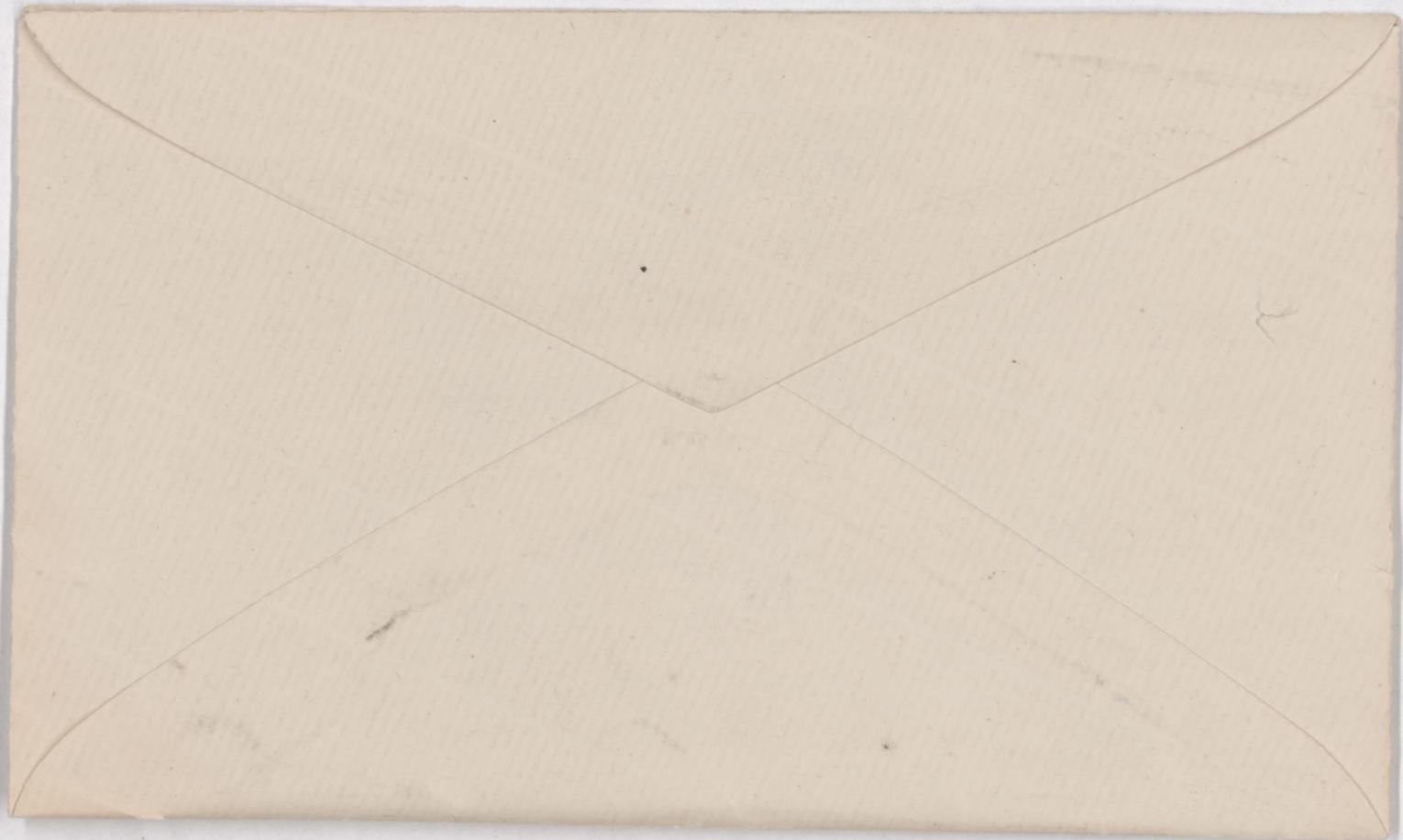


GEOLOGICAL SURVEY DEPARTMENT,

OTTAWA.

*Cards. Behring Sea et.*



Gov. Gen. of Eastern Siberia.

Zabozoffka

ask for reports of Mr N. ~~Grebinsky~~

& Mr Veloschinoff, or

Commander Silander.

or ask from minutes of Domains  
St Petersburg.

L. L. Tanner,

Lieut. Commander,

Commanding

U. S. F. C. St. "Albatross," U. S. Navy.

George C. Reiter.

Commander U. S. Navy.

Sumner of Alaska notes  
for any reports of Geol. Surv.  
Can. for the Historical  
Society, just started, to  
be sent to his address.

Send any etc. publs to Sumner,  
Sitka; might send B. Olsen,  
reports.

Sep. 30. 91

Felix Jacabson  
Post Esington  
Ble

Collecting History of Indians'  
Indian Curios etc. was some years  
at Bella Conda at this work.  
will write if he sets anything to sell.

Capt. M. A. Healey  
U.S. Revenue Cutter Bear

(write Simpson his how the  
walrus skin turns out)

Mr. Rudolph Neumann

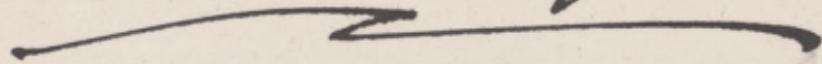
c/o A.C. Co.

31 Sanson St.

San Francisco.

Send some photos. Sq of Unalakleet,  
Alton or Atka.

Wm S. Rusk



US Dist Judge

Wm S. Rusk

For photos. particularly that  
in which he appears, at  
St Pauls.

Col. Milton Barnes

St Paul Island

Alaska.

U.S. Treasury }  
Agent. }

Col Joseph Murray  
Bot 20.1  
Fort Collins  
Colorado

For photos & negatives taken  
at El Paso for him.

Commander John Leslie Burr R.N.

