

Pond
Joseph Smith &
James Marshall
sum of \$18.00
for Riddles now
cleared of Mercator
& Greenock
20. May 1834

Received of the
Board's Command
20th 6. Aug 1834

Know all Men by these
George - Presents that we Joseph Smith of Puton
in the County of Halifax, and James Marshall
Master of the Brig "Mercurator", are held
and firmly bound unto John H. Bonar
Esquire Sub-Collector of His Majesty's Customs
of the Port of Puton and his Superiors in
office in the penal sum of Eighteen pounds
of lawful Money of Great Britain, for which
to be well and truly paid we bind our-
selves each and every of us, our heirs and
Executors and Administrators firmly by
these presents Sealed with our seals
20th this twentieth day of May A.D. 1834

The Condition of the above obli-
gation is such that, whereas the above bounden James
Marshall, Master of a certain Brig called the "Mercurator" of
Hull Glasgow now being in the Port of Puton aforesaid, hath
taken on Board the said Brig a quantity of Coal Puddles
towed, Six dozen, without obtaining the requisite
Cocket from the Collector at Greenock, Scotland, and by
so doing hath incurred a certain penalty, as well as
the forfeiture of the said Puddles, and whereas there is
reason to believe that the said James Marshall hath
violated the Laws in this behalf from inadvertency and
not with the design to deprive the Revenue, and
whereas the aforesaid Collector of Customs at the afore-
said Port of Puton, in his discretion hath deemed
it proper to offer no further detentions to the said
James Marshall, upon his becoming bound to
produce a Cocket for the aforesaid Puddles within
twelve months, if therefore the said Joseph Smith
and James Marshall their heirs, Executors, or Administrators
shall and do produce the aforesaid Cocket on or before
the twentieth day of May next, then this obligation
is to cease and be void, otherwise the same shall
be and continue in full force and virtue -

Signed and Sealed
in presence of
Robert Murray to S. M. Signatur
David A. Dickson to S. C.