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His Excellency, L. L. Roz Gov. of Tex.

We the Colored citizens of Sherman and Grayson County humbly pray your Excellencies consideration of what we deem to be a matter of vast importance to the State of Texas.

Whereas the Pope Rail Road Bill now pending in the House, provides that separate coaches shall be constructed for Colored people, will be an injustice to our race and a reflection upon the fame and fair name of our great State.

The following are some of our objections to such a law.

First. Such a discrimination will have a degrading influence upon those of our race who are strong to be useful and respected by the best class of people.

Second. While Mr. Pope's bill, will add nothing to the comfort and convenience of the white people, it perpetrates a great wrong upon an inoffensive and law abiding people.

Third. It will have a ten-

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dency to retard and discourage the immigration of the best class of people to our State.

Fourth, Such an unjust and uncalled for proscription, will tend to create and perpetuate race prejudices.

Fifth,— There is no discrimination on street rail ways and other public conveyances, and we can't see why they should be made on our common thoroughfares, where the colored people do not thrust themselves, but go as passengers and citizens "and seldom take a first-class car" and pay the fare as other travelers.

We have the honor to be, Very Respectfully your Humble Servants.

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Sixth. There is no discrimination of such a character in any other state in the Union. And we would ask, Why should it exist in the Lone Star State?