H.M.S. Porpoise

Hong Kong.

For anything in feeling questions  
& particularly reply to Comms.

On this. Promised to send some  
photos. also.

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Chuschay

8/11

Ispravnik, Mr Peter  
Prokopetch Homiakoff  
Petropaulovsko.

Julius Lindquist.  
c/o Alaska Com. Comp.

310 Sansome Sts.

San Francisco.

over

Pronunciation of sound a photo. of  
Petro Porokly

of 2

Geo. R. Tugle  
929 1/2 N. Y. Ave.  
Washington  
D.C.

Send Bishop Ridley

Boos B. Anson. Reports

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Rev. Mr. Keen. Waret.  
Would be doubt appreciate any Folliculus de.  
Is studying Haida Language.  
a Wolpertit.

Nicolai Grebnitzky  
Administrator of Commander  
Islands.

Behring Island  
via Pladivortock

Copies of reports etc any other  
having on western regions, in  
acknowledgment of donations.

Premia of the New  
lookkins are photos. of  
interest particularly in  
connection with the dog on  
Copper S.

Mr B. J. Watkins, R.N.

H.M.S. "Porpoise" Hong Kong

Mr Sindguit - Los Prunias &  
Sena via San Francisco via  
Autumn a Wolrus skull. C.O.D.

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Prunias to send him a photo  
of Petropaulovski or other photo,  
which may be of interest.

Julius Lindquist, Petropavlovsk  
c/o Alaska Comm. Comp.

ovg. San. Francisco  
310. Sansome Street.

Stamps.

Probably necessary  
to be very wary  
of Court.

agreement of principles  
rights

W.S. is not working up  
case last summer while  
we have been idle.

We have been peering for  
settlement; are we now to  
bold back,

Anxiety to fix on ground  
shows that W.S. considers  
interpretation not to be settled  
etc. etc.

Necessary to take  
a position or  
assume a policy &  
act up to it.

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Wishes to maintain  
B.C. live ~~you~~ on a wof  
if not prepared to  
make protest against  
encroachment ~~or~~ beyond it

---

Responing present ventures  
should decide on cooperation  
or otherwise & reply  
accordingly.

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Impolicy of refusing  
wof etc which may  
be done without any  
harm.

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? about copy of my  
letter to Doll.

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In what does it-  
working, by means of  
in amplifiers, as we  
found at our ideas of  
boundary

---

Dele has since been  
in London probably  
working for core.

---

We should contact similar  
experiences & discuss  
that on the ground we  
should be already as  
in information

---

Concern of opinion as  
between self & Dale  
on certain facts should  
under it possible to take  
action on these

---

Decide whether or not  
cooperate with U.S. Surveyors,  
& authors, Colonna etc,  
~~if not~~

If not decide whether any  
independent work & if so  
what

Decide on Content temp  
boundary, & if possible  
publish same.

Decide what if any action  
to be taken to protect against  
encroachments & establishment  
of prescriptive claims.

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Buyers or no formal  
refunding on my part for  
what done

Bdy. Sep. 15. 92.

My connection with B.S. grew  
out of work done in connection  
with Boundary & study &  
familiarity with history & documents.

Have advanced no claim.

No interest. So far from obtaining  
anything out of work already done  
on this a B.S. question are  
actually out of pocket.

Am anxious only that it shall be  
done in the best way possible  
& that in this last chance of  
Securing in Boundary matters  
we may score

See ~~some~~ <sup>particular</sup> ~~particular~~ of 87th the matter  
fully discussed by me with  
Sir J. Wedderburn & Sir C. Lister  
as well as with Mr White

Has Mr Dewdney the correspondence  
wops etc which ~~was~~ grew  
out of & were prepared on  
that occasion. Wops were  
handed to Sir C. Lister, &  
various private reports etc  
made to him at the time.

Have not been informed  
 of any of the later proceedings  
 or of the Deful made by King  
 last Autumn etc

I therefore speak without book, but  
 Walter seems to consist of two  
 distinct parts. One rather  
 diplomatic & largely legal, probably  
 involving in the end the  
 preparation of a Case for seven  
 arbitrators - all which should  
 be attended to under the direct  
 control of the Govt.

The other regarding the actual  
 delimitation & surveys on the  
 ground.

The former involves all  
 the same documents with  
 those in the B.S. Walter.

Anxious to make the facts  
 we have obtained available,

Bearings of B.S. work upon  
 it - a necessity of preparation  
 take all light got - now can  
 be thrown upon it.

Secrecy program in H.S.  
 Cases & possible bearing of on  
 the body, case.

Russian authorities, Benicsson.  
 Berg ~~or~~ Zilkwanoff etc  
 to be searched.  
 Maps to be looked up, obtained  
 or copied

Wendobles probable proceedings  
 at meetings & our experience of  
 him

To stipulate obvius for  
 minutes of meetings which  
 may eventually be employed etc



1. Propriety of accepting the invitation for cooperation no formal action to be taken under.
2. Propriety of that form answers to the proposition
- B. Necessity of immediate action in the matter
4. If cooperation should it be general or only in part?
5. Bearings as regards method of work that is desirable.
6. Bearings as regards cost strip. take an account of this
7. A plan with regard to hydrographical survey about southern part of cost strip.  
to exist in cost maps & transport



By home of beaver, hunted by bear  
Of whom the mountain Eagle sings  
Upon the Keen & <sup>silent</sup> lonely air  
That sweeps beneath its beating wings.

English Lakes. Hills

Geog. Journal. July 95-  
p. 53. Blanket of sediment  
conceals all original form  
of bottom?

Memo. of Leps. & note books  
bearing on Nicola - Coldwater, Col

1877. no 5. pp. 16-31

" 7 " 66.

" 8 " 76.

