

There is no doubt, however, that collisions are likely to arise from time to time with the American fishermen, who are not disposed to abide by such Colonial laws as have been made subsequent to the Treaty of Washington; in this they are supported by the United States' Government, and the question will have to be settled by the Home authorities.

In the meanwhile, I have directed Captain Stewart and Lieutenant Clutterbuck to act with the utmost caution in dealing with any questions of this nature, and to take care that the acknowledged rights of the Americans are not infringed, and to warn all persons who interfere with them that they will have to answer for the same.

It seems not to be generally known along the coast that the Americans have, since the payment of the Halifax Award, "the right to participate in the Newfoundland inshore fisheries, and to procure bait for the prosecution of the bank and deep-sea fisheries"; this, coupled with the fact that they ignore all local laws, which the Newfoundlanders are forced to acknowledge, is calculated to irritate the latter, and to drive them to retaliatory measures, which it will be my duty to suppress.

I have, &c.  
(Signed) W. R. KENNEDY.

No. 10.

*Mr. Bramston to Lord Tenterden.—(Received October 2.)*

My Lord,

*Downing Street, October 2, 1879.*

WITH reference to your letter of the 28th August last respecting the case of the schooner "Mist," and to the letter in reply from this Department of the 3rd ultimo, I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to transmit to you, for the information of the Marquis of Salisbury, a copy of a despatch from the Governor of Newfoundland, to whom a copy of your letter was forwarded, stating that investigations will be made into the case, and that, on the receipt of the depositions, a full Report will be transmitted.

I am, &c.  
(Signed) JOHN BRAMSTON.

Inclosure in No. 10.

*Governor Sir J. Glover to Sir M. Hicks Beach.*

Sir,

*Government House, Newfoundland, September 17, 1879.*

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 2nd instant, with inclosures, relating to the alleged forcible interference with United States' fishermen in Conception Bay, Newfoundland, in July 1878.

I have submitted the case to my Government, who are taking steps to investigate it, and, on the receipt of the depositions, I will furnish you with a full Report.

I have, &c.  
(Signed) JOHN H. GLOVER.

No. 11.

*Mr. Bramston to Lord Tenterden.—(Received October 6.)*

My Lord,

*Downing Street, October 4, 1879.*

WITH reference to the letter from this Department of the 26th ultimo, inclosing a copy of a despatch from the Governor of Newfoundland relating to the alleged opposition offered to the American fishing schooner "Howard Holbrook" at Smith's Sound, Trinity Bay, I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to transmit to you, for the information of the Marquis of Salisbury, a copy of a further despatch from the Governor, inclosing the depositions promised in his previous communication.

I am, &c.  
(Signed) JOHN BRAMSTON.