

sworn, doth depose and say that during the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and for sometime previous thereto, John B. Laborde, sr., was a resident of Green Bay, in said Territory; that on the first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve aforesaid, he, the said John B. Laborde, sr., was in the possession of, and occupied and cultivated, a certain piece or parcel of land, it being known as lot No. 20, and lying and being situated on the south side of Fox river, at said Green Bay, and butted and bounded as follows, to wit: on the lower side by land claimed by John Lawe, and above by land claimed by Jaques Porlier, being nineteen chains and fifty links in width, and bordering on the margin of said river; that the said John B. Laborde, sr., and his legal heirs and representatives, have been in the possession of said piece or parcel of land for upwards of fourteen years, and have at all times submitted to the authority of the United States. And further this deponent saith not.

FRANCIS ^{his} + LAVENTURE.
mark.

TERRITORY OF MICHIGAN, *County of Michilimackinac*, ss:

Personally appeared before me, William H. Puthuff, chief justice as aforesaid, the within-named deponent, and made solemn oath that the facts therein stated are true, according to the best of his knowledge and belief.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, at Mackinac, this 5th day of July, A. D. 1823.

WILLIAM H. PUTHUFF.

DETROIT, *November 1, 1823.*

On examination of the claim of the heirs of John B. Laborde, sr., to a tract, called lot No. 20, the commissioners have decided that the same be confirmed to J. B. Laborde, late junior, subject to the legal claims of the widow and heirs of John B. Laborde, sr., deceased.

Lot No. 35.

MACKINAC, *July 8, 1823.*

I, John Dousman, hereby enter my claim, under the law for ascertaining and deciding upon claims to lands in the Territory of Michigan, to a tract of land lying and being situated on the south side of Fox river, at said Green Bay, and butted and bounded as follows, to wit: on the lower side by land claimed by B. Chevalier, and on the upper side by land claimed by John B. Laborde, sr., being known as lot No. 35, twenty chains in width and eighty arpents in depth, and bordering on the margin of said river.

JOHN DOUSMAN.

Claim of John Dousman.—Lot No. 35.—Deposition of Francis Laventure.

TERRITORY OF MICHIGAN, *County of Michilimackinac*, ss:

Personally appeared before me, William H. Puthuff, chief justice of the county court of the county of Michilimackinac, Francis Laventure, of lawful age, who, having been duly sworn, doth depose and say that during the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and for sometime previous thereto, John Dousman was a resident of Green Bay, in said Territory; that on the first day of July, in the said year eighteen hundred and twelve, he, the said John Dousman, was in the possession of, and occupied and cultivated, a certain piece or tract of land, it being known as lot No. 35, and lying and being situated on the south side of Fox river, at said Green Bay, and butted and bounded as follows, to wit: on the lower side by land claimed by B. Chevalier, and on the upper side by land claimed by John B. Laborde, sr., being twenty chains in width, and bordering on the margin of said river; that for upwards of eleven years he, the said John Dousman, has had the possession of the same, and that he has at all times submitted to the authority of the United States. And further this deponent saith not.

FRANCIS ^{his} + LAVENTURE.
mark.

TERRITORY OF MICHIGAN, *County of Michilimackinac*, ss:

Personally appeared before me, the within-named William H. Puthuff, chief justice as aforesaid, the said Francis Laventure, and made solemn oath that the facts within stated are true, according to the best of his knowledge and belief.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, at Mackinac, this 5th day of July, A. D. 1823.

WM. HENRY PUTHUFF.

Claim of John Dousman.—Lot No. 35.—Deposition of Francis Louisignace.

TERRITORY OF MICHIGAN, *County of Michilimackinac*, ss:

Personally appeared before me, William H. Puthuff, chief justice of the county court of the county of Michilimackinac, Francis Louisignace, of lawful age, who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say that during the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and for sometime previous thereto, John Dousman was a resident of Green Bay, in said Territory; that on the first day of July, in the said year eighteen hundred and twelve, he, the said John Dousman, was in the possession of, and occupied and cultivated, a certain piece or tract of land, it being known as lot No. 35, and lying and being situated on the south side of Fox river, at said Green Bay, and butted and bounded as follows, to wit: on the lower side by land claimed by B. Chevalier, and on the upper side by land claimed by John B. Laborde, sr., being twenty chains in width, and bordering on the margin of said river; that for upwards of eleven years he, the said John Dousman, had the possession of the same, and that he has at all times submitted to the authority of the United States. And further this deponent saith not.

FRANCIS ^{his} + LOUISIGNACE.
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