

with measureless scorn at the men who have already virtually pawned without pledge the birthright of their fellow-subjects—won by brave men of the same blood with their lives in open palm near two centuries ago—in order to save themselves from just obloquy and national reproach, as well as to secure their ill-gotten gains.

I am thankful to be able to state that I have received no aid, or help, or hint of any kind whatever, from any person or thing, apart from the documents kindly supplied to me, at my request, by the United States Department of State under the administration of your lamented predecessor. These are referred to near the bottom of the last page of the printed and published letter, herewith enclosed, addressed to the Governor General of Canada, dated Oct. 25th, 1881. But the documents thus kindly supplied did not furnish me with any information whatever specially pertinent to the subject of this communication.

I respectfully ask that the specified enclosure, which opens many a vista, may be considered a part of this communication. It embodies a just tribute to the true and the good, with a lasting rebuke to the weak and vile.

At present the whole matter of "the Fisheries" assumes an aspect pregnant with most serious consequences to two nations if not temperately and publicly handled.

For there can be no doubt whatever, that the men who could descend to the encouragement and protection of those offences against religion, honor, comity, and the real welfare of the people they governed, which I have described and proved, would not shrink from involving the two nations in ill-founded re-terminations and hostile aspersions, if not much worse, in order to conceal their delinquencies and secure what they have got of their gains.

Of this there can be no reasonable doubt, because it is merely the human strategem of employing a worse expedient to shelter an infamous crime, and it would be the continuation of a practice already indelubly put in force.

Now that the notice of abrogation has been given, and equal rights to the British North American Fisheries virtually secured to the United States, may I not venture to ask of you, Mr. President, to use that vast power Providence has so unexpectedly caused you to assume, for the manifest benefit of many millions of people under separate rule, but in belief or credence joined, whose principles and impulses have been cruelly outraged, and some of whom unconsciously live in the shadow of deception and the deepening gloom of official untruth.

With this view, I respectfully ask you to cause OFFICIAL PUBLICITY to be given to this communication and its enclosures, assigning as my reason for this appeal the same thoughts, expressed in the same words I addressed to Lord Salisbury more than four years ago, and before I had discovered a tithe of the proofs of those official offences against God and man I have displayed to view.

This is my reason, as then submitted to Lord Salisbury in the enclosed printed communication No. 2; such reason being based upon the conception that between enlightened Christian Nations, mutually respecting and admiring each other, public opinion, properly grounded, can be the only true basis of just international policy in the presence of detected criminal dishonesty.

"In such a matter the bright sunlight of PUBLIC OPINION is surer and better than the dark paths so frequently trodden in the practice of modern diplomacy, as the brief history I have been compelled to relate sufficiently proves.

"This course will anticipate by a very brief period the exposure which must occur, but it will beckon to the front, to be heard in self-defence, those whose tactics have been of all things, best calculated to undermine and wreck the PRINCIPLES upon which the Treaty of Washington is based, and to shake confidence in positions of PUBLIC TRUST."

The accompanying letter addressed to the Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone, touches on kindred matters which more especially concern the loyal subjects of Her Britannic Majesty.

I have the honour to be,

Your most obedient servant,

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Official Compiler of the Analytical Index to the Documents of the Halifax Fisheries Commission.

Windsor, Nova Scotia, November 26th, 1883.

to the Right Honourable W. E. Gladstone, M. P., Premier of Her Majesty's Government.

The accompanying letter to the President of the United States is an appeal which must commend itself to every sincere christian man on moral grounds.

In submitting a similar appeal to yourself I feel that I am addressing one whose words and life attest sincerity of belief not merely in christian doctrine and ordinances, but in the obligation which presses any and every man reverently to recognize a Creator.

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