State of Texas }
County of Goliad } Know ye men by these presents that I
A. M. Beatright of the County and State aforesaid Guardian
of the person and property of the minors, Elijah Thos Edwin
Decrow and Sarah E. & Susannah M. Decrow, children and
heirs of the late Stevens Decrow deceased, have this day Con-
stituted and appointed, and by these presents do Constitute and
appoint Darwin A. Shaffer of Calhoun County and State afore-
said my true and lawful attorney in fact, with full power
of substitution, for me and in my name as Guardian afore-
said to demand and receive of the proper Officers of the State
of Texas or of the United States Government any and all such
sums of money as may be due from either or both thereof
Governments to the said minors before mentioned in and by
virtue of Certificate of the Debt of the late Republic of Texas
number 435. First Class amounting to ostensible principal
$1400 Ostensible interest $1000. together with all additional
unestimated interest as may have accrued thereon, and also
any and all other amounts of money as may be due and owing
to the said minors on any account whatever from the State
of Texas or United States, and my said Attorney or his
Substitute is hereby fully authorized to give receipts and ac-
quittances in full in favor of the State of Texas and of
the United States, releasing either or both, in such manner
and form as may be prescribed by the authorities of the
said Government. Hereby ratifying and Confirming