

June 23, 1856

This agreement made this twenty third day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty six between Benjamin W. Perkins of Worcester in the State of Massachusetts of the first part and the Republic of Nicaragua by their agent E. A. Laine of the second part, witnesseth

That the said party of the first part in consideration of the agreement and covenants to be performed by the said party of the second part and of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid, both hereby agree to furnish to the said party of the second part at the City of New York on or before the twentieth day of October A.D. 1856 Five thousand Minnie Rifled Muskets of the quality and kind exhibited to and now in possession of A. Oakesmith and George B. Hall, each of the said Muskets to be furnished with one bayonet, firming wire, brush, wrench and screw, and to be boxed and packed in good shipping order, which said Muskets and accoutrements shall be inspected by some person appointed by the party of the second part if so desired.

which, inspection if had, shall commence on or before the first day of October next at Millbury in the State of Massachusetts and shall be completed on or before the eighteenth day of the same month.

And the said party of the second part in consideration thereof agree to pay to the said Benjamin W. Perkins the sum of nineteen dollars and twenty five cents for each and every Musket with accoutrements to be delivered as aforesaid as follows:

Viz: The sum of Five thousand dollars in cash on or before the twentieth day of October next when the said Muskets will be ready for delivery.

The sum of Twenty three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars in nine drafts to be drawn upon and accepted by the Intendente General or Treasurer of the Nicaraguan Government as follows, viz:

One for the sum of One thousand two hundred and fifty dollars payable 4 months after the date thereof.

One for the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars payable payable seven months after the date thereof.

One for the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars payable nine months after the date thereof.

One for the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars payable ten months after the date thereof.

One for the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars payable twelve months after the date thereof.

One for the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars payable fifteen months after the date thereof.

One for the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars payable sixteen months after the date thereof.

One for the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars payable seventeen months after the date thereof.

And the other for the sum of Five thousand dollars payable eight teen months after the date thereof.

which said drafts shall bear date the first day of November A.D. 1856 and shall be payable at the City of New York.

And the balance of the said Consideration money being the sum of Fifty seven thousand

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dollars shall be paid in bonds of the said Nicaraguan Government, which said bonds shall be drawn to become due within twenty years from the first day of November A.D. 1856 and shall bear interest at and after the rate of seven per centum per annum and shall be with the interest payable at the City of New York.

And it is further agreed by and between the parties to these presents that should the said party of the second part require five thousand additional muskets of the kind and quality aforesaid the said party of the first part doth hereby agree to furnish the same upon the same terms as hereinbefore mentioned upon being notified of the same in writing and being allowed time sufficient for the manufacturing thereof.

And it is further agreed between the parties hereto that the party who shall fail to perform this agreement on their part shall pay to the other the full sum of ten thousand dollars as liquidated, fixed and settled damages.

And the said F. A. Laine as agent of the Nicaraguan Gov-

ernment hereby agrees to the
foregoing terms and conditions
and binds his government firmly
to its faithful fulfillment
Signed, in the presence
of

Saml. E. Harris.
to
Geo. W. Hall

T. A. Laine
B. Perkins
T. A. L.



Benjamin W. Perkins

with

The Government of
Niagara

Agreement,

