

Q. Did this occur within the waters of the sea navigable for vessels of (10) tons burden or over? A. It did.

C. A. ABBEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day  
of September, A. D. 1886, after having been  
read over by me to deponent.

ANDREW T. LEWIS, *Clerk U. S. Dist. Court.*

J. W. HOWISON, being duly sworn, deposes and says:—

Q. State your name, age and occupation? A. J. W. Howison, am over 21 years of age, 1st Lieutenant in the United States revenue service and executive officer on the United States revenue steamer "Corwin" and was such on the 2nd of August of this year.

Q. State what happened on 2nd August, 1886, in the line of your duty? A. Between 4 and 6, a. m., I spoke to the schooner "Onward," of Victoria, B.C., and asked if they were catching seal in Behring Sea and they answered yes. I reported the same to the commanding officer of the "Corwin," who ordered the vessel seized. I lowered the boat with the boatswain, C. T. Winslow, and two men and a line, pulled to the schooner and put the boatswain and two men on board, told the captain of the schooner, Daniel Monroe, that I seized him for catching fur seal in Behring Sea. I ran a line from the "Onward" to the schooner "Carolina," already in tow, and returned to the "Corwin."

Q. State the place of this seizure as near as you can recollect? A. The position is given as latitude 55° north, and longitude 167° 40' west, that is about 110 or 115 miles to the south and east of St. George.

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Lieut. JOHN C. CANTWELL, being duly sworn, deposes and says:—

Q. State your name, occupation and age? A. John C. Cantwell, 3rd Lieutenant United States revenue marine service, at present on duty United States revenue steamer "Corwin," and over the age of twenty-one years—and was so during two years last past.

Q. Do you recognize this paper? A. I do. It is the official inventory made by me on or about the 12th of August, 1886, of the furniture, tackle, appurtenances and cargo of the schooner "Onward." This inventory was made in consequence of the seizure of the vessel and gives a true and complete list of the furniture, tackle, appurtenances and cargo of said vessel, with the exception of the arms and ammunition. (Said inventory contains the usual ship's furniture of a vessel of the class of the "Onward," navigating instruments, lights, tools, sails, ship's stores and 400 seal skins. The receipt of I. Anderson, Deputy United States marshal at Onalaska, 14th August, 1886, for said furniture, stores and cargo is attached thereto.)

"By witness" the item "400 seal skins" in said inventory means fur seal skins.

JOHN C. CANTWELL, *3rd Lieutenant, U. S. R. M.*

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over by me to deponent.

ANDREW T. LEWIS, *Clerk U. S. Dist. Court.*

JOHN U. RHODES, being duly sworn, deposes and says:—

Q. State your name, age and occupation? A. John U. Rhodes. I am over the age of twenty-one years and a lieutenant in the United States revenue marine and attached to the revenue steamer "Corwin."