

Despatch from Her Majesty's High Commissioners, with Copy
annexed of the Treaty signed at Washington, May 8, 1871.

Her Majesty's High Commissioners to Earl Granville.—(Received May 21.)

My Lord,

Washington, May 8, 1871.

WE have the honour to report that we have this day signed the Treaty with the United States' High Commissioners at the State Department.

Copies of the Treaty are inclosed. The original will be conveyed to London by Lord Tenterden.

As the duties of Her Majesty's High Commission have now been completed, we desire to bring to your Lordship's notice in a very special manner the valuable assistance which we have received from Lord Tenterden throughout our negotiations. We cannot speak too highly of the remarkable knowledge and ability which he has displayed, or of the zeal with which he has devoted himself to his duties, and we feel ourselves under the greatest obligations to him.

We further wish to place upon record our strong appreciation of the services which have been rendered to us by Mr. Henry Howard, and our sense of the great advantage which we have derived from them.

Our thanks are also due to Mr. H. S. Northcote, of whose special aptitude for business we have formed a high opinion, as well as to Viscount Goderich, who has rendered us most willing assistance.

We have, &c.
(Signed) DE GREY AND RIPON.
STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE.
EDWD. THORNTON.
JOHN A. MACDONALD.
MOUNTAGUE BERNARD.

Inclosure.

Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America. Signed at Washington, May 8, 1871.

HER Britannic Majesty and the United States of America, being desirous to provide for an amicable settlement of all causes of difference between the two countries, have for that purpose appointed their respective Plenipotentiaries, that is to say :—

Her Britannic Majesty on her part has appointed as Her High Commissioners and Plenipotentiaries, the Right Honourable George Frederick Samuel, Earl de Grey and Earl of Ripon, Viscount Goderich, Baron Grantham, a Baronet, a Peer of the United Kingdom, Lord President of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, &c., &c.; the Right Honourable Sir Stafford Henry Northcote, Baronet, one of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, a Member of Parliament, a Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, &c., &c.; Sir Edward Thornton, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States of America; Sir John Alexander Macdonald, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, a Member of Her Majesty's Privy Council for Canada, and Minister of Justice and Attorney-General of Her Majesty's Dominion of Canada; and Mountague Bernard, Esq., Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford;