

HARPER, PETER -- Came to Texas in 1835 after May 2nd. In the headright certificate issued to him April 27, 1838 by the Board of Land Commissioners of Nacogdoches County for one-third of a league of land it is stated that he arrived in Texas prior to March 2, 1836. Had he arrived prior to May 2, 1835 it would have been so stated in the certificate. He is known to have been in Texas in 1835 for on page 68 of the army rolls in the General Land Office he is shown to have enlisted in Captain John Chenoweth's Company December 27, 1835.

Mr. Harper was Second Lieutenant of Captain William H. Patton's Columbia Company at San Jacinto and on October 14, 1849 he received Donation Certificate No. 126 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle. The Land Office Records do not show that he received the bounty land due him for his services in the army. In Comptroller's Military Service Record No. 540, countersigned by General Sam Houston, it is certified that he received his discharge from the army April 27, 1836.

Mr. Harper was living in Anderson County May 17, 1859 when he sold his donation certificate to George May. This is shown in the transcribed Deed Records of Lee County, Book B, page 472.

HARPER, PETER - The name Peter Harper appears on the San Jacinto rolls printed in 1836 as Second Lietuenant of Captain William H. Patton's Company. The name Peter Harper appears on the San Jacinto rolls in the General Land Office, Austin. On paril 27, 1838 a head-right certificate for one-third of a league of land was issued to Peter Harper by the Board of Land Commissioners of Nacogdoches County. John S. Roberts testified that "he knew applicant previous to the 2nd of March, 1836, has a family and lives in this county." Henry Raguet stated the same. Harper sold 640 acres of his headright to Samuel Bean, ~~June 10, 1839,~~ the deed being witnessed by Robert Bean, son of Samuel Bean, who was a physician living in what is now Cherokee County. (See Deed Records Nacogdoches county, Vol. F, page 65.) Peter Harper was then living in what later became Cherokee County.

On October 14, 1849 Peter Harper was issued Donation Certificate No. 126 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle of San Jacinto. The Land Office Records do not show that he applied for the bounty land due him. In Comptroller's Military Service Record No. 540, countersigned by General Houston, it is certified that Peter Harper was honorable discharged from the army, Arpil 27, 1836.

Mr. Peter Harper sold his donation certificate May 17, 1859 to George May, while living in Anderson County. This is whown in the transcribed Deed Records of Lee County, Book B, page 472.

~~Shown on page 68, army rolls in the General Land Office as having enlisted in Captain John Chenoweth's Company, December 27, 1835.~~

~~He was second lieutenant at San Jacinto but Colonel Jesse Benton, Jr. who succeeded was in command of Captain Patten's company when it was disbanded made an affidavit June 21, 1856 that Mr. Harper was a private when he was discharged. (Page 232, army rolls.)~~