## U.S. Customs and the San Juan Sheep War

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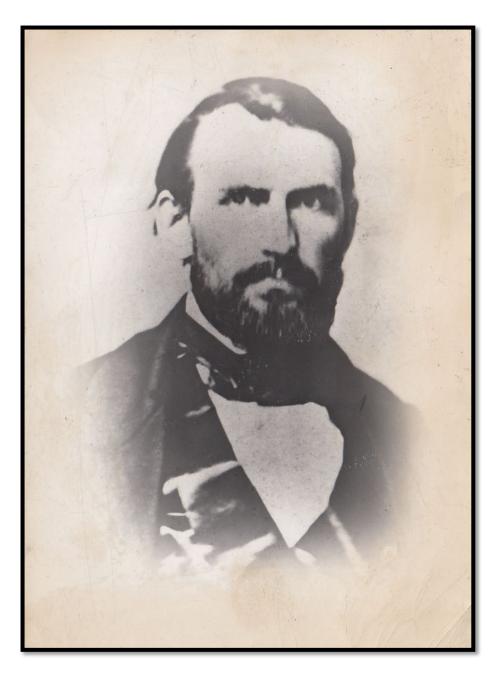


Figure 1: Isaac Ebey was the Collector of Customs at Port Townsend in the Washington Territory from 1853 to 1855. Ebey is credited with naming the city of Olympia and sponsoring the bill to name King County, Washington.

Source: National Customs Museum Foundation Archives.

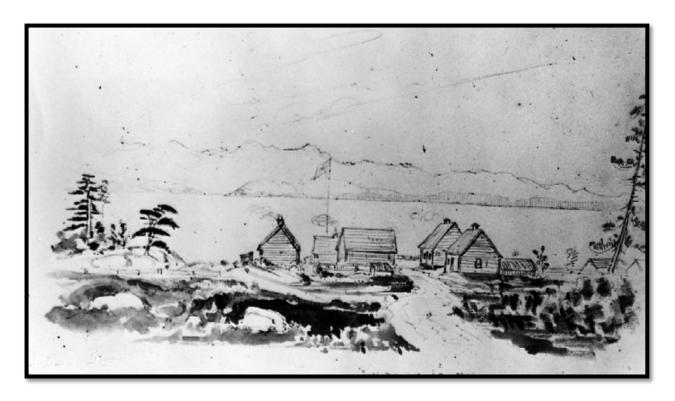


Figure 2: Belle Vue Sheep Farm on San Juan Island where the 1854 border dispute involving Collector Ebey, Inspector Webber and British officials occurred. It took eighteen additional years for the dispute to be settled in favor of the United States.

Source: National Park Service Website, <a href="https://www.nps.gov/places/1854-customs-conflict.htm">https://www.nps.gov/places/1854-customs-conflict.htm</a>.