Know all men by these presents
that I, William W. Ward in the
County of Mariposa, and State
of California, have made con-
stituted and appointed and
by these presents do make con-
stitute and appoint P. Flournoy
Simms of the City of New Orleans
and State of Louisiana my true
and lawful Attorney for me
and in my name, place, and
stead and to my use to ask
demand, sue for, collect and
receive all sums of money, debts,
accounts and other demands
whatsoever, which are or shall
be due, owing, payable and
belonging to me or detained
from me in any manner
whatsoever by the Government
of the State of Texas or the
Government of the United
States of America, giving and
granting unto my said Attorney
full power and authority to do
and perform all and every act
and thing whatsoever requisite
and necessary to be done, in and
about the premises, as fully to all
intents and purposes as I might
or could do if personally present,
with full power of substitu-
tion and revocation, hereby
ratifying and confirming