



District of Buffalo Creek,
PORT OF BUFFALO.

In conformity to an Act of the Congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act for Enrolling and Licensing Ships and Vessels," &c., passed 18th February, 1793; and "An Act to regulate the Foreign and Coasting Trade on the Northern, Northeastern and Northwestern Frontiers of the United States, and for other purposes," passed March 2d, 1831; and "~~An Act to provide for the better security of the lives of Passengers on board Vessels propelled in whole or in part by Steam~~" passed 7th July, 1838, and the Act of August 30th, 1852, ~~amending the same~~, also an act entitled "An act to provide for recording the conveyances of Vessels, and for other purposes," passed July 29, 1850.

James R. Bentley, Merchant, of Buffalo in the District of Buffalo Creek having taken or subscribed the Oath required by said acts, and having sworn that he resides at Buffalo aforesaid and is the managing owner of the Barque *Jesse Hoyt* of Buffalo; that Jesse Hoyt of the City of New York owns one equal undivided half part of said Barque; that John H. Redfield of said New York owns one equal undivided one eighth part of said Barque; that the remaining three equal eighth parts undivided of said Barque are owned by the firm or copartnership doing business under the firm name of "Tassantownd & Co" that said firm is composed of said Bentley and Charles B. Redfield & Alfred Tassantownd of Albany N.Y.; and that all said owners are

Citizens of the United States, and sole owners of the Barque *Jesse Hoyt* or Vessel called the "*Jesse Hoyt*" of Buffalo, whereof Cornelius W. Niel is at present Master; and as he hath sworn is a Citizen of the United States, and that the said Ship or Vessel was built at Saginaw State of Michigan in the year 1854, as appears by the Certificate of Whitney & Smith shipwrights, her builders on file in this office -

And Theron Hoffman Measurer having certified that the said Barque - or Vessel has one deck and three masts and that her length is 148 feet and 8 inches her breadth 39 " " 4 " her depth 11 " " 8 " and that she measures 472 tons 12/ ninety-fifths that she is a Barque has a square stern and a figure head

And the said James R. Bentley having agreed to the description and admeasurement above specified, and sufficient security having been given in conformity with the terms of the said acts, the said Barque has been duly Enrolled at the Port of Buffalo, N Y.

L. J.

Given under my Hand and Seal of Office, at the Port of Buffalo, in the said District, this 4 day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty 4 -

J. J. Hudson
Collector