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To Captain *L. B. Rice*  
Commanding *Houston Light Art.*

Desiring to enlist in your company, I hereby make application for enlistment, and pledge myself to conform to the militia law, rules and regulations of this State and by-laws of the company, I have never been dishonorable discharged from any organization of the Texas Volunteer Guards.

Age *23* Weight *160*  
Hair *Dark* Where born *Houston Tex*  
Eyes *Brown* State of *Texas*  
Complexion *Dark* Occupation *Merchant*

### OATH.

To be executed before an officer authorized to administer oaths.

I, *Gustav Japhet*, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the State of Texas, and will support the Constitution thereof; and I do further swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully observe and obey all laws and regulations for the government of the Volunteer Guards of this State, and the orders of all officers elected or appointed over me, for the period of three years; so help me God.

*Gustav Japhet*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *18th* day of

*December* A. D. 189*6*

*J. W. Burroughs*  
Notary Public in and for  
Harris County, Texas

I certify that *G. Japhet* was admitted as a member

*Jan 27* 189*7*  
*J. W. Sanford*  
Company Clerk of *Battery 1st Tex Art*

NOTES.—As required by Rule No. 3, Chapter "Term of Service and Oath," p. 75, Regulations of 1895, this blank application must be filled up, and oath executed in duplicate, before a member is admitted in a Company of the Texas Volunteer Guards. As soon as the member is admitted, the Company Clerk will certify to the fact, and transmit one copy of this application and oath to the Adjutant General, and retain the other copy in the Company records.

A member of a Company, whose term of service expires, will use this blank adding the syllable "re," before "enlist."