consideration and decision, be allowed a term of one year from the date on which it shall declare itself validly constituted. When this term shall have expired the Tribunal shall have power to prolong its existence for a further period, which may not exceed six months, in case the illness or temporary incapacity of any of its members, or any other event of acknowledged gravity, may have prevented it from fulfilling the duties intrusted to it within the term fixed under the first paragraph of this Article.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

Each of the Contracting Governments shall bear the expenses of its own proceedings and the remuneration of its own Agents and Counsel.

The payment of salaries to the members of the Tribunal shall commence only from the date of

the commencement of their duties.

Expenses involved by the creation of the Tribunal, the remuneration of its members, the salaries of the secretaries, reporters, and other officials, and all other expenses and costs of the services rendered to both parties, shall be defrayed in moieties by the two Governments; but if any sums of money are awarded to the claimants there shall be deducted therefrom the above-mentioned common expenses and costs, in so far as they shall not exceed 6 per cent. of the total amounts to be paid by the Chilean Treasury on account of such claims respectively as may be admitted.

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Sums awarded by the Tribunal to claimants shall be paid by the Government of Chile to the Government of Her Britannic Majesty through Her Majesty's Legation at Santiago, or through any person designated for the purpose by Her Majesty, within the term of one year from the date on which judgment on any claim shall have been given, but no interest shall during such time

accrue to the successful claimant.

The Government of Chile will deduct from any sums paid by them in satisfaction of claims submitted to the Tribunal, whether paid by order of the Tribunal or by private arrangement, the amounts stipulated in the third paragraph of this Article, such amounts to be retained and applied towards payment of the common expenses of arbitration.

# ARTICLE IX.

The High Contracting Parties bind themselves to consider the decisions of the Tribunal established by the present Convention as affording a satisfactory, complete, and irrevocable settlement of the difficulties which it is proposed to abrogate, and to agree that all claims of subjects of Her Britannic Majesty presented, or omitted to be presented, under the conditions laid down in the preceding Articles, shall equally be held to be finally decided, and to have been the subject of a judgment, in such a manner that for no cause or pretext can such claims ever again be examined or discussed.

### ARTICLE X.

If the High Contracting Parties do not agree respecting the nomination of an Umpire, His Majesty the King of the Belgians shall be requested to name one, and in that case the period within which the Tribunal shall commence its labours shall be six months from the date of the exchange of the ratifications of this Convention.

### ARTICLE XI.

The present Convention shall be ratified by the High Contracting Parties, and the ratifications shall be exchanged at Santiago.

And whereas the Ratifications of the said Conventions were exchanged at Santiago on the 24th of April, 1894:

Notice is hereby given that the aforesaid Tribunal of Arbitration will sit at Santiago on or about the 24th of October next, and that the claims of British Subjects arising out of the said Civil War must be lodged at the British Legation at Santiago within six months of the date of the First Meeting of the Tribunal of Arbitration.

War Office, September 25, 1894.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to confer the Volunteer Officers' Decoration upon the undermentioned Officers of the Volunteer Force, who have been duly recommended for the same under the terms of the Royal Warrant, dated 25th July, 1892:—

## NORTH-EASTERN DISTRICT.

ARTILLERY.

2nd Durham (Seaham) (Western Division, Royal Artillery).

Captain and Honorary Major F. S. Panton. Captain and Honorary Major Gerald L. F. Bernard.

1st West Riding of Yorkshire (Western Division, Royal Artillery).

Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Hubert J. Cundy.

RIFLE.

3rd Volunteer Battalion, The Northumberland Fusiliers.

Acting Chaplain the Reverend Henry Martin.

1st Nottinghamshire (Robin Hood).
Captain and Honorary Major Herbert Walker.

1st Volunteer Battalion, The Durham Light Infantry.

Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Ropner.

5th Volunteer Battalion, The Durham Light Infantry.

Captain and Honorary Major William Brewis M'Queen.

## WESTERN DISTRICT.

ARTILLERY.

1st Glamorganshire.

Captain and Honorary Major William Jones.

Engineer.

Fortress and Railway Forces.

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

1st Gloucestershire.

Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Samuel Smith. Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Douglas J. Dutton.

RIFLE.

2nd Volunteer Battalion, The Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry.

Lieutenant Roger Kendall.

## SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

ARTILLERY.

2nd Hampshire (Southern Division, Royal Artillery).

Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Charles L. Reynolds.

# THAMES DISTRICT.

ARTILLERY.

2nd Kent.

Surgeon-Major Frank Smith, M.D.

# HOME DISTRICT.

ARTILLERY.

2nd Middlesex.

Captoin and Honorary Major David Parry Williams, retired.