

Lord Stanley of Preston has stated that a corrected copy of this Despatch will be sent by next mail, and a revise will be sent to you as soon as it has been received.

I am, &c.

The Under Secretary of State,  
Foreign Office.

(Signed) JOHN BRAMSTON.

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No. 178.

LORD KNUTSFORD to SIR TERENCE O'BRIEN.

TELEGRAPHIC.

(Paraphrase.)

14th February, 1891, 5.45 p.m. I have received your telegram of the 13th February.\* Telegrams in the press report repetition in Mr. Bond's resolution of incorrect statement that Her Majesty's Government had authorized conclusion of convention. You should present my Despatch of the 12th February† to both Houses as soon as received.

Were proposals of Her Majesty's Government respecting railway loan guarantee before Assembly when resolutions were adopted? No papers beyond those presented to Parliament here may without special authority be given. The papers respecting French fishery rights sent to you by mail of the 29th January have not yet been presented here, and should not be made public yet.

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No. 179.

FOREIGN OFFICE to COLONIAL OFFICE.

SIR,

Foreign Office, February 14, 1891.

WITH reference to my letter of the 18th December last,‡ I am directed by the Marquis of Salisbury to transmit to you, to be laid before Lord Knutsford, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Washington, reporting the proceedings of Mr. Bond during his visit to Washington in November and December, and enclosing copy of a revised draft for the regulation of fishery and trade between Newfoundland and the United States, which was handed to Sir J. Pouncefote by that gentleman before his departure, with the assurance that it had been virtually agreed upon between Mr. Blaine and himself, and that Mr. Blaine would communicate it as his counter-proposal.

The draft actually communicated by Mr. Blaine on the 6th January was forwarded in my letter of the 17th of that month.§

I am, &c.

The Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.

(Signed) T. H. SANDERSON.

Enclosure in No. 179.

Sir J. PAUNCEFOTE to the MARQUIS OF SALISBURY.

(No. 173A.)

MY LORD,

Washington, December 26, 1890.

IN my telegram No. 98 of the 17th instant I reported the departure from Washington of Mr. Bond, the Colonial Secretary of Newfoundland. The first interview with Mr. Blaine took place on the 29th ultimo. I was present, at the request of Mr. Blaine, and the conversation was confined to statistical information supplied by Mr. Bond.

On taking our leave Mr. Blaine said he would be glad to see us in a day or two, and would make an appointment for the purpose. But although I twice reminded him of his promise, we heard no more from him for a fortnight, after which time Mr. Bond became impatient, and, with his approval, I asked Mr. Blaine whether he thought it necessary to detain him any longer.

\* No. 175.

† No. 171 A.

‡ No. 94.

§ No. 124.