

which it appears from the newspaper extracts which accompanied your letter of the 24th instant have already arisen.

I am to request the favour of an early reply.

I am, &c.
(Signed) ROBERT G. W. HERBERT.

Inclosure 1 in No. 124.

Admiralty to Colonial Office.

Sir, *Admiralty, August 20, 1887.*
WITH reference to your letter of the 6th July, requesting that instructions should be issued to the naval officers employed in the protection of fisheries on the North American Station to give support to the officers of the Dominion Government in respect to the Canadian fisheries, I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to transmit, for the perusal of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, copy of a telegram from the Commander-in-chief on the North American and West Indian Station on this subject.

I am, &c.
(Signed) R. D. AWDRY.

Inclosure 2 in No. 124.

Vice-Admiral Lyons to Admiralty.

(Telegraphic.) *Halifax, Nova Scotia, August 18, 1887.*

YOUR letter of 30th July.

Season far advanced; expediency of postponing support by Imperial officers to Canadian authorities proposed action might possible cause change of policy on the part of the United States of America. See my letter of the 3rd instant.*

No. 125.

Foreign Office to Colonial Office.

Sir, *Foreign Office, September 1, 1887.*
I HAVE laid before the Marquis of Salisbury your letter of the 30th ultimo, relative to the publication of the instructions issued to the Naval Commander-in-chief on the North American Station with regard to the Canadian Fishery question; and I am to acquaint you, in reply, that his Lordship concurs in the answer which Sir Henry Holland proposes to return to the Admiralty on the subject.

I am, &c.
(Signed) T. V. LISTER.

No. 126.

Question asked in the House of Commons, September 2, 1887; and Answer.

IN reply to Mr. Gourley,

Sir J. Fergusson said,—It is not intended at present to refer to the new Fishery Commission Article XXX, which relates to the passage of goods through Canada and the United States respectively, freely and without duty. The Memorandum referred to (see p. 15 of Parliamentary Paper "United States No. 1 (1887)"), expressed the views of the United States' Government at the time. I am not prepared to say that it will limit the scope of the present reference. I may refer the honourable Member to Lord Salisbury's despatch of the 24th March last, at p. 95 of Parliamentary Paper "United States No. 2 (1887)," for the views of Her Majesty's Government in proposing the

* Extracts sent to Colonial Office in letter dated August 20, 1887.