Mr Silas Sinsmore

Dear Sir

You will

plea[illegible] to W. M. Stewart the

amount of Commissions due me

by the Government of Texas for

assessing taxes for the years 1839 &

40 so soon as the same may be

received by you from the Govern-

ment — and oblige yours &c

Matagorda August 1st 1840

(TX)

James J. Phelan

Assessor of Matagorda County

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accepted to pay the balance after deducting a fair discount for my trouble and expenses in making the collection

Oct 3 1840 Sinsmore