1888. " 1 " 33

1889. " 4 " 33

Specimens 1877 42-45-

1888 91-95-

1889 145-148

1888 no 90 - 2 specimens  
Coldwater R.

The diplomatic errors.

1. In allowing the fishermen of rights & regulations to the limited
2. In admitting that Arbitrators had any right to regulate outside area in dispute - i.e. Behring sea.

This should have been well with protest from the outset

It was argued half-heartedly.

At first meeting of arbitrators after Proceedings are Hadam practically announced that he would break off arbitration if it were not admitted the right to regulate west of B.S.

Since the award the U.S. has devoted to the old game of bluff endeavoring to deprive Sealers of any practical advantage left them under the regulations by forcing G.M. to render the act lower string ent than the award requires.

While there may be an  
objection to a doctrine purely  
the fact that the arbitrator was  
not empowered so far as to  
make satisfactory regulations for  
the trade in and are excluded  
from their territories, if we strenuously  
maintain that the ~~the~~ high seas  
beyond Bering Sea were equally  
excluded, we can find many  
late statements by us that regulations  
could not be efficient without  
inclusion of this area.  
We will thus be in a position  
to say that with previous <sup>agreed</sup> ~~affairs~~  
the power of arbitrator is  
too limited to do what  
is required.

What the U.S. written argument  
will consist of probably. —  
Slight treatment of all legal &  
jurisdictional questions, in which  
we will be made to Core etc  
& to further oral argument on  
special points.

Forceful assertion of extreme powers  
of arbitrators with respect to regulations  
& attempt to support this in detail.

Lengthy treatment of sed-life  
points, largely in rebuttal to our  
Counter-Core.

As to points to be referred on  
part of the U.S. & our responsibilities  
for them by others?

copied as

~~Refered to~~ full of

and. Care of J. 141.

See Fashling of  
Rommus in  
translates me in  
Russian text

—  
written notes  
simultaneous as  
seals gilly w food  
and islands

—  
on way river  
letter by vis. of  
our student is to  
walk of proposition.

us. may come to Conference with protests, knowing  
that they will be overruled, but wishing to have  
presumption of next voting in their favor.  
Should we have protests ready if needed?

As to the confidential character of our report  
when CC. landed in. Suggest same to  
Victorians & arranging to give Elliott a copy.

Fortes. Letter of Jan 19. 93. states —  
"Sequel shows that no joint investigation  
ever took place"

As to our insistence on  
right to produce further evidence.  
May it not be better not to  
insist on this. We may in  
consequence be swamped by  
further vis. evidence.

Seal life subjects relate both to Inst. 5-  
a to Inst VIII. They occupy greater  
part of us. Core & Corolla Core.  
Points bearing on two questions cannot  
be completely separated.  
Can we omit all treatment of  
these points in written argument?  
The greater part of us. written argument will  
probably be devoted to these subjects.

— Criticism of evidence, when a law  
— Criticism of conclusions, when a law

Point out in argument, but  
conspicuously true of us. Conclusions  
of fact, such as that relating  
to seals lost by sinking, have  
been swept away. That others,  
if they may be impossible  
to deal with in this manner,  
become so entangled in their  
character?

insert  
p. 7

This article  
will also be  
briefly dealt  
with, although  
the main argument

on this part of the  
case cannot be  
formed  
be formed

The subject of article VII. is as follows

Respecting article VII, which relates to  
concurrent regulations for the protection &  
preservation of the fur-seals, the Commission  
of which is defendant on the decision arrived  
at on the points ~~submitted~~ in the preceding  
article, ~~was submitted~~ it is submitted:

<sup>while</sup> ~~that~~ the questions now at issue between  
Great Britain & the United States have arisen  
~~from the sea~~ in consequence of the 'signatures' of  
British vessels, already referred to, Great  
Britain has not opposed & is not opposed to any  
such protective or precautionary regulations of an  
equitable kind for the fur-seal fishery, as may be  
found to be necessary & compatible with international  
rights. Her subjects are in fact largely interested  
in the continued preservation of the particular fishery  
involved, & though the complaints which have so far  
been made of deterioration & decrease in this  
fishery have originated from the lessees of certain  
privileges on the breeding islands of the fur-seals

under the territorial jurisdiction of the United States and from her subjects who are engaged in the prosecution of the seal fishing at sea, any such deterioration or decrease must have taken place (from the known habits of the fur seal) to be considered as a matter of concern by Great-Britain, & one in which she has some claim ~~to be heard~~ to interpose.

Outline of Position

When, in 1821, Russia in the terms of the Ukase of that date, advanced claims to ~~the~~ <sup>control</sup> a considerable portion of the Pacific ocean as a mare clausum, the practice of nations & the generally admitted rights upon the high seas, were already entirely opposed to any such claim or to exclusion or exceptional rights of the kind embodied in or implied by it: (Quote authorities?)

There were, even at that date, ~~no~~ <sup>scarcely</sup> precedents or circumstances which could be advanced as sufficient or valid grounds for the claims made; & ~~moreover, an objection from the enjoyment of such~~ ~~the rights denied by the Ukase, on the part of any Power, could effect the inherent force of such rights, which are in their nature inprescriptible.~~

~~This ground was taken by Great Britain & the United States in opposition to the Ukase~~

The claims then  
ceded and were  
opposed  
A position in  
opposition to

at the time of its promulgation, &  
 & in the face of the opposition ~~on this point~~, Russia ~~then~~ abandoned the  
 pretensions which were embodied in the  
 obnoxious treaties, <sup>such</sup> ~~the~~ abandonment  
 being commensurate with the claim <sup>made</sup> advanced.

