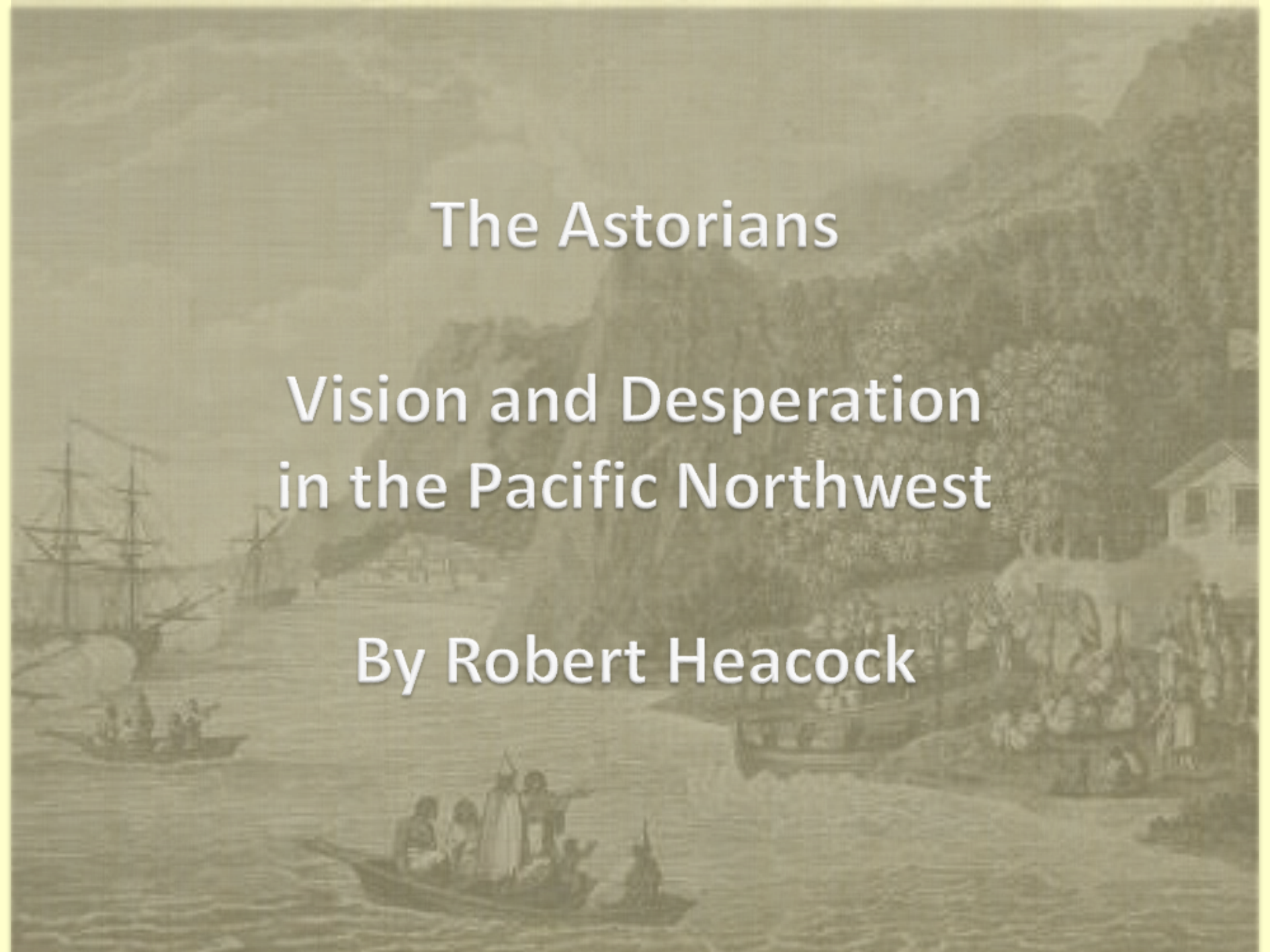




The Astorians

Vision and Desperation in the Pacific Northwest

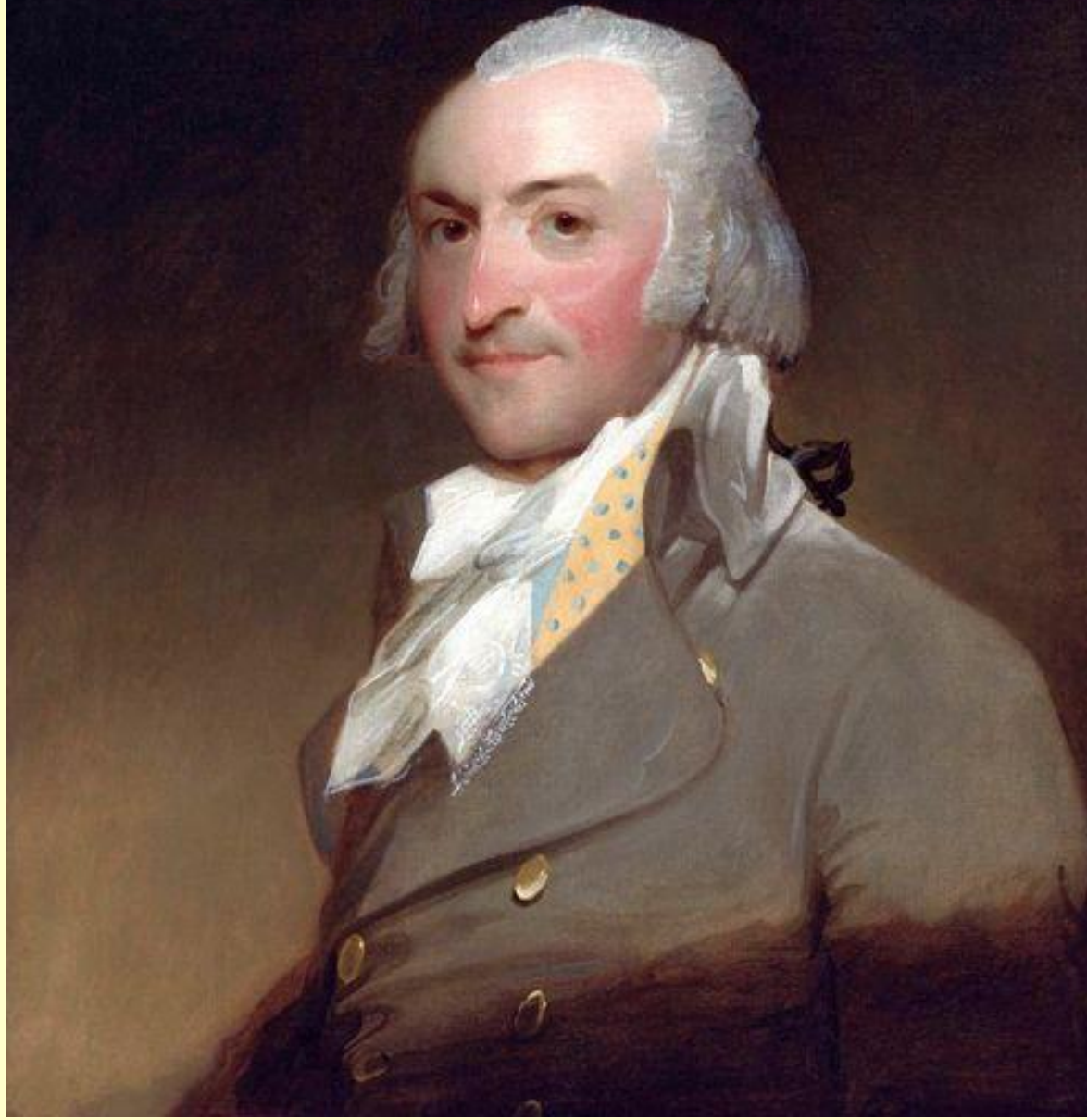
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Fort Nez Perce (Fort Walla Walla)

