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Colonel Stewart A. Miller

On Sunday night last, Colonel Stewart A. Miller, the oldest citizen of the county, and one of its most substantial and widely known, died at his home in this city. Deceased was born in Campbell County, Virginia, in 1805, and came to Texas in 1839. He engaged in business here until 1851. He then went on a visit to his old home and while there was married to Miss Rebecca F. Whitten of Bedford County, Virginia, his present wife.

On returning to Texas he studied law under a lawyer by the name of Carr and was soon admitted to practice.

Deceased was in the Mexican War as well as the numerous Indian wars in which citizens of Texas at that early period were almost constantly engaged. He also joined what is known in Texas History as the Santa Fe Expedition and bore a conspicuous part in that fruitless movement.

Previous to the late war he represented the districts of which Houston County was a member in both the Representative and Senate Halls at Austin, where he took an active part in the legislation of the state. He twice filled the position of County Judge of Houston County.

He was a man of stern and rugged honesty of thought and deed and the exalted standard by which in his own individual case he measured the relations of man to man commanded the admiration and applause of those near him. Few men there be who have counted off as many milestones as he who can point to the fact that he was "Hewn" to the line of duty with inexorable exactness and fidelity.