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PROSPECTUS

FOR PUBLISHING IN THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON A MISCELLANEOUS NEWSPAPER, TO BE ENTITLED

THE TEXAS REPORTER.

Fellow Citizens:—The fact that Washington has been designated as the place for the assembling of the Convention next spring—the fact that from its handsome situation and central position, there is a strong probability of its becoming the future capital of Texas.—The fact that you have a deep interest in being correctly informed of all the doings of the Convention, and the legislatures that may hereafter sit at this place; and the fact that there is no printing press here to give you that information, are the grounds upon which we ask and expect your patronage. But as the Press is calculated to do much evil, as well as good, and as we have no opinions that we are unwilling should be known, we deem it proper to make so far as the limits of a prospectus will admit, a disclosure of the objects to which our paper is devoted.

Our first object will be to make our paper what its name purports, a faithful reporter of the true situation of the country and of all legislative and conventional proceedings, and to do with neatness and despatch, any public printing that may be required to be done at this place, and to give at this critical moment of our history, all foreign news involving the public interest.

The columns of our paper will be open to every citizen, to express his sentiments on any subject of public interest, but shall never become vehicles for the dissemination of personal abuse. In our editorial capacity, we will speak of the public acts of public men with a freedom becoming the conductors of an Independent Press. Against all monopolies and hereditary privileges, we will ever maintain an uncompromising opposition.

We came here, Fellow citizens, to battle for the principles, proclaimed to the world at Philadelphia in 1776—for freedom of conscience and an equality of rights, and to the maintainance of these our paper will be devoted. We will be governed by principle, and not by party; for we have no party interests to advocate—we belong to none—we are unknown to all. As public men we belong to our God and our country: as private citizens, to our God, our country, and our friends—Our political motto is, "measures FIRST, men NEXT."

We believe that the Mexican Federal Constitution has been openly violated and forcibly destroyed—that Texas is no longer bound by the decrees of the Mexican Government, but is free to adopt any form of Government as a majority of the people may agree upon,

and that she ought in Convention to make a declaration of this right, and go into the formation of such a Government as may be thought best adapted to her present condition. The literary and religious aspect of our paper must hereafter show for itself.

We have spoken thus freely, that you might know something of the character our paper is designed to sustain.

Respectfully,

WM. W. GANT,
ANDREW J. GREER.

TERMS

The Texas Reporter will be published weekly, on a super-royal sheet, at \$5 per annum, payable in advance. Payment on the reception of the first number will be considered as in advance. Publication to commence early in March next.

Washington, January 14th, 1836.

The following gentlemen are requested to act as Agents for the Reporter.

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| Brazoria, | John Sharp, |
| Columbia, | D. T. Fitchett, |
| San Felipe, | John R. Jones, |
| Liberty, | William Garden, |
| West's Post Office, | Claborn West, |
| Viesca, | Augustine W. Cook, |
| Matagorda, | Ira R. Lewis, |
| Peach Creek, | Thos. J. Hardeman, |
| and Caney, | Jesse Holderman, |
| Alma, | Willis H. Landrum, |
| Sabine District, | William Nettles, |
| Nacogdoches, | |
| San Augustin, | |

MADEIRA, CLARET & PORT WINE for Sale by EDMUND ANDREWS.

DISSOLUTION.

THE copartnership heretofore existing in the name and style of A. G. & R Mills is by mutual consent, this day dissolved, except in liquidation, those having claims against them will please present them for payment and those indebted are requested to make immediate payment, or satisfactory arrangements—otherwise indulgence will not be given.

A. G. Mills,
R. Mills.

N. B The business will in future be conducted by Robert Mills and David G. Mills in the name and style of Robert Mills & Co. and their goods will be sold at reasonable prices for cash, and on the usual credit, to punctual customers Jan 1

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against the firm of Fitchett & Gill will present them to D. T. Fitchett at Columbia: and all persons indebted to them in Brazoria will make payment to Edmund Andrews, who is duly authorized to settle and receipt for us.

