

NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
City of New York, } ss.

Be it known, that, on the day of the date hereof, before me, John G. Bogert, a public notary in and for the state of New York, duly admitted and sworn, dwelling in the city of New York, personally came John C. Halsey and Alfred Seton, who, being by me duly sworn, depose and say, that the letter hereto annexed, is a true copy of a letter brought to Astoria, by John G. M^cTavish, of the Northwest Company, and that they saw and read the same, and each became a witness to a copy thereof, which Duncan M^cDougal had recorded in a book of the Pacific Fur Company, for the purpose of justifying him in transferring the property of said company at Astoria, to the Northwest Company of Canada, as appears by the subsequent transactions of said Duncan M^cDougal.

JOHN C. HALSEY,
 ALFRED SETON.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my seal of office, the twelfth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

JOHN G. BOGERT.

Extract of a letter addressed to Mr. John G. M^cTavish, Columbia River, from A. Shaw, agent for the Northwest Company, dated Montreal, 9th May, 1813.

ASTORIA, COLUMBIA RIVER, Oct. 9th, 1813.

MY DEAR SIR: We are in hurry and confusion, preparing papers, &c. for the express canoe, having waited impatiently for some time. It was at last determined upon to send it off, without having received the least knowledge of what has been doing in England since December last; but, fortunately, the arrival of a frigate brought us accounts of the Isaac Todd, having on board Messrs. M^cTavish and M^cDonald, being ready for sea on the 18th March. She is accompanied by a frigate, to take and destroy every thing that is American on the Northwest coast.

DUN. M^cDOUGALL,
 DONALD M^cKENZIE,
 JOHN CLARK,
 ALFRED SETON,
 JOHN C. HALSEY,
 GAB. FRANCHERE,
 WILLIAM WALLACE.