

EVIDENCE

ON THE PART OF THE

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY,

CLAIMANTS.

DEPOSITIONS of Witnesses sworn and examined in the city of Victoria and colony of Vancouver Island, before me, Mr. *Allen Francis*, United States Consul for Vancouver Island and the dependencies thereof, by virtue of an agreement made and entered into between *Edward Lander* as Counsel for the Hudson's Bay Company, and *W. C. Johnson* as Counsel for the United States of America, in the matter of the claim of the Hudson's Bay Company against the United States of America.

Thomas Lowe, of the city of Victoria, and colony of Vancouver Island, merchant, a witness produced on the part and behalf of the Hudson's Bay Company, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith as follows :

Interrogatory 1.—State if at any time you were in the employ of the Hudson's Bay Company ; and if so, at what time, and for how long ?

Answer.—I was engaged as a clerk in the service of the Hudson's Bay Company in 1841, and continued with the Company in that capacity until the month of April, 1850, during most part of which time I was stationed at or near Fort Vancouver. I was also employed a good deal in travelling and visiting the various stations of the Company.

Int. 2.—What time did you first come to Fort Vancouver ?