FITCHETT & GILL.

A CARD.

The undersigned announces in the public manner that the office for the reception of colonists in the "Upper colony" is now opened at San Felipe, persons desirous of acquiring land can do so with perfect security in their titles.

The rights of those persons legally established anterior to the 15th of April 1831 and of those introduced and settled after 22nd of May 1834 and before the 18th May, 1835, will in every instance be respected, provided the claimant has not interfered with previous locations and surveys.

The undersigned would recommend those who wish to obtain land to make their applications at an early period in order that the necessary plots and surveys may be completed.

SPENCER H. JACK,
Agent for Austin & Williams.

Gardner Wanted.

A laborer of steady habits who is moderately acquainted with Gardening, will obtain employment, at fair wages by applying to

Wm. H. WHARTON.
Eagle Island, Dec. 7, 1835.—64—

NOTICE.

WHEREAS, The General Council have, by a late ordinance and decree reduced the price of Pilotage, I hereby give notice that I resign and give up my commission as Pilot from this date inasmuch as the present rates of Pilotage, will not justify me in keeping a sufficient boat and crew for the Brazos Bar.

FRANCIS J. HASKINS.
Velasco, Jan. 4, 1835. if.

COPARTNERSHIP.

THE undersigned, having associated themselves in the Mercantile business of the Town of Matagorda, under the firm of S. B. Brigham & Co.—take this method of informing the public that they will constantly keep on hand a general assortment of seasoned and fresh goods.

R. MILLS, & Co,
SAML. B. BRIGHAM.
Matagorda, July 1st 1835.—49—t.

5 AND TEN ACRE LOTS TO LET.—fronting on second and third streets.—Apply to

L. C. MANSON.
Dec. 17, 1835.

HATS FOR SALE.—Two Cases of Hats of superior quality, for sale at reduced prices—for CASH by EDMUND ANDREWS.
Brazoria October 10, 1836.

NOTICE.
BY order of Colonel Commandant
FANNIN, of the Texian Army.
 I shall make my head quarters at the
 rendezvous near Velasco on the Bra-
 zos river when all persons will report
 accordinly.

JOHN CHAFFIN.
1st Lieut., 1st Regiment of Artillery.

Fresh Goods

HANDY & LUSK

HAVE just received, and are now
 opening a very general assort-
 ment of Goods, calculated for HOME,
 Consumption, comprising in part, the
 following articles—all of which they
 will offer for sale on very reasonable
 terms—For Cash.

Point, Rose and Duffle Blankets
 English Merino's and Bombazets,
 Flannels, Satinets and Kerseys,
 French, London & American prints
 English and French Gingham,
 French and English painted Muslins,
 Black and Fancy colored Silks,
 Ladies Black & white Silk Hose,
 do do Cotton and
 Worsted Hoes,
 Gloves, Fancy Handkerchiefs, Rib-
 bons, &c. &c.

Every variety of Bleached and un-
 bleached Domestic, Bed Ticks
 Checks, &c. &c.

Ready made Clothing of every
 Description,

An extensive assortment of Boots
 Shoes and Hats.

A few Holster and Pocket Pistols,
 French Brandy, Gin, Rum, Whiskey
 and Wines.

Flour, Coffee, Salt, Candles, &c.
 Brazoria, Jan. 6th, 1836.—6w-68

Strayed OR STOLEN

A Greyhound Slut, full
 breed, a dark-brown color
 and well known in Brazoria as
 my property.—A liberal re-
 ward will be paid to whoever
 may deliver her at my planta-
 tion, at the head of Bay Prairie
 or to me at Matagorda.

J. W. E. WALLACE.
 Jan. 6, 1836, 68 6w.

BACON and sour Flour for Sale
 by
EDMUND ADREWS.

JOB PRINTING

Of every description is neatly
 executed with despatch at
 this office.

