

*Ans.*—I arrived at Fort Vancouver in the month of June, 1843, having been previously stationed on the North-West coast.

*Int. 3.*—State if you were well acquainted with the post of Vancouver, its farms and improvements; if so, please give a description of them.

*Ans.*—I was, having been for several years employed as accountant, in which position it was my duty once a year, and sometimes oftener, to take a list of stock, and a full inventory of all improvements and additions made during the previous year.

*Int. 4.*—Look at this list now shewn to you marked A (under the head of Vancouver and its neighbourhood,) and state what you know about it, and under what circumstances it was made, and as to its correctness.

(*W. C. Johnson*, Counsel of the United States, objects to the introduction of document A, as it purports to be an inventory of the property of the Hudson's Bay Company in 1846, and not at the time it was converted to the use of the United States.)

*Ans.*—I believe that it contains a correct account of all the buildings at Fort Vancouver in 1846, and I recognise it as having for the most part been made out under my own supervision while acting in the capacity of accountant at Fort Vancouver during that year; only the improved land that was actually under fence at that time appears to be included in this list. There was much more land under cultivation, unfenced at the time. The object appears to have been to have measured the exact number of yards of fencing then standing.

*Int. 5.*—What do you say as to the list for Sauvies Island?

*Ans.*—I recognise that also as being correct.

*Int. 6.*—State what you know, if anything, of the extent of land used and occupied by the Hudson's Bay Company for farming and pasturage at and around Fort Vancouver in 1846?

(Objection same as before by U. S. Counsel.)

*Ans.*—The Company made use of land for farming and pasturage extending along the Columbia River from a point about one or two miles above the saw-mill to a small stream falling into the Columbia opposite the town now known as St. Helens, in the State of Oregon, a frontage of about 31 miles, and extending back from the river in some places for a distance of 3 or 4 miles, and in