

POETRY.

THE MAGICAL ISLE IN THE RIVER OF TIME.

There's a magical isle in the river of Time, Where softest of echoes are straying...

There are fragments of song, only Memory sings, And the words of a dear mother's prayer...

Resolutions.

Passed by the Fortieth Congress of the United States.

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TREATIES.

Treaty concerning the Cession of the Russian Possessions in North America by His Majesty the Emperor of Russia to the United States of America...

By the President of the United States of America.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS a treaty between the United States of America and His Majesty the Emperor of all the Russias was concluded and signed by their respective Plenipotentiaries at the city of Washington...

And the said Plenipotentiaries, having exchanged their full powers, which were found to be in due form, have agreed upon and signed the following articles:

ARTICLE I. His Majesty the Emperor of all the Russias agrees to cede to the United States, by this convention, immediately upon the exchange of the ratifications thereof...

ARTICLE II. In the cession of territory and dominion made by the preceding article are included the right of property in all public lots and squares, fortifications, barracks, and other edifices...

ARTICLE III. The inhabitants of the ceded territory, according to their choice, reserving their natural allegiance, may return to Russia within three years...

ARTICLE IV. His Majesty the Emperor of all the Russias shall appoint, with convenient dispatch, an agent or agents for the purpose of formally delivering to a similar agent or agents appointed on behalf of the United States...

ARTICLE V. Immediately after the exchange of the ratifications of this convention, any fortifications or military posts which may be in the ceded territory shall be delivered to the agents of the United States...

ARTICLE VI. In consideration of the cession aforesaid, the United States agree to pay to the treasury in Washington, within ten months after the exchange of the ratifications of this convention...

ARTICLE VII. The President of the United States is authorized to receive the same, seven million two hundred thousand dollars in gold...

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in gold. The cession of territory and dominion herein made is hereby declared to be free and unincumbered by any reservations, privileges, franchises, grants, or possessions...

ARTICLE VII.

When this convention shall have been duly ratified by the President of the United States and with the advice and consent of the Senate...

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