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The Treaty of Washington-Earl Russell and Lord Redesdale on the Alabama Claims-An International Fan Competition\_Rejected Addresses\_The Tichborne Claim-The Battle of Dorking-Tom Hughes on Canada, Etc., Etc. From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, May 16, 1871. Thanks to the enterprise of the Times' correspondent at Philadelphia, we have got the full text of the Treaty of Washington before us, and public opinion is of course very busy upon it. The general feeling is, I think, one of satisfaction and relief, for we all feel that we have a right to look you confidently in the face and claim to have proved the sincerity of our desire to sacrifice anything, short of national honor, for the sake of lasting amity. Surely, the question has reached its dying day at last. Nine years have passed away since the unfortunate escape of the Alabama brought it into being, and now we heave a deep sigh of relief (not regret) at the prospect of relegating it forever to the mummy-chamber of history. We gladly notice that, on your side, that position which no Englishman would ever have conceded-that the Queen's proclamation of neutrality was a grievance-is now tacitly abandoned, and that there is nothing in the treaty that alleges or even hints that we have any atonement to make beyoud such as may be found to be due in respect of damage actually done by the Alabama and her consorts. More substantial proof of the "friendly spirit" in which this country has approached this settlement could hardly have been given than her consent to waive the advantages of her strictly legal position in the question of liability, and to be judged by a retrospective application of new rules of international law. Rule 1 bears obvious marks of having been expressly framed to convict us in the matter of the Alabama, but it may still be doubted how far the arbitrators will find us guilty when they come to apply those perhaps intentionally vague expressions "due diligence," "reasonable grounds for belief," "(vessels) intended to cruise," to actual circumstances. It may not be difficult to see on which side the balance of concession lies, but we are not disposed to be too curious to look. Enough for us if we have convinced you of our national good-will, and by this treaty secured a more cordial understanding between the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon family.

This morning we learn by cable that there is every probability of the treaty being ratified by the Senate, and little doubt is felt here that Farliament will do the same, though a threatening cloud has, I grieve to say, appeared in the atmosphere of the House of Lords, where last night Lord Russell gave notice that, on Monday next, he will move an address to her Majesty praying that no convention for the settlement of the Alabama claims may be ratified which contains conditions contrary to the law of nations and the British municipal law in force at the date of the alleged depredations. But the treaty will, if the steamer bearing it arrives in due course, have been ventilated in the Commons before Monday comes, so we may hope this storm-cloud will be dissipated ere it bursts.

There was something both new and true, to our thinking, in Lord Redesdale's remarks on the same hackneyed question a few nights back. Has any one observed, he asked, now

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But enough of this grave subject, absorbing though it is just now. One of the novelties of the London International Exhibition, which has by this time been found to be a worthily popular and attractive resort, is an international fan competition. The competition was confined to ladies under the age of five and twenty, and as many as 120 fan mounts, beautiful and artistic workings in and on such diverse materials as silk, vellum, ivory, lace, woods, paper, and peacocks' feathers, were sent in. Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, has carried off the third prize, a £10 note (!), with an admirably-executed "Skating Scene." Her art faculties are indeed of an exceptionally high order, and they have been carefully and thoroughly trained, as all will allow who saw the bust of the Queen which she exhibited at the Royal Academy a couple of summers back.

Mentioning the Royal Academy, I cannot refrain from noting en passant that after accepting the many hundreds of pictures which throng the walls of its halfscore galleries, it this year rejected no less than two thousand five hundred! One would hardly have believed that even in crowded London so many luckless wights were struggling with brush and palette for a livelihood. Manchester millionaires must all have their picture-galleries nowadays, and their long and not discriminating purses are answerable for a great deal of the trash upon which good oil colors are wasted.

Two causes celebres at Westminster have formed an item in every public print and most private conversations of these last few days. The Crown has been prosecutingseveral young men, among whom Boulton and Park are the prominent names, on a very serious but unmentionable charge, of which they were last night, much to the relief of the public, acquitted; while in the Common Pleas Sir William Bovill and a special jury are busy with the so-called Tichborne claim, which involves an ancient baronetcy and a rent-roll of £24,000 a year. Seldom, if ever, has so interesting and romantic a story been laid before a British jury. Seventeen years ago the young officer of carbineers who, if the present claimant be really he, is now Sir Roger Tichborne, was shipwrecked in the Southern Seas, and believed by all but his mother to be lost. Ten years later, the mother's repeated advertisements produced the present claimant from the bush in Australia; he came to England. was recognized by the mother as her son, recognized, too, by several former brother-officers, and by the family lawyer and banker, and now seeks to oust the present possessors from the Tichborne title and estates. His story is that an American vessel picked him up and carried him to Melbourne, where poverty drove him into low life and obscurity, till by chance the mother's advertisements met his eye. His opponents flatly deny his identity with the person he professes to be, declare him to be a rauk impostor, and assert that his whole story is trumped up in conspiracy with an old colored servant of the family (now in his interest), whom they accuse of having furnished him with all the family history and other facts on which his statements hang. There are two hundred witnesses to be examined, so you may form some idea of the time the trial is likely to occupy, and the money it is costing daily. In the Boulton and Park case seventeen counsel were engaged, of whom

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