Michael H. Hinch Lavaca County Sheriff, for awhile

On July 13, 1846, an election was held at Clark's Mill to elect the officers for the newly organized county. On that day, 52-year-old Michael H. Hinch was elected sheriff of the county.

Hinch was the sheriff of Randolph and Stewart Counties, Georgia before coming to Texas in 1830.

Hinch, who was born in 1794, married Mary W. "Polly" Grant in Missouri in June 1817, before coming to Texas.

Hinch served as sheriff less than one year. He died on February 10, 1847, in Lavaca County.