her lungs, and a few days since she died in a confirmed consumption. I left my family at Galveston, and went to Velasco, the then seat of Government, where agreeably to my orders I reported myself to the President ad interim on the first day of July last. The President informed me that he was not aware that I belonged to the Regular army, and much less that I had been on duty for the Government in the United States; that all the appointments in the corps of artillery were filled up; that, at any rate, as to the appointments or acts of the Provisional Government, he had never considered them valid, nor did he recognize any of the appointments made by it; and that under that connection he had considered it necessary to recommission all officers that he wished to retain in the service, and none but meritorious ones were to be retained. Still here it was a matter of perfect indifference to me, whether I was retained in the army or not under a government guided by such principles and regulations; and that I thought it very singular that he should so soon have forgotten that I was in the service, as I had called at his house on my way to the United States and informed him of the rank I held in the Regular Army and