

Majesty's Consul at Boston, the Consul will be instructed to sell the vessel and distribute the proceeds of the sale to Captain Buddington and his crew.

I have, &c.

(Signed) JOHN F. CRAMPTON.

Inclosure 3 in No. 8.

Mr. Crampton to Consul Grattan.

Sir, *Washington, February 12, 1856.*

WITH reference to my letter of the 11th January, respecting Her Majesty's ship "Resolute," I inclose for your information the copy of a despatch which I have received from the Earl of Clarendon, stating that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty will waive their right to that vessel, and leave her at the disposal of Captain Buddington; or if Captain Buddington should prefer to give the vessel up to you, their Lordships request that you may be instructed to sell the vessel, and to distribute the proceeds of the sale to Captain Buddington and his crew.

I have already made the owners of the American whaler "George Henry" acquainted with their Lordships' decision; and I have now to instruct you to communicate with them, and to take such steps as may be necessary, whether for giving up the vessel to Captain Buddington, or for selling her and distributing the proceeds to Captain Buddington and his crew, in case he shall prefer giving the "Resolute" up to yourself.

I have, &c.

(Signed) JOHN F. CRAMPTON.

No. 9.

Mr. Hammond to the Secretary to the Admiralty.

Sir, *Foreign Office, March 4, 1856.*

I AM directed by the Earl of Clarendon to transmit to you, to be laid before the Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty, copies of a despatch and its inclosures from Her Majesty's Minister at Washington,* reporting the steps which he has taken in obedience to an instruction which, on receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo, Lord Clarendon addressed to him respecting the decision of their Lordships in regard to the disposal of Her Majesty's ship "Resolute," lately recovered from the Arctic Seas.

I am, &c.

(Signed) E. HAMMOND.

No. 10.

Mr. Crampton to the Earl of Clarendon.—(Received March 11.)

My Lord,

Washington, February 25, 1856.

WITH reference to my despatch of the 12th instant, inclosing the copy of a note which I had addressed to the Secretary of State of the United States, informing him that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty had determined to waive the right of Her Majesty's Government to Her Majesty's ship "Resolute," and to leave that vessel at the disposition of Captain Buddington and his crew, I have now the honour to inclose a copy of Mr. Marcy's reply to my communication, expressing the sense of the United States' Government of the generous decision of the Lords Commissioners.

I have, &c.

(Signed) JOHN F. CRAMPTON.