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considered the correspondence which has taken place between the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies and their several Governments, upon the subject of Intercolonial Commercial Reciprocity. The Conference having given respectful attention to the arguments used by the Secretary of State, still consider it their duty to urge upon the Imperial Government the removal of the restrictions which preclude two or more Colonics of the Australasian group from entering into arrangements for the admission of articles the growth, produce, or manufacture of any part of Australia or New Zealand, upon terms to which they may mutually agree.

The Conference express their earnest hope that Her Majesty's Government will introduce, at as

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early a date as possible, the necessary measure of legislation to give effect to the wishes of the

Conference.

Signed at Sydney, the 14th day of February, 1873.

HENRY PARKES, Colonial Secretary, SAUL SAMUEL, New South Wales. Vice-President of the Executive Council, JULIUS VOGEL, Colonial Treasurer and Postmaster-General, New Zealand. WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS, Commissioner of Customs, A. H. PALMER, Colonial Secretary Queensland. J. MALBON THOMPSON, Secretary for Public Lands, HENRY AYERS, Chief Secretary, South Australia. JOHN H. BARROW, Treasurer, FREDK. M. INNES. Colonial Treasurer, Tasmania. J. M. WILSON, M.L.C., JAS. G. FRANĆIS, Chief Secretary, Victoria. EDWARD LANGTON, Treasurer, FRED. P. BARLEE, Western Australia. Colonial Secretary,

## No. 3.

RESOLUTION adopted by the Intercolonial Conference, 11th February, 1873. "THAT the Chairman be requested to move His Excellency Governor Sir Hercules Robinson to transmit a telegraphic message to Lord Kimberley, embodying the unanimous decision of the Conference in reference to Intercolonial Commercial Reciprocity, with the object that no delay may take place in the introduction of Imperial legislation to give effect to the wishes of the Conference."

## No. 4.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, New South Wales, to the Hon. J. Vogel. Sydney, 20th February, 1873. Sir,— I have the honor to inform you that the following telegram has been received by His Excel-

lency Sir Hercules Robinson from the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, namely:-

" London, 17th February "5.35.—Your telegram of the 14th, Intercolonial Tariffs, will receive early consideration of Her Majesty's Government.'

I have, &c.,

The Hon. Julius Vogel, &c., &c.

HENRY PARKES.

## No. 5.

## Governor Du Cane to Lord KIMBEBLEY.

MY LORD, Government House, Tasmania, 14th June, 1872. I have the honor to forward to your Lordship a Memorandum addressed to me by the Premier and Colonial Secretary of this Colony, in reference to your Lordship's Circular Despatch of the 19th of April last, on the question of Intercolonial Free Trade and Reciprocity.

My own views on this question, as affecting the interests of this Colony, having been fully stated to your Lordship in previous Despatches, this Memorandum does not appear to me to call for any

further remarks.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES DU CANE.