J P Word
To
Wm T Simmons

The State of Alabama } Know all men by these presents:
Shelby County } that I J. P. Word, now engaged in
} the mercantile business at Calera,

Alabama and also at Montevallo Alabama in said County, being financially embarrassed to the extent that I am unable to pay all my debts with money and having decided to make an assignment of my property for the benifit of all my creditors, and Wm T. Simmons, of Birmingham, Alabama having consented to become my assignee for such purpose, now therefore in consideration of the premises and the further sum of One dollar to me in hand paid by the said William T Simmons, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged I hereby bargain sell assign & convey to the said Wm T. Simmons his heirs, executors and assigns as assignee aforesaid, all my stock of goods wares and merchandise as are usually kept in a general retail store, contained in store house

at Calera where I am now doing business as afore-
said and also in my store house at Montevallo, also all
the notes, accounts, debts and choses in action due me
as shown by my books of accounts which are ~~also~~ here-
by also assigned; also all the fixtures connected with
or used in said store houses; Also certain live stock
now on my farm near Calera consisting of one
Jack, some Jersey cattle and one horse which with said
stock of goods and choses in action and live stock
comprising all of my personal property of every
kind and description. Also one farm known as the
Mabell Park farm ~~containing~~ comprising three hun-
dred acres more or less situated on L & N R.R. about
three miles north of Calera, in Shelby County, Ala-
bama, and my interest in certain vacant lots in
Calera as shown by Deeds on Record.

To have and to hold to the said William T. Sim-
mons, his heirs, executors and assigns. In trust
however, for the benifit of all my creditors, a
list of whom so far as now ascertained is hereunto
attached and marked "Exhibit A" and upon condition
that said assignee shall do and perform all and
every act which the law requires of him in the
premises and sell and dispose of the said property
so assigned and the net proceeds thereof to be by
him paid to my creditors pro rata.

And to the end that my said assignee may real-
ize as large a sum as possible from the sale
of said property for the benifit of my creditors
he is authorized to dispose of said property
at public or private sale on whatever ~~sax~~ terms he
shall deem to be best interest of my creditors, or,
by and with the consent of all my creditors to carry
on said business, and the proceeds devote

1st - To defray his reasonable expenses and com-
missions as such assignee.

2nd The cost and expenses incident to this assignment.

3rd To my creditors pro-rata as aforesaid and the
surplus, if any, to the undersigned assignor.

Witness my hand & seal this the 10th day of April
1900 — J.P. Word, (Seal)

I hereby accept the foregoing trust for the purpose
therein set forth — W.T. Simmons, (Seal)

The State of Alabama
Jefferson County

I, Robert H. Sterrett a Notary Public in and for said County in said State
hereby certify that J.P. Word whose name is signed to the foregoing
and who is known to me acknowledged before me on this day that being informed
of the contents of the conveyance he executed the same voluntarily on the day
same bears date.
Given under my hand this 10 day of April, 1900
Robert H. Sterrett, Notary Public

Schedule A. (Approximate)

Merchants Bank of Valdosa Ga	$426.00
Exchange Bank of Rome Ga	600.00
Shelby County Bank of Montevallo,	400.00
Berney National Bank	1100.00
First National Bank, Valdosta Ga.	376.00
Merchants and farmers Bank, Quitman Ga,	262.00
Bank of Quitman	2700.00
Julius Isaacs,	54.00
Mayfield Woolen Mills,	600.00
Carter Webster and Co.,	900.00
E.L. McGray	700.00
W.C. Verne	400.00
Simmons Durham & Co,	450.00
J.G. Whitfield & Co,	414.00
J.H. McCary & Co,	125.00
McMillan Lee Co.,	125.00
May & Thomas Hardware Co,	72.00
Mayberry Hardware Co,	109.00
J.O. Lewis	260.00
Powers & Co,	50.00
W.D. Sinnott	600.00
C.C. Vernado	288.00
J.O. Verndo	59.00
Crawford Daxler & Co,	280.00
A Connerat Jr,	768.00
Mrs. J.C. Compton	57.00

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C.P. Langston, Judge of Probate