



Texas Navy Association

Historical Article



Important From Texas —

The affairs of Texas seem to be getting worse and worse daily; in internal disorganization she is rivalling the unfortunate South American Republics. We have Galveston papers of the 16th instant, from which we learn that President Houston has issued a proclamation of outlawry against Com. Moore and the Texan Squadron. The proclamation is dated 19th April, assigns disobedience to orders as the cause of its being issued, and calls upon the civilized nations of the Earth, in Treaty with Texas, to seize the squadron and carry it into some of the Texan ports. Being prepared for an occurrence of this kind, Com. Moore addressed a letter to the Texan Times, which appears in that paper on the 16th instant, and is as follows:

Texas Sloop-of-war Austin, outside N.E. Pass, Miss. Mr. F. Pincard, Editor of the Texas Time, Galveston, Texas.

In the event of my being declared by Proclamation of the President as a pirate

or outlaw: you will please state over my signature that I go down to attack the Mexican Squadron, with the consent and full concurrence of Col. Jas Morgan, who is on board this ship as one of the Commissioners to carry into effect the secret act of Congress, in relation to the Navy, and who is going with me, believing as he does that it is the best thing that could be done for the country.

This ship, and the brig have excellent men on board, and the officers and men are all eager for the contest. We go to make one desperate struggle to turn the tide of ill luck that has so long been running against Texas.

You shall hear from me again as soon as possible.

Yours truly, E. W. MOORE.

The Texan papers boldly denounce their President, and solemnly declare it to be the conviction of the people of Texas, that he is bent upon carrying the Republic into utter ruin and destruction. He has, it appears, lost the confidence of the people, and it would

not surprise us to hear of his compulsory evacuation of the executive chair. Everything is now ripening for such an event, and if victory follows the squadron of Com. Moore, the event may be almost looked upon as inevitable.

An expedition against Santa Fe is in the course of equipment. Five hundred Texans have answered the call for volunteers, and the army would assemble at Coffee's Station on the 15th of June, taking the south side of Red River for their line of march. The objects of this outfit seem to be to plunder the Mexican Traders in the first instance, and then to try and revolutionize Northern Mexico.

The frontier Indians, Lipans and Tonkewas, have been committing depredations on the Texians.

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