

however, be noticed that the connection in which he places the words "*Land or other property lawfully acquired*" is erroneous. These words do not apply to the Hudson's Bay Company, whose possessory, rights without qualification or limitation, are to be respected, but they apply to all British subjects (other than the Company,) These must have been already in the occupation of land or other property to fall within the terms of the 3rd Article of the Treaty. That this is the true meaning, is shown by the context and the division of the sentence by punctuation. This proper reading is of importance, because it involves a recognition of the titles given by the Hudson's Bay Company to its servants as is shown on pages 23 and 24 of the opening argument, and to the Puget Sound Agricultural Company, but it is not material to the case in any other point of view.

I abstain from further observation, respectfully submitting that nothing has been produced which can be accepted as in the least degree impairing the Claimants' evidence, of record anterior to the 23rd of February last or as otherwise affecting their claim.

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