

SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF HORSES FOR AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

CONNECTED FILES .

0797/V

Visits of Agric. Officer to Punta Arenas.

URGENT

Reginity.

I want as soon as possible the papers on which was sent a telegram to the Ambassador at Chile over the F.I.C. and Gov. houses awaiting a permit for shipment.

At. 7-7
25/4

Yd.

A.E.S.

Pl. see 50-52
in 0168 att. sm

fly by
25/4

B.O.A.C

GOVERNMENT TROOP HORSE POLICY.

1. No horses to be lent for pleasure.
2. No horse to be lent to practice riding except accompanied by a member of the Department as guide and be responsible for the horses.

These rules to stand unless over-rudden by instructions from H.E., H.C.S. or in very special cases by A.O.

Horses lent to Camp.

Not to be lent without a guide unless person borrowing horse is deemed competent and knowledgeable of the tracks to be ridden over and the Station Manager, to whom he is travelling is willing to look after and have the horse returned down the track at the first opportunity, unless the rider and or guide is returning with the horses to Stanley. Horses not to be lent even so if journey is only for pleasure.

NOTE. Anyone borrowing horses for one journey and continuing on further to other places without first asking and obtaining permission will in future be excluded from ^{borrowing} future ~~lends~~ of horses.

John P. Blair
Agricultural Officer.
1/1/00.

App'd. mc.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS,

14.v.47

19.....

66/45

Purchase of horses.

May I ask you to confirm our conversation on the above subject, in which you approved the purchase of two wild mares from the FIC, ex Chile. about £50.

The cost will be

These were included in 1945 estimates, but were not available. They were not re-estimated for, because it was hoped to take delivery in Dec.

Hon. Col. Sec.

[Handwritten signature]

As. Stock Inspector.

PIS of
1946
ESTS.

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14.5.

See 6

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This will mean a £10. but
may be extra?
most necessary.

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Who is going to break them in?

16.5.

App. Inc.

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S.I.

A.

To ask 1 pt. to note to H.E.'s
Question.

ABE

B.

17.11

Mr. C.S., must await return of Mr. Kerst, but
I do not think there will be any difficulty

20.5. M.

26.11
ABE
21.11

Mr. As. Dept.

C.

How is breaking in program
please?

ABE

7.7

No. _____

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute the above Number and the date may be quoted.)

Rec. 10/7/47

MINUTE.

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10th July, 1947.

From Stanley Common Ranger,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To Officer-in-Charge,

Agricultural Department,

Stanley.

Colts ex Fox Bay.

Breaking in commenced first week in June, by Stabling, feeding and grooming. I made several trips to East Camps and bad Weather prevented further work for another week. During the last 14 days "Dandy", the 2 year old filly has gone through intensive training including several tricks and is now ready to ride for a little exercise only.

"Crackers" the dark Chesnut a 4 year old gelding is not so advanced but should be by the end of July or early in August.

see 5.

B. Stewart
S.C.R.

Inside Minute Paper.

Hon Lord See

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Sheet No.....

See 2C

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The breaking in of these two horses is being carried out by M^r Stewart, and is progressing quite well. M^r Stewart's report is submitted.

J.B.B. O^o of Dept.
10/7/47

B

HE.

4 hi. I don't think they could be in better hands.

C.B.
11.7

C

CS.

They certainly could not. Dandy is progressing very well; I hope to ride him a good deal myself later he is full young at present. MC 11/vii

PA A.B.
11.7

D

HE.

SW for Siqueira, pr. \$2 8
I explain's why.

A.S.
14.8

MC 15/vii

No.

MINUTE.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute the above Number and the date may be quoted.)

12th August, 1947. 6

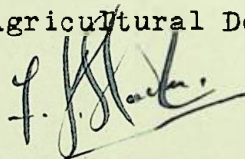
From The Ag. Stock Inspector,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

I have the honour to refer to my minute of 14th May, 1947, and to submit Special Warrant for £42. 17s. -d. for the purchase of Horses.

Please return to the O. i/c Agricultural Department if and when approved.



Ag. Stock Inspector.

S. W. signed 13/8/47
W. H.

P.A.

Cs

I intend this spring & summer to spend a good deal of time in the Camp and require a horse for my own use. Mr. Lawrence Sedgwick has a very suitable animal for disposal complete with saddling for £45. Flavel has inspected and considers the figure reasonable; I have instructed him \therefore to close and the purchase can be debited to Head II.

X

2. Mr. Sumner has asked me to obtain two army saddles for him and he can have the two recently purchased (last September) at the figure we gave for them - they are in brand new condition. Proceeds can go towards X above.

MC 10/11



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

9th. April 1948

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Your Excellency,
Government House,
Stanley.

Re. your verbal instructions this afternoon I have examined Mr. Sedgwick's horse and gear.

The horse appears to me to be sound in every limb with good feet and good chest and is in his prime.

The gear which consists of ;→ Australian stock saddle and cinch, headstall and bridle, martingale, stirrups and leathers, leather backed saddle-rug complete with leather saddle bags, is in a good servicable condition and only requires dressing with saddle soap.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

B. Flew

S. C. R.

CS.

Felt with my minerals

of this morning.

