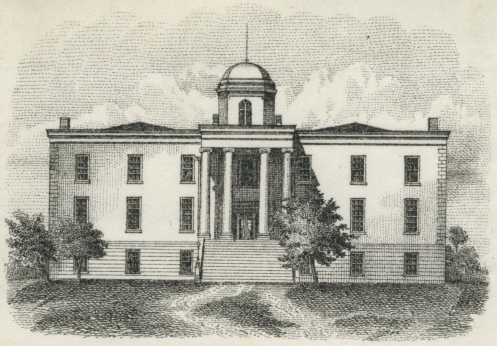


HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE,

AUSTIN, TEXAS, Mar 21st 1871.

Dear Stimson

I have your letter and copy of the Resolutions of Rep. M.G. I have since the reception of your letter presented the petition and resolution to Major P. and Mr. R. neither of whom have signed it - I also presented it to Mr. Judice who signed it. Parson Bell is sick and I have not been able to see him. I have learned since I last wrote you that there is an applicant who was an officer of considerable rank and reputation in the army who has the inside track for the appointment - His name is D. Gray. He used to be Bedford

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agent at Houston. There
is no danger of [illegible] an appointment
being made before next month and
probably the latter part. I do not
think there is much prospect
of your succeeding as matters stand.
Do'll get the signatures as fast
as I can but must tell you
candidly I would not fill the
application if I were you—
I see little prospect of success and
it is in my opinion better to keep
quiet until you have a fair prosp-
-ect of success. and if you wish
to push the matter you should come
here. I tell you this Simmons on
the square. I believe I am
advising for the best and shall
await your further answer—

Yours Truly and fraternally
Wm N Sinclair