CCLONY ON THE NUECES, DEC. 8, 1830.

WE RESPECTFULLY BESEECH THE SUPREME GOVRNMENT TO ASSIGN US,
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, A COMMISSIONER WHO MAY ESTABLISH THE COLONY,
PACIFY THE DISCONTENTED MINDS OF MANY OF THE COLONISTS, AND PLACE THEM
ON POSSESSION OF THEIR LANDS WITH THE CUSTOMARY FORMALITIES.

JUAN MCMULLEN AND SANTIAGO MCGLOIN

MUSQUIZ IN TURN SENT THIS REQUEST TO THE SUPREME GOVERNMENT AND SAID HE WOULD LET THEM KNOW AS SOON AS HE HEARD.

A LAND COMMISSIONER WAS APPOINTED JANUARY 29, 1831. THE COLONISTS AWAITED HIS ARRIVAL WITH ANTICIPATION. THEY WOULD AT LAST GET THEIR LAND GRANTS. BUT THEY WERE NOT AWARE OF THE SEEMINGLY NEEDLESS DELAYS TO WHICH THE LAND COMMISSIONERS WERE PRONE. IT WAS NOT UNTIL OCTOBER 1831. THAT THE AGED JOSE ANTONIO SAUCEDO APPEARED TO DISTRIBUTE LAND. THE COLONISTS HAD DEFINITELY DECIDED ON THE LOCATION OF THE TOWNSITE, HAD NAMED IT SAN PATRICIO DE HIBERNIA FOR IRELAND AND ITS PATRON SAINT, AND IT HAD BEEN SURVEYED BY WILLIAM O'DOCHARTY. PICKET CABINS SPRANG UP ON THE TOWNSITE; A FEW WERE ERECTED WITH THE PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP BY THE COLONISTS WHO WERE IN POSSESSION OF THEIR LAND. THEY WERE: JAMES MCGLOIN, JOHN MCMULLEN, JUAN DELGADO, EDWARD MCGLOIN, PATRICK MCGLOIN, JOHN HEFFERMAN, JOHN CARROLL, MARIA BRIGIDA KIVLIN.

20. McMULLEN AND McGLOIN TO MUSQUIZ, DEC. 18, 1839. OFICIO 93. SPA/BA.

