

ceedings of persons acting, or claiming to act, under the authority of the Government, or of the laws of the United States, have been violated and restricted, and in great part extinguished and destroyed; and the Company by reason of the said aggressions and proceedings have been compelled in many cases to relinquish the same.

That, by the Treaty concluded on the 1st day of July, 1863, it was agreed that all questions between the United States authorities on the one hand, and the Hudson's Bay Company on the other, with respect to the possessory rights and claims of the latter, should be settled by the transfer of those rights and claims to the Government of the United States for an adequate money consideration.

And the claimants now submit a detailed statement, and valuation of the said rights, severally, under their distinct heads or classes; and of the claim of the Hudson's Bay Company under and by virtue of the said Treaty and of the premises herein set forth:

#### I. LANDS AND TRADING ESTABLISHMENTS.

The forts, posts, establishments, farms, pastures, and other lands, with the buildings and improvements thereupon, held and possessed within the said Territory by the Hudson's Bay Company, for their own sole use and benefit, at the time of the said Treaty of the 15th June, 1846, and for a long time before; which had, in some instances, been acquired from prior occupants, and in others, had been erected and made, and originally settled and occupied by the Company, were as follows:—

The Post at VANCOUVER, so called, consisting of a stockaded fort, with dwelling houses, store houses, school houses, houses for servants, shops, barns, and other outbuildings, with a stockade and bastions, erected at great cost and of the value of fifty-five thousand pounds sterling (£55,000); other dwelling houses and granaries, dairies, barns, stables, and farm buildings appurtenant to the said post for the purposes of farming and trade, built at various points near to the main post at Vancouver, and on Sauvé's Island, together with saw mills and flouring mills, forges, workshops, and store houses, all erected at a great cost at the time, and of the value of forty-five thousand pounds sterling (£45,000); the tract of land occupied, possessed, and used by the Company for its post at Vancouver, including its stations, enclosed and cultivated fields, and the pasturage for its cattle, horses and sheep, extending in front along the bank of the Columbia River, about twenty-five miles, and backward from the said River about ten miles, and Menzies' Island, so called, occupied, and used for pasturage; these tracts of land, with the agricultural improvements made thereupon, at a great cost, were, at the time of the said Treaty, of the value of seventy-five thousand pounds sterling (£75,000.)

The said several sums making together the entire sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds sterling..... (£175,000) equal to eight hundred and fifty-one thousand six hundred and sixty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents..... (\$851,666.67.)  
the claimants aver to be the value of the fort, buildings, land and