Notice.

DR. ANSON JONES respectfully
 informs the public that he will
 relinquish the practice of the profes-
 sion, except in consultation and in ca-
 ses where previously expressly enga-
 ged. Those who may wish to avail
 themselves of his services are request-
 ed to make arrangements agreeably to
 the above notice.

All persons indebted to him in book
 account are also earnestly requested
 to mke arrangements for closing the
 same immediately.

Brazoria, Jan. 20 1836.—70—9w.

GARDENER Wanted.

WANTED a man who is ac-
 quainted with Gardening and
 who will be willing to make himself
 generally useful, to such a one fair
 wages will be given—Apply to

L. C. MANSON.
 Brazoria, Dec. 17, 1835.—65—tf.

NEW GOODS

S. B. BRIGHAM, & Co. have jus
 received by the Schr. Julius
 Caesar, a general assortment of DRY
 GOODS, GROCERIES, HARD-
 WARE, SADLERY, MEDICINES,
 &c., &c. which they offer to the pub-
 lic wholesale or retail on accomodating
 terms.—

Matagorda, July, 15th, 1835—49—tf.

NOTICE.

**TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CON-
 CERN.**—Notice is hereby given, tha
 the Custom-House for the District o
 Matagorda, is now in operation, and
 duties and Tonnage dues will be exe-
 cuted upon all occasions.—Office in
 Matagorda.

GEO. M. COLLINSWORTH,
Collector.
 1836. tf 69.

SERVANT WANTED.

WANTED to purchase or hire an
 honest negro woman—she
 must understand cooking, washing and
 ironing—and not over 25 years of age.
 Apply to

L. C. MANSON.
 Brazoria, Dec. 17, 1835. 65—tf.

Notice

TO SHIP-MASTERS.

BY an ordinance and decree of
 the honorable, the Genera
 Council of Texas, it is made the duty of
 all Captains of vessel, to deliver their
 letter bags to the Collector, before
 "breaking bulk;" and a penalty of five
 hundred dollar as affixed for a violac-
 tion of the law. Those concerned are
 therefore required to comply strictly
 with the law under the above penalty.

F. J. HASKINS,
P. Master, Velasco.

Dec. 18

tf—67

ADMINISTRATRIX

Notice.

THE undersigned, having been ap-
 pointed Administratrix of the es-
 tate of Thomas Wilson, dec'd, requests
 all persons indebted to said estate
 come forward and settle the same, and
 all those holding claims against the
 same will present them duly authenti-
 cated within the time prescribed by
 law, or they will be bared.

AMELIA WILSON, Admr'x.
 December 9th, 1835.—64—tf.

FOR SALE.

ONE fine COTTON GIN—
 Apply to **J. P. GILL**, at the Bra-
 zoria Hotel.

DWELLING HOUSES & OFFICES to Let.

 To Let, several dwelling
 houses, and 3 offices in this
 town, pleasantly situated.

Apply to **L. C. MANSON.**
 Brazoria, Dec. 17, 1835. tf—65

New Goods.

S. B. BRIGHAM & Co. have
 just received direct from
 New York, by the schr. Gre-
 cian a large and extensive as-
 sortment of Fall and Spring
 Goods—which, with their for-
 mer stock, makes their assort-
 ment complete. All of which
 they offer for sale on accom-
 modating terms.

Matagorda, Nov 1, 1835.

For Sale

OR RENT

A PLANTATION situated in the
 neighborhood of Orozimbo, con-
 sisting of 1000 acres, 75 of which are
 under good fence.—Terms made
 known on application to

EDMUND ANDREWS.
 Brazoria, Dec. 30th, 1835.—67 tf.

