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Gazette relative to the Commercial Treaty between this country and the Sandwich Islands.

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M. E. HICKS BEACH.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

Enclosure in No. 27.

[Extract from the London Gazette of Tuesday, 14th May, 1878.]

Foreign Office, 14th May, 1878,

Major Wodehouse, Her Majesty's Commissioner and Consul-General at Honolulu, has reported that the Hawaiian Government withdraw the notice to terminate Articles V. and VI. of the treaty of July 10, 1851, between Great Britain and the Sandwich Islands.

The notice to terminate Article IV. of that treaty, as announced in the London Gazette

of 19th February, 1878, is maintained.

No. 28.

Copy of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Sir M. E. HICKS BEACH to the Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

(Circular.)

SIR,— Downing Street, 30th May, 1878.

I have the honor to transmit to you, for publication in the colony under your government, a copy of a treaty between Her Majesty and the President of the French Republic for the mutual surrender of fugitive criminals, as well as a copy of the Order in Council of the 16th instant for carrying that treaty into effect.

2. It will be observed that the treaty comes into operation on the 31st instant.

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M. E. HICKS BEACH.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

Enclosure in No. 28.

[Extracts from the London Gazette of Tuesday, 21st May, 1878.]

At the Court at Windsor, the 16th day of May, 1878. Present: The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas by an Act of Parliament made and passed in the session of Parliament holden in the thirty-third and thirty-fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for amending the Law relating to the Extradition of Criminals," and also by an Act of Parliament made and passed in the session of Parliament holden in the thirty-sixth and thirty-seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend 'The Extradition Act, 1870," it was amongst other things enacted that, where an arrangement has been made with any Foreign State with respect to the surrender to such State of any fugitive criminals, Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that the said Acts shall apply in the case of such Foreign State; and that Her Majesty may, by the same or any subsequent order, limit the operation of the order, and restrict the same to fugitive criminals who are in or suspected of being in the part of Her Majesty's dominions specified in the order, and render the operation thereof subject to such conditions, exceptions, and qualifications as may be deemed expedient:

And whereas a treaty was concluded on the fourteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, between Her Majesty and the President of the French Republic, for

the mutual extradition of fugitive criminals, which treaty is in the terms following:

Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the President of the French Republic, having recognized the insufficiency of the provisions of the treaty concluded on the 13th of February, 1843, between Great Britain and France, for the reciprocal extradition of criminals, have resolved, by common accord, to replace it by another and more complete treaty, and have named as their respective Plenipotentiaries for this purpose, that is to say,—

Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,—The Right Honorable Richard Bickerton Pemell Lord Lyons, a Peer of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her