

No. 11.

The Marquess of Salisbury to Lord Pauncefoot.

(No. 19.)

(Telegraphic.) P.

Foreign Office, March 20, 1900.

WITH reference to your telegram No. 15 of the 28th ultimo, inform United States' Government that the passage of "Frolic" through the canals is agreed to by Her Majesty's Government on the conditions mentioned.

No. 12.

The Marquess of Salisbury to Lord Pauncefoot.

(No. 54. Confidential.)

My Lord,

Foreign Office, March 20, 1900.

WITH reference to my telegram No. 19 of this day's date, I transmit herewith, for your Excellency's information, copies of the correspondence which has passed with the Colonial Office, the War Office, and the Admiralty respecting the passage of the United States' ship "Frolic" through the River St. Lawrence and the Canadian canals to the Great Lakes.*

It will be observed that the consent of the Departments mentioned has been obtained for the passage of the vessel on the conditions mentioned in the note from Mr. Hay, of which a copy was inclosed in your despatch No. 8 of the 12th January, viz., that she shall be taken to Cleveland, Ohio, without armament, and shall be used for purposes of drill only.

I am, &c.

(Signed) SALISBURY.

No. 13.

Colonial Office to Foreign Office.—(Received March 21.)

(Confidential.)

Sir,

Downing Street, March 21, 1900.

I AM directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to transmit to you, for the information of the Marquess of Salisbury, with reference to the letter from this Department of the 6th instant, a copy of a despatch from the Governor-General of Canada on the subject of the application of the United States' Government for permission for the converted yacht "Frolic" to pass through Canadian inland waters on its way to the Great Lakes.

I am, &c.

(Signed) H. BERTRAM COX.

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Governor-General the Earl of Minto to Mr. Chamberlain.

(Confidential.)

Sir,

Government House, Ottawa, February 22, 1900.

IN reply to your telegraphic message of the 26th ultimo, asking for the observations of Ministers upon the request of the United States' Government for permission for the "Frolic" to pass through the St. Lawrence River and the Welland Canal, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of an approved Minute of the Privy Council containing the expression of the views of the Government upon this subject.

* Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10.