

months. While on board the *Lady Washington*, I saw a number of deeds, executed by Indians, on the Northwest coast to Captain John Kendrick. I remember the names of Maquinna and Wickaninish to some of the deeds; and there were several other names; and I recollect crosses or marks opposite the names. I recollect the names, and was personally acquainted with several of the witnesses of the deeds, to wit, John Williams, Chief officer of the *Lady Washington*, John Redman, the Second officer, John Stoddard, Captain's Clerk, William Bowles, the Third officer, Thomas Foster, Carpenter, John Barber, the Blacksmith, James Crawford, Gunner, William Bowles, Sail-maker, (said Bowles afterwards married my sister,) Robert Green, Cooper, and John Porter, Carpenter's-mate. I had the deeds in my hands, several times; I read the deeds, and recollect the consideration named in the deeds consisted of muskets, cloth, and articles of trade.

JOHN CRUFT.

Witness: M. CRUFT.
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, } ss:
Suffolk County,

November 18, 1839.

Then personally appeared, the above-named John Cruft, and made oath that the foregoing statement by him signed is true, before me,

G. S. BULFINCH,
Justice of the Peace.

[III.—CAPTAIN YOUNG'S AFFIDAVIT.]

To whom it may concern.

TOWAHIAE, HAWAII, June 26, 1835.

I, the subscriber, in the year A. D. 1789, commenced a residence on the Sandwich Islands. Afterwards, in Kearakekua, on the island of Hawaii, I became acquainted with Captain John Kendrick, who commanded the schooner *Washington*, from Boston, Massachusetts, he having passed several Winters at the above island. I heard Captain Kendrick often speak of the purchases of lands, which he said he had made from Indian Chiefs, on the Northwest coast. I frequently saw deeds in his possession, signed by Chiefs, who, at that time, lived at and South of Nootka-sound, and witnessed by men belonging to his vessel, of whom I had some knowledge. Among the Chiefs whose marks were made to the deeds, I distinctly recollect the names of Maquinna and Wickaninish.

I had much intimate acquaintance with Captain Kendrick; and believed him to be a man of strict veracity; and had no reason to doubt his having made the above purchases, and his having paid, as he represented, a consideration at that

time, satisfactory to the Chiefs who had given the deeds.

JNO. YOUNG.

Signed in the presence of—
HENRY A. PIERCE, Boston, U. S.
HALL J. KELLY.

John Young is mentioned in Stewart's *Visit to the South Seas*, ii., 167:

"The Governor of Mani, the Princess, with 'Miss Young, a bosom companion, daughter of John Young, of Hawaii, the oldest foreign resident at the island, etc.'"

[IV.—SAMUEL YENDELL'S AFFIDAVIT.]

BOSTON, October 30, 1838.

Samuel Yendell, of the city of Boston, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, aged sixty-nine years, doth, on oath, testify and declare, that, in the years of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one and one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, I was on board the ship *Columbia*, Captain Robert Gray, in a voyage to the North-west coast. While at Clynquot, on that coast, in the village Wickaninish, I heard it often said that the Indian Chief Wickaninish, had sold to Captain John Kendrick his territory.

It was a current report that said Kendrick had paid said Wickaninish in guns, clothing, and copper, (these are all the things I recollect,) for the lands purchased as aforesaid.

Also, I testify that, in May, A.D. 1792, I was with Captain Robert Gray in the ship *Columbia*, at which time said ship entered the Columbia-river.

SAMUEL YENDELL.

Witness to signature: CHARLES A. YENDELL.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, } ss:
Suffolk County,

November 1, 1838.

Sworn to by the said Samuel Yendell, before me,

S. E. SEWALL,
Justice of the Peace.

[V.—JAMES TREMERE'S AFFIDAVIT.]

Boston, October 30, 1838.

James Tremere, of the city of Boston, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, aged seventy-seven years, does, on his oath, testify and declare, that, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, I was on board the ship *Jefferson*, Captain Benjamin Robinson, which sailed from Boston, in November of that year, in a voyage to the Northwest coast of America, and that while in Nootka-sound, I saw