

Enclosure in No. 216.

Treaty, No. 66.

WASHINGTON,
July 13th, 1887.

MY LORD,

With reference to your Lordship's telegram of the 9th instant, I have the honour to enclose copy of a note which I have received from the Secretary of State informing me that he would make instant reply to your Lordship's proposition respecting a Fishery Commission through the United States Minister in London.

I have, &c.
(Signed) L. S. S. WEST.

The Marquis of Salisbury,
&c., &c., &c.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON,
July 12th, 1887.

SIR,

I have communicated to Mr. Phelps, our Minister at London, the purport of the Marquis of Salisbury's telegram to you, of which you personally delivered me a copy yesterday afternoon, and through the same channel I shall make instant reply to his Lordship's proposition as contained therein.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) T. F. BAYARD.

Sir L. S. West.
&c., &c., &c.

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No. 217.

Foreign Office to Colonial Office.

FOREIGN OFFICE,
July 29th, 1887.

Confidential.

SIR,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to transmit to you, to be laid before Sir Henry Holland a copy of a telegram which his Lordship has this day addressed to Her Majesty's Minister at Washington relative to the proposed appointment of a Commission to consider the Fisheries Question.

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

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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Telegram sent to Sir L. West, July 29th, 5 p.m., 1887 (in cypher).

Fisheries.—Mr. Phelps proposes Commission. I have expressed willingness of Her Majesty's Government, but doubt whether one Plenipotentiary each side would be enough.