

1886, and completed the same on said last named day. That the said parties, by their said attorneys and proctors, then and there appeared and were present on each of said last named days, and at all times during the taking of said depositions. That each of said witnesses was then and there first duly cautioned and sworn by me, that the evidence he should give in said action, should be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, and thereafter each of said witnesses was then and there examined before me, and I then and there took down the statement and testimony of each of said witnesses, and reduced the same to writing in his presence, and then and there read the same over to him; and he then and there, after the same had been so reduced to writing and read over to him, subscribed the same in my presence, and swore to the truth thereof.

That the foregoing depositions are the depositions of said witnesses then and there taken before me as aforesaid. That due notice of the taking of said depositions was given as required by said order.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said district court this 9th day of September, 1886:

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ANDREW T. LEWIS, *Clerk of the United States District Court in and for the District of Alaska, United States of America.*

On the 20th September, 1886, was filed the following amended libel of information:—

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA,
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

August Special Term, 1886.

To the Honorable LAFAYETTE DAWSON, Judge of said District Court.

The amended libel of information of M. D. Ball, attorney for the United States, for the district of Alaska, who prosecutes on behalf of said United States and being present here in court in his own proper person, in the name and on behalf of the said United States, alleges and informs as follows, to wit:—

That C. A. Abbey, an officer in the revenue marine service of the United States, duly commissioned by the President of the United States, in command of the United States revenue cutter "Corwin," and now on special duty in the waters of the district of Alaska heretofore, to wit, on the 1st day of August, 1886, within the limits of Alaska Territory, and in the waters thereof, and within the civil and judicial district of Alaska, to wit, within the waters of that portion of Behring Sea belonging to the United States and said district, on waters navigable from the sea by vessels of ten or more tons burden, seized the schooner "Carolina," her tackle, apparel, boats, cargo and furniture, being the property of some person or persons unknown to said attorney. The said property is more particularly described as follows, to wit:—

1 Schooner "Carolina" of Victoria, B.C., 4 canoes, 1 yawl, carpenters' tools, clock, chronometer, nautical instruments, sails and running gear, 2 anchors, ropes, twine, oars, paddles, rowlocks, &c., lamps, tanks, provisions, 685 fur seal skins, 12 pup seal skins, 1 hair seal skin, 4 rifles, 5 shot guns, and ammunition for same, and all other property found upon or appurtenant to said schooner.

That said C. A. Abbey was then and there duly commissioned and authorized by the proper department of the United States to make said seizure.

That all of said property was then and there seized as forfeited to the United States for the following causes:—

That said vessel, her captain, officers and crew were then and there found engaged in killing fur seals within the limits of Alaska Territory and in the waters thereof, in violation of section 1956 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

That all the said property, after being seized as aforesaid, was brought into the port of Onalaska in said territory, and delivered into the keeping of Isaac Anderson, a deputy United States marshal of this district, with the exception of the said arms and ammunition, which latter were brought into the port of Sitka in said dis-