

Further Correspondence with the Governments of Canada, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland, respecting the Treaty of Washington.

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No. 1.

*Mr. Hammond to the Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.*

Sir,

*Foreign Office, April 25, 1873.*

I AM directed by Earl Granville to request that you will inform the Earl of Kimberley that the American Minister called upon him to-day, and placed in his hands the inclosed copy of the Act which has been passed by the United States' Congress in order to make the necessary arrangements for carrying out the provisions contained in Articles XVIII to XXV inclusive, and Article XXX of the Treaty of Washington, and which is to take effect on the 1st of July next.

The Parliaments of Great Britain and of the Dominion of Canada, and the Legislature of Prince Edward's Island, having also passed the necessary Acts, the American Minister suggested, for Lord Granville's consideration, that it might be desirable that he should be authorized by Mr. Fish to sign a Protocol reciting these several Acts, with a declaration that the Articles are to take effect on the 1st of July.

I am to request that you will inform Lord Kimberley that, if he concurs, Lord Granville is disposed to give his assent to this proposal.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

E. HAMMOND.

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Inclosure in No. 1.

[GENERAL NATURE.—No. 46.]

*An Act to carry into effect the Provisions of the Treaty between the United States and Great Britain, signed in the City of Washington, the 8th day of May, 1871, relating to the Fisheries.*

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that whenever the President of the United States shall receive satisfactory evidence that the Imperial Parliament of Great Britain, the Parliament of Canada, and the Legislature of Prince Edward's Island have passed laws on their part to give full effect to the provisions of the Treaty between the United States and Great Britain signed at the city of Washington on the eighth day of May, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, as contained in Articles eighteenth to twenty-fifth inclusive, and Article thirtieth of said Treaty, he is hereby authorized to issue his Proclamation declaring that he has such evidence, and thereupon, from the date of such Proclamation, and so long as the said Articles eighteenth to twenty-fifth, inclusive, and Article thirtieth of said Treaty shall remain in force, according to the terms and conditions of Article thirty-third of said Treaty, all fish-oil and fish of all kinds (except fish of the inland lakes and of the rivers falling into them, and except fish preserved in oil), being the produce of the fisheries of the Dominion of Canada or of Prince Edward's Island, shall be admitted into the United States free of duty.

Section 2. That whenever the Colony of Newfoundland shall give its consent to the application of the stipulations and provisions of the said Articles eighteenth to twenty-fifth of said Treaty, inclusive, to that Colony, and the Legislature thereof, and the Imperial Parliament shall pass the necessary laws for that purpose, the above enumerated articles, being the produce of the fisheries of the Colony of Newfoundland,