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(Formerly)

SUBJECT:

AGR/31/2

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Stock

CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

0088

Agric. Dept. Requirements from New Zealand.

u

EX. CO. MINUTES



Stanley
16th April '63

Dear Sir,

Twenty Tenors

10/- (Ten Shillings)

for the surplus
fund.

Yours faithfully

David



Port Stanley
19th April 1963

Dear

Sir

I hereby tender

12/- (twelve shillings)

for the Surplus bull

Yours faithfully

St Johnson

No. _____

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MEMORANDUM.

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

12th July, 1948.

From
The Agricultural Officer,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

With reference to our conversations on Friday & Saturday July 9th & 10th. May I beg to confirm these points on which we came to an agreement.

- ~~1. That I defer making a report until/ tour of East Falklands.~~
2. That I supply Information Officer with quarters in the Agric. Dept building.
3. That the hand looms stored there be disposed of, preferably to the School, as that will give them the greatest scope to benefit the Islands.
4. That the Old Bull in the Sandgrass be disposed of; and whilst Farmers are in town the 5 Rams at present in Quarantine Station be attempted to be sold, it being realized that substantial loss will be shown on them. That no heifers or cows be sold until Policy for Dept is more definite.
- ~~5. That decision to disband redundant labour in Dept be ^{immediately} put into operation.~~
6. That you agreed to take up the matter of Miss Biggs employment with her the following week.
7. That ~~contemplation~~ of the lease of the whole of the Peninsula & Sandgrass to Mr. Alasia was not possible.

(Sgd) John P. Oliver,
Agricultural Officer.

See rans correspondence terminating at 101 in 0088

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A.O. (on when) 1.

In report, bc. 15.7
b.

H.E.S.

To date. I have agreed to let Hutchinson have old bull for his hide. He is likely to die from natural causes before being killed if the wet lone soon.

2 Thought we had sold rams to Mr Robson for Port Louis for \$60 but during my tour of West he has backed out.

J.R.O. 21/9/48
A.O.

A.O.

C.

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Notes

2. § 2

So what?

D.

H.E.S.

All parent Farmers are waiting to see how far we will drop price. I must expect a very small price to be offered me for the rams from Hutchinson and propose to take a line of apparent indifference suggesting we cartivate them if sell at less than \$50 will probably sell at that next autumn but not before mear white wool on their backs will pay for keep. J.R.O. 22/9/48

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is only at present

by
24.5

Seen - these names were a poor imitation;
mc. 24
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PAL
24.5

Feb. 21. 4. 49

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

A.

Re Horse Prince.

This cart horse which is black, broken winded & gone in the back legs is of no use to this Department & has been so for the last 6 years.

I have been offered various low prices of £5 to 7 for same but now we have started to work him a little in chains & offers of £10 have been made. And J. Miller the maker of one, who is very short of horses for Moody Valley Farm has now raised his to £12.

I suggest that this offer be accepted before it is withdrawn. And ask your permission to do so at variance to Colonial Rule 347 stipulating sale by auction or the like at which he would realize much less.

John P. Ghio
S.O. 20/12/49.

B.

Amir.

Have you any objection to Ch. 24 being waived in this case? It is no. says we should probably lose if we had an auction.

R.H.
22/4.

C.

C.R. 347 need not be waived - all that is necessary is for H.E. to approve the sale of the horse otherwise than by auction, which seems to me the most reasonable thing to do in the circumstances.

RLB
29/4/49

x Reached
Audit
22/4/49 H.C.S.

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Y.E.

4. With approve sale without auction pt.

Kih.

29/4.

App'd. M.C. 29/IV

A.O.

ti. Kih.

29/4.

H.C.S.

Noted Thank you.

J.P.O.

A.O. 30/IV/49

[Signature]
2/5/49

To. The Hon. Col. Sec.
From. The Agricultural Officer.
Date. 11th April, 1950.



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Whilst out in the Camp recently at Horse Shoe Bay I was approached by Miss D. Pitaluga, the Manager of Rincon Grande, to have the use of the yearling "Prince" as a stallion.

She was unable to offer me the £60 or so I suggested we would want for him.

I have been unable to castrate him owing to the present condition of one testicle not having descended into the scrotum.

As our primary needs are something quiet to ride and lend immediately which a colt will not develop into for 4 to 5 years I suggested if she buy us a oldish mare of Mr. D. Watson's now at Green Patch and agree to Government having the first Foal off "Prince" born at Rincon Grande to reach 3 years old she could then have the same mare if still alive as well in exchange for "Prince".

As such arrangement is not covered by Colonial regulations I submit it for H.Es. approval prior to any implementation.

John P. Blair
Agricultural Officer.

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A.O. Pl. speak.

20/4/50

A.O. Approved.

9 MAY 1950

see 9

H.C.S.

Noted Thank you

J.P.C. 10/V/50

10/5/50

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9th, May. 1950.



3 Hebe Place.
Stanley.

T/O
The Agricultural Officer.

Stanley.

Sir,

I wish to make an offer of £7 - 10 - 0 for the Horse Derbin
will you sell him.

Yours respectfully

J. