

The State of Texas } Peronally appeared
County of Hardin } before the undersig-
ned, - J. M. Hooks and W. W. Lyon
citizens of the County and State afore-
said, and whom I certify to be respec-
table and entitled to credit, who after
having been, by me, duly sworn depose
and say, upon oath, that M. W. Burn-
stead, the applicant for a pension from
the State of Texas, is in indigent cir-
cumstances and pecuniarily unable
to support himself. - that they and each
of them have known the said M. W. Burn-
stead for a period of eighteen years
and more and knew that on the first
day of July A.D. 1876, and at all times
since, he has been in indigent cir-
cumstances and pecuniarily unable to
support himself. - being ^{and having been} dependent alone,
upon his own individual manual labor.

W. W. Lyon
J. M. Hooks

Witness my hand and seal
of office at Hardin
December 2nd 1877
John. P. McK
Geo. C. K. R.