

and the land adjoining, which is claimed by the Hudson's Bay Company?

*Ans.*—I am.

*Int.* 4.—Please to examine the map, here produced, and state whether it is, in your judgment, a correct delineation of the post at Vancouver and of the country adjoining.

*Ans.*—It appears to be.

*Int.* 5.—Please to describe, as particularly as you can, by reference to said map or otherwise, the extent of the claim of the said Company, at said post, giving the limits thereof, territorially, as nearly as you can, as you understand them.

(Objected to in this form, so far as the witness' personal knowledge from the time of his arrival at Fort Vancouver.)

*Ans.*—It has never come before me officially, and of course I can only answer from what I learned by conversation. In the fall of 1849, General Persifer F. Smith, who commanded the Department of the Pacific, was at Fort Vancouver. It was a matter of complaint by Governor Ogden, Chief Factor of the Hudson's Bay Company, to General Smith, that his lands were being squatted upon by the settlers, and in that way I came to know about their claims. The object was to get protection from the military authorities. From his representation, the Hudson's Bay Company claimed a region of country embracing some twenty-five miles upon the Columbia river, begining above what was known as the Hudson's Bay Company's Saw Mills, and extending down to or nearly to the Cathlapootl river, and some eight or ten miles inland.

*Int.* 6.—How much of this claim, as set up by Governor Ogden, if any, was in fact enclosed or occupied by the said Company while you were there. Please to answer this as particularly as you can, by reference to the map or otherwise.

*Ans.*—There was a very small portion of the whole claim actually enclosed. There was a large enclosure on the Mill Plain, of what extent I don't now know. There were quite extensive enclosures in and about Fort Vancouver, and also upon the Lower Plain about Vancouver Lake. There were enclosures also upon what is called the Fourth Plain. With regard to the whole claim, the amount enclosed was very