the Flash, for about the time of fourteen days & the families for about six to eight weeks — numbering about thirty to