MC 10/iv

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O.C. Ag. Dept. Will you please take necessary
action on 17 *J.B.B.*
12.4.48

Hon. Sec

The horse and gear have now been taken
over by Mr. Fleuret, the horse can be paid from
Head II Subhead 14, and the gear from Head II
Subhead 2.

J.B.B. O.C. Ag. Dept.
14/4/48.

Y.E.

J.B.B.
15.4

Noted - the horse will be kept for my use.
15.4

O.C. Ag. Dept.

To note for.

J.B.B.
15.4

Hon. Sec

Noted, thank you.

J.B.B. O.C. Ag. Dept.
19/4/48

P.A. W.B.
21.4

To. The Hon. Col. Sec.
From. The Agricultural Officer.
Date. 2nd August, 1949.



0190

Re. Government Horses.

May I bring to your notice the state of this troop of 11 horses which is the only means of reliable contact with the hinterland and which I would submit is even more elementarily vital than vehicular, air or telephone communications.

I attach a list with remarks of the present horses; from this you will readily see the difficulty entailed in having to horse all Government Officials who have reason to go to camp; His Excellency, "yself, The Common Ranger and other men working on the Common or up at the Fish Hatchery besides drawing on the troop for horses to harrow paddocks, cart stores etc.

The Department now has no other means of transport.

For 1 year I have travelled about in the Islands keeping a lookout where replacements could be got but find everywhere to be in nearly the same position. I therefore, being unable to see any alternative to break this shortage and paucity of horses, would beg you to consider the importation of 10 horses or 6 mares broken and 5 or 6 years old. If mares were bought, together with the 4 we now have 1 or 2 foals could be bred every year and thus a state of plenty of Government horse flesh could be perpetuated for ever, also it might be possible to dispose of for small sums the 4 or 5 old horses which if kept on over the next 2 or 3 years will die being a total loss, and have to be buried.

To this end I gather Mr Yonge of Fenton Station would be the most reliable person to obtain these replacements from. He will be visiting the Colony shortly.

But perhaps the Honourable non Official Members of the Stanley Finance Committee could give you better advice on ways and means of obtaining horses to the same end.

There is only £50 in the vote consequently this would require a Special Warrant.

Attached list of horses.

John P. Collins
Agricultural Officer.

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RP. K.L.
4/8

List of Horses Agricultural Department.

1. Markita. A grey mare the pride of the troop and only horse fit to give Nurses or School Teachers to learn to ride 16 or 18 years old and very likely to break up with another year or 18 months hard work.
2. Bing. A brown Pebble, Island bred horse bought and kept for His Excellency's use, about 12 years old.
3. Shamrock. A chestnut Falkland Island bred 10 years old rather flighty and liable to shie. Can be used on track by Guide or A.O.
4. Tomatoe. A brown mare from the Coast 9 years old. Clumsy, lazy and rough to ride.
5. Princess. A grey mare with foal not now fit for the track and except for an occasional short ride is pensioned off to breed foals.
6. Paint. A big grey horse about 20 years old, blind in one eye is used occasionally for the track but is getting clumsy and stiff with age.
7. Durban. A grey horse about 25 years old with more fire and go in him than his ageing body will permit him to exercise, is used for an occasional ride, carting and harrowing, is really an old cart horse.
8. Tam. A grey horse about 20 years old has been unable to be used this last 9 months as after the shortest ride he goes lame.
9. Bobby. A grey horse about 20 years old has a suppurating shoulder and is liable to go lame on a front foot but can be used for short rides on Common occasionally.
10. Dandy. A brown mare young 6 years old partly broken will be more useful in time for a Guide's mount.
11. A Tusdow. A dun coloured horse young but with a suppurating side 18 months after having his side pierced by an iron spike. Even if fully recovers will always have a weakness in his ribs near the cinch and is better sold to an out of town person even if and when fully recovered.

Average age of the 11 rather more than 15 years.

J.P.O. 11/1/48

12

A

Y.H.

to. submitted for approval. to Standing Finance Committee? In the meantime I will talk in ~~part~~ details of requirements from A.O.

K.W.
5/8.

B

C.S. I agree in principle. A.O. should make a definite recommendation and indicate probable cost.

P.P. 5/8.

C

A.O. As above pl.

K.W.
6/8.

D

H.C.S.

I recommend that Government purchase & import 6 mares broken for riding & between 5-6 years old from the Southern Chile Area. Probable cost landed here £40 each or total say £250.

John P. Oliver
A.O. 8/11/49

A.O.

Will you pl submit S/W before 10th for consideration by Standing Finance Committee on 26th August.

K.W.

H.C.S.

S/W submitted as requested.

10/8.

Passed to S.F.C.

J.P.O.
A.O. 11/11/49

PA K...
12/4

0190

To The Honourable Colonial Secretary.
From The Agricultural Officer.
13/XII/1950.



13

Re. Importation & Purchase of Mares.

In view of the successful purchase of 3 mares through the good offices of Mr. Yonge of Fenton Station which arrived by last Fitzroy from Sandy Point. And for which we now have the bills to hand showing them only to have cost landed here £26 : 13 : 10 each.

