The State of Texas }
County of Travis }

Know all men by these presents that I Bartlett Sims for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty dollars to me in hand paid by ~~Bartlett~~ ~~Sims~~ John M Swisher the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have this day bargained & sold to him. the said Swisher my claim against the Government of Texas for services as captain on the Somerville campaign for the term of three months. and also my claim for a horse lost on the said expedition. which horse I declare to have been worth one hundred and fifty dollars. And I hereby authorize the Auditor & Comptroller to issue to the said Swisher a certificate for the same as my assignee. Attest. October 16. 1857.

Bartlett Sims

Samuel B Shaw