

No. 246.

*Mr. Crampton to the Earl of Clarendon.—(Received March 29.)*

(No. 67.)

My Lord,

Washington, March 12, 1854.

WITH reference to your Lordship's despatch to me, No. 25 of the 6th ultimo, and to my despatch to your Lordship No. 59 of the 6th instant, I have now the honour to transmit to you herewith, in copy, a note from the Secretary of State of the United States, informing me that copies of my note to him of the 6th instant, and of the memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of Belfast, relative to the reduction of the present rate of duty levied upon sewed and embroidered muslins in the United States, will be immediately submitted to the consideration of the Secretary of the Treasury.

I have, &c.  
(Signed) JOHN F. CRAMPTON.

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*Mr. Marcy to Mr. Crampton.*

Sir,

Department of State, Washington, March 9, 1854.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note of the 6th instant; and to state, in reply, that a copy of it, and of the memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of Belfast, relative to the reduction of the present rate of duty levied upon sewed and embroidered muslins in the United States, which accompanied it, will be immediately submitted to the consideration of the Secretary of the Treasury.

I avail, &c.  
(Signed) W. L. MARCY.

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No. 247.

*The Secretary to the Admiralty to Mr. Addington.—(Received April 12.)*

Sir,

Admiralty, April 11, 1854.

I AM commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to transmit to you, for the information of the Earl of Clarendon, a copy of a despatch from Vice-Admiral Sir George Seymour, relative to the message to Congress from the President of the United States on the subject of the North American Fisheries.

I am, &c.  
(Signed) W. A. B. HAMILTON.

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*Vice-Admiral Sir G. Seymour to the Secretary to the Admiralty.*

Sir,

"Columbia," at Halifax, March 24, 1854.

I TRANSMIT, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, copy of a message from the President of the United States, with accompanying reports in reference to the North American fisheries, laid before Congress on the 14th January, which, having been transmitted to the West Indies by Mr. Crampton, did not reach me until the 17th instant.

My letter of the 17th August last, No. 176, has already furnished their Lordships with a full report of the communications which took place between Commodore Shubrick and myself when he visited Halifax during the last summer. The report of that officer (No. 11 in the printed papers) is less ample,