

1880.
NEW ZEALAND.

TREATIES OF COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION

(LIST OF, BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND FOREIGN POWERS).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Sir MICHAEL HICKS BEACH to the OFFICER ADMINISTERING the GOVERNMENT of NEW ZEALAND.

(Circular.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 17th October, 1879.

I have the honor to transmit to you, for the information of your Government, copies of a parliamentary paper containing a list of treaties of commerce and navigation between Great Britain and Foreign Powers, containing most-favoured-nation clauses; stating the period when terminable; and showing whether they apply to the British colonies.

I have, &c.,

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

M. E. HICKS BEACH.

Enclosure.

LIST of all TREATIES of COMMERCE and NAVIGATION between Great Britain and Foreign Powers which are now in force, stating the date of each, and the period when terminable; whether or not they provide "Most-favoured-Nation" Treatment, and the Terms by which such Treatment is stipulated for; and how far they apply to British colonies.

ARGENTINE CONFEDERATION.—FEBRUARY 2, 1825.

Commerce and Navigation.—No time fixed.

Most-favoured-Nation Treatment.

Imports and Exports, Produce and Manufactures.—No higher or other duties shall be imposed on the importation into the territories of His Britannic Majesty of any articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture of the United Provinces of Rio de la Plata; and no higher or other duties shall be imposed on the importation into the said United Provinces of any articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture of any other foreign country; nor shall any other or higher duties or charges be imposed in the territories or dominions of either of the Contracting Parties on the exportation of any articles to the territories or dominions of the other, than such as are or may be payable on the exportation of the like articles to any other foreign country; nor shall any prohibition be imposed upon the exportation or importation of any articles the growth, produce, or manufacture of His Britannic Majesty's dominions, or of the said United Provinces, which shall not equally extend to all other nations. (Article IV.)

Lading and Unlading of Ships, Safety of Merchandise, &c., Disposal of Property, &c., Justice, Imposts.—In whatever relates to the lading and unlading of ships, the safety of merchandise, goods, and effects, the disposal of property of every sort and denomination, by sale, donation, or exchange, or in any other manner whatsoever, as also the administration of justice, the subjects and citizens of the two Contracting Parties shall enjoy, in their respective dominions, the same privileges, liberties, and rights as the most favoured nation, and shall not be charged, in any of these respects, with any higher duties or imposts than those which are paid, or may be paid, by the native subjects or citizens of the Power in whose dominions they may be resident. (Article IX.)