Joseph Drayton 1841



John Jacob Astor



1808 American Fur Co



1810 Pacific Fur Company



Captain Jonathan Thorn

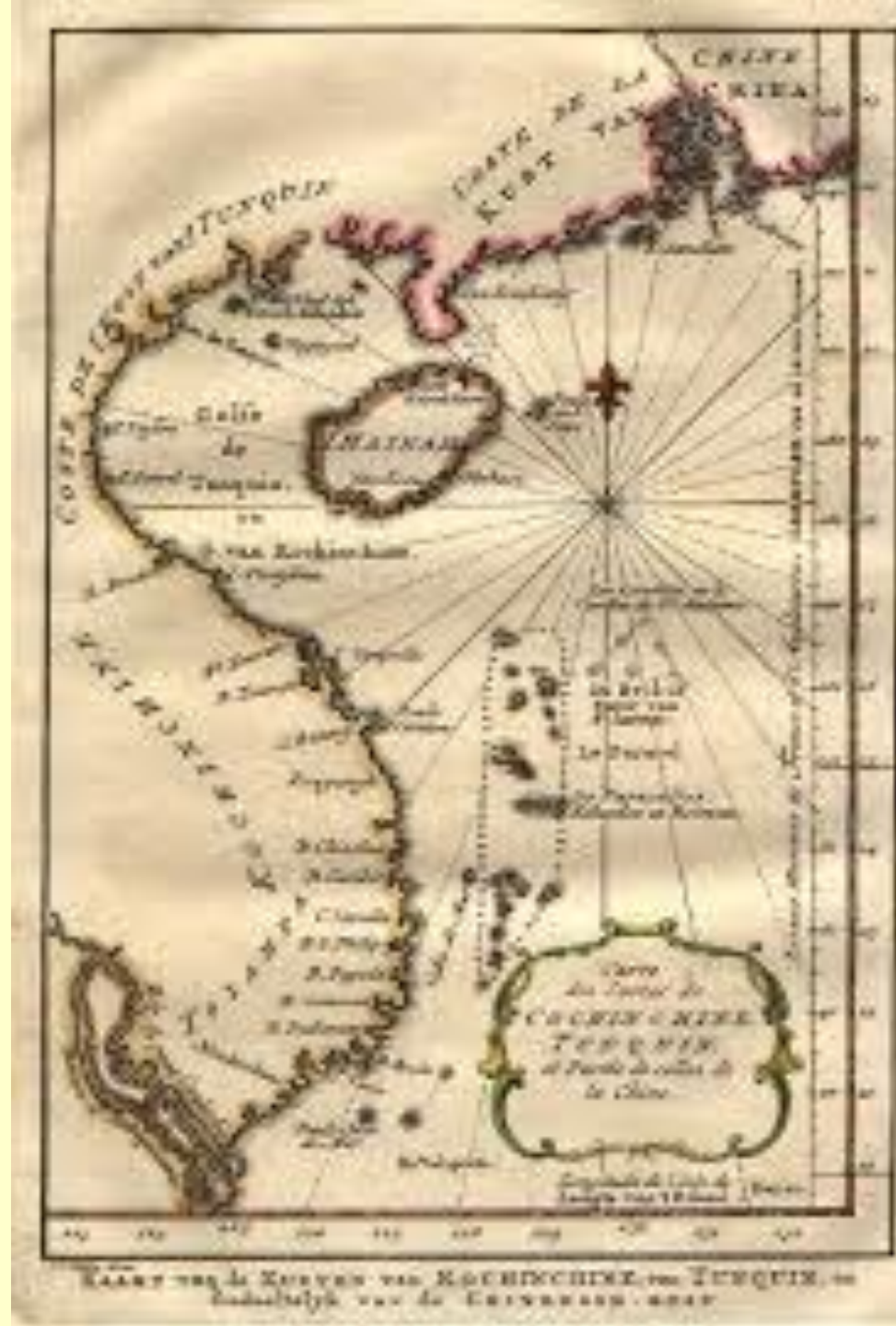


Water Route (9 months)
Tonquin



Tonquin- Tonkin
J. N. Bellin 1769

Also
Macau/Canton/