NEW TOWN

AT THE MOUTH OF THE LABACCA

AND at the Pass of Matagorda Bay
 Known by the name of Cox's point.
 This town presents every advantage
 of location necessary to the establish-
 ment of a commercial place, being the
 only good landing at the bay where ves-
 sels can come to with safety, and the
 most convenient to the Mexican trade,
 and also surrounded by a fine body of
 land it must evidently be a town of busi-
 ness in a very short time.

A Sale of Lots will take place on the
 9th day of July next.

Purchases can be made at private
 sale previous to the day of sale.
COX & SUTHERLAND.

cate, they had torn up the treaty lately entered into by them with the Commissioners of the U. S., and exhibited an hostile attitude.

If this rumor prove correct, which God forefend, then indeed the friends of Texian liberty have every thing to fear—a bloody and savage war must ensue, the consequences of which will be terrible, and may forever seal the chance of Texian independence.

Santa Anna, perhaps, has offered the numerous hords of Indians, who inhabit our frontiers and those of Mexico, the whole of Texas as a reward for their services, in case they should expel the colonists. This measure would be politic on his part, as it would crush all that vestage of liberty which is so rapidly diffusing itself among his countrymen, and which every moment threatens to hurl him from his usurped power—besides it would put a stop to all future American enterprise in that quarter. The Indians he could easily induce to become his allies, and use them either as means to gratify his ambition, or revenge.

The frontiers of Louisiana and Arkansas would require a large force to keep the Indians in awe; and even then be subject to the depredatory excursions of the savages.

MEXICAN CONSULATE.

New Orleans, February 12, 1835.
To the Editor of the Courier:

Sir,—In compliance to orders just received in this consulate from the honorable J. M. Ortiz Monasterio, acting secretary of state to the republic, it becomes my duty to give publicity to the enclosed circular, addressed by his excellency the secretary of war and marine department, on the date of the 30th December ultimo, to all the civil and military commandants of the said republic.

I request of you, sir, to have the goodness to insert said document in your paper, as soon as convenient, and you will oblige your obedient servant.

F. PIZARRO MARTINEZ,
Mexican Consul.

MEXICO,

WAR AND NAVY } CIRCULAR—The
DEPARTMENT. } Government has received information that in the U. S. of North America, meetings are called for the avowed purpose of getting up and fitting out expeditions against the Republic of Mexico, in order to send assistance to the rebels, foster the civil war, and in-

flict upon our country all the calamities by which it is followed. In the U. S., our anciently, expeditions are now organized similar to that headed by the traitor José Antonio Mejia, and some have even set out for Texas. They have been furnished with every kind of ammunition, by means of which, the revolted colonists are enabled to resist and fight the nation from which they never have received but immense benefits. The Government is also positively informed that these acts, condemned by the wisdom of the laws of the U. S., are also reprobated by the general Government, with which the best feeling and the greatest harmony still prevail. However, as these adventures and speculators have succeeded in escaping the penalties inflicted by the laws of their own country; it becomes necessary to adopt for their punishment. His excellency the president ad interim, anxious to repress these aggressions which constitute not only offence to the sovereignty of the Mexican nation; but also to an evident violation of international laws, as they are generally adopted, has ordered the following decrees to be enforced.

1st. Foreigners landing on the coast of the republic or invading its territory by land, armed and with the intention of attacking our country will be deemed pirates and dealt with as such, being citizens of no nation presently at war with the republic, and fighting under no recognized flag.

2d. All foreigners who will import either by sea or land, in the places occupied by the republic, either arms or ammunition of any kind for the use of them, will be deemed pirate and punished as such.

I send you these decrees, that you may cause them to be fully executed.

TORNEL,

MEXICO, December 30, 1835.

NOTICE.

IN the absence of my partner, Peter Nelson, I take the liberty of informing the public generally, that I do not consider myself bound for any debts of his contracts, whatever, and will not pay them, unless compelled by law.

P. S. In case of emergency refer to our agents, Col. Harris and Maj. Andrews,

HENRY GREEN.

