h) When documents are presented which must be returned, corresponding copies shall accompany them, so the originals may be returned after comparison.

## PROOFS

Article 2.—The restoration of destroyed proofs will not be necessary. The detailed enumeration set forth in Paragraph (d) foregoing, will be sufficient. Notwithstanding, the Commission will receive proof, of any class, which claimants may have or secure and wish to present within thirty days after the presentation of their memorials. The Commission, if it deem it pertinent, will fix a period of not more than thirty days for purposes of inspection and the presentation of experts or witnesses.

#### COVERNMENT AUDIENCE

Article 3.—Government audience will be given all claims pending before the Commission, without special judicial procedure, enabling his attorney or representative to examine them and make his allegations and petitions wherever he deems it necessary, for the rest, a brief signed note to the effect that they have been examined will suffice. However, preference must be given to those claims belonging to a determined locality or department, as indicated by the Secretary's Office.

#### Additional Proofs

Article 4.-The Commission will order and receive additional proofs when it considers it necessary, of a private character or with the knowledge of the interested parties, at the discretion of the Tribunal. To this end, it may go in a body, or send one or two of its members to any part of the Republic in order to clarify or verify facts judged to be important, or require the respective authorities to make investigations in determined localities, in accordance with the Commission's instructions. Likewise, the Commission may order the appearance of any claimant, expert, witness or any other person who may have any relation to the thing which it is desired to establish, to amplify, on oath, or without it, the assertions or declarations made by them or clarify facts or establish new points for the illumination of the truth.

## PERIODS

Article 5.—Nicaraguans or foreign claimants domiciled here, must present their memorials in accordance with Article 1, within 60 days, and those Nicaraguans and foreigners resident outside of Nicaragua, within 120 days, both periods counting from the 25th of the present month, the date from which the office of the Commission will be open to the public. Consequently, no claim memorials will be received after the stated period. The Commission may, at its discretion, extend the other periods established by this Regulation.

#### REQUESTS

Article 6.—All applications, requests, or petitions made by claimants, must be presented in writing on ordinary paper, indicating the number of the claim in order that it may be properly filed.

### THE SECRETARY

Article 7.—The Secretary shall keep a register with a summarized notation of claims

and their current state. He shall also have a register of decisions and resolutions of the Commission; keep a record of all receipts; and shall have under his care the custody of books, papers and documents of the Office. The Secretary shall permit claimants to examine their documents and make copies or notes thereof, without taking them from the office.

Article 8.—Notifications shall be made by letter, with the necessary data, and sent to the house designated for that purpose; and failing such shall be posted on the bulletin board of the Office, except as otherwise provided in Paragraph (f) of Article 1, respecting non-resident foreigners. At the judgment of the Commission, they may also be notified by publication in La Gaceta and in a newspaper of the respective locality.

#### SIMPLE PROCEDURE

Article 9.—Simple procedure need be conducted only by one member of the Commission.

### LANGUAGE

Article 10.—All applications, requests, petitions, or documents submitted to the Commission must be in Spanish, or if any other language, they must be accompanied by three copies of the Spanish translation.

#### EXPENSES

Article 11.—Charges against the fund at the Commission's disposal, shall be made by the Commission itself, and orders drawn shall be signed by the Secretary and countersigned by the President of the Commission.

# GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 12.—The office of the Commission shall be opened to the Public on the 25th of the current month.

Article 13.—The present regulation is solely for the restoration and adjudication of claims destroyed by the fire in the Offices of the National Palace, excluding non budgetary claims for salaries of military and civil employees in connection with which the Commission lacks competency, according to Article 9 of the cited Decree of February 6, 1930.

Article 14.—The Regulations issued October 21, 1929, with their amendments, are null and void.

Given at Managua, the 9th day of September, 1931.—J. S. STANLEY.—E. AGUADO.—IGNACIO SUAREZ.—Cèsar Juárez, Srio.

## Whitehall, December 7, 1931.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 5th instant, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the United Kingdom upon Sir Robert Hunt Stapylton Dudley Lydston Newman, Baronet, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of Baron Mamhead of Exeter in the County of Devon.

## Whitehall, December 8, 1931.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 7th instant, to confer the