

ARTICLE XXX.—Notice to Claimants of Amount found due.

Before the final adjudication of any claim, each claimant or his representative shall receive notice of the amount which the Commission shall have found due, upon the evidence before them, in order that, if such claimant or his agent should conceive that he is entitled to a different award, he or his agent may have an opportunity of stating the grounds upon which such an opinion on their part is founded. The Commission, after due consideration of such grounds, will give their final decision, and will direct their award to be prepared for delivery to the claimant.

ARTICLE XXXI.—Titulos.

A document or titulo will be delivered by the Commission to each claimant, payable to the claimant, or to his order, by such Financial Agent in London as Her Most Faithful Majesty may appoint; in which document the total amount awarded, and the interest which that amount bears, until paid, will be stated.

ARTICLE XXXII.—Minute of Award, and its Grounds.

A minute of the award and of its amount will be entered on the "minutes" of the Commission on the day it is given.

The "award" shall state the different amounts found due, and the grounds of each decision; such award, together with the claim and the various documents appertaining thereto, (or authenticated copies thereof,) made out in duplicate, will be preserved by each Commissioner, for the information of the British and Portuguese Governments.

ARTICLE XXXIII.—Proofs of Identity.

If the claimant be on the spot, he will be required to prove his identity; if he be an officer, by producing his commission, and by otherwise satisfying the Commissioners by such means as may seem to them in each case necessary. Petty officers and sailors, non-commissioned officers and privates, will be required to prove their identity by the presentation of their discharge, or by any other document or certificate of service which may be in their possession, and by a declaration made before a magistrate or justice of the peace, by some respectable householder established in London, attesting his personal knowledge of the claimant, and containing a description of the said claimant's person, (according to the form No. 2, which will be supplied at the office of the Commission on application,) and the Claimants will be required to give such further proof of their identity as the Commission may in each case deem necessary.

ARTICLE XXXIV.—If Absent.

If the claimant cannot appear in person before the Commission, his identity must be substantiated by a declaration to be made before a magistrate or justice of the peace, by two respectable householders resid-

ing in the same town or parish with the claimant; and by the certificate of the minister of the parish, or of some municipal or parochial authority of the district, within which the said claimant is residing, which certificate should state that the parties signing it know of their own knowledge that the person making such claim is the person whom he signs himself to be.

The forms containing the particulars referred to in these Articles, will be transmitted from the office to claimants upon application by letter.

ARTICLE XXXV.—Authentic Credentials to be produced by Heirs or Representatives, claiming under Probates of Wills, &c.

The heirs of British subjects who served in Her Most Faithful Majesty's army or navy will be required, if claiming under a will, to produce the probate of such will, or an authenticated copy of the probate; and, in case of intestacy, payment will be made to the personal representative, to whom letters of administration shall have been granted, and on whom the duty of distribution among the next of kin is imposed by such letters of administration.

ARTICLE XXXVI.—Authorities to Agents.

Agents or representatives of claimants must produce an explicit and formal written authority, according to the form No. 3, from the claimant, attested before a magistrate, and giving such agent the necessary powers. The agent will also be required to produce the evidence of identity of the party, indicated in Article XXXIII or XXXIV.

ARTICLE XXXVII.—Authorities given to two Agents by one Claimant.

If two such authorities to act for a claimant are presented by different parties, that bearing the latest date will be acted upon; and the representative, under the former authority, will be made acquainted with the presentation of the more recent authority. A claimant, in person, will take precedence of any party to whom he may have given a power of attorney or other written authority, provided he delivers to the Commission a formal and attested revocation of such power previously given by him to another person, according to the form No. 4.

ARTICLE XXXVIII.—Legal Questions to be referred to the Law Officers.

In the event of any legal question arising in reference to the foregoing points, such question will be referred to the decision of the Law Officers of the Crown.

(Signed) PALMERSTON. (L.S.)
TORRE DE MONCORVO. (L.S.)

London, June 22, 1841.