these cases from the Canadian Government, with a view to its communication to the Government of the United States.

> I am, &c. JULIAN PAUNCEFOTE. (Signed)

No. 5.

Sir J. Pauncefote to Sir R. Herbert.

Foreign Office, December 9, 1886. Sir, I AM directed by the Earl of Iddesleigh to transmit to you, to be laid before Mr. Secretary Stanhope, copy of a note from the United States' Minister at this Court, inclosing an outline for an ad interim arrangement between the two Governments on the subject of the North American Fisheries, accompanied by a despatch from Mr. Bayard containing some observations thereon.*

I am to suggest that the views of the Governments of Canada and Newfoundland with regard to this proposal should be obtained with the least possible delay, in order that Her Majesty's Government may be able to consider at an early date what reply

should be made to Mr. Phelps' communication.

I am, &c. JULIAN PAUNCEFOTE. (Signed)

No. 6.

The Earl of Iddesleigh to Mr. Phelps.

Sir. Foreign Office, December 10, 1886. I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note of the 3rd instant, inclosing an outline for an ad interim arrangement between Great Britain and the United

States on the subject of the North American fisheries, accompanied by a despatch from

Mr. Bayard containing some observations thereon.

I beg leave to state, in reply, that Her Majesty's Government will not fail to give immediate and careful consideration to this communication, in consultation with the Colonial Governments concerned, and that I hope shortly to be in a position to address a further communication to you on the subject.

I have, &c.

(Signed) IDDESLEIGH.

No. 7.

The Earl of Iddesleigh to Sir L. West.

Sir, Foreign Office, December 10, 1886. I TRANSMIT herewith, for your information, a copy of a letter from the Colonial Office inclosing a copy of an Order of Her Majesty in Council assenting to the Reserved Bill of the Legislature of Canada, entitled "An Act further to amend the Act respecting Fishing by Foreign Vessels."†

> I am, &c. (Signed) IDDESLEIGH.

No. 8.

The Earl of Iddesleigh to Sir L. West.

Sir, Foreign Office, December 11, 1886. I TRANSMIT herewith, for your information, copies of correspondence, as marked in the margin, concerning a proposal made by the United States Government for an

^{*} No. 2. † See "United States No. 1 (1887)," p. 169.