verry frequently for [illegible] untill twelve oclock at night in order to execute the weighting [illegible] Equered for the dife-rent Departments — The President being himself reconstantly employed writing — Your Petitioner would further Represent that he has Received no Remunieration for the services thus performed and believes that it would have been impossible for the Executive to have exe-cuted the business he did without the aid he had — Your petitioner would also Represent that he acted as assistant clerk in the State Department from the 13th to the 28th of Decemb. ~~inclusive~~ both days inclusive — ~~as certified to by~~ which will be seen by Reference accompanying to the certificate of John Record — then cheef clerk in that Department — for all of which serving your Petitioner would Respectfully ask your honourable body to make him such an allowance as you may deem just — And your Petitioner will ever pray &c —

Austin R Bodman