Would it be possible for the Finance Committee to give their prior approval to a continued order from the same source of another 3 mares as was the original intention when 6 were requested; so that I might be able to write Mr. Yonge requesting the same to be sent if possible by the next Fitzroy making the trip.

John P. Lewis.

114 DEC 1950

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L.B. B.V. for next Finance Ctte pl.

18 DEC 1950

done as
noted by.

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17
18/12/50

B.W.
~~29/12/50~~
5/1/51 XX.

A.O.

Finance Committee this morning agreed in principle to your obtaining three more horses from Punjab this year. Have you the pasture for them?

2) They also suggested that a small hire charge should be made when anyone borrows a horse from the Agri. Dept. for other than business purposes. E.g. if someone wants to ride out to the light house on a Sunday afternoon. 10/- a day or 5/- a half day was suggested. May I have your views on this?

no date or signature
 M. S. P.

H. C. S.

Thank you I will write to Mr Young ordering same. I have sufficient pasture for them in summer but not in winter; hence sub head Fodder No. 9 in Agri. Estimates 1967-2. Re the suggestion at 2. above. I enclose copy of rules I try to enforce re loan of horses, & not to lend any for pleasure.

P.T.O.

Even so I cannot provide suitable horses for all the demands made; & they are not nearly as great as ought to be from people who ought in the Government's interest to learn to ride.

I have only 2 men, with other responsibilities & 4 horses quiet enough to lend to all & sundry. One of which is always requested whenever a Doctor has to ride to camp. I agree that there is the opening for a riding school & hire agency of horses in Stanley which decide you must meet in toto or not at all. To do so I would require another 6 or 8 suitable quiet horses & another man at least.

To lend horses is not without worry here unless a guide is sent also. For the Common is full of pit falls; and a horse easily bogged & lost or a leg broken.

John P. Oliver. 6/1/51
D.O.

Y.E.

17

At p.13 A.O. asks whether he might purchase from the Coast a further three horses, additional to the three already imported. The original proposal was to purchase six and the Finance Committee agreed to this in 1949. I mentioned this at the last meeting of the Committee and they were agreeable. The Committee suggested that Government might make a charge if Government horses are lent for other than business purposes. I gather from A.O.'s immediately preceding minute that in fact the Agric. Dept. does not lend horses for pleasure and I do not think we had better pursue the suggestion to start "a riding school".

X

App'd.
mc 10%

2. Y.E. will approve the purchase of 3 more horses? Apparently A.O. is able to overcome the difficulty of feeding them.



9.1.51.

X No. A.O. is always most willing to teach Govt. officials who wish to learn to ride and that should save. mc.

B.V. for next Finance Ctte.




10 JAN 1951

B.V.
26/1/51
7/7

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF FINANCE CTE. MEG. OF 5.1.51.

The Committee approved of the purchase by the Agricultural Department of three more horses from Chile. It was suggested that a charge should be made if Government horses were loaned for other than business purposes.


3/1/51

To. The Hon. Col. Sec.
From. The Agricultural Officer.
Date. 19th November, 1951.



In respect of Mares from Punta Arenas. In the last importation made by the Department only 3 Mares were obtained out of the 6 required and budgeted for.

no. Could you accept this as a pre application for an A.I.S.E. in 1952 to cover the importation of the remaining 3 Mares still required and assure me that this being so I may act on the assumption of such being granted to write to Mr. Yonge of Fenton Station ^{etc.} so that same may possibly be brought over on the April "Fitzroy" next.

John P. Lewis
Agricultural Officer.

JE

Above. A.O. wishes to anticipate Leg. Co's approval of an item in next year's budget. I do not feel able to recommend this procedure save in exceptional circumstances.

CS I thought had discussed this before AO went on leave & quod in view of the success we would recode for now & otherwise & accordingly

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19/11/51



The Hon. Col. ...
The Principal Officer ...
12th November, 1951.

issue in SW for this year — he has had columns

annals (2^o) and others are aging. I think that he

requires to give early notice if he is to get them shipped

over in February in the Autumn.

MC. 19/xi

JE

We expect to receive this year. I think. If he could
get them over by the February "Filzoy" we could
let him have an A.I.S.E. on this year's etc.

11/20/51

That is what I would prefer; I think he can
get them if he is quick off the mark.

Should we not be informed as to the intended
numbers of the Cust. Troop? I do not know if
anything has been laid down but think that it
should be. MC. 20/xi

A.O.

Ref: attached. Please let me have a note of the present strength of the Govt: troop of horses, and your views as to what its establishment should be.

2. If you wired Mr. Yonge quickly would it be possible to get the horses over by the February trip of the "Fitzroy"? It would be more convenient to pay for them this year.

20.11.51.

H.C.S. Telegrams etc. dispatched today.

Horse Troop is 15 strong + 1 Education Dept Horse.

- 1 Mare is suckling a foal.
- 1 may be in foal. (is.)
- 2 are cat horses (Pain't & Jimmy)
- 2 are permanently lame. (Tom & Sh an rock)
- 1 to His Excellencies
- 2 are only part broken (Trustee & Hope cottage Mare)

Total 9. This leaves only 6 effective horses to work:-

- 2 Old greys.
- 2 New in partial Coasters.
- 1 Tomato
- 1 Princess from Bluff Cove

Total 6

My view as to the horse troop establishment is still much as stated at 10 this file. Namely 10 mares 2 put to stud each year. This would necessarily be increased by the progeny old pensioners same horses etc. which are bound to accumulate. & give some use as pack horses & about town.

