THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
COUNTY OF FAYETTE. }

Before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the County Court, in and for said county, this day personally appeared Michael Short to me well known whose name appears to the foregoing instrument of writing hereto attached, bearing date the 29th day of January A. D. 1856 and acknowledged that he signed and sealed the same for the consideration and purposes therein stated.

In testimony whereof, I hereto sign my name, and affix the seal of said court, at office in the town of La Grange, the 29th day of January A. D. 1856

J. W. P. French Clerk County Court.