

Protocol No. 18.

Record of the Proceedings of the Fisheries Commission, at the Eighteenth Conference, held at Halifax, Nova Scotia, on the 17th day of August, 1877.

The Commission met at noon, as appointed.

The three Commissioners, and the Agents of the United States and of Great Britain respectively, were present.

By direction of the President, the Secretary read the records of the last Conference, which were approved, and signed by the Commissioners, the Secretary, and the Agents.

Captain E. Hardinge, C.B., R.N., Aide-de-camp to Her Majesty the Queen, was called, and gave evidence on oath on matters connected with the inquiry. (No. 21, *Appendix F.*)

The witness was examined by Mr. S. R. Thomson, and cross-examined by Mr. Foster.

Mr. John Nicholson, of Louisberg, Cape Breton, a fisherman, was next called, and gave evidence on oath on matters connected with the inquiry. (No. 22, *Appendix F.*)

The witness was examined by Mr. Doutre, and cross-examined by Mr. Dana.

Mr. John Maguire, of Steep Creek, Strait of Canso, a trader, was called, and gave evidence on oath on matters connected with the inquiry. (No. 23, *Appendix F.*)

The witness was examined by Mr. Weatherbe, and cross-examined by Mr. Foster.

Mr. Weatherbe then proceeded to read an affidavit made relative to the present inquiry by Mr. Peter Paint, Senior, of Port Hawkesbury. (No. 44, *Appendix G.*)

Mr. William Brown, of Port Medway, Nova Scotia, a fisherman, was next called, and gave evidence on oath on matters connected with the inquiry. (No. 24, *Appendix F.*)

The witness was examined by Mr. Davies. No cross-examination was desired.

Mr. Weatherbe then read affidavits made relative to the present inquiry by the following persons:—

Mr. George C. Lawrence, of Port Hastings, Nova Scotia. (No. 45, *Appendix G.*)

Mr. James B. Hadley, of Port Mulgrave, Nova Scotia. (No. 46, *Appendix G.*)

Mr. Michael Crispo, of Harbor-au-Bouche, Nova Scotia. (No. 47, *Appendix G.*)

The Commission adjourned at 4 p.m. till Monday, the 20th day of August, at noon.

(Signed) MAURICE DELFOSSE.
E. H. KELLOGG.
A. T. GALT.

(Signed) FRANCIS CLARE FORD.
DWIGHT FOSTER.

J. H. G. BERGNE.

Protocol No. 19.

Record of Proceedings of the Fisheries Commission, at the Nineteenth Conference, held at Halifax, Nova Scotia, on the 20th day of August, 1877.

The Commission met at noon, pursuant to adjournment.

The three Commissioners, and the Agents of the United States and of Great Britain respectively, were present.

By direction of the President, the Secretary read the records of the last Conference, which were approved, and signed by the Commissioners, the Secretary, and the Agents.