

GASPÉ OF YESTERDAY

THE SCHOONER "HARMONY" OF  
GASPÉ

A typical DEED OF ASSIGNMENT  
involving, in this case, the  
Gaspé Traders, George Boyle  
and William Miller.

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} 4 December 1827 } Assignm

Geo. Boyle and  
 W. Miller  
 To  
 H. Patten  
 and  
 R. Stewart —

On the Fourth Day of December  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand  
 eight hundred and twenty seven Before  
 us the undersigned Notaries Public duly  
 admitted and sworn for the Province of  
 Lower Canada and residing at the City of  
 Quebec in the said Province personally came  
 and appeared and were present George  
 Boyle of the place called Gaspe in the  
 District of Gaspe, Trader of the first part.  
 William Miller also of Gaspe aforesaid trader  
 of the second part. — and William Patten  
 and Robert Stewart of the City of Quebec  
 Merchants of the third part. — Which  
 said parties did promise covenant and  
 agree to and with the other of them in  
 manner following, that is to say, the said  
 William Miller for the causes and consi-  
 derations herein after mentioned and also  
 for the better consideration of five shillings

and running rigging, sail yards, anchors, cables, ropes, stores, tackle, apparel, boats, oars, furniture, and appurtenances, to the said schooner, or vessel belonging or in any wise appertaining; and all the right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of him the said William Miller of in, to, and out of the same and every part and parcel thereof without any exception or reserve whatsoever which said vessel hath been duly registered pursuant to the act of Parliament for that purpose made and passed, and a copy of the certificate of such Registry is as follows vizt.

Number two hundred & five  
Certificate of British Registry

This is to certify, that in pursuance of an act passed in the sixth year of the King of King George the Fourth, intituled, an act for the Registering of British vessels

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Governor



Edward Miller of Gaspe in the Province of Lower Canada Mariner having taken and subscribed the oath required by the said act, and having sworn that he together with William Miller also of Gaspe aforesaid Mariner are sole owners in the proportions specified on the Back hereof) of the ship or vessel called the Harmony of Gaspe which is of the burthen of Tons seven and 1/2 tons, and whereof Allan Pike is Master and that the said ship or vessel was built at Gaspe aforesaid in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty three as appears by a former Certificate of Registry No. 46 granted at this Port the 11<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1823 delivered up and cancelled and now registered de Novo in compliance with the act 6 Geo 4 C. 110 and Charles G. Stewart Surveying officer having certified to us that the said ship or vessel has one Deck and two Masts that her length from the fore part of the main beam to the after part

Administration  
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of the Stern Post aloft is Fifty one feet  
 her breadth at the broadest part taken  
 above the main Beams is Fourteen feet  
 eleven and a half inches her depth of  
 Hold is seven feet that she is Schooner  
 rigged with a Standing Bowsprit; is square  
 stemmed canal built; has no Galleries, and a  
 Billet Head, and the said subscribing  
 owners having consented and agreed to the  
 above description, and having caused suf-  
 ficient security to be given, as is required  
 by the said act, the said ship or vessel ca-  
 led the Harmony has been duly registered  
 at the Port of Quebec

Certified under our Hands, at the  
 Custom House, in the said Port of Quebec  
 this thirteenth day of November in the year  
 one thousand eight hundred and twenty  
 six.

Wm Perceval Collectr  
 & Exr Controller





To Have and To Hold the aforesaid  
 half or ~~thirty two~~ ~~sixty four~~ shares of the  
 aforesaid vessel tackle apparel and furniture  
 and all other the premises hereby bargain  
 and sold or intended so to be unto the  
 said William Patton and Robert Stewart  
 their executors administrators and assigns  
 in trust to save bear harmless and keep  
 indemnified the said William Patton  
 and Robert Stewart from the effects  
 their responsibility under a certain Bond  
 entered into by them with the  
 Sheriff of the District of Quebec for the  
 appearance of the said George Boyle in  
 the Court of Kings Bench aforesaid <sup>by</sup>  
~~and of the amount of the said George Boyle~~  
~~under a certain writ of capias against~~  
~~the said George Boyle and also against~~  
~~the said William Patton~~ bearing date the

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 reason of the  
 writ of the said  
 George Boyle by the  
 said Sheriff under  
 a certain writ of  
 in Lord the King  
 called a capias  
 d'respondendum

W. P.  
 C. S.



W.P.

R.S.

W.P. in lido.

# and at his suit against the said George Boyle and also against the said William Miller

twenty ninth day of November last issue out of the Court of Kings Bench for this District upon the Affidavit of Daniel

Ferguson of Quebec Merchant for the sum of ninety one pounds thirteen shillings and seven pence reference being had to the said Bail Bond will more fully appear

And the said William Miller

W. M.

G. B.

M.

R.S.

W.P. in lido.

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and George Boyle do further promise bind and oblige themselves jointly and severally solidement to save bear have help and help indemnified the said William Patton and Robert Stewart and their respective heirs and assigns from all molestations claims demands costs expenses damages and troubles whatsoever by reason of the responsibility of the said William Patton and Robert Stewart aforesaid.

And the said William Miller and George Boyle do hereby covenant



*General*

promise and agree to and with the said  
 William Patton and Robert Stewart, their  
 respective heirs executors, administrators  
 and assigns in manner following, that is  
 to say, that at the time of the sale and de-  
 livering of the <sup>aforsaid</sup> ~~half~~ <sup>half</sup> of the  
 Schooner or vessel tackle,  
 apparel, and furniture he the said William Melle  
 had in himself good rightful power and lawful  
 and absolute authority to grant, bargain, sell  
 assign and set over the same and every part  
 and parcel thereof, unto the said William Pat-  
 ton and Robert Stewart their Executors Admin-  
 istrators and assigns in manner aforsaid and that  
 the <sup>aforsaid</sup> ~~half~~ <sup>half</sup> of the said vessel and appurtenances now is and so from  
 henceforth shall be remain, and continue unto the  
 said William Patton and Robert Stewart their Ex-  
 ecutors, Administrators, and assigns free and clea-  
 and fully and clearly acquitted exonerated and  
 discharged of and from all and every former bo-  
 gains, sales, gifts, grants, titles debts, charges and  
 incumbrances whatsoever.

*aforsaid half of the said vessel and appurtenances now is and so from*  
*henceforth shall be remain, and continue unto the*  
*said William Patton and Robert Stewart their Ex-*  
*ecutors, Administrators, and assigns free and clea-*  
*and fully and clearly acquitted exonerated and*  
*discharged of and from all and every former bo-*  
*gains, sales, gifts, grants, titles debts, charges and*  
*incumbrances whatsoever.*

Thus Done and Passed in the sa-  
 city of Quebec at the office of L. J. Macpherson one  
 of us the said Notaries on the day and year  
 above written In Faith and Testimony whereof

the said parties have to these presents, just du  
read set and subscribed their respective names  
and signatures in the presence of us the said  
Notaries also hereunto subscribing.)

Three Marginal Note approved good  
~~Twenty eight~~ Word struck out are null

*Wm. H. Lindsey*  
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*Robt. Stewart*

*William Miller*

*Geo. Boyler*

*William Patton*

*Wm. H. Lindsey*