



Correspondence respecting the Imposition of Duty by the United States' Authorities on Tin Cans containing Fish from Canada.

No. 1.

Mr. Herbert to Lord Tenterden.—(Received April 28.)

Sir,

Downing Street, April 27, 1875.

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WITH reference to the question asked by Sir A. Monck in the House of Commons on the 9th of April and to Mr. Bourke's reply, I am directed by the Earl of Carnarvon to transmit to you, to be laid before the Earl of Derby, a copy of a despatch from the Governor-General of Canada, inclosing a Report of a Committee of the Privy Council respecting the collection of duty by the United States' Customs authorities upon tin cans containing fish, being the produce of the Canadian fisheries, which proceeding would appear to be inconsistent with the intention of the XX1st Article of the Treaty of Washington, and practically to render its provisions inoperative in respect of an important class of goods.

Lord Carnarvon would be glad to be informed of any communication which may be received from Sir Edward Thornton in reference to this matter, or of any communication which Lord Derby may address to him on the subject, in consequence of this remonstrance from the Canadian Government.

I am, &c.

(Signed) ROBERT G. W. HERBERT.

Inclosure 1 in No. 1.

The Earl of Dufferin to the Earl of Carnarvon.

My Lord,

Government House, Ottawa, April 7, 1875.

I HAVE the honour of submitting, for your Lordship's information, a copy of a Report of a Committee of the Privy Council, and accompanying papers having reference to the collection of duty by the United States' Customs authorities upon tin cans containing fish, being the produce of the Canadian fisheries.

A copy of this Minute of Council has been forwarded to Sir E. Thornton, Her Majesty's Minister at Washington.

I have, &c.

(Signed) DUFFERIN.

Inclosure 2 in No. 1.

Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Privy Council, approved by his Excellency the Governor-General on the 7th day of April, 1875.

THE Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration a Report dated 31st March, 1875, from the Honourable the Minister of Customs, submitting certain papers having reference to the collection of duty by the United States' Customs upon tin cans containing fish, being the produce of the Canadian fisheries.