

Earl Granville to Mr. Lowell.

Sir,

Foreign Office, August 29, 1881.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the communication which you were good enough to address to me on the 19th instant, in which, by Mr. Blaine's direction, you invite the attention of Her Majesty's Government to certain facts which tend to show, it is alleged, a determination on the part of the native fishermen of Newfoundland to oppose the exercise by the fishermen of the United States of the privileges secured to them by Treaty on the coast of Newfoundland.

In reply, I beg leave to state that the friendly language in which this representation from your Government is couched is fully appreciated by Her Majesty's Government, and I need not assure you that it shall be considered by them with all the care demanded by the importance of the interests concerned.

I am, &c.
(Signed) GRANVILLE.

No. 9.

Sir J. Pauncefote to Mr. Herbert.

Sir,

Foreign Office, August 29, 1881.

I AM directed by Earl Granville to transmit to you a copy of a letter which has been received from the United States' Minister in London, in which, by direction of his Government, he invites the attention of that of Her Majesty to certain facts which tend to show, it is alleged, a determination on the part of the native fishermen of Newfoundland to oppose the exercise by the fishermen of the United States of the privileges secured to them by Treaty on the coast of Newfoundland.*

I am at the same time to inclose a copy of the acknowledgment which Lord Granville has returned to Mr. Lowell's communication.†

In laying these papers before the Earl of Kimberley for any observations that he may wish to make upon them, I am to request that you will suggest to his Lordship that the opportunity offered by this communication from the Government of the United States should be taken for pressing upon them the desirability of proceeding at once to frame the Joint Fishery Regulations.

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

No. 10.

Mr. Meade to Sir J. Pauncefote.—(Received September 7.)

Sir,

Downing Street, August 23, 1881.

I AM directed by the Earl of Kimberley to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th instant, inclosing a draft despatch to Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Washington upon the subject of the fishery rights enjoyed by United States' fishermen in Newfoundland waters.

Lord Kimberley caused a reference to be made to Sir William Whiteway with respect to the Acts relating to the fisheries, which should be brought to the notice of the United States' Government, as suggested by Lord Granville; and I am to inclose a copy of a letter received from Sir William Whiteway in reply.

As the Acts which he mentions—viz., cap. 102, Consolidated Statutes, Newfoundland; 38 Vict., cap. 7; 39 Vict., cap. 6; 40 Vict., cap. 13; 42 Vict., cap. 2—are already before the United States' Government, having been appended to a Message from President Hayes to the House of Representatives, a copy of which accompanied Sir E. Thornton's despatch No. 173 of the 7th June, 1880, it will probably not be thought necessary that further copies should be transmitted to them. Subject to the slight alterations which will in such case be rendered necessary, Lord Kimberley

* No. 7.

† No. 8.