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Galveston 29th Aug 1837 —

Mr Borden
Collector

Sir

you will please take charge of the Government provisions on the Brig Sam Houston, now in the Harbor and have them stored in the Warehouse of McKinney, upon application to Col. Lynch he will, I presume furnish you the aid necessary, you will please have the Cargo inspected as delivered, and see that it is in good order and if so, pay the Captain Twohundred & eighty eight Dollars, balance of freight — he has the bill of Lading

Very Respectfully

(Signed) A. S. Thurston

Commissary Genl Texas

If you can dispose of thirty or forty Bbls Beans at 10 or 12 dollars, please do so — I will write by return Boat what quantity of provision can be had at the Fort. In the mean time furnish necessaries to Col. Lynch and to the Navy

A. S. T.