Hong Kong



Tonquin Atlantic Ocean Route

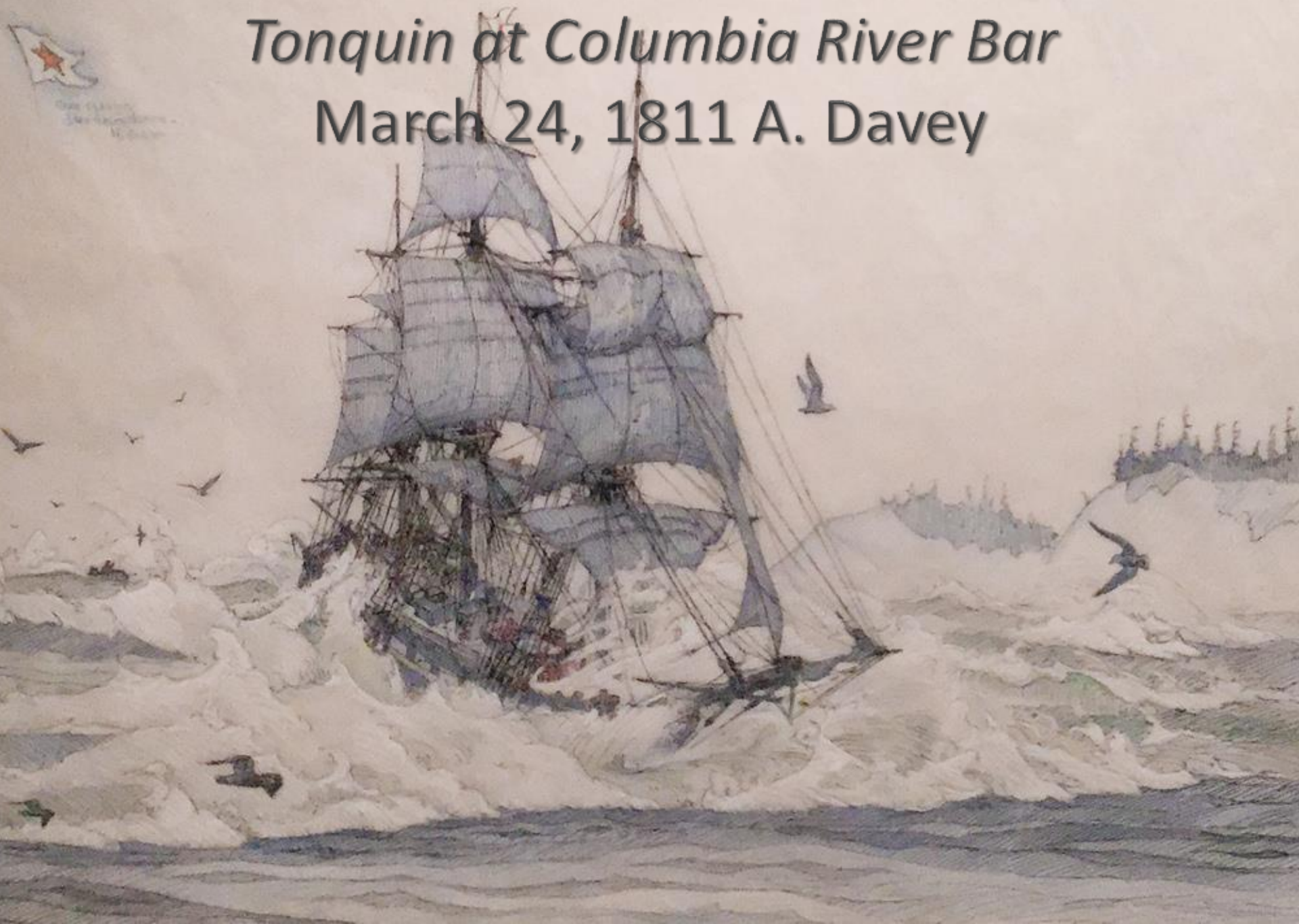




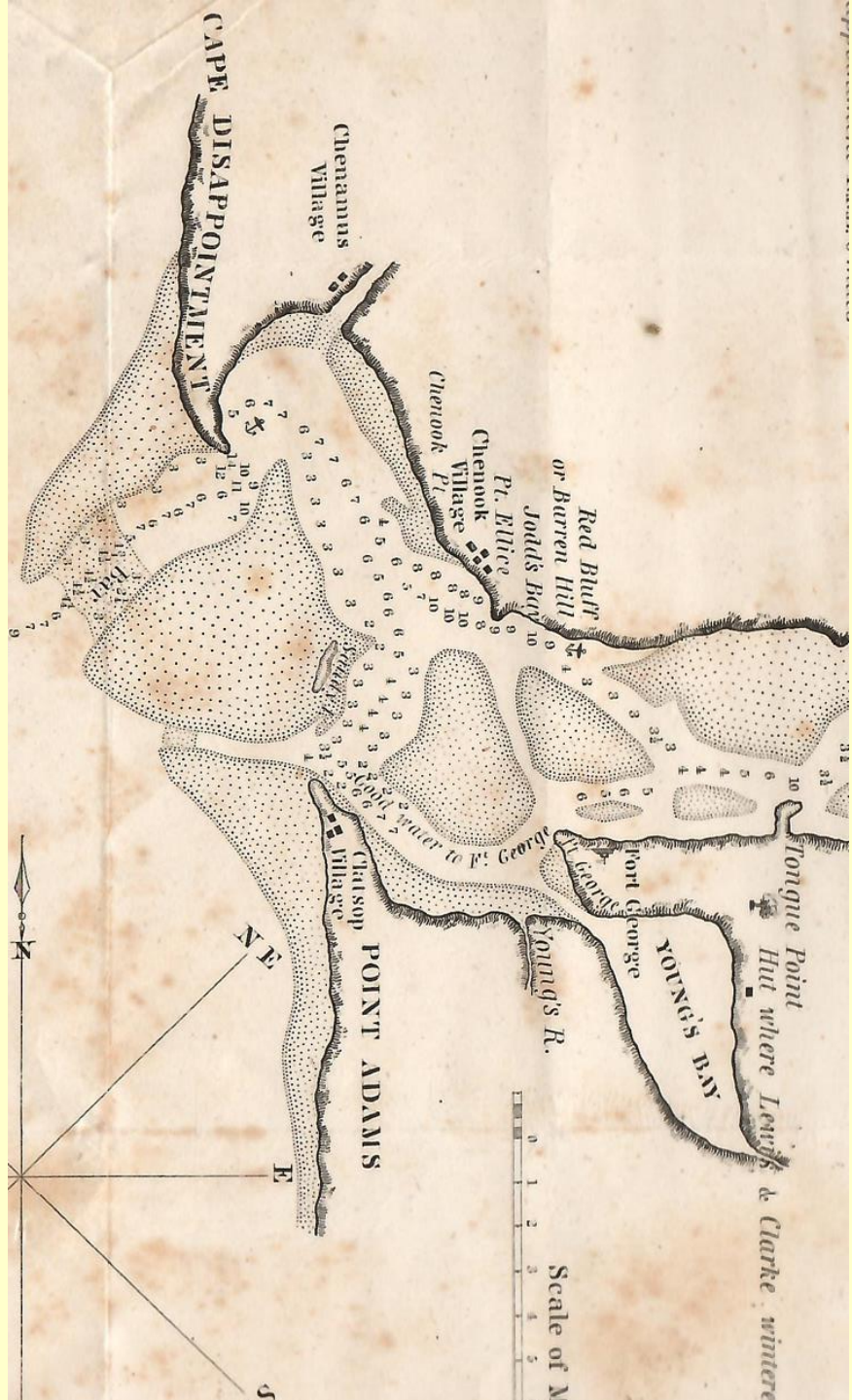
Tonquin to Hawaii and PNW



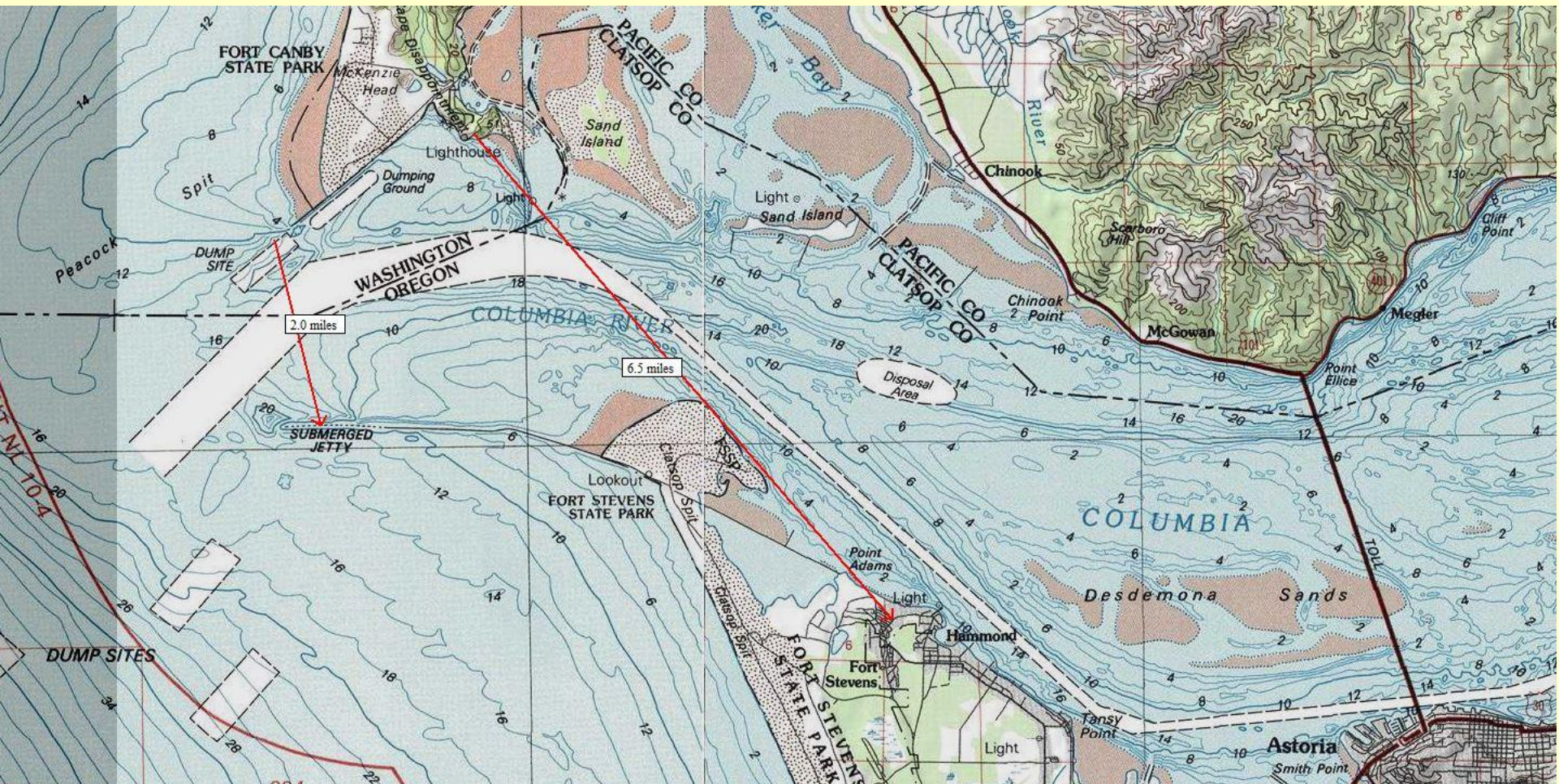
Tonquin at Columbia River Bar
March 24, 1811 A. Davey



