

INFORMATION.

DISTRICT OF *Nanaimo* to wit:—The information and complaint of *William Biff* of *Nanaimo* in the District of *Nanaimo* taken this *27th* day of *February* in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ~~*fifty*~~ *sixty six* before me, *C. S. Nicol Esq* one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said District of *Nanaimo* who, being sworn upon

his oath, saith that *On Tuesday about 9 o'clock I left my house & locked the door. I returned about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. I found the window smashed in frame & all, I looked round the house & missed my jacket, my gun, gun boots, 2 tins of powder, 2 boxes of caps & a neck handkerchief, all worth 5 lbs of shot & 2 or 3 pairs of socks - I got a canon & went to Dalhousie, at 1 o'clock point, when I got there his woman told me she saw the prisoner go up round my house with a gun & ^{lights} jacket on, he returned with a field jacket in and two guns, I then came to Nanaimo & reported the matter to the Police. I was with Sergeant Blake the next day when he apprehended the prisoner, the articles taken from ^{him} I identify as my property*

William Biff
his + mark

Walter George Blake

sworn to before me the day & date above written

Charles Nicol



Deposition of Cecelia a Nauraius Cloakman

I know the prisoner Dick, two days ago in the afternoon I saw the prisoner Dick going in the direction of Mr. Diffs house, he had a light jacket on, a musket in his hand, he had not long boots on, a short time afterwards I saw him returning from the direction of Diffs house, he then had 2 muskets under his arm, he had on a dark thick coat & a pair of long gun boots on, the prisoner in the duck is the same I saw. I live on the point with Dollard, was at work being breakfast when I saw the prisoner pass along the beach. That evening Mr. Diffs came down & said his place had been robbed of a jacket gun boots gun &c. Mr. Diffs went over to Nauraius, the next morning, it was blowing very hard, I saw the prisoner in a canoe, it was full of water, just off the point, another Indian went in a canoe brought his canoe to our house, I saw the gun & gun boots in the prisoners canoe, he was in leisure - I told my father, who lives close by to fetch the gun boots & gun out of the canoe & fetch the prisoner up to the house, the gun & boots produced in Court are those taken out of the prisoners canoe, I then sent my father over to Nauraius to fetch Mr. Diffs & the policeman, they came & took the prisoner away with the gun & boots

Witness George Blake Cecelia next mark

I was to before me the day & date above written

Charles Stico (P.L.)



Deposition of George Blake

George Blake swor

states Yesterday morning
Mr. Diffs came & reported that his horse
had been robbed the day before of a gun, pair
of boots &c - I searched the different Indian
camps & for information received I suspected
the prisoner but could not find him, I found
a jacket in the possession a Seashell Indian
he said he had bought it of the prisoner Dick
& paid him a dollar & a half for it, Mr. Diffs
identified it as his property, I afterwards saw
the prisoner at such point at the mouth of
the harbor, he had a handkerchief on his head
& socks on his feet, which Mr. Diffs identified
as his, there was a gun & a pair of boots which
the last witness said she had had taken out
of a canoe in which the prisoner came there
the handkerchief socks gun &c produced in court
are those taken from the prisoner. The prison-
ers name is Dick & he belongs to the Nanaimo
tribe

George Blake

Sworn to before me the day & date above
written

Charles A. Shiel JP



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Separation



Colony of Vancouver Island
and its dependencies to wit

The Jurors for
our Lady The Queen
upon their Oath present That Dick
and Indian of the said Colony on
the first day of February in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and Sixty six at Nanaimo
in the Colony aforesaid One
jacket of the value of Ten Dollars
One Gun of the value of
Fifty Dollars One pair of
Gun boots of the value of
Ten Dollars Two Quis of
Gunpowder of the value of
Two Dollars Two boxes of Caps
of the value of Two Dollars
One Neck handkerchief of the
value of Two Dollars Three
pairs of Socks of the value
of One Dollar of the goods
and Chattels of one William
Byss in the dwellinghouse of
William Byss there situate
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such case made and provided
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