John P. Collier. 22/XI/51.
A.O.

4. Treasury & Customs	1653	0	0	1572	8	7	1566	12	5	80	11	5	
5. Audit	127	0	0	126	1	3	122	17	11	18	9		
6. Post Office	1897	0	0	2107	11	11	2108	11	9	210	11	11	
7. Wireless Telegraphs	1378	0	0	1533	5	11	1348	5	10	155	5	11	
8. Electrical	1721	0	0	1778	15	5	1949	10	0	57	15	5	
9. Harbour	750	0	0	718	9	10	712	2	5	31	10	2	
10. Legal	80	0	0	99	1	8	514	10	6	19	1	8	
11. Police & Prisons	948	0	0	972	4	6	894	15	6	24	4	6	
12. Medical	5071	0	0	4818	7	5	4694	8	9	252	12	7	
13. Education	2829	0	0	2767	7	5	2822	16	7	61	12	7	
14. Ecclesiastical	289	0	0	289	0	0	289	0	0				
15. Naturalist	55	0	0	54	13	10	39	6	10	6	2		
16. Military	1158	0	0	1169	4	2	1263	0	0	11	4	2	
17. Stock Department	379	0	0	328	11	8	472	4	9	50	8	4	
18. Miscellaneous	3538	0	0	3700	6	10	3402	1	2	162	6	10	
19. Public Works Department	3569	0	0	3568	14	9	3506	1	0	5	3		
20. Public Works Recurrent	5230	0	0	5119	7	3	4756	0	4	110	12	9	
Total Ordinary Expenditure ... £	37292	0	0	37519	9	8	37156	0	9	1143	0	11	915 11 3
21. Public Works Extraordinary	14640	0	0	16944	3	3	13786	6	10	2304	3	3	
22. Appendix I. Centenary Celebrations							1392	13	4				
Total Falklands	£ 51932	0	0	54463	12	11	52335	0	11	3447	4	2	915 11 3
Land Sales Fund				31902	18	4	Surplus of Assets on the 31st December, 1934.						
Reserve Fund				4374	19	0							
Dependencies Payments				14891	14	7							
Research Fund				56626	18	10							
Unallocated Store Account				5653	5	11							
Investments made				142831	6	11							
Advances made				3514	19	8							
Deposits Repaid				69669	4	8							
Remittances made				70888	17	9							
Educational Loans				75	0	0							
Farm and Building Loans				1395	0	0							
Discovery Pension Fund				23	1	0							
Investments Adjustment Account				31230	17	1							
Total ... £				487541	16	8							
Balance on 31st December, 1934				2735	6	5							
Total	£			490277	3	1							

Distribution of Cash Balance 31st December, 1934 :—

Colonial Treasury	£ 1984	14	7
Crown Agents	332	17	9
South Georgia	417	14	1
	£ 2735	6	5.

A. W. BEARDMORE,
for Colonial Treasurer.

A.O.

Page 20. You will see at p.17 that Finance Committee at the beginning of this year approved the purchase of three more horses. What happened about them? Were they not ordered, or did an opportunity to ship not occur?

2. I note that you consider an establishment of 10 (mares) to be adequate, of which two might be in foal at any one time. You have at present 15. Two are marked as permanently lame. With the difficulty which you tell me you have over pasture I should think it would be best to dispose of them. That would leave 13. Three above the establishment which you recommend. Or do you mean an establishment of 10 not counting those in or attending to foals, those employed as cart horses, any that happen not to be broken, and one kept for H.E.?

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24.11.51.

H.C.S.

1. No opportunity to ship. horses. 6 were ordered. 3 delivered & there 5 now still only on order. I therefore thought it expedient to keep the money alive into 1952.
2. As at your last alternative. Lame horses are unmarketable.

But if they are also unridable wtd. it may be better to shoot them?

John P. Lewis 24/11/51.
A.O.

P.S. As a matter of policy Government ought to have say a couple of horses stationed on West Falk land also.

When J. Robertson was Stock Inspector he had.

Yes

inc. 26/11/51

all H.C.S's enquiry, please?
A.O.
7/12/51

To. The Hon. Col. Sec.
From. A.Rutter. Agric. Dept.
Date. 13th December, 1951.

22

Re. purchase of 3 mares from Yonge, Fenton Station, Chile.

The Falkland Islands Co. have received a telegram from Yonge to say they can supply 3 Mares at 5.000 pesos each.

This is in excess to the amount we expected to pay for them.

I have spoken to Mr. Oliver and he has instructed me to obtain your advice before replying accepting same.

From inquiries made I understand the official exchange is 150 pesos to the £1.

A. Rutter

Clerk, Agricultural Dept.

23

The Hon. Col. Sec.
Foreign Affairs Dept.
13/12/51

JE

Page 22. In the circumstances I

recovered regarding my purchase from

3 & 2

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~~13/12/51~~

I had already suggested to

Mr. Rutter this morning.

Is X on 22 cured?

