

CLAIMS: THE CASE OF CARLOS BUTTERFIELD AND COMPANY

Agreement signed at Copenhagen December 6, 1888
Senate advice and consent to ratification February 11, 1889
Ratified by Denmark April 13, 1889
Ratified by the President of the United States April 23, 1889
Ratifications exchanged at Washington May 23, 1889
Entered into force May 23, 1889
Proclaimed by the President of the United States May 24, 1889
*Terminated January 22, 1890*¹

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Whereas the Government of the United States of America has heretofore presented to the Kingdom of Denmark the claim of Carlos Butterfield and Company, of which Carlos Butterfield now deceased was the surviving partner, for an indemnity for the seizure and detention of the two vessels, the steamer Ben Franklin and the Barque Catherine Augusta, by the authorities of the Island of St. Thomas of the Danish West India Islands in the years 1854 and 1855; for the refusal of the ordinary right to land cargo for the purpose of making repairs; for the injuries resulting from a shot fired into one of the vessels; and for other wrongs:

Whereas the said Governments have not been able to arrive at a conclusive settlement thereof: and

Whereas each of the parties hereto has entire confidence in the learning, ability and impartiality of Sir Edmund Monson, Her British Majesty's Envoy extraordinary and Minister plenipotentiary in Athens,

Now therefore the undersigned, Rasmus B. Anderson, Minister Resident of the United States of America at Copenhagen, and Baron O. D. Rosenórn-Lehn, Royal Danish Minister of Foreign Affairs, duly empowered thereto by their respective Governments have agreed upon the stipulations contained in the following Articles:

ARTICLE I

The said claim of Carlos Butterfield and Company shall be referred to the said Sir Edmund Monson, Her British Majesty's Envoy extraordinary and

¹ Date of arbitrator's award disallowing all claims.