

Adjutant General's Office,  
STATE OF TEXAS,

AUSTIN, April 18<sup>th</sup> 1873.

Sir:

In compliance with your order directing me to prepare a statement of the present condition of the State, I called upon the Sheriffs of the various counties, to furnish me with statements of all cases of murder and attempts to murder in their respective counties since the first day of January 1873. Up to the present time twenty-nine (29) counties only, have been heard from officially, and twenty-five (25) unofficially, reporting seventy-eight (78) cases of killed and seventy (70) attempts to kill, as follows:

Cherokee County.

William R. Dobson was murdered by William Priestly January 8<sup>th</sup> 1873, at Jacksboro.

George Foreman shot and attempted to murder William Caldwel at Alta. February 11<sup>th</sup> 1873.

Willis Peiro shot at and attempted to murder - Dandy, February 1<sup>st</sup> 1873.

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Mavericks Co

Juan Pellas was murdered by Jos. Tumbleson at Eagle Pass Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> 73

— Tucker killed a man, name not given near Canizo Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> 73. Zapata County.

Travis Co

Louis Franke murdered by unknown parties Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> 73 at Austin.

W<sup>m</sup> Blair assaulted John McFarland with an axe about the 15<sup>th</sup> of March 73.

S. Molasky shot Henry Pelham April 13<sup>th</sup>, Austin 1873

Lampasas Co



Sheriff of Lampasas Co was shot by a desperado G. W. Short, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> 73.

Capt. Thomas Williams, Wesley Cherry and J. M. Daniels murdered at Lampasas Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 73 by Bill Bowen Jerry Scott. All Whitcraft, Mart Howell and several others andrew Melville wounded at same time, since dead

### Smith Co

H. C. Remington was shot and killed by C. C. Rogers at Dyler Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> 73

George Williams was killed by an unknown assassin near Dyler Feb. 1873

### Titus Co

J. F. Smith, W<sup>m</sup> Orwell and H. C. Tittle attempted to murder — Nightower since Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 1873

C. W. Jones and W. D. Tallifers attempted to kill J. S. Clifton about 15<sup>th</sup> Feb. 73.

### Hamilton Co

Mrs Carpenter was killed by John Hardin Jr. Feb. 73

### Johnson Co

Bob. McClannahan was murdered by one Avants about 7<sup>th</sup> April 73

### Red River Co

Amos Stone was stabbed by T. P. Stewart April 8<sup>th</sup> 1873



## Tarrant Co.

- Lack was killed by Whartley who shot and wounded one Thornton at same time. Oak Grove Feb. -73

## Collin Co

Chas Watson was shot by - Balch Feb. 24-73 at Mc Kinney  
A. Yadek was killed April 2<sup>d</sup> at Mc Kinney by a man whose name is not given.

## Lavaca Co

Itha Wyatt age 14. W. B. Wyatt age 13. and Thomas Fowler were shot and murdered Jan. 11-73 on prairie. it is supposed by hide thieves whom these boys discovered at work

Jack Hodge was killed by W<sup>m</sup> Garrett march-73

## Austin Co

Bill Jackson alias Bill Matt killed one Lafayette Penrice about 1st of March-73.

Billy Nichols stabbed a negro man, at Hempstead March 29-73, whose name is unknown.

Frank Watts was killed by G. E. Greager March 31<sup>st</sup>

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