3. Are we pursuing the proposal to keep

a 'kitty' of pass. with Consul P/A from

which our bills can be met?

RES

Pl inform Mr. Rutter as in 1) above
then file back to me pl.

ll

13/12/51

M.C. 13/12/51

Mr. Rutter advised

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Notes
Action on form 3 of H.C.'s taken in earlier file.

U
12/12/51

n.f.c.

Galt
12/12/51

B.

A.O.

We spoke this afternoon regarding the horses in the Govt:troop which are really beyond work, and I suggested that the proper thing to do was to shoot them. I do appreciate your natural reluctance to shoot animals with which you have worked and for whose well-being and care you have been responsible, but with our pasturage difficulties I don't think we can afford to do otherwise, and it is perhaps kindest to them too. We agreed that when autumn came you would review the position. I record this now since I myself do not expect to be here then, and you may wish to refer to this record.

C

U
4.1.52.

H.C.S. seen Thank you.

John P. O'Brien
D.O. 7/1/52

B.W.
1/4/52

D

A.O. What do you propose about these horses - I hope that Marpita is not included?

H.C.S.

E

Propose destroy one horse Tam. after have get Board of Survey to write him off on a H form.

John P. O'Brien
D.O. 6/11/52

J.H.

F

He shd. now appl. a Board of Survey on 'Tam' - may I suggest the Ch. Constable supported by P.C. O'Dullivan?

G

A.O. informed

Ch. Constable

would you kindly arrange accy. pl.

J.P.O.
9.4.

A

R.S.S.

Report of Survey completed.

Form "1" attached.

J. S. S. of Constable.
16/4/52.

B.

Ao

Ref: above
will you please arrange to
have this horse destroyed.

J
17/4

H.C.S.

I will.

John P. Blair.
D.O. 26/IV/52.

26

UNSERVICEABLE STORES.

Agricultural Department

Inspected by Board of Survey on *16 April* 19*12*

Description.	Date of Receipt.	Quantity.	Folio in Ledger.	Value.			Remarks.
				£	s.	d.	
<i>1 Horse white & red in color. Brand W. NAME TAMOSHANTER.</i>	<i>Not known</i>	<i>One</i>	<i>130</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Unfit further use to be des</i>

We hereby certify that we have inspected the above ^{*horse*} stores which we consider should be sold as unserviceable or destroyed ~~handed over to the~~

..... Department

H. E. J. ...
W. J. ...
..... Cha.
..... Mem.

I approve of the above stores being dealt with as recommended and accounted for as directed in Rule 20 of the Stores Rules.

C. Campbell
.....
(Governor)

27.

A.O.

2 w/a. copy of 26 at back cover, pe.

for
26.4.

H.C.S.

with down.

John P. Blair.

28/IV/62

Pa
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It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

CONFIDENTIAL

8th November, 1954.

From: The Colonial Secretary,

To: Members of Standing Finance
(STANLEY).
Committee.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

(Copy to Assistant Treasurer).

SUBJECT :-

1. Government Horses.

At present there are ten serviceable riding horses in the Government troop but most of them are light-weights and there are only two heavy-weights suitable for the long tours which His Excellency is accustomed to make. It is therefore desired to import two more heavy-weights from the Coast and members are invited to approve additional provision of £100 under Head 2 Item 14.

2. Filing Clerk, Secretariat. (0384)

For the past seven years the holder of this post has been paid from Head XVI b(2) Temporary Clerical Assistance. The post is a very necessary one and in order to enable the holder to benefit from the Revised Conditions members are invited to approve its inclusion in the permanent establishment.

3. Call to the Bar - Registrar, Supreme Court. (P/150/II).

Mr. H. Bennett is anxious to take his Bar examination and become a qualified barrister at law.

The increased knowledge so gained will be of great value to the Colony and it may be that Mr. Bennett may eventually prove suitable for the post of resident Legal Adviser. The examinations are, however, stiff. The first part consists of six subjects which can be taken locally and one by one. The second part consists of six subjects which must be taken collectively in London when Mr. Bennett is on leave.

It is proposed to encourage Mr. Bennett in this laudable endeavour by paying his initial fees to join an Inn of Court and sit his preliminary examinations (£70) and also to pay on his behalf the statutory deposit of £100 which is recoverable on call, death or withdrawal.

These payments will be conditional on Mr. Bennett taking a recognised correspondence course and will carry no guarantee of increased emoluments or promotion should he be successful in all or part of his examination.

Members are invited to approve this assistance.

Clampson
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

N.B. Can you please indicate your approval or otherwise in writing or state if you wish any item postponed for discussion.

Replies at 29, 30

CC/VP

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P/150/II - H. Bennett's P. file.

Bu
16/11

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A

Record:

Mr. Hardy informed J.C.S. verbally that he agreed to 28.

11/11/54.

B

EXTRACT FROM LETTER FROM HON. MR. McWhan, M.B.E. of the 10th of November, 1954.

(Original filed in P/150/II - Mr. H. Bennett's P. file).

.....

With reference to your letter of the 8th of November, I agree to the importing two more heavy-weight horses for the use of His Excellency on Camp tours, and the additional provision of £100 for this purpose.

