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 the 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 on special duty in the waters of the District of Alaska heretotore, to wit, on the 2nd 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 Bebring 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 "Onward," 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 :--One schooner "Onward," of Victoria, B.C., nine cances, carpenters' tools, caulk-

One schooner "Onward," of Victoria, B.C., nine cances carpenters' tools, caulking implements, three anchors, chronometer, clock, nautical instruments, sails, running rigging, rope, twine, lamps, oil, three tons of salt, casks and buckets, 400 fur seal skins, provisions, twelve 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 and 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 Oonalaska in said territory, and delivered into the keeping of Isaac Anderson, a deputy United States marshal of this district, with the exception of said arms and ammunition, which latter were brought into the port of Sitka in said district and turned over to the United States marshal of this district and all said property is now within the judicial district of Alaska, United States of America.

And the said M. D. Ball, attorney aforesaid, further informs and alleges:-

That on the 2nd day of Angust, 1886, James Marketich and certain other persons whose names are unknown to said United States attorney, who were then and there engaged on board of the said schooner "Onward" as seamen and seal hunters did, under the direction and by the authority of Daniel Munroe, then and there master of said schooner, engage in killing and did kill, in the Territory and District of Alaska, and in the waters thereof, to wit, 20 fur seal, in violation of section 1956 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, in such cases made and provided.

That the said 400 fur seal skins, and other goods so seized on board of said schooner "Onward" constituted the cargo of said schooner at the time of the killing of said fur seals, and at the time of said seizure.

And said attorney saith that all and singular the premises were and are true and within the admiralty and maritime jurisdiction of the United States, and of this honorable court, and that by reason thereof, and by force of the statutes in such cases made and provided, the aforementioned schooner, being a vessel of over 20 tons burden, and her tackle, apparel, boats, cargo and furniture, became and are forfeited to the use of the United States.

Wherefore the said attorney prays that the usual process and monition of this honorable court issue in this behalf against said schooner and all said hereinbefore