

CORRESPONDENCE

RESPECTING THE

NORTH AMERICAN FISHERIES.

Despatches from the Governor-General.

(Confidential.)

No. 1.

CANADA.

No. 1.

Sir John Young to the Earl of Kimberley.

Montreal, 12th October, 1870.

(Received 27th October, 1870.)

(Answered Confidential, 21st November, 1870, page 13.)

MY LORD,

With reference to my confidential despatch of 23rd September,* covering copy of a letter from Her Majesty's Minister at Washington on the subject of the interpretation of the Treaty of 1818, which I caused to be submitted in confidence to the Privy Council of the Dominion for their consideration :

* *Vide* Previous Paper dated January 1871. page 72.

2. I have now the honour to transmit the accompanying Minute, which the Privy Council have drawn up in reply to Sir Edward Thornton's communication.

10th October, 1870.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) JOHN YOUNG.

The Right Honourable the Earl of Kimberley,
&c. &c. &c.

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COPY of a REPORT of a COMMITTEE of the Honourable the PRIVY COUNCIL, approved by His Excellency the GOVERNOR-GENERAL in Council on the 10th October, 1870.

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under their consideration the confidential despatch to your Excellency from Sir Edward Thornton, Her Majesty's Minister in the United States of America, on the subject of the interpretation of the Treaty of 1818 between Great Britain and the United States; and they respectfully recommend that, while thanking Sir Edward Thornton for the information conveyed in his despatch, and assuring him that the arguments of Mr. Fish shall receive the early and careful consideration of the Canadian Government, your Excellency should acquaint him that, as a question has arisen as to the legal construction to be given to the Treaty of 1818, the Canadian Government think it desirable to confer with Her Majesty's Government on the important points at issue before giving your Excellency any advice on the subject of Sir Edward Thornton's despatch.

(Certified)

WM. H. LEE,
Clerk Privy Council, Canada.

No. 2.

No. 2.

Sir John Young to the Earl of Kimberley.

(No. 245.)

Montreal, 20th October, 1870.

(Received 2nd November, 1870.)

MY LORD,

I have the honour to enclose copy of a telegram which has been received by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, reporting the seizure of the United States fishing vessel *A. J. Franklin*.

17th October, 1870.

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