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Bel 20/11

PC to subject

Stanley,
12th November, 1945.



The Honourable.
The Colonial Secretary.
Stanley.

28

Sir,
I agree to the three items mentioned in your
circular dated 8th November 54. To Members of
Standing Finance Committee.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.

S. B. Luxton.

C

BU 20/11

L.E.S.

H.K. has written to Mr. Yonge. BU 2 mos?

15/20/11

*Yes
21/11*

BU 25/1/55

Original filed in 1040/A - S.F.C. Minutes ³¹
of Meeting.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COLONIAL SECRETARY ON WEDNESDAY
24th NOVEMBER, 1954.

Present The Honourable The Colonial Secretary, Chairman.
The Honourable Mr. A.L. Hardy, B.E.M., J.P.
The Honourable Mr. S.C. Luxton.
The Honourable Rev. W.F. McWhan, M.B.E.

Arising out of
Minutes.

~~1. Appointment of Additional Electrician. The Chairman advised the Meeting that it was now probable that this Officer could be recruited locally.~~

~~Headmaster, Darwin School. The Committee gave their approval for Government to negotiate a reasonable salary for this post.~~

A.I.S.E's.

~~2. The Committee considered and approved the various Applications to Incur Supplementary Expenditure as detailed in the schedule attached hereto.~~

Charter Flying
Boat.

~~3. The Chairman informed the Meeting that a request had been received from the Falkland Islands Company Ltd. for Government assistance in the proposed charter of a Flying Boat from the United Kingdom in April and September of next year. The Company had approached Government for a direct subsidy but this matter was still under consideration pending full details of the Company's estimated loss. In the meantime, irrespective of the direct subsidy question, it was for consideration whether Government should support the venture by taking up some of the more expensive air passages for officers who would ordinarily travel by sea. Honourable Messrs Hardy and Luxton were utterly opposed to incurring any additional expenditure in this way and the Honourable Rev. McWhan was not prepared to approve without further details. All members however wished the matter referred to Camp members also for their views.~~

Film Projector
for Fox Bay E.

~~4. Since a number of Government Officials and their families are resident at Fox Bay, it was decided to encourage the purchase of a Film Projector for this Station by contributing a quarter of the cost of the projector and a quarter of the Station's Film Library subscription.~~

Government
Horses.

~~5. Members confirmed their written approval of the expenditure of £100 to cover the importation of two horses from South America.~~

Filing Clerk,
Secretariat.

~~6. ~~The Committee confirmed its written approval that this post should in future be included in the permanent establishment.~~~~

Call to the Bar,
Registrar, S.C.

~~7. Confirmation was also given to the Committee's written approval of the expenditure of £170 to offset part of the fees and expenses in connexion with Mr. Bennett's preliminary Bar examinations.~~

Chairman

Secretary

Ac S
I have informed
o.k. ag Dept
27/11/54

NAN
written to Mr
explain to Mr
that he is not
the money! o/c
Mr has
gone - please
see Dept
to spend
m m

OFICINA DICK Ltda.

TELEGR. "CARNILAN"
PUNTA ARENAS

CASILLA 2 D.
PUNTA ARENAS (Chile)

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January 21st 1955.

CA.
I suppose this
is right
ORA
4/2

R. Arthur Esq.,
Government House,
Port Stanley.

Dear Sir:

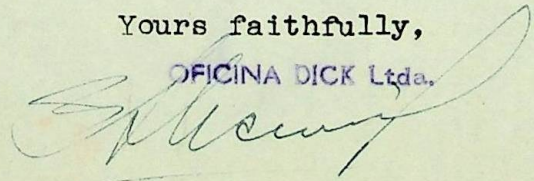
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On behalf of Mr. G. S. Yonge, we beg to acknowledge receipt of your favour dated the 8th November ult. and, with regard to your enquiry, we have to inform you that Fenton Station can supply two mares, 3 and four years old, very tame and of good going - price being £30 each placed jetty this Port for the next voyage of s.s. "Fitzroy".

Unless we hear from you to the contrary, we will include these two mares in the exportation we are arranging for the Falkland Islands Co.Ltd., on the same trip, thus avoiding un-necessary duplication of formalities this end and, may be, your end also.

Yours faithfully,

OFICINA DICK Ltda.



See 33.

CA.
Good. They'll give him a passage
ORA
2 persons
4/2

BoF

*Yes we hope to
buy about 100
horses now welcome
George present.
+ help. present*
4/2

9th February, 1955.

Dear Bartie,

We spoke and agreed that it would be useful if George Stewart went over to Punta to accompany the Government horses and if he helped to look after the other horses you are importing.

In which case would you feel prepared to waive all or part of his passage money?

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) Colin

See 32 Reply #35

The Honourable

Mr. A.G. Barton, C.B.E., J.P.,
STANLEY.

CC/VP

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14/2

26th February, 1955

Dear Sir,

32 I am obliged to you for your letter about horses which I am buying from Mr. Yonge of Fenton Station. I am sending Mr. George Stewart of the Falkland Islands Agricultural Department on the s.s. "Fitzroy" to look after the horses on the journey. I have told him to buy one more horse for my personal use, if he can find a good weight-carrier and I have also told him to buy me a pair of bastos if he can find ones to fit me (I am 6'3" and weigh 16 stone. I should be much obliged for any assistance you can give in this matter. I do not like to ask Mr. Yonge for another horse as I know he has refused requests from other people in the Falkland Islands and is already selling me two.

