

ARGENTINE CONFEDERATION.

July 10, 1853.

Free navigation
of Rivers Par-
aná and Uru-
guay.**WHEN TERMINABLE***No time fixed.***MOST-FAVORED-NATION TREATMENT.***Free Navigation of Rivers Paraná and Uruguay.*

The Argentine Confederation, in the exercise of her sovereign rights, concedes the free navigation of the Rivers Paraná and Uruguay, wherever they may belong to her, to the merchant vessels of all nations, subject only to the conditions which this Treaty establishes, and to the regulations sanctioned, or which may hereafter be sanctioned, by the national authority of the Confederation. (Article I.)

If it should happen (which God forbid) that war should break out between any of the States, Republics. or Provinces of the River Plate or its confluent, the navigation of the Rivers Paraná and Uruguay shall remain free to the merchant flag of all nations, excepting in what may relate to munitions of war, such as arms of all kinds, gunpowder, lead and cannon-balls. (Article VI.)

The principal objects for which the Rivers Paraná and Uruguay are declared free to the commerce of the world being to extend the mercantile relations of the countries which border them, and to promote immigration, it is hereby agreed that no favor or immunity shall be granted to the flag or trade of any other nation, which shall not equally extend to those of Her Britannic Majesty. (Article VIII.)

NOT APPLICABLE TO BRITISH COLONIES.**AUSTRIA.**

April 30, 1868.

Navigation.

WHEN TERMINABLE.

The present Treaty shall remain in force from the exchange of the ratifications until the 31st December, 1877; and in case neither of the High Contracting Powers shall have notified to the other, twelve months before the expiration of the said period, the intention to put an end to its operation, the Treaty shall continue in force for another year, and so on from year to year, until the expiration of a year counting from the day on which one or other of the High Contracting Parties shall have announced its intention to put an end to it. (Article VI.)

MOST-FAVORED-NATION TREATMENT.*Commerce.*

British ships and their cargoes in all the dominions of His Imperial and Royal Apostolic Majesty, and ships belonging to the citizens of the Imperial and Royal States and their cargoes in all the dominions of Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, from whatever place arriving and whatever may be their place of destination, and whatever may be the place of origin or destination of their cargoes, shall be treated in every respect as national ships and their cargoes.