

which line denotes the termination of the boundary directed to be run by the VIth Article of the Treaty of Ghent.

And the said Commissioners do further decide and declare, that all the islands lying in the rivers, lakes and water communications, between the before described boundary line and the adjacent shores of Upper Canada do, and each of them does, belong to His Britannic Majesty, and that all the islands lying in the rivers, lakes, and water communications, between the said boundary line and the adjacent shores of the United States, or their territories, do, and each of them does, belong to the United States of America, in conformity with the true intent of the IIInd Article of the said Treaty of 1783, and of the VIth Article of the Treaty of Ghent.

In faith whereof, we, the Commissioners aforesaid, have signed this Declaration, and thereunto affixed our Seals.

Done in quadruplicate, at Utica, in the State of New York, in the United States of America, this 18th day of June, in the year of our Lord 1822.

(L.S.) ANTH. BARCLAY.

(L.S.) PETER B. PORTER

Commission under Article VII.—Boundary from Lake Huron to the Lake of the Woods.

The Commission met June 22, 1822, and, having disagreed, held their final meeting December 24, 1827. The boundary was settled by the Ashburton Treaty of 1842.

1817.

EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING THE NAVAL FORCE TO BE MAINTAINED ON THE GREAT LAKES, WASHINGTON, 28-29 APRIL, 1817.

From His Majesty's Minister at Washington to the United States Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, April 28, 1817.

The Undersigned, His Britannic Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, has the honour to