Columbia River Bar 1838



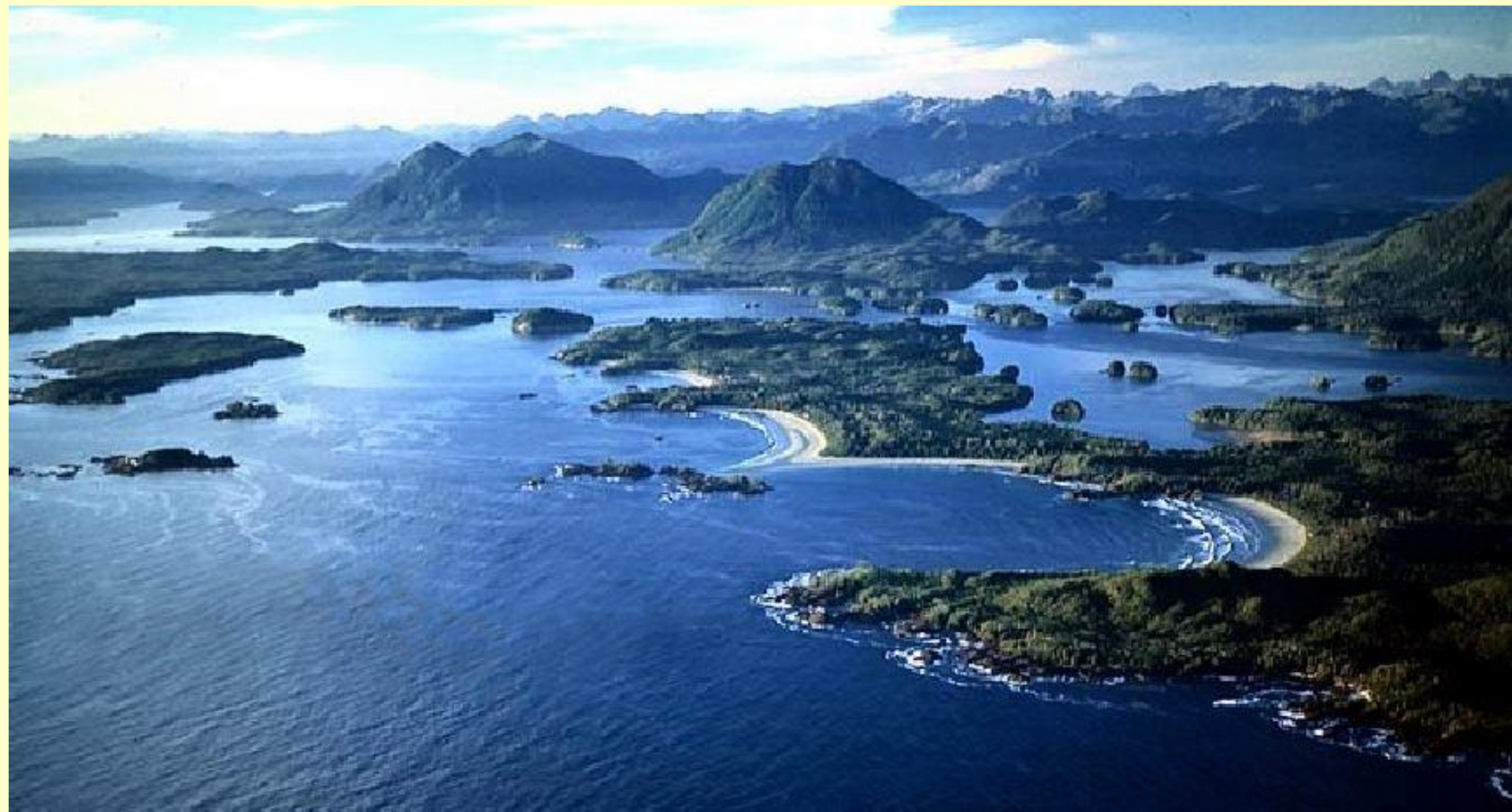
Tonquin unloaded supplies at Fort Astoria



Tonquin to Clayoquot Sound



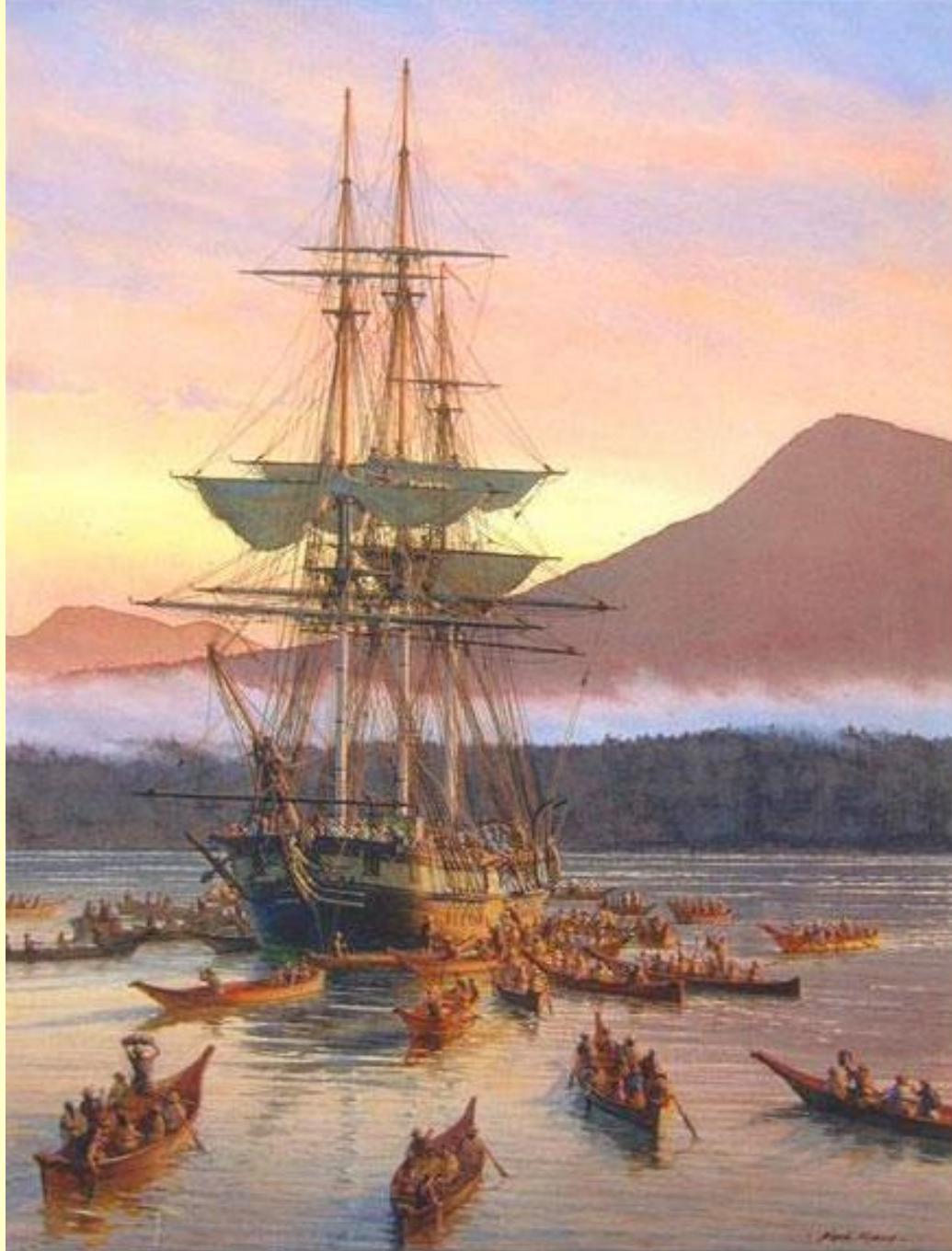
Tonquin arrives at
Clayoquot Sound (Tofino, B.C.)



