

Texas Institution for the Deaf and Dumb,

Austin, Texas, April 19th 1878

Gov. F R Lobbock

Dear Frank

I hold an office under the State by appointment, and while I do not feel as much at liberty to take a very active part in elections, as I would otherwise I am still a free man and will to a greater or less extent work for my principles. I have been trying to get Genl W P Hardie, now to run for Treasurer and the only trouble I find is to get him to consent, and as you are spoken of for the same office (Count of the Genl Land Office) it may not be best for you to approach him on the subject, but I want you to get some of his old friends to see him and urge him to run for that office and state his name as early as possible. I have not found a man so far that will not support him for Treasurer, and as I want to see a change in that office I know no man in Texas that I had rather support than Hardie, and no one that I think has higher claims on Texas or that would make her a more honest and faithful officer. I feel confident that he can be nominated for the position very easily and I want him to have it. You might also get your friends about Houston to take stock in his case.

and help along in the matter, and
John Claiborn might help you also, as
that would give him one more claim
for currency.

Please remember me
kindly to Mrs. Lobban, and accept
my best wishes for yourself and
yours

Your Truly
Henry E. McCulloch