

being taken as the date of confirmation for the requirements of the provisions of Article 1 of the Special Agreement.

I have, &c.,

P. C. KNOX

His Excellency the Right Honourable
JAMES BRYCE, O.M.,
Ambassador of Great Britain.

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*His Majesty's Ambassador to the Secretary of State of the
United States.*

BRITISH EMBASSY, WASHINGTON,
April 26, 1912.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note, dated to-day, in which you inform me that the United States Government confirms the Special Agreement and Schedule for the submission to arbitration of pecuniary claims outstanding between Great Britain and the United States, such confirmation being effected by exchange of notes, as provided by Article 10 of the Special Agreement, and being dated as of date of this my note in reply (*i.e.*, the 26th April), for the requirements of the provisions of Article 1.

I am authorised to inform the United States Government that His Majesty's Government are prepared on their part to confirm the Special Agreement and Schedule, and do hereby convey their confirmation thereof in acknowledgment of that contained in your note and pursuant to the provisions of Article 10.

His Majesty's Government further agrees with the United States Government that whenever the agents of the respective parties shall, prior to or during the progress of the proceedings, enter into an agreement in writing upon a rule or mode of procedure, such agreement shall have the force of an order of the arbitral tribunal, and shall, together with any proceedings taken pursuant thereto, be entered at the next succeeding session of