Tonquin model at CRMM



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"Some evil design" The "Tonquin" overwhelmed, Clayoquot Sound, June 1811
Watercolor, 30" x 22", (c) Mark Myers 2001

Tonquin Disaster

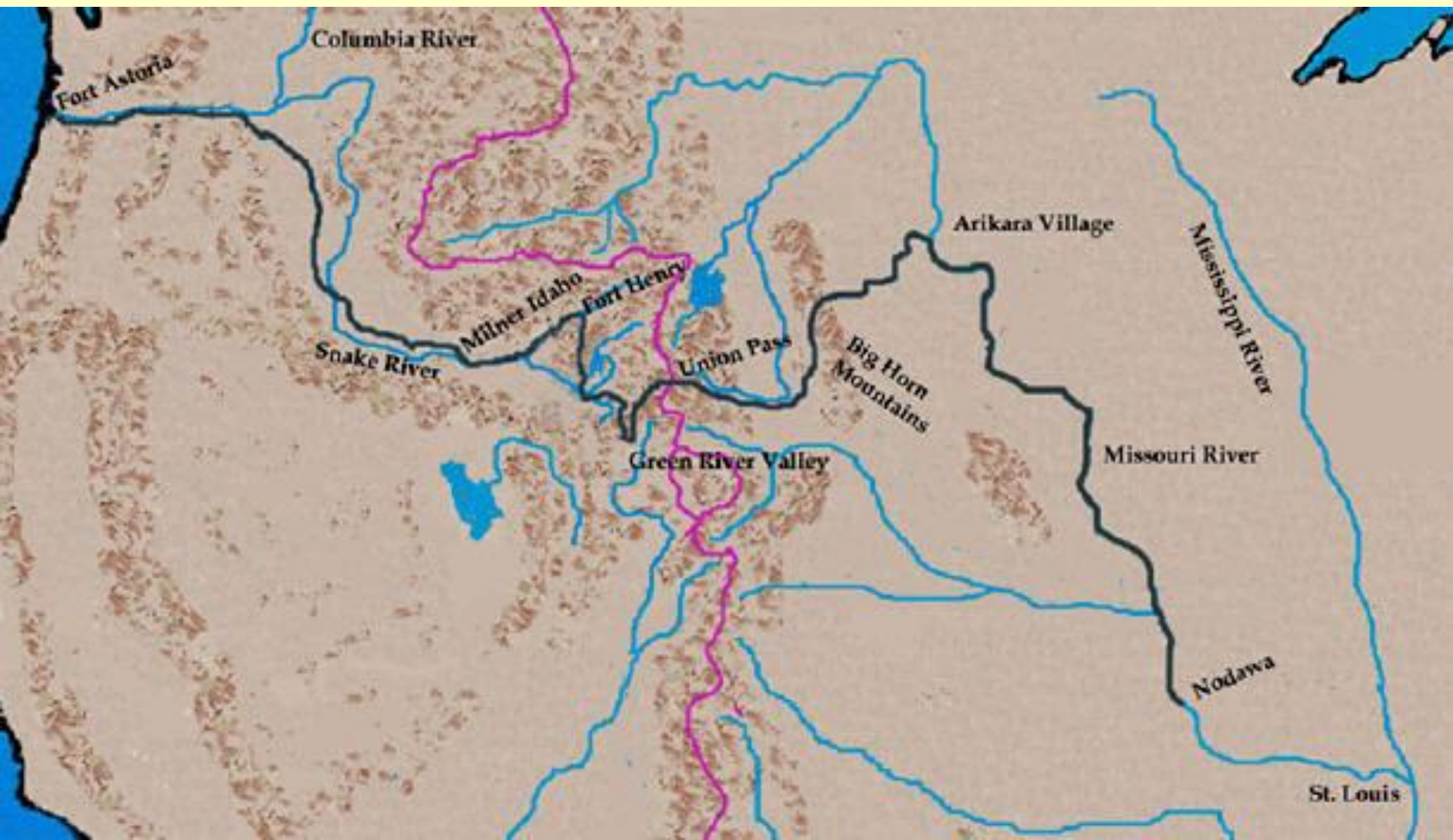


Land Expedition (20 months)

Wilson Price Hunt



Hunt Land Route To avoid Blackfeet



May 31, 1811 – John Clymer
The Peace Pipe, Overland Astorians 1811



October 18, 1811
Mad (Snake) River



Henry's Fork

A wide, calm river flows through a landscape. The water is a deep blue-grey color with gentle ripples. On the left bank, there are trees with bright yellow and orange autumn foliage. On the right bank, there are more trees, some with yellow leaves and others that are bare or have green leaves. In the background, a line of trees with yellow leaves is visible against a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds.

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October 28, 1811

Disaster at Cauldron Linn





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Shoshone Falls



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Shoshone Falls



Southern Idaho Snake River Canyon



Hells Canyon

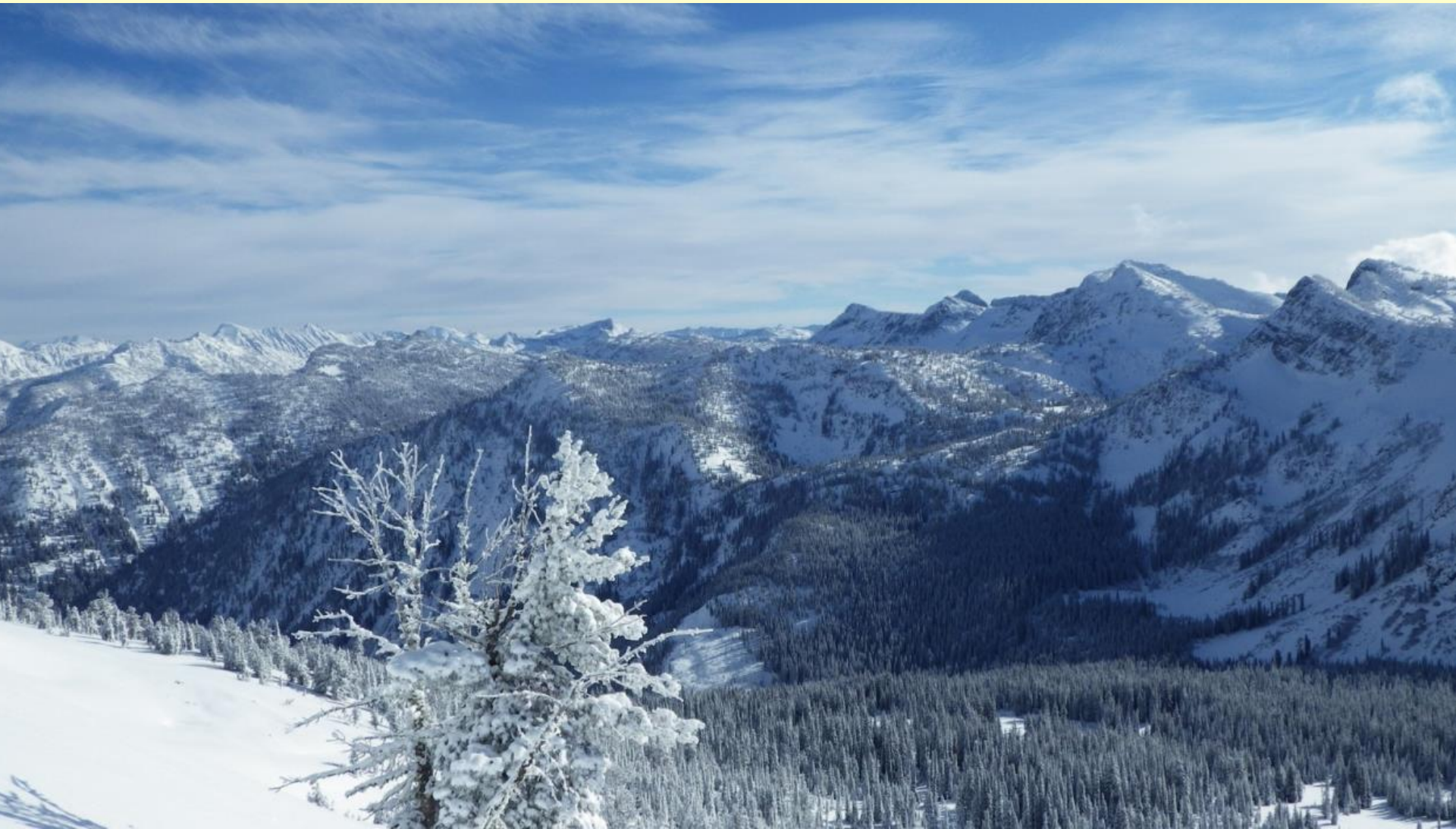


North Powder, Oregon



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Blue Mountains Northeast Oregon



May 9, 1812 Supply ship *Beaver*
\$30K Trade goods



June 18, 1812

Declaration of War.

