

be explained in a separate despatch, has not been specifically included in the terms of reference, but you will understand that if the United States' Plenipotentiaries should be authorized to discuss that subject it would come within the terms of the reference, and that you have full power and authority to treat for a settlement of the points involved, in any manner which may seem advisable, whether by a direct discussion at the present Conference or by a reference to a subsequent Conference to adjust that particular question.

If the Government of Newfoundland depute an Agent to attend at Washington during the Conference, you will avail yourselves of his advice and assistance in any matters concerning Newfoundland which may arise in the course of the discussions.

I am, &c.  
(Signed) SALISBURY.

**Inclosure in No. 35.**

*Full Powers to Mr. Chamberlain, Sir L. West, and Sir C. Tupper to negotiate, &c., on the North American Fisheries Conference, October 24, 1887.*

Victoria R. and I.,

Victoria, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India, &c. To all and singular to whom these presents shall come, greeting.

WHEREAS for the purpose of considering and adjusting in a friendly spirit with Plenipotentiaries to be appointed on the part of our good friends the United States of America, all or any questions relating to rights of fishery in the seas adjacent to British North America and Newfoundland which are in dispute between our Government and that of our said good friends, and any other questions which may arise which the respective Plenipotentiaries may be authorized by their Governments to consider and adjust, we have judged it expedient to invest fit persons with full power to conduct on our part the discussions in this behalf:

Know ye, therefore, that we, reposing especial trust and confidence in the wisdom, loyalty, diligence, and circumspection of our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Joseph Chamberlain, a member of our most Honourable Privy Council, and a Member of Parliament, &c., &c.; of our trusty and well-beloved The Honourable Sir Lionel Sackville Sackville West, Knight Commander of our most distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, our Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to our said good friends the United States of America, &c., &c., and of our trusty and well-beloved Sir Charles Tupper, Knight Grand Cross of our most distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of our most Honourable Order of the Bath, Minister of Finance of the Dominion of Canada, &c., &c.

Have named, made, constituted and appointed, as we do by these presents, name, make, constitute, and appoint them our undoubted Plenipotentiaries, giving to them or to any two of them all manner of power and authority to treat, adjust, and conclude with such Plenipotentiaries as may be vested with similar power and authority on the part of our good friends the United States of America, any Treaties, Conventions, or Agreements that may tend to the attainment of the above-mentioned end, and to sign for us and in our name everything so agreed upon, and concluded, and to do and transact all such other matters as may appertain to the finishing of the aforesaid work in as ample manner and form, and with equal force and efficacy as we ourselves could do if personally present:

Engaging and promising upon our Royal word that whatever things shall be so transacted and concluded by our said Plenipotentiaries shall be agreed to, acknowledged, and accepted by us in the fullest manner, and that we will never suffer, either in the whole, or in part, any person whatsoever, to infringe the same, or act contrary thereto, as far as it lies in our power.

In witness whereof we have caused the Great Seal of our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland to be affixed to these presents, which we have signed with our Royal hand.

Given at our Court at Balmoral, the 24th day of October, 1887, and in the fifty-first year of our reign.