



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 property of ~~Board~~ ~~Vessels~~ propelled in whole or in part by Steam," passed 7th July, 1838, and the Act of August 30th, 1852, ~~renewing the same~~ also an act entitled "An act to provide for recording the conveyances of Vessels, and for other purposes," passed July 29, 1850.

Abel G. Morgan of Buffalo District of Buffalo Creek N.Y.,
having taken or subscribed the Oath required by said acts, and having sworn that he resides at said Buffalo
and is a

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Citizen of the United States, and sole owner of the *Legal Boat* or Vessel called the
Abel Sherman whereof *George Rider* is at present Master; and as he hath sworn

Citizen of the United States, and that the said Ship or Vessel was built at *Rochester* is a
New York in the year 1854, as appears by the Certificate of *J. W. Smith*
Shipwright her builder on file in this office

And *Francis G. Pattison* Surveyor having certified that
the said *Canal Boat* Vessel has *one deck* and *no masts* and that
her length is *95 feet*
her breadth *16 " 6 inches*
her depth *8 " 9*
and that she measures *129* tons *39* ninety-fifths
that she is a *Canal Boat* and no figure-head

And the said *Abel G. Morgan* 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 *Canal Boat* has been duly Enrolled at the Port of Buffalo, N. Y.

Given under my Hand and Seal of Office, at the Port of Buffalo,
in the said District, this *11* day of *July*
in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty *five*

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J. Hoffman
Dept. Collector -

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