



Cost see affidavit of H. N. Gift

District of Buffalo  
 Port of Buffalo N.Y. I James G. Snow Master of the  
 Tug Propeller Boat Sprague, do solemnly, sincerely  
 and truly swear that the said Propeller or vessel called  
 the "Boat Sprague" has been duly enrolled, as I  
 verily believe, at the Port of Buffalo, and a certificate  
 therefor issued by the Collector of said port on the 17<sup>th</sup> day  
 June 1857, and that said certificate has been lost  
 or mislaid and cannot be found, that when found  
 I will immediately return it to the collector who  
 issued the same  
 Sworn before me this  
 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1857  
 William F. Best  
 Deputy Collector

James G. Snow  
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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 29th 1850.

Joseph F. Hill,  
 having taken or subscribed the Oath required by said acts, and having sworn that he resides at Buffalo  
 State of New York and is a

Citizen of the United States, and sole owner, of the Tug Propeller called the  
 Seneca of Buffalo whereof Thos G. Burns  
 is at present Master and as he has sworn  
 Citizen of the United States, and that the said Ship or Vessel was built at Geneva State of  
 New York in the year 1853, as appears by the certificate of B. W. Springstead  
 Shipwright her builder on file in this office

And R. H. Best Surveyor to measure said vessel having certified that  
 the said Tug Propeller or Vessel has one deck and no mast and that  
 her length is 94 feet inches  
 her breadth 17 feet 4 inches  
 her depth 6 feet 11 inches  
 and that she measures 105 tons 7 ninety-fifths  
 that she is a Tug Propeller has a round stern  
 and Island head.

And the said J. F. Hill  
 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 Tug Propeller has been duly Enrolled at the Port of Buffalo, N. Y.

L. P.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office, at the Port of  
 Buffalo, in the said District, this 21 day of July  
 in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven

W. Hoffman

Owners Oath, W. L. P. 158.  
 En. Bond " 7 165  
 Delivered to Hill

Collector.