

No. 142.

New Zealand, No. 414.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 29th December, 1911.

With reference to my despatch, No. 373A, of the 1st of November, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, copy of a declaration respecting the separate withdrawal of the self-governing dominions from the commercial treaties between the United Kingdom and Sweden.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &c.

Enclosure.

DECLARATION BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND SWEDEN RELATING TO THE AMENDMENT OF TREATIES OF COMMERCE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. (Signed at Stockholm, 27th November, 1911.)

Declaration between the Governments of Great Britain and Sweden relating to the Amendment of the Treaties of Commerce of the 11th of April, 1654, the 17th of July, 1656, the 21st of October, 1661, the 5th of February, 1766, and the 18th of March, 1826.

WHEREAS it is desirable that liberty should be reserved to certain of His Britannic Majesty's dominions to withdraw from the treaties between Great Britain and Sweden of the 11th of April, 1654, the 17th of July, 1656, the 21st of October, 1661, the 5th of February, 1766, and the 18th of March, 1826, with impairing the validity of the treaties as between Sweden on the one hand and the United Kingdom and those other parts of His Britannic Majesty's dominions which may desire to remain bound by the said treaties on the other, the Government of His Britannic Majesty and the Government of Sweden hereby agree that the Dominion of Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, the Dominion of New Zealand, the Union of South Africa, and the Colony of Newfoundland may withdraw from the treaties or any one of them separately at any time on giving twelve months' notice to that effect. Nevertheless, the goods produced or manufactured in each of the said British dominions shall enjoy in Sweden complete and unconditional most-favoured-nation treatment so long as the British dominions in question shall accord to goods the produce or manufacture of Sweden treatment as favourable as it gives to the produce or manufacture of any other foreign country.

In witness whereof the undersigned have signed the present declaration and have affixed thereto their seals.

Done at Stockholm, 27th November, 1911.

CECIL A. SPRING-RICE.
ALBERT EHRENSVÄRD.

No. 143.

New Zealand, No. 3.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 5th January, 1912.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the enclosed copy of a Foreign Office notice published in the *London Gazette* of the 2nd instant.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &c.

Enclosure.

Foreign Office, 2nd January, 1912.

HIS MAJESTY'S Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from His Majesty's Ambassador at Rome a communication to the following effect: "The ports of Tripolitana occupied by Italian troops have now been declared open to commercial neutrals."

No. 144.

New Zealand, No. 7.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 10th January, 1912.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, copy of a note from the Italian Ambassador at this Court, requesting the recognition of Cavaliere G. Ferrando as Vice-Consul in Charge of the Italian Consulate-General at Melbourne.

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