

AN AGREEMENT

Made the fourth day of April, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, between **THOMAS MAXWELL**, of the City of Kingston, Upper Canada, Mariner, of the first part, and **HER MAJESTY QUEEN VICTORIA**, represented herein by the Honorable **JEAN CHABOT**, Chief Commissioner of Public Works for the Province of Canada, and the Honorable **HAMILTON HARTLEY KILLALY**, Assistant Commissioner of Public Works for the said Province, of the other part.

WHEREAS the said Commissioners (acting for and on account of Her Majesty as aforesaid) caused Public Notice to be given that tenders and proposals would be received by them for Tug Boats to be placed on the River St. Lawrence, for the purpose of towing vessels and other craft between Lachine and Kingston on the said River; And whereas the said Thomas Maxwell, tendered for the same, and the said Commissioners have accepted his tender, and resolved to enter into a Contract with him for the supply of such Tug Boats accordingly. Now these presents witness, that the said Thomas Maxwell, in consideration of the Bonus or Sum of Money hereinafter mentioned, and the Covenants and Agreements hereinafter expressed and contained on the part and behalf of the said Commissioners (acting for Her Majesty as aforesaid), doth hereby for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, covenant and agree with Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors in manner following, that is to say:

That he will, during the period of Navigation in each of the years 1853, 1854 and 1855, well and sufficiently tug and tow all vessels and other craft for which such services shall be demanded or required by the owner or owners, Master, Captain, or person in charge thereof, from any Port, or Place to any other Port or Place on the main and usual line of communication between the Ports of Lachine and Kingston, on the said River.