In the Primary Court, of the }
Jurisdiction of Brazoria. }

APPLICATION having been made to this Court for the appointment of J. F. Perry, of Peach point, in this municipality, to be administrator for the estate and succession of E. B. Austin, late of this Jurisdiction, dec'd; the 1st day of March next has been appointed by this court to hear and decide the matter, and all persons interested therein are hereby cited and admonished to appear before this Court at the Court House in Brazoria on said day and shew cause if any they have why the prayer of said petition should not be granted, otherwise letters of administration will be issued in conformity therewith.

L. C. MANSON,
Primary Judge.

Brazoria, Feb. 17, 1836. —2w.

Jurisdiction of Brazoria, }
Monday, Feb. 15, 1836. }

Court in session; }
L. C. MANSON, P. J. }

present.

The People of Texas. }

vs:

D. M'Lean and } Warrant for murder
J. T. Robinson. }

THE said Dougald M'Lean and Jos. T. Robinson having been arrested under said charge therein set forth; after having the testimony in behalf of the people against the accused.—On motion of Jas. Collinsworth Esq. they were discharged, not the slightest evidence before the Court calculated to produce the impression that they were any way concerned in or accessory to the murder of the individual for whose death they were arrested.

I certify the foregoing is a true extract from the record in my office.

L. C. MANSON,

Primary Judge. }

Brazoria, Feb. 15, 1836.

In the Primary Court for the }
Jurisdiction of Brazoria, }

APPLICATION having been made to this court, for the appointment of Austin of Bolivar to be tutor, and guardian of the minor orphan S. Austin, Jr., son and heir of the late S. Austin, dec'd. The first day next is hereby appointed to hear and decide the matter, and all persons interested to appear before me at the court house in Brazoria on the said day of March and shew cause if any they have why the said petition should not be granted.

L. C. MANSON,

Primary Judge.

Brazoria, Feb. 17, 1836. —2w.—

Primary Court Juris- }
diction of Brazoria. }

WHEREAS John Chaffin has this day filed a petition in my office praying that letters of Administration may issue authorizing him to settle the estate of P. W. Gordon late of the town of Columbia in said Jurisdiction.

All persons are hereby notified that unless objections are filed in my office within ten days the prayer of the petitioner will be granted upon his complying with the terms of the law.

At office this 23d Feb. 1835.

L. C. MANSON,

Primary Judge.

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DOCTOR

C. H. JAEGER

Respectfully tenders his professional services to the inhabitants of Bell's Landing and its vicinity.—Residence, Bell's Landing.

AN ORDINANCE
Prescribing the manner and form of settling the Accounts of the Volunteer Army of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained and decreed, and it is hereby ordained and decreed, by the General Council of the Provisional Government of Texas, that all bills, accounts, claims; debts, dues, or demands, that are now, or shall or may be hereafter due, or owing by this or a future government, to any person or persons, for money, corn, provisions, stores, clothing, medicines, forage, arms, ammunition, horses, mules, oxen, waggons, boats, transportation, or any service whatever, rendered in or furnished to and for the volunteer army of the people of Texas, now in the field, shall, before the same be admitted to audit and liquidation before the standing committee on war affairs of this house, or the proper department of a future government, contain the day, date, and description of the article or sum furnished, and place, and the certificate of the standing committee of safety and vigilance; or the order or certificate of the commanding officer, or col. of the regiment or company by whose order, and at whose requisitions the same may have been rendered or furnished; or the receipt of the contractor, commissary, or quarter-master to whom the same may have been furnished and delivered, together with the oath or affirmation before any judge or alcalde, of the person or persons presenting the same for liquidation: that the said accounts, debts, dues, demands or services were at the time & place specified, supplied, furnished, or rendered, made use of, delivered, passed or taken, lost, or killed, in the service of the volunteer army of the people of Texas, aforesaid.