in so far as these  
 exceeded the  
 ordinary territorial  
 jurisdiction

On the part of Great Britain the same ground is  
 taken & maintained today, against the  
 revival of the claims made in the treaty  
 of 1821, & against any part or consequence  
 of these claims. The arguments originally  
 employed by the U.S. & Great Britain in  
 protesting against the usurpation of Russia  
 still apply with equal force. - They have  
~~however acquired~~ ~~been~~ ~~a~~ ~~greater~~ ~~validity~~  
~~than they had possessed in 1821,~~ the view of  
 the continued practice of nations & concurrent  
 growth of the principles of international law  
 since that time, they have ~~been~~ if possible  
 It is submitted, that the U.S., under changed  
 circumstances of territorial ownership, ~~has~~

greater weight  
 now than in the year 1821

has abandoned the correct & uncompromising attitude assumed in face of the treaty of 1821, <sup>has since 1886</sup> & <sup>directly or by implication</sup> ~~has~~ <sup>has</sup> resorted to a ~~has~~ <sup>has</sup> adopted some part of these claims as a ~~crux~~ <sup>crux</sup> basis for some special privileges or control over a portion of the waters included under the treaty of 1821, of which they "could admit no part" at that date.

This new position on the part of the U.S. is not held on the broad & unmistakable grounds originally assumed by Russia. It is ~~not~~ <sup>not</sup> underpinned by sufficient or narrower & qualified arguments, but none the less involves the original claim. ~~Amongst the arguments advanced are the following~~

It is for instance contended by the United States, that some part of the original claim was not abandoned by Russia, because omitted in the enumeration of points contained in the Comanches of 1824 & 1825; that non-use by

& again

still further

4  
Other notions is sufficient to invalidate  
general rights while these notions in common  
with others would otherwise have been possessed;  
that some special rights <sup>pertain</sup> relating to a  
particular fishery have subsisted or may be  
~~claimed~~ <sup>now</sup> ~~claimed~~ while those relating to other fisheries  
or to navigation generally remain <sup>subject</sup> ~~subject~~ only  
to the general law of nations.

It is submitted that the position consistently  
maintained by Great Britain ~~with~~ <sup>from</sup> the  
past, with regard to these pretensions of control  
over non-territorial waters, is correct, & that  
the principles upon which it rests are in themselves  
conclusive. But notwithstanding, & for the purpose of  
showing that even the subsidiary points which  
appear to be relied on, & have been advanced by  
the U.S., are untenable, it is proposed to meet  
these points severally & to show that they are not  
only unwarranted in principle but that they are  
not borne out by historical & other known  
facts.

(1.)  
See a case such as that in which we  
maintain that Powers of arbitrators for  
regulations are confined to Bering Sea, where  
the actual words leave some doubt, everything  
depends on taking the initiative. The  
British being good enough, by taking the initiative  
& asserting our views every advantage is to be  
gained. If opposed, our arguments have to  
attack a position already fortified. We have clearly  
expressed the view in our Circulars, that regulations  
can not extend beyond Bering Sea or the area in  
dispute. See to our the vis. with Bales a protest  
against this <sup>view</sup> of the fixing of the arbitrators. If we  
can first lodge a protest in our own papers,  
it must be purely to our advantage. Any protest

they may then make will ought in the nature (2  
of a rejoinder.

The function of the process of the Arbitrator is not  
one for their own decision. To leave such a  
question to be argued before the arbitrator is  
practically to give it up.

Copies of  
Report sent  
to  
from 30.

<sup>quoted</sup>  
~~Naturalists referred to in~~  
~~Case of us~~

Naturalists from whom letters &  
Communications published by us...

Prof. J. H. Huxley L.S.D., F.R.S. etc  
address?

Dr. P. L. Sclater Ph.D., F.R.S.  
3 Hanover Square W.

Letter in reply to Dr. Verriani's Circular.  
M. le docteur Alphonse Milne Edwards

Prof. Alfred Rehnig

Dr. Gustave Hartlaub

Prof. Rob. Colett

Prof. Count Tommaso Salvadori

Dr. Leopold von Schrenck.

Dr. Henry W. Giglioli

Dr. Raphael Blanchard.

Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Lilljeborg

Baron Adolf. E. Nordenskiöld

Dr. A. Th. von Middendorf

Dr. Emil Holub.

Names of persons supplying important  
evidence in Mr. Currier's Report, or  
in connection with the Currier Case.

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New Zealand

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Sir Wm. Flower K.C.B., F.R.S.  
British Museum  
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A. R. Milne Esq  
Collector of Customs  
Victoria  
British Columbia  
Canada.

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Capt. C. H. Jackson  
Govt. agent in charge of Seal &  
Seal Islands  
Cape Town  
Cape Colony.

Capt. J. L. Burr R.M.

H.M.S. Porpoise

China Station

Capt. A. A. Chase Parr R.M.

H.M.S. Porpoise

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Canada

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Mr de Bunsen

Secretary H.M.S. Station

Tokio

Japan

X Mr N. Grebnitzky

Behring Island

via Vladavostok

X Mr Constantin Grunwaldt

Russian Seolikin Co.

Behring Island

via Vladavostok

X Note. These gentlemen are now on their way to  
Commander islands <sup>furthest</sup> to investigate condition  
of seals in Russian Govt. They have asked  
for copies, but I do not know in what  
way they had better be sent & if sent to Vladivostok  
by what route they should pass. Probably via Japan.

Thalichthys Pacificus, Eschschsch

"Oregon to Alaska, ascending  
the river in enormous quantities  
in spring." p. 292.

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Osmerus thalichthys <sup>Suelt.</sup> ~~by no~~

"Pacific Coast from San  
Francisco northward" <sup>rather common</sup> p. 293.

O. attenuatus. "Very close to O.  
thalichthys, but probably distinct,  
Coast of California."

Hypomesus pretiosus. Suelt.

