

on the shores of Nova Scotia, earnestly praying Her Majesty to refuse any concession whatever to the United States, of the right to fish on the shores of the North American Provinces within the limits of the restriction specified in the existing Convention with that Government; the Petitioners deeming such a concession not only utterly ruinous to the shore fishery of this province but most injurious to the national welfare.

In forwarding this petition to your Lordship, I feel that I should be neglecting my duty were I to omit soliciting the earnest attention of Her Majesty's Advisers to the statements and request it contains; and I cannot doubt that on a deliberate review of the subject it will be apparent, that unless upon the terms described in my despatch to the Governor-General of the 25th July, 1850, of which a copy was transmitted in my despatch to your Lordship of the same date, No. 184, it would not be politic to make the concession to which the petitioners appear so much opposed.

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I have, &c.
(Signed) J. HARVEY.

Inclosure in No. 28.

PETITION TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,

With 1225 Signatures.

[See Inclosure in No. 27, Page 43.]