The money for the horses and the bastos will be paid by the Falkland Islands Government and I can refund the amount to the Treasury here.

Yours faithfully,

The Manager,
Oficina Dick,
PUNTA ARENAS.

Reply at 39

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The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.)

REGISTERED 1902.

AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

Stanley,

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

9th March 1955



The Honourable the Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

A.

Sir,

Horses - ex Punta Arenas.

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With reference to your note of 9th February we have reserved one return passage (cabin class) for Mr. George Stewart who is travelling in order to look after two Government horses.

We have already engaged Mr. W. J. Hutchinson to pass animals bought for our Company, on the quayside, and to assist the crew to tend them on the voyage, but in view of the number to be carried we are agreeable to waiving part of Mr. Stewart's passage money and charging for victualling only at the rate of 13/6d per diem.

This reduction of course is on the understanding that he gives full assistance to Mr. Hutchinson and/or the Chief Officer on the voyage.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. R. Davison
MANAGER.

*ACF
B.
Please draft a letter I mention in memo to G. Stewart.
RDS*

Yes.

B or reverse.

Mr. Stovare is very too willing to assist in any way he can providing of course he is perpendicular during the voyage. He asked about his accommodation - pl. see above letter to Mr. Combe at V.C. Stovare has never been away before & I think it wise to put him aboard where other English people will be staying, i.e. some of the ministers from here. Hotel France is a 2nd class hotel & charges, I am sure, something less than £1 per day.

8/10/3.

W. J. G.
11/3

Record.

Mr. Stovare did not go to Santa Anaes & some letters were not necessary.

Pa.
8.
17-3.

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Consulate of Chile
Port Stanley.



April 25th 1955.

Sir,

Following the interview of Friday Morning and again on telephone this morning, I have the honour to enclose herewithn a copy of Telegram sent off to day to Santiago.

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The Telegram has been sent in Spanish and I am pleased to have made this effort and hopeful of a favourable reply.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

D. R. Wake

Honorary Consul for Chile.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

11/11
7-11

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SEÑOR MINISTRE DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES
REPUBLICA DE CHILE

I MOST GRACIOUSLY REQUEST FOR YOUR KIND CONSIDERATION
AND GREAT FAVOUR THE NECESSARY PERMISSION TO IMPORT
FROM CHILE THREE HORSES FOR HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR
OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS STOP SHIPPING AVAILABLE FROM
PUNTA ARENAS END OF MAY

WATSON

CONSUL HONORARIO
FALKLAND ISLANDS

APRIL 25TH 1955.

17-1077

Rec (m 342)
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OFICINA DICK LTDA.

CORREO AEREO

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PUNTA ARENAS
MAGALLANES
(CHILE)

Punta Arenas, April 15th 1955.

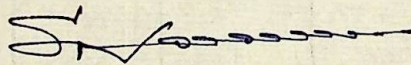
O. R. Arthur Esq.,
Port Stanley.

Sir,

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We duly received your letter of the 26th February and note that you are also interested in a horse for your personal use. As the export permit is being run through for an excess quantity, we consider that this purchase can be arranged on arrival here next voyage if your Mr. George Stewart comes over for the other two from Fenton and he also can decide on the question of the "Bastos" that you require - we shall be only too pleased to help him in securing your requirements this end.

Yours faithfully,
OFICINA DICK Ltda.



ES. ✓ 12/4/55

PC. G.U. when we get an answer about the horses

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DRM
2/5

RES - Note
J.G.
3/5

16th May,

55.

Sir,

37.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to refer to your letter of the 25th of April, 1955, and to express to you His Excellency's thanks for all the help you have given in the matter of importation of horses from Chile.

2. Your timely assistance has greatly facilitated the issue of the necessary export permit and your action is very much appreciated by Government.

I am,

Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) A. G. Denton-Thompson

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Honorary Consul for Chile,
STANLEY.

18th May, 1955

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for your letter
of the 15th April, 1955. The bearer
of this note is Mr. George Stewart of
the Agricultural Department, who has
come to Punta Arenas to collect the
two mares provided by Mr. Yonge for me
which are referred to in your letter
of the 21st January, 1955. I have
also told him to buy another good
weight carrying horse or mare if he
can find one and also to buy a pair
of "bastos" for me. I should be
grateful for any assistance you can give
him. I understand that one of the
possible sources from which a good horse
might be obtained is the Chief of Police
and Captain Watson, the Chilean Consul
here, has kindly furnished Stewart with
a letter of introduction to him. I
leave myself however entirely in your
hands as to the best means of getting
a good horse and have told Stewart that
he must follow your advice.

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As I said in my letter of the
26th February, 1955, the cost of both
the horses and the "bastos" can be met
by the Falkland Islands Government and

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/ I can ..

The Manager,
Oficina Dick,
PUNTA ARENAS.

I can make the necessary refunds here.

May I thank you for the trouble you have already taken in this matter which is one that affects me personally.

Yours faithfully,

43.