From the National Intelligencer Extra.

4 o'clock P. M. June 18, 1812.

The injunction of secrecy was about an hour ago removed from the following message, report or manifesto, and act.

To the senate and house of representatives of the United States.

I communicate to congress certain documents, being a continuation of those heretofore laid before them, on the subject of our affairs with Great Britain.

Without going back beyond the renewal in 1803, of the war in which Great Britain is engaged, and omitting unrepaid wrongs of inferior magnitude, the conduct of her government prevents a series of acts hostile to the United States as an independent and neutral nation.

British cruiser

November-North West Co. provides Ft. Astoria with war news



North West Company Supply Ship *Isaac Todd*



THE TRADING-STORE.

October 7, 1813

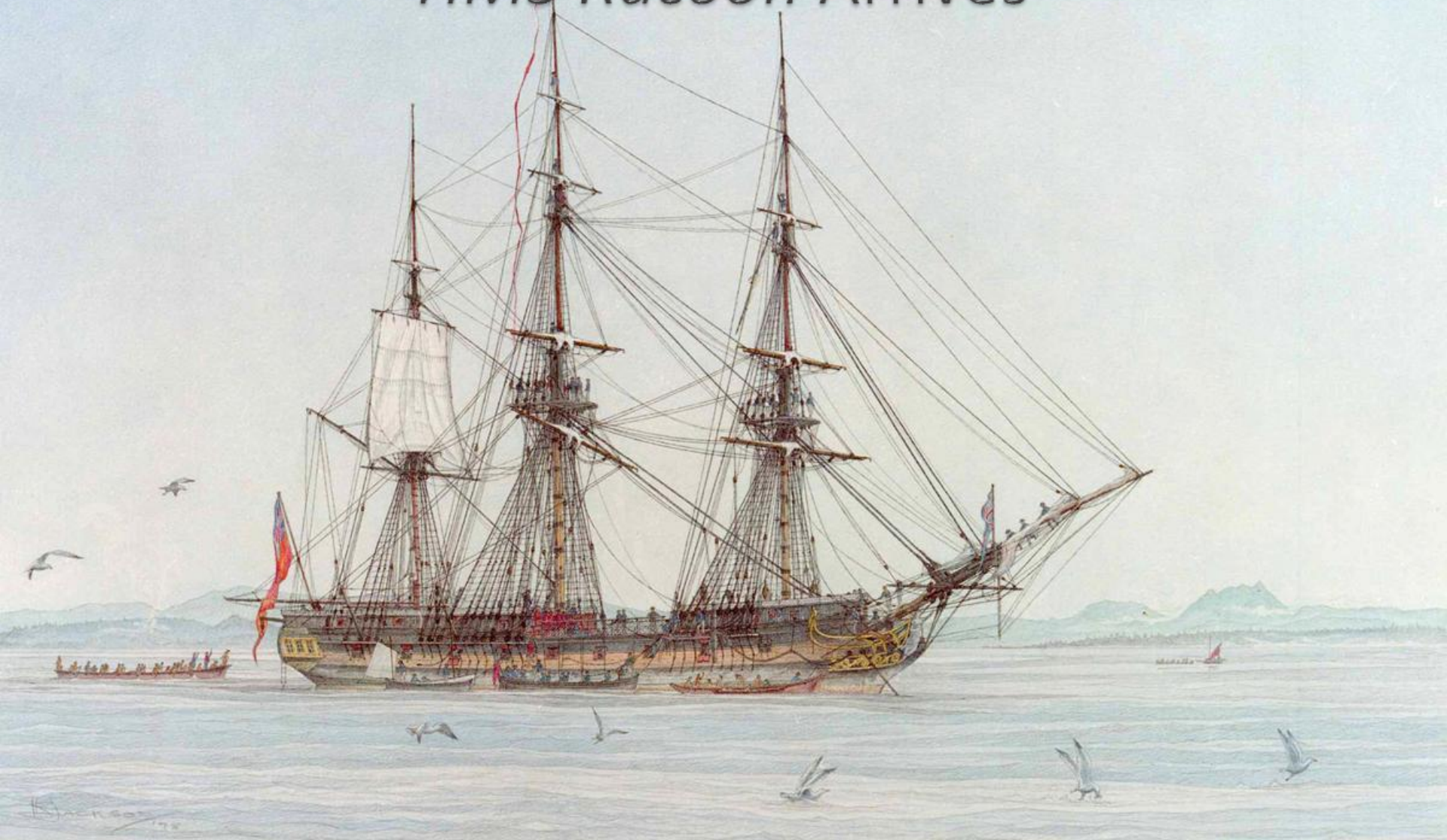
Final Steps



October 22, 1813
Transaction completed



November 30, 1813
HMS Racoon Arrives



Madame Marie Dorian



John Clymer
Marie Dorian Escape-1814

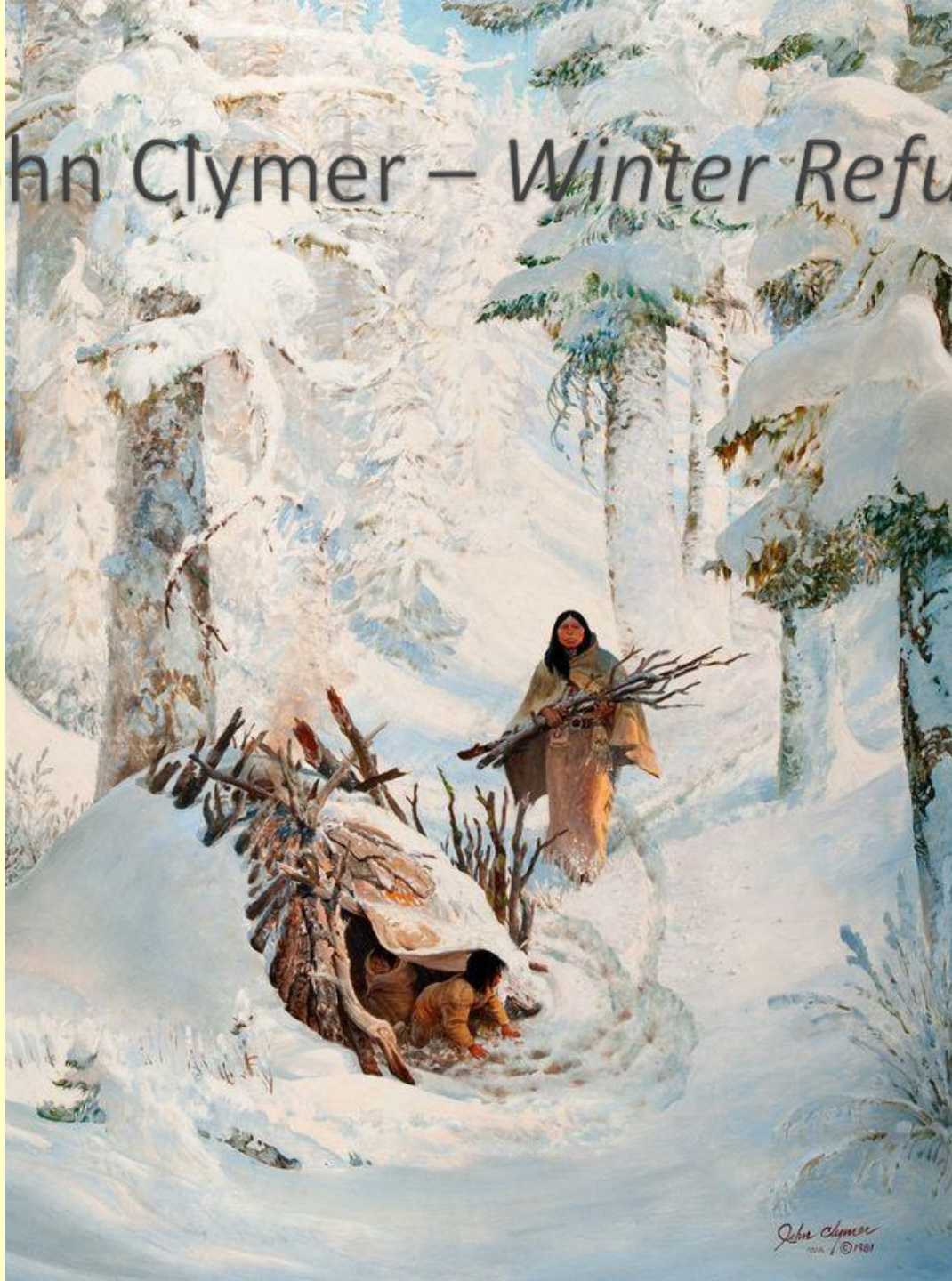


Hilgard, Oregon

A photograph of a winter landscape in Hilgard, Oregon. A river flows through the center of the frame, surrounded by snow-covered banks and dense evergreen forests. The sky is overcast and grey.

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John Clymer – *Winter Refuge*



Wallula Gap and Fort Walla Walla



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Fort Nez Perce/Fort Walla Walla John Mix Stanley 1853





