

August 23. 1898.

Dear Baron Schimmelpenninck,

As Lord Salisbury is abroad
and will certainly not be back
before the end of this month,
we are placed in some difficulty
by the suggestion contained in
your note of the 19th with regard
to

to the signature of the Expedition
Treaty.

If, however, there should be
no objection on the part of
your Government to forego the
formality of Baron Goltschtein
and Lord Salisbury producing
their

their Full Powers and signing
at the same time, it could be
arranged that Baron Goltschtein
should sign alone at the date
which you mention. Lord
Salisbury could then append his
signature later on, and a copy
of

of the Treaties signed by him
will of course be furnished to
your Legation.

I beg to remain Yours Truly

F. H. Villiers

