contract set forth as also for all expenses for the detention of said Shipments.

L. M. Hitchcock Lieut

United States Consulate
Port of Galveston
Republic of Texas

I do hereby certify that the annexed Protest of Lieut M Hitchcock against the Government of the Republic of Texas and William M Shepherd Secretary of the Navy of said Republic is the same made before me and that he has desired the same to be recorded as his Act upon the Consular Records of my Office this Seventh day of June A.D. 1838

Witness my hand and Private Seal there being no Seal of Office at this Port of Galveston, Republic of Texas

Stewart Newell Consul