Pacific Coast from California  
northward; abundant. p. 294

Clupea mirabilis, California  
Herrig,

Pacific Coast of North America,  
abundant. p. 265

C. sagax. California Sardine

Pacific Coast of North America  
Very abundant. p. 265

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"Synopsis of the Fishes of North  
America" by David S. Jordan  
and Charles H. Gilbert, Bulletin  
of the U. S. Nat. ~~Museum~~ ~~Museum~~  
~~the~~ No. 16. 1883.

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Col. List, Journals Sent Off.

See S. B-P.

B. J. a. Bell

Ed. Colonist

See D. Smith

J. G. Shoups

W. C. Van Horn

R. Dawn.

Selwyn

Harrington

W. B. Dawson

Mrs Atkin

Ed. Times. Wilson N.C.

Hon. F. G. Vernon.

Col. Sent.  
paper  
Sent-t.

*[Faint, mirrored handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page]*

List of Publications Collected  
on Fur Seal matter, May 90

- ✓ H. American Primipedes, Allen, U.S. Geol. Survey, 1880. Misc. pub.
- ✓ Report on Cruise of Harwin, 1881. "U.S. pamphlets" vol. 25-
- ✓ On the Tared Seals, Allen & Bryant, Biol. Mus. Comp. Zool. vol II. no 1.
- ✓ Bancroft's works vol 33
- ✓ Our Arctic Primaries, Elliott, Report on Alaska, Harris, Washington, Govt.
- ✓ Elliott on Fur seals, U.S. Census vol. 8.
- ✓ Contributions to the Hist. of Alaska, Turner, (Arctic pub. of Signal Service) Challenger vol. 26, Seals.
- ✓ Ice & Ice-currents in Bering sea, Linnæus, U.S. Hydrographic office. no 92, 1890
- ✓ Natural History of Victoria by F. Mac Coy Decade VIII. Figures of seals & some sp. of fish, & description of N. Zealand Seals

the draining

List of publications  
on sewerage  
water.

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Wharton 25 June 91. (Verbatim extract)

" It being understood that an arrangement for a  
" Joint Commission is to be made contemporaneously  
" with the conclusion of the treaty of arbitration, I am directed  
" by the President to propose the following separate  
" agreement. —

" Each government shall appoint two Commissioners to  
" investigate conjointly with the Commissioners of the  
" other government all the facts bearing relation to seal-  
" life in Behring Sea & the measures necessary for  
" its proper protection & preservation. The four  
" Commissioners shall, so far as they may be able to  
" agree, make a joint report to each of the two  
" governments, & they shall also report, either jointly  
" or severally, to each government upon any point  
" upon which they may be unable to agree. These  
" reports shall not be made public until they shall be  
" submitted to the Arbitrators or it shall appear that  
" the contingency of their being used by the Arbitrators  
" can not arise

Herbottan extract from Wharton's letter of 25 June 91.

Arbitration clause bearing on locum.

" (6.) If the determination of the foregoing ~~locum~~ questions  
" as to the exclusive jurisdiction of the U.S. shall cover  
" the subject in such position that the concurrence of  
" Great Britain is necessary to the establishment of  
" regulations for the proper protection & the preservation  
" of the fur-seal in or about wholly reaching to behind  
" sea, the arbitrators shall then determine what  
" concurrent regulations outside the jurisdictional  
" limits of the respective governments are necessary  
" & over what waters such regulations should extend;  
" & to aid them in that determination the report of  
" the Joint Commission, to be appointed by the  
" respective governments, shall be laid before them,  
" with such other evidence as either government  
" may submit. The Contracting Parties furthermore  
" agree to cooperate in securing the adherence of  
" other Powers to such regulations.

Copy of  
Weems. Seal B  
Hon. Mr. Tappan  
Ap. 2.92

Memorandum on Further Evidence  
to be obtained for Behring Sea Arbitration.

The arrangement laid down in connection with the Arbitration, allows three months for the presentation of the cases and three additional months for counter cases, with a possible further extension of sixty days. Thus cases may be handed in before the end of June, counter cases before the end of September, but probably not in complete form till the end of November.

In 1891 the British Commissioners made a full investigation of seal life and of the sealing industry, as far as the time at disposal permitted, though points still remained on which additional information would have been desirable. The U.S. Commissioners, on the contrary, made a short and somewhat perfunctory visit to the Pribiloff Islands. Put side by side, and apart from extraneous evidence of a less direct kind, the report of the British Commissioners should thus be (to the close of the season of 1891) more complete and useful than that of the U.S. Commissioners.

It is assumed that 'several' reports of the respective Commissioners must necessarily form part of the 'case' to be handed in within the first three months. If any doubt exists on this point, however, it should

should be mutually determined beforehand so as to prevent the possibility of one 'several' report being made in any way a reply to the other.

In any event, as matters are now arranged, it becomes possible to include any or all facts pertaining to the season of 1892 in the Counter Cases, and the extension of sixty days provided for, seems to be specially arranged to admit the inclusion of reports from the Pribyloff Islands. Such later information may be made the basis of very cogent arguments when placed against conclusions arrived at in 1891, and it appears to be essential that Great Britain as well as the U.S., should take some further steps to procure like information.

Further, during the joint conference of the Commissioners lately held, the U.S. Commissioners doubtless formed a good general idea of the kind of evidence in possession of the British Commissioners and the points on which their arguments will probably rest. They no doubt ascertained among other things, that while the U.S. observations were confined principally to the Pribyloff Islands themselves, those of the British Commissioners included as well the West Coast of North America and the Commander Islands on the Russian Coast.

It may therefore be assumed that the

The U.S. will now not only endeavour to obtain new reports in their interest from the islands, but also to remedy their previous lack of information on the branches just mentioned.

