

APENDICE IX.

Notas cambiadas entre S. E. el Ministro de la Educacion y el
Presidente de la Comision Mexicana acerca de Mr. Scharbau.

NOMBUSHO

Nov. 27th-7th year Meiji.

To Mexican Astronomical Party of Venus Expedition.
Gentlemen:

I beg leave to write to you that Mr. Henry Scharbau,
English, the employee of the Bureau of Surveying on the
Department of the Interior of our country, having been
appointed by the same Department to make observations
of the Transit of Venus, you are respectfully requested

to give your kind advices, in case he consults with you concerning the above subject.

Very respectfully yours.

(firmado) F. TANAKA.

Asistant Minister of Education.

Yokohama, Dec 1st – 1874.

Sir:

I received yesterday the letter of Your Excellency informing me that Mr. Scharbau, English employee in the Bureau of Surveying, has been appointed by the Department of the Interior to make the observation of the transit of Venus, and requesting me to give that gentleman my advices in the case he consults with me about that subject.

In reply, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that I am ready to do all that is in my power to cooperate to the sucess of Mr. Scharbau's observations; and that I have given him my opinion about the construction of the temporary building he proposes to erect at Tokio with that purpose, and about the instruments he wishes to employ.

At the request of the same gentleman, I will probably go to Tokio on next thursday to see the astronomical instruments belonging to the Government, and I have also invited Mr. Scharbau to examine the two Stations which I have established at this place.

Very respectfully, I am Your Excellency's servant.

(Firmado) F. DIAZ C.

Assitant Minister of Public Works in
Mexico and President of the Mexican
Astronomical Expedition to Japan.

To His Excellency F. Tanaka, Assistant Minister in charge of the Department of Education.

