

EXCHANGE OF NOTES.

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

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON,
April 26, 1912.

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the Senate, by its resolution of the 19th July, 1911, gave its advice and consent to the ratification of the Special Agreement between the United States and Great Britain, signed on the 18th August, 1910, for the submission to arbitration of outstanding pecuniary claims, and also to the ratification of the Schedule of Claims agreed to thereunder on the 6th July, 1911; and I am now prepared to proceed to the exchange of notes confirming this Special Agreement and Schedule of Claims, pursuant to the requirement of Article '10 of the Agreement, that it, and also any Schedules of Claims agreed upon thereunder, shall be binding only when confirmed by the two Governments by an exchange of notes.

As part of the confirmation of the aforesaid Special Agreement and Schedule of Claims, I have the honour to state further that, in order to facilitate the arbitral proceedings to be instituted pursuant thereto, the Government of the United States agrees with the Government of His Britannic Majesty 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 the arbitral tribunal upon its records as part of the proceedings before the tribunal.

I accordingly convey to you herewith the confirmation by the Government of the United States of the Special Agreement and Schedule, understanding that your Government is prepared to record its confirmation thereof similarly by a note in acknowledgment of this, the date of your note in acknowledgment