It will be observed that Mr. Hall is apprehensive that, in consequence of the refusal of Canada to admit American fishermen to the privileges of the Treaty of Washington during the season of this year, the United States' Government may not allow the refund of the duties collected in the United States on fish oil and fish exported from Prince Edward Island during the fishery season.

Lord Kimberley thinks it would be desirable to ascertain from the United States' Government that the proposal will be made to Congress to refund the duties as regards Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.

> I am, &c., (Signed) H. T. HOLLAND.

The Right Hon, E. Hammond, &c. &c. &c.

LETTER FROM THE ADMIRALTY.

No. 1.

Admiralty, August 11, 1871.

VERNON LUSHINGTON.

I AM commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to acquaint you, for the information of the Earl of Kimberley, that Vice-Admiral Fanshawe, in a letter dated 28th July last, reports that, in consequence of a telegram received from the Lieut.-Governor of Prince Edward Island, to the effect that the fishery laws would not be enforced during the present season, Her Majesty's ships employed on fishery service will not visit the coast of Prince Edward Island for the present.

I am, &c.,

(Signed)

The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

P.S. A similar communication has been made to the Foreign Office.

PEINCE Edward

ISLAND.

Sir,

No. 1.