

No. 2.

*Foreign Office to Colonial Office.**Foreign Office, April 2, 1887.*

[Transmits copy of Sir L. West's No. 41, Treaty, of March 20, 1887.]

No. 3.

The Marquis of Salisbury to Sir L. West.

(No. 20. Treaty. Confidential.)

Foreign Office, April 2, 1887.

[Transmits two copies of Confidential Print No. 5398, from July to December, 1886.]

No. 4.

Foreign Office to Colonial Office.

(Confidential.)

Foreign Office, April 2, 1887.

[Transmits four copies of Confidential Print No. 5398, from July to December, 1886.]

No. 5.

Colonial Office to Foreign Office.—(Received April 5.)

Sir,

Downing Street, April 4, 1887.

I AM directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo, inclosing a copy of the reply which the Marquis of Salisbury has made to Mr. Phelps' note of the 3rd December last on the subject of the proposed *ad interim* Arrangement relative to the North American fisheries.

I am to inquire whether Lord Salisbury is aware of any objection to the communication of the despatch in question to the Canadian Government.

I am, &c.

(Signed) JOHN BRAMSTON.

No. 6.

Colonial Office to Foreign Office.—(Received April 5.)

Sir,

Downing Street, April 4, 1887.

WITH reference to your letters noted in the margin, I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to acquaint you, for the information of the Marquis of Salisbury, that he has telegraphed to the Governor-General of Canada to ascertain the views of his Government as to whether Article XXIX of the Treaty of Washington is still in force, and as to its bearing on the Retaliatory Bills passed by the United States' Congress.

I am to add that Sir H. Holland would be glad if Lord Salisbury would telegraph to Her Majesty's Minister at Washington to send to the Governor-General of Canada, by the first opportunity, copies of the Bill in question as passed by Congress, should this not already have been done.

I am, &c.

(Signed) JOHN BRAMSTON.