

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

Be it remembered that on the eighteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, personally came and appeared before me, Robert Irwin, jr., one of the justices of the peace in the county aforesaid, Amable Normon, of said county, who, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that he knows that Joseph Roi did, fifteen or sixteen years since, surrender to Alexis Gardapier, his son-in-law, all his property, real and personal, that he was possessed of at that time, the said Alexis Gardapier agreeing to support him and his wife during their natural lives. Embraced in the said transfer was a certain tract of land that the said Roi had used and occupied as a meadow, lying on the west bank of Fox river, between a tract confirmed to Jaques Porlier, number one, on the north, and on the south by a tract confirmed to Louis Grignon, number two. The deponent further states that Joseph Roi did abandon the tract, and told the deponent at the time he had given it to Gardapier; that the said Gardapier did enter upon and cut hay thereon for the period of seven or eight years, between eighteen hundred and nine and eighteen hundred and twenty, when he was compelled to abandon it in consequence of the depredations by public cattle; he knows that Gardapier has, ever since the reception of the property from Mr. Roi, supported him and his wife, and does at this time; and that he has never known any person to make a claim to it since the surrender until last summer, when he understood Judge Porlier had purchased Mr. Roi's right; and further, that he knows that the said Alexis Gardapier did remain neutral during the late war between the United States and Great Britain.

AMABLE ^{his} + NORMON.
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, at Green Bay, this 18th day of September, 1823.

ROBERT IRWIN, JR., *Justice of the Peace*.

DETROIT, November 1, 1823.

On consideration of the preceding testimony the commissioners decide that the tract claimed be confirmed to Alexis Gardapier, provided that the same shall not interfere with any confirmation heretofore made.

DETROIT, September 23, 1823.

SIR: I hereby enter my claim, agreeably to law, to a tract of land situated at Green Bay, in the county of Brown, containing in front forty arpents, and in depth eighty arpents, more or less, and being between the lands of Amable Derocher and those of Michael Dousman.

MICHAEL DOUSMAN.

JOHN BIDDLE, Esq., *Register of the Land Office at Detroit*.

On the 27th day of August, 1823, came before me, the undersigned justice of the peace at Michilimackinac, Francis Lewsenau, who, being duly sworn, saith that sometime previous to the year 1812 François Laventure was in possession of the lot or tract of land described in the attached or annexed notice; and also was in possession of the same July 1, 1812, and still is in possession of the same; that said François Laventure has a dwelling-house on said lot, and a considerable improvement made thereon

FRANCIS ^{his} + LEWSENAU.
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me.

W. HENRY PUTHUFF, *J. P. C. M.*

On the same day of August, in the year aforesaid, came also before me Peter Ozie, who, being duly sworn, saith that for sometime previous to the year 1812 François Laventure was in possession of the lot of land described in the annexed notice; and also was in the possession of the same July 1, 1812, and still is in possession, and has a dwelling-house, and a considerable improvement made thereon.

PETER ^{his} + OZIE.
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me.

W. HENRY PUTHUFF, *J. P. C. M.*

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

Personally appeared before me, John Dousman, a justice of the peace in and for the said county, Michael Dousman, of lawful age, who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say that in the month of September, in the year 1822, he, this deponent, was at Green Bay, in said Territory, at which time he saw in possession of Major Brevoort a plat of survey, made by Mr. Lee, of the land claims at said Green Bay, and on said plat of survey saw that a lot of land which lies at said place last mentioned, which is bounded on the upper side by land claimed by one Derocher, and on the lower side by land claimed by this deponent, (which said lot is claimed by Francis Laventure,) had been entered on said survey in the name of Louis Beaupraix; and further, that afterwards the said Louis Beaupraix, in a conversation which he, this deponent, had with the said Lewis, told this deponent that he, said Louis, had no claim whatever to said lot of land above mentioned; that the same had been sold by him, the said Louis, to the said Laventure for a valuable consideration sometime previous thereto; that he had received of him, the said Laventure, nearly all the purchase money for said land, and that the same ought to have been entered on the said survey in the name of said Francis Laventure. And further this deponent saith not.

MICHAEL DOUSMAN.

This indenture, made and concluded between Francis Laventure, of Green Bay, and Michael Dousman, of Michilimackinac, witnesseth: That the said Francis Laventure, for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars to him in hand well and truly paid, and the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,