No. 11.

COLONIAL OFFICE to ROBERT BOND, Esq.

Sir, Downing Street, September 10, 1890.

I am directed by Lord Knutsford to transmit to you a letter of introduction* to Her Majesty's Minister at Washington, which has been obtained from the Foreign Office, at the request of Sir W. V. Whiteway, to enable you to explain to Sir Julian Pauncefote the views of the Newfoundland Government in regard to the proposed arrangement to obtain the admission free of duty into the United States of fish and other products of the Colony.

Robert Bond, Esq.

I am, &c. (Signed) JOHN BRAMSTON.

No. 12.

COLONIAL OFFICE to SIR W. V. WHITEWAY.

In reply to your letter of the 9th instant, † I am directed by Lord Knutsford to inform you that a letter of introduction to Her Majesty's Minister at Washington, obtained from the Foreign Office, to enable Mr. Bond to explain to Sir Julian Pauncefote the views of the Newfoundland Government in regard to the admission of fish and other products of the Colony into the United States, was yesterday forwarded to Mr. Bond to the care of the captain of the steam-ship "Polynesian," Queenstown.

I am, &c.

(Signed) JOHN BRAMSTON.

Sir W. V. Whiteway, Q.C., K.C.M.G.

No. 13.

LORD KNUTSFORD to LORD STANLEY OF PRESTON.

TELEGRAPHIC.

October 22, 1890.—The following is the substance of a telegram received by the Marquis of Salisbury from British Minister at Washington, 17th instant:—

"With reference to your Lordship's Despatch of the 10th ultimo, introducing Mr. Robert Bond, I have presented that gentleman to Mr. Secretary Blaine, and negotiations are now going on with a view to an independent arrangement between the United States and Newfoundland relating to the fisheries. Before negotiations go further I would suggest that the Government of Canada might be informed, as they might wish to negotiate on the same lines as regards the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia."

No. 14.

COLONIAL OFFICE to the HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA.

Downing Street, October 23, 1890.

I AM directed by Lord Knutsford to acquaint you that a Telegram, dated the 16th instant, has been received from Her Majesty's Minister at Washington by the Secretary of the State for Foreign Affairs, of which the following is the purport:—

"With reference to your Despatch of the 10th ultimo introducing Mr. Bond, I have presented that gentleman to Mr. Secretary Blaine, and negotiations are now going on with a view to an independent arrangement between the United States and Newfoundland relating to the fisheries. Before negotiations go further, I would suggest that the Government of Canada might be informed of them, as they might wish to negotiate on the same lines as regards New Brunswick and Nova Scotia."