18th May, 1955

The bearer of this note is Mr. George Stewart of the Agricultural Department of the Falkland Islands Government who has come over to take delivery of two mares which Mr. Yonge of Fenton Station is selling to the Government for my use. I have also commissioned him to buy another horse or mare if he can find one that is a good weight carrier for my personal use, and also to buy me a pair of "bastos". I have written to the Manager of Oficina Dick who has kindly undertaken to help in this matter but I nevertheless thought that in case anything went wrong it might be advisable to furnish Stewart with a letter to you and I should be much obliged for any assistance you can give him if it is necessary for him to appeal to you.

T.P. Jones Esq., O.B.E.,
H.B.M. Consulate,
PUNTA ARENAS.

Reply at 48

copy in. 0589/II I/C.O.W.F.
GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				21.5.55
To				
BRITAIN PUNTA ARENAS (BY QUICKEST ROUTE)				HOA/C

GRATEFUL YOU BOOK ACCOMMODATION HOTEL COSMOE FOR TREES AND FERN AND
HOTEL SAVOY FOR STEWART FOR DURATION FITZROY'S STAY

SECRETARY

Time

JB/SN

45.

CONSULADO DE CHILE.

54 John Street,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

May 20th 1965.

Comisario de la Policia
Punta Arenas,
Chile

Sir,

The bearer of this letter is Mr George Stewart, an employee in the Agriculture Department of the Falkland Islands.

Mr Stewart is travelling to Punta Arenas for the purpose of doing business for his Department, and also a special mission to try and obtain a horse for His Excellency the Governor of this Colony, he (Stewart) has full instructions of the class of horse that is required.

I am aware of the beautiful horses that you have in your department and I venture to ask if you could obtain an animal of this class or any other good riding horse that would meet the requirements such as Stewart has been instructed to try and obtain.

I regret asking you such a favour and at such short notice but would be most grateful for any assistance you can give in the above mission, the decision of bearer would be final in accepting a suitable animal and the agreement to the cost of same.

At any time I could be of any service to you in the Falkland Islands I should be most pleased to do so.

I am,
Yours truly,

D.R. Watson

D.R. Watson
Honorary Consul for Chile
Falkland Islands.



[Handwritten notes and signatures in the bottom right corner]

Copy in 0518/III

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

Treasurer

From

The Colonial Secretary

To

Despatched : 26.5.55 19 55 Time : 2030

Received : 27.5.55 19 55 Time : 0900

Have you received confirmation hotel
accommodation for Fern Stewart Trees?

Reply at 47.

TREASURER

Boyer 0518/11
GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				27.5.55
To	TREES, FITZROY			HOA/C

CONSUL REQUESTED BY TELEGRAPH TO BOOK ACCOMMODATION
FOR YOURSELF AND BERN AT COSMOB AND STEWART AT
SAV~~ELY~~ STOP NO CONFIRMATION RECEIVED BUT
ANTICIPATE NO DIFFICULTY

Boyer

SECRETARY

Time
JB/IR

See 46

Rio Seco,
Punta Arenas,
Chile.

June 3rd 1955.

Dear Mr. Arthur,

43.

I have to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of 18th May and I have done what I can to help Mr. Stewart in his mission to Punta Arenas.

He has approved and bought the two mares for you from Mr. Yonge and he is now looking around for a strong animal for your personal use.

He is having some difficulty in getting a suitable pair of pastos as these he tells me must be fairly large ones and the people who use them over here are generally speaking small men.

The agents of the F.I. Company, Oficina Dick are attending to this business of yours and I don't wish to "butt in" but I am holding a watching brief and have told Stewart to come and see me immediately if he gets into difficulties and if he wants assistance.

With kindest regards,

I am,
Yours sincerely,

H.E., O.R. Arthur, Esq., C.M.G., C.V.O.,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

A.C.S.
To me for action
on file please.
A.P.P.
14/6

Ch. you'd have to answer
on my behalf. P.C. do so
very politely, saying I'm away.
I want the Pastos. PMA 11/6

Y.H.
Do you ans. P.
P
17/6.

49

C.S.
A.O.

Before replying to this letter could I know what
the position is as regards the Bastos pt.

A.G.T.
20/6.

DA. Can you say, please?

21.2/6
Recalled 28/6

W.S. Above. I spoke to A.O. & the position is
that he agreed before he left the George Stearns
should make a set of Bastos. A.O. has
necessary materials & now awaits a pattern wh.
is coming in from Long Island

28/6.

Above submitted for

28/6

[Faint red handwritten notes and scribbles at the bottom left of the page]

29th June, 1955

Dear Mr. Jones

I am replying, in the Governor's absence, to your letter 48 of the 3rd June in connexion with Mr. Stewart's visit to Punta Arenas.

We are very grateful indeed for all the help that you afforded to Mr. Fern and Mr. Stewart in connexion with the purchase of these horses. They arrived safely and in good order and I may say that we are more than satisfied with them. Your help and assistance was invaluable and very much appreciated.

yours sincerely
(Sgd) A.G. Denton-Thompson.

T.P. Jones Esq., O.B.E.,
H.B.M. Consulate,
PUNTA ARENAS.

[Handwritten signature]
30/6