was thrown into the street, and the deponent, [illegible] that he saw many of the books of said Western library and many of his clothes in the hands of the soldiers and also parts of the said Western's account-books torn and defaced and scattered about. —

The deponent further saith that having had the above goods and chattels in charge for some time, and consequently having had a good opportunity to ascertain the value of said goods, he judgeth and estimateth the goods which were appropriated to the public use by Col. Fannin to have been worth eighteen hundred or two thousand dollars.

The deponent further saith that in the mean time the house of said Western had been taken to pieces by Col. Fannin's orders and the timbers &c were taken to strengthen the Fort by being used for picketting and securing the rampart.

The deponent further saith that on the 15th March he was ordered by Col. Fannin to go immediately to the neighboring ranches to obtain horses and cattle and proceed with them to the Coleto, and there await his, Col. Fannin's arrival: — and that while in discharge of this duty, he, the deponent, was on the next day, the 16th March, surprised by a party of Mexican dragoons, and with difficulty made his escape to Victoria, where he arrived late on the 17th March; — and that in Victoria he saw the aforementioned Caleb Bennet in the house of Don Felix De Leon, in which house he, the said Bennet, had a stock of goods; which goods he, the said Bennet, told the deponent were purchased with the two thousand dollars which he had in his possession when he left Goliad about the beginning of the February preceding, as has been before stated. — and the deponent says that he then made his way to the eastern part of the country to avoid the Mexican army: — and further this deponent saith not. —

William Joy Loupe (TX)

Sworne to and Subscribed to this 14th day of August 1837 before me Isaac Batterson (J P)

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