That steps are now being taken with this object, is shown by the fact that the Cowin and Albatross had already left San Francisco for the north before the 24th. of March, it is stated for the purpose of following the seals up along the coast and preventing killing within the three mile limit round the Alaskan shores.

Practically no seals are taken so close to shore as the three mile limit, and as this is well known to the U.S., some further motive must be sought for the unusually early dispatch of these vessels. This it would appear is the wish to obtain such records of pelagic sealing, from actual observation, as may effectively be employed in the arbitration. These records will no doubt be valuable, but it cannot be assumed that they will be strictly impartial.

The Albatross is spoken of in press dispatches as a Revenue Cruiser, but she is in reality the Fishery Commission vessel with a resident naturalist on board, and otherwise well fitted for making the desired observations. She is at this moment, in all probability, cruising among the pelagic seals.

It seems then to be exceedingly desirable that some at least partially equivalent means, should be adopted by Great Britain to procure similar information for the season of 1892, and that such information should include a study of the practice of pelagic sealing (beginning as soon as possible) with further observations of the Pilyeff Islands.

It might also be well to request pelagic sealers to keep accurate notes of all their observations this year, which could be made the basis of additional and more precise sworn statements covering the season of 1892.

Enclosed is a copy of a dispatch published in the N.Y. Evening Post, and referring to the sailing of the Corwin and Albatross.

Apr 2nd 1892

sgt G. M. D.

## General Report Wools.

Representing stock of rookeries  
when regularly killing  
Wools, under normal  
circumstances, by breeding  
animals thus.

Breeding Wools 10,000

" females 100,000

Young, effels & all other classes  
making up total of say 200,000.

~~Then of 100,000 pups produced  
in first year~~

Assume 4 years as average  
age of maturity of both  
Wools & females.

Assume that breeding rookeries  
have remained at constant  
number for four preceding years,  
& that of 100,000 pups produced  
4 years previously 30,000 survive

& reach 'maturity' in  
the given year.

(This is according to  
Keyser's estimate of the  
death rate of young in earlier  
years.)

This number of 4-year-old  
seals would be added to the  
~~xxxxxx~~ total in the year given  
year.

of the 80,000 it is postulated  
that 15,000 are males, 15,000  
females.

of these 10% required in  
each case to replace annual  
deaths of breeding herd

= 10,000 females

= 1,000 males.

~~xxxxxx~~  
Thus a surplus of the  
increment consisting of <sup>+3,500</sup>  
14,000

Males & 5,000 females  
which may be killed  
each year with impunity  
& leaving the breeding rookeries  
as before.

(The death rate is probably  
quite sufficient to allow  
for all but very exceptional  
natural causes of loss.)

If, however, 50 females be  
killed an addition of  
5,000 or 5-7% in stable  
number of females will be  
added, requiring 5-7%  
additional males = 500  
& reducing the number of  
males which may be killed  
to 13,500.

With this annual increment to

total breeding herd of  
5%, the number of the whole  
herd ~~to~~ should double in  
about 14 years.

Thus about 770,000 breeding  
seals should produce 100,000  
kill-deer seals of average  
of 4 years, annually &  
allow 5% annual increase  
of breeders.

If the to the assessed  
number of 110,000 breeding  
seals, male & female, the  
number of non-breeding  
be added as follows

Pups, just born	100,000
Yearlings	40,000
2-year olds	35,000
3-year olds	38,000
Female seals of both sexes	50,000
Total	<u>258,000</u>

Then the whole number of  
seeds frequently the intervals  
when 30,000 are added to  
breeds, would be 368,000  
or proportionally to produce  
100,000 2,576,000.

		<u>males</u>	<u>females</u>
stock	200 000	90,000	100,000
pups	100 000	} 10,000	
1	40 000		
2	35 000 Pros	15,000	15,000
3	30,000 nurse	<del>30,000</del>	<del>30,000</del>
	for breeding -	1,500	10,000
	Net nurse	<u>13,500</u>	<u>5,000</u>

Very doubtful whether  
there have been 1,000,000  
residing at Port. S as  
at any time since 1860

~~It~~ Of these say bread proportion  
Such as L-produce  
500,000 lbs annually is  
a maximum

This, under what may be  
convenient as most favorable  
circumstances allows (~~to~~  
see Bryant's Calculations)

— tarring at age of  
say — years — call these  
adults.  
Annual Kelly 100,000  
Annual duty  $1/10$  of whole  
or perhaps int affcts classes  
of 1

1,000,000

30,000  

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1,800,000

500,000 pups

of 30,000 & 100,000 each  
maturity 150,000 each  
each maturity per year.

100,000 killed

100,000 die from stage  
or from int. effects of  
of speck holes or hole lines  
being defect of 50,000  
annually a in margin.

This process has of course  
been cumulative & the  
defect, apart from other occasional  
accidental causes & from the  
growth of pelagic, has been  
rapidly increasing.

In endeavoring to make  
any calculation may  
circumstances which elude  
inclusion, because they are not  
& cannot be accurately known,  
but without inducing like  
Yerriammon to allow for  
all this, we may assume a  
basis of <sup>represented</sup> calculation which  
will pretty nearly represent the  
facts, which will at least  
serve to fix our ideas, & the  
resulting which may be as  
near an approach to  
accuracy as much more  
relative to assumed data  
than I furnish.

Assuming 1,000,000 on foot  
in 1809 with 500,000 breeding  
females, a distance high as  
seems probable to us

Assume 500,000 pups born  
a 100,000 or  $1/10$  ~~forming~~  
dying or passing to unproductive  
classes in each year.  
Also 100,000 killed.  
Assume an average age of —  
See Bryant a 30 (or 34?)  
our army at ~~induct~~ in the or  
in other words during the  
breeding seasons in this year,  
depreciating the 500,000 pups of  
— years previously.