SECT. 2. Be it further ordained and decreed, and it is hereby ordained and decreed by the authority aforesaid, that the committee on war affairs of this Council, or the same department of this or a future government, shall, and they are

hereby required to settle, audit, liquidate, and pass all bills, accounts, debts, dues, and demands, coming within the purview of the preceding section of this ordinance, on liberal principles, whenever the circumstances of the case shall in their discretion or judgment admit or warrant the same.

Passed at San Felipe de Austin, November 24, 1835.

JAMES W. ROBINSON,
*Lieutenant Governor, and
ex officio President of the
General Council.*

P. B. DEXTER, *Secretary of General Council.*

Approved, November 26, 1835.

HENRY SMITH,
Governor.

C. B. STEWART,
Secretary of Executive.

MARION, February 7, 1835.

We the undersigned, passengers on board the schr. *Emaline*, tender to Capt. Fuller our thanks for his gentlemanly and manly treatment to us, while we were on board of his vessel and for his noble and manly conduct during the tremendous storm, which occurred on the 30th January, in the evening off Attaps, which by his prompt and energetic firm conduct saved his vessel, and the lives of his passengers and crew from a watery grave.

Dr. Hermann Jaeger,
E. Bailey,
Benj. H. Smith,
Thos. Blackwell,
Wm. Walker,
Edward Harcourt,
John Smith,
E. Winfield,
P. Burg,
C. F. Scheling,
C. J. Trask.
Micajah Andrews,
Fred. William Huesman,

BRAZORIA, February, 1836.

Gentlemen:—Yours of the 7th inst. has been received, tendering to me your thanks for my treatment to you as a gentleman, and your approbation of my skill, as a seaman. It is true that the dangers and difficulties we encountered were of no ordinary magnitude. But it is equally true that, if duty required any additional stimulus, I have been more than rewarded for any exertion or skill of mine, in the consciousness of having saved the cause of humanity, and doubly so, when all my exertions have been more than paid, by your, perhaps too kind, approbation. Except my wishes for your future welfare.

S. FULLER.

THE REPUBLICAN.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1836.

* * All advertisements must, in full, be paid for, either at the time they are inserted, or previous to their withdrawal: otherwise they will be continued at the expense of the advertiser, until they are paid for.

† No job printing will be permitted to leave the office, until paid for.

We have been furnished by Major P. who is now in command at Velasco, with the following signals which will be used in case of an invasion by sea:—Strange sail in sight, 4 eighteen pounders interval of one minute. On an attempt to land, 10 eighteen pounders interval of thirty seconds.

We have received a communication in relation to the affairs of the *Haonah & Elizabeth*. Our limited space will not allow its insertion this week, but it shall appear in our next.

A communication signed "A Citizen," has been received, too late for this paper, but shall appear next week.

The Convention met on the 1st of March last, at the town of Washington and on the 2d made an unanimous Declaration of Independence.—This is as it should be; nothing further has been received from them, so soon as it is, it shall be laid before our readers.

Nothing that can be relied on has been received from San Antonio, since the receipt of Travis' letter; we expect, however, soon to hear from that post, as it evidently will be fraught with deep interest to every friend of Texas, from the critical situation of the garrison at the time of the last express.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT—*if true.*—We tract from the *Donaldsonville (La) Eagle* of the 13th inst, received by the mail yesterday evening the following important intelligence.

"We learn from a respectable person, arrived here, that the *Cumanche* and several other tribes of Indians, have declared war against Texas, and will second the operations of Gen. Santa Anna, who is now advancing on St. Antonio at the head of 5,000 men, and 25 pieces of artillery. The Indian force, it is said, amounts to 10,000 warriors, and 5,000 cavalry. This report accord perfectly with the departures of the 6th regiment of U. S. troops from Jefferson barracks, for the Mexican frontier, where they are to be joined by Gen. Gaines, who is to take the command."

The disaffection of the *Cumanche* Indians is also stated in an article which we published on Tuesday last,—according to the *Arkansas Advo-*