

## PROTOCOL No. 6.

MEETING OF MARCH 26, 1882.

Present:

For Japan,  
Mr. Inouye and Mr. Shioda;

For Austria-Hungary,  
The Chevalier Hoffer von Hoffenfels;

For Belgium,  
Mr. Scribe;

For France,  
Mr. Guillaume de Roquette;

For Germany and Switzerland,  
Mr. von Eisendecker, and as Second Delegate for Germany, Mr. Zappe;

For Great Britain,  
Sir Harry S. Parkes;

For Italy,  
The Chevalier E. Martin Lanciarez;

For the Netherlands, for Sweden and Norway and for Denmark,  
Mr. van der Pot;

For Russia,  
Baron Rosen;

For Spain,  
The Chevalier Don Luis del Castillo y Trigueros;

For the United States,  
The Honourable John, A. Bingham.

Sir Harry Parkes, speaking on the part of his Colleagues the Foreign Delegates, begged to welcome the Minister of the United States and to assure him of the pleasure it afforded them to see him join their number, not only on account of the high regard which they entertained for him personally, but also because his presence denoted, as they believed, the friendly desire of his Government to act in concert with the Powers they had the honour to represent, in carrying out the objects of the Conference, namely to endeavour to frame a basis for the revision of the existing Treaties with Japan which should be satisfactory to all the parties concerned.

Mr. Bingham stated that upon the invitation of His Excellency Mr. Inouye he appeared in the Conference, having been authorized by the Government of the United States, to attend upon such invitation, and participate in the deliberations of the Conference, but in no wise to thereby commit the Government of the United States to any action that may be taken.

Protocol No. 5 was signed.

The President laid before the Conference a Memorandum concerning the proposed Tariff, copies of which had been furnished to the Delegates of the Treaty Powers at the preceding meeting. This memorandum is annexed to the present Protocol.

It was agreed that the subjects to be considered at the ensuing meeting should be the Tariff, or in case the Delegates of the Treaty Powers should not be prepared to continue its discussion, then the question of Harbour Light and Tonnage Dues (Group VIII) and the provision to be made by the Treaty Powers for the offence of joining in war, insurrection or rebellion against the Emperor of Japan, already referred to in Protocol No. 5.

The meeting separated at a quarter to six.

## REMARKS

ON

## THE DRAFT TARIFF.