MADAME MARIE DORION

BORN ABOUT 1786 DIED 1850

SYMBOLIC OF FAITH, LOYALTY AND LEADERSHIP

INDIAN GUIDE FOR WILSON PRICE HUNT PARTY

MOTHER OF FIRST WHITE CHILD

BORN IN THE OREGON TERRITORY 1811

PRESENTED BY DORIAN CLUB OF 1950 END OREGON
1954

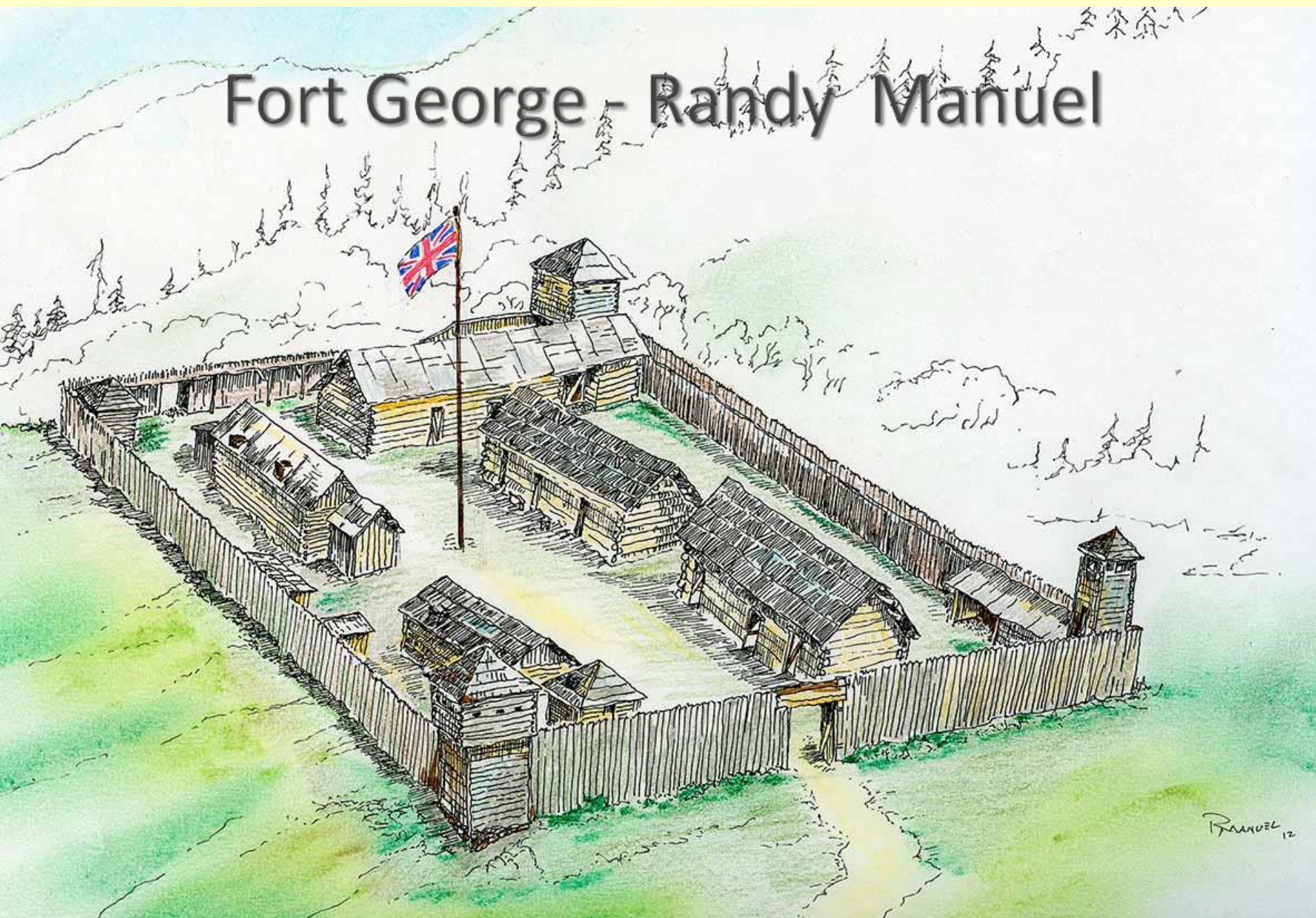


Historic
ST. LOUIS
CATHOLIC
CHURCH

PARISH EST. 1845

2nd OLDEST PARISH IN OREGON
PRESENT CHURCH BUILT IN 1880

Fort George - Randy Manuel



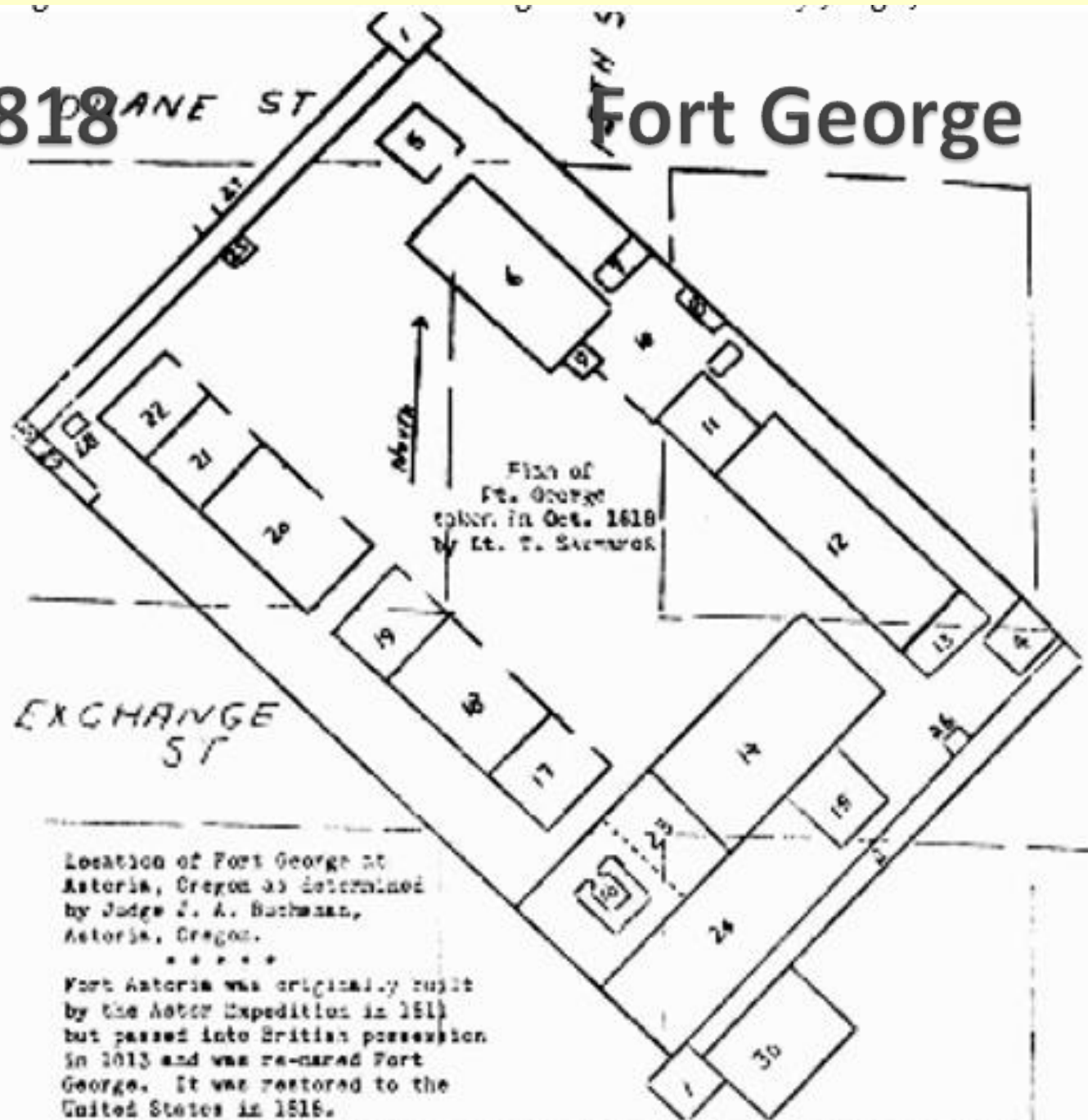
Randy Manuel 12

Fort Astoria



1818

Fort George



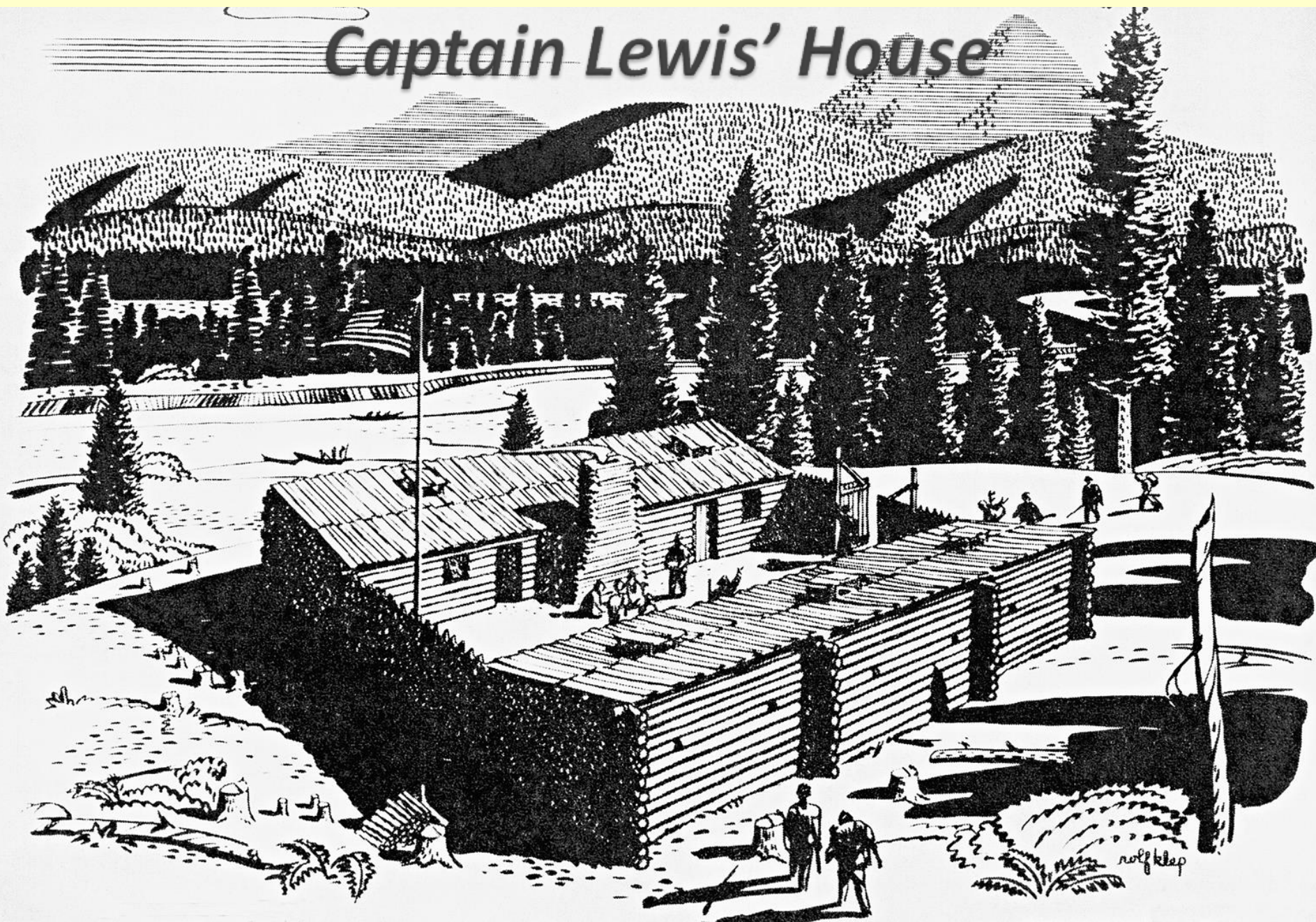
Location of Fort George at Astoria, Oregon as determined by Judge J. A. Buchanan, Astoria, Oregon.

Fort Astoria was originally built by the Astor Expedition in 1811 but passed into British possession in 1813 and was re-named Fort George. It was restored to the United States in 1816.

Ft. George Brewery and Fort Outline



Captain Lewis' House



Keel of HMS *Raccoon* at CRMM



HMS *Raccoon*

In 1813, the British warship HMS *Raccoon* was sent with orders to capture or destroy Astoria. They arrived at the Columbia River to find that Astoria had already been sold to the British.

After waiting out a month of miserable winter weather the *Raccoon* attempted to leave. The massive waves of the Columbia River bar bounced the ship against the river bottom and tore off a portion of the keel.