What would the result be in  
this ratio in 20 years?

In our opinion, very doubtful

whether white m. & seeds in  
Pots. for an excess (99% kept out.)

This increase of juveniles would  
soon exhaust the capacity of the viable  
wales, reducing the increase  
which would otherwise result from  
the increase under bearing juveniles.

Conditions thus assumed appear to  
be true in life there occurring in  
the fact -

(Corpora numbers with extracts,  
effects etc.)

Say 200,000

producing 100,000 pups.

100,000 females bear

a 100,000 males off to try.

(This represents stage when surplus  
of males has been killed off  
replanting.)

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of these, latter average & using  
Bryant's est. 30,000 would  
reach maturity each year, at  
average 4 years of age.

Count off  $1/10$  each year for loss  
of death & injury to split classes  
= 20,000

would thus leave 10,000 which  
might be killed each year without  
decreasing total, & bearing accidents  
of this or type. 5,000 would  
be females, leaving only 5,000  
males which might be killed  
Sept.

Thus 4,000,000 seeds of  
all classes would be required  
to produce a total of 100,000  
and might have to be killed &  
leave no margin of safety.  
but would add 25,000 females annually

100,000 Treps

40,000 return 2nd day

34,000 " 3rd "

30,000 " reach maturity.

This is according to  
Bryant's estimates of  
% left.

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Supposed condition of seals when surplus  
grasses has been killed off regularly represented  
by 100,000 breeding females, 100,000 males  
young & effete seals. Total 200,000  
100,000 young produced each year

Of these, according to Dryant's estimate &  
averaging males & females, 30,000 would  
reach maturity in each year at 4 years  
of age.

Deduct each year  $\frac{1}{10}$  of whole number of  
seals to represent loss by death & passage  
into effete classes = 20,000.

would thus have a balance of 10,000 each  
year which might be killed without decreasing  
total if no occasional courses of natural loss.

Of this balance of 10,000, it is assumed that  
5,000 are males & 5,000 females, in which  
case the herd of 200,000 produces 5,000  
killable males each year.

Thus a herd of 4,000,000 seals of all classes  
would be required to produce 100,000 killable  
male seals each year without any wagers of  
effete or any provision for increasing number  
of females.

Headings under which notes on  
Seals have been arranged.

1. Physical character of hauling grounds and breeding grounds.
2. Changes in habitat of seals owing to hunting, food, or other causes.
3. Habits of females while suckling pups.
4. Can pups swim at birth?
5. Plagues or diseases affecting seals.
6. Effect of weather on habits of seals.
7. Numbers of seals, statements of totals and mode of estimating.
8. Habits of seals observed when numbers become reduced on breeding places.
9. Killing of seals females mentioned or hinted at.
10. Seals killed for food; any remarks on.
11. Destruction of pups by various causes.
12. Pups seen elsewhere than on Pribilof Islands.

- 13 Course pursued by migrating seals.
- 14 Time of bringing forth young.
- 15 Time of arrival of males ~~at~~  
breeding grounds
- 16 Time of arrival of females
- 17 Time of departure of males
- 18 " " " " " " females
- 19 " " " " " " pups.
- 20 Where have seals been during the  
winter.
21. Distance to which females go from  
breeding grounds for food.
- 22 Modes of protection advocated or  
adopted.
23. Facts showing injury to seals  
in driving.
- 24 Raids on seal islands!
- 25 Classing seals by ages.
- 26 Increase in number of seals.
- 27 Decrease in number of seals.
- 28 Time of connection between males  
and females and weaners.

- 29 Do seals return to exact place of birth, or to rookery occupied the previous year.
30. Are pups ever born at sea, or at other places than on rookeries.
- 31 References to pelagic killing of seals.
32. Time of arrival of yearlings on breeding grounds.
- 33 Seals killed of which skins are lost.
34. When do cows begin to bear young.
- 35 Facts pertaining to seal life in other localities than Behring Sea.
- 36 Habits of seals at sea.
- 37 Causes that have led to the extermination of seals on rookeries once occupied by them, and references to islands once visited by seals in greater numbers than at present.
39. Number of seals taken in Russian times.
40. Barron Jewels & jewels with my.

Courtesy U.S.

Holding back per definition

Discussing & leaving to  
save what our Carl

Findy some incriminating parts.

Enquiry for & apparently  
key to search for ~~evidence~~  
Conclusive evidence in correspondence  
& circumstances being about  
treaty.

Probably proving their story  
against their views.

To prevent local reputation  
of these incriminating parts something  
must be done. Surveys then  
found feasible & cooperation  
suggested. Object to pass  
over the consideration of the  
treaty on its merits.

About letter to  
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Rec. Conductor

Seller to Bull

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Memo. of Further Information required  
respecting Fur-seals & Sealing in Season  
of 1892.

Pelagic Sealing.

Detailed observations on the methods of  
Pelagic sealing, including among other  
special points.—

Actual number of Seals lost by Sinking  
after being Killed.

Number known to be wounded & which  
escape Capture.

Actual time by watch, taken in recovering  
Seals after shooting, & time during which  
they remain afloat on the surface before  
Sinking.

Range at which Seals are usually shot.

Places & dates at which Seals have been  
seen with in greatest abundance this  
year.

Mode of distribution at sea i.e. whether,  
& where, if ever, found in dense schools.  
General number say to one square mile,  
in areas where hunting is in progress.  
Facts as to the separation of Seals of different  
Classes & ages in different bodies.

When & at what dates the various classes  
of seals are got at sea in greatest  
numbers, particularly the following classes. -

Females with young  
Females in milk  
Males (adult)  
Males (Kollarchickie)  
Barren Females  
Erey Pups.

