

ARTICLE 2.

Wrecking and Salvage.

The High Contracting Parties agree that vessels and wrecking appliances, either from the Dominion of Canada or from the United States, may salve any property wrecked and may render aid and assistance to any vessels wrecked, disabled or in distress in the waters or on the shores of the other country in that portion of the St. Lawrence River through which the International Boundary line extends, and, in Lake Ontario, Lake Erie, Lake St. Clair, Lake Huron, and Lake Superior, and in the Rivers Niagara, Detroit, St. Clair, and Ste. Marie, and the Canals at Sault Ste. Marie, and on the shores and in the waters of the other country along the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts within a distance of thirty miles from the International Boundary on such Coasts.

It is futher agreed that such reciprocal wrecking and salvage privileges shall include all necessary towing incident thereto, and that nothing in the Customs, Coasting or other laws or regulations of either country shall restrict in any manner the salving operations of such vessels or wrecking appliances.

Vessels from either country employed in salving in the waters of the other shall as soon as practicable afterwards make full report at the nearest custom house of the country in whose waters such salving takes place.

ARTICLE 3.

This Treaty shall remain in force for ten years after its date and thereafter until terminated by twelve months' written notice given by either High Contracting Party to the other.

ARTICLE 4.

This Treaty shall be ratified by His Britannic Majesty, and by the President of the United States of America, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof, and the ratifications shall be exchanged in Washington as soon as possible.

In faith whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed this Treaty in duplicate and have hereunto affixed their seals.

Done at Washington the eighteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight.

[L.S.] JAMES BRYCE.

[L.S.] ROBERT BACON.