This is that section of the keel from the *Raccoon* recovered later— a wedge of British control in the Oregon Country.

When he saw Astoria for the first time, Captain William Black of the *Raccoon* exclaimed—
"Is this the place of which I have heard so much?"

"Damn me, but I'd batter it down in two hours with a four pounder!"

HMS *Raccoon*-6th Jan'y 1814

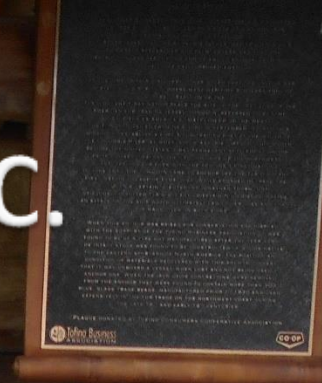
- ▶ *Pumps going; our People much fatigued We certainly are unfortunate since we struck- nothing but hard gales of wind & Rain and that slap in our teeth. Ship labouring very hard: hove overboard all the iron... Got the guns and shot in readiness to throw overboard also.*
- ▶ *Jan 10th – Still a cruel and hardhearted wind and very heavy. Lost many of our sails...*



Tonquin Blue Bead



Tofino, B. C.



Government Support

- Russian - Quasi Government
- Spanish – Direct government
- British – Direct or Quasi Government
- French – Direct Government
- Americans – Lewis and Clark – Direct Government
- Americans - Capt Gray, Pacific Fur Company, all other traders were private enterprise

The End



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