Food of seals, particularly as ascertained  
from Contents of Stomachs of seals killed.

[Personal observations, entered each day  
in diary, on the above points would be  
best. Statements from Sealers should when  
possible be written out, & signed by the Sealers]

### Information from Indians.

Further enquiries as to the dates of first  
& last appearance of seals on the several  
parts of the Coast in each year. The period  
during which independent Caroe hunting is  
carried on. Reasons, such as weather, other  
occupations etc, for times of beginning &  
ending hunting. Catches made by individual  
Caroes. Kind of seals seen at various seasons.

Relative numbers observed in different years, & any changes in total number or in the number of barren females.

Further facts as to the 'hacking out' or landing of seals, or former breeding habits along the coast.

Special enquiry as to the former or present breeding of seals on Triangle Island or Haystack Islands of the Scott Islands.

[Note. <sup>Several</sup> ~~parts~~ of the Indian villages on the West Coast of Vancouver Island might be visited, in prosecution of such enquiries. Also Nin-stuts village at West Entrance to Houston Stewart Channel, Queen Charlotte Islands, & 'Gold Harbour' village Maude Island, Skidegate Inlet. The Indians living in the last named village ~~formerly~~ formerly inhabited the West Coast & may know something about seal hunting or seal breeding there in former days.

Chief 'Cheops' at Nawitti, on Hope Island spoke rather indefinitely about some rocks to the northward (supposed to be in the Sea-Otter Group of Charts) as the 'Howe gets

Seal'. There might be located by the help of the Indians or any information possible got about them. 'Cheep' also spoke of seal-like animals (Suffered from description of the old bull seals) found on Triangle Island. Further information might be got on this. The Hawaiian Indians or some of those now living near Port Alexander, should know most about the Scott Islands. If possible to land on Triangle or other islands, seal-polished rocks or other signs of old 'rocker's' should be looked for. Specimens of any hair or fur found between the rocks or rooted in the soil could be subsequently microscopically determined. Bones might also be found.

Esquimaux in Behring Sea.

Similar to those above mentioned under Pelagic Sealing, but special importance attaching to any further facts, obtained by watching or otherwise, as to distance from land to which females may go while nursing young. Also, any information, by Esquimaux or otherwise as to seals at sea between Pribiloff & Commander Islands, bearing on the amount of interrelation of the two groups of islands.

On the Pribyloff Islands.

The most important points here are those showing the comparative condition of the 'Rostkeris' in 1891 & 1892. Information from personal observation & by Enquiries as to opinions of residents, natives etc.

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Draft Memo.  
respecting further  
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Example of the kind of  
work that is to be done  
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examples. In 1881 & 1882 in  
connection with the  
investigation of the  
case of the ...

Rideau Club,  
Ottawa.

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~~Dear Mr. Joppa,~~

already funded  
~~and funded~~

News. Repair of the Weir on the  
River, on Seeley's

inspecting ~~the~~ further requires ~~work~~  
the undertaking this ~~year~~ <sup>season</sup>.

As this was written ~~from~~ rather  
as a guide to Mr Malcolm if he  
should be instructed to undertake the  
work, it perhaps had the appearance  
of laying too much stress on obstacles  
at various parts along the British

Columbia Coast. This arises  
from the fact that 3 considerations  
were particulars were desirable  
on this branch of the <sup>subject</sup> ~~subject~~, while  
the others <sup>might</sup> ~~would~~ be understood with  
little explanation by Mr Malcolm.  
The objections on the ~~subject~~ <sup>subject</sup> on

The B.C. Court though important  
 must be ~~considered~~ <sup>regarded</sup> as subsidiary  
 to the following, which appear to  
 be ~~to~~ complete the ~~main~~ <sup>main</sup> ~~points~~  
~~important~~ main lines of inquiry.

1. To record as the result of personal  
 observation, as far as possible  
 by the possible respect, all the  
 aspects of pelagic feeding.
2. To observe & record as fully as  
 possible <sup>possible</sup> the condition of the Rossaries  
 on the Pribiloff Islands the Sevens,
3. To ascertain by personal  
 observation or inquiry anything ~~the~~  
 referring to the distribution of seals  
 along the Sevens in Behring Sea  
 in that part of the Sea lying between  
 the Pribiloff & Commander Islands.  
 This last ~~branch~~ <sup>investigation</sup> of ~~the~~ ~~report~~ will  
 have special importance, in  
 connection with the 'Seal property'

Rideau Club,  
Ottawa.

the way of the United States, in  
it may be attempted to maintain  
defense of which ~~they are~~  
~~maintain~~ that the seals property  
the only left ~~of~~ ~~conversion~~ belongs  
Cape Elizabeth in the hand being distinct from  
~~the seals are being different~~  
that ~~belongs~~ to the, ~~Commander~~ belongs  
to ~~the~~ ~~lands~~.

It would appear to be useful,  
substantial in view of the action of  
the U.S. in this matter, to provide  
a sealing boat & crew, consisting  
of two pullers & one boiler.

It would further appear to be  
desirable, if possible, to arrange  
for the securing of a photo, ~~after~~  
who might do so <sup>particularly</sup> ~~his time~~ to  
having on record <sup>means</sup> ~~of~~  
photographs the actual condition  
of the several rookeries on the  
islands.

A regular diary of proceedings  
 with daily entries of minutes  
 should be kept. <sup>These memoranda</sup>  
 & that previously provided ~~may~~  
 might be ~~regarded as instructions~~  
 under the basis of instructions  
 & the worked up to as changes  
 circumstances may admit, but not  
 necessarily to be strictly followed  
 in detail, particularly if doing  
 so <sup>should</sup> ~~would~~ involve <sup>an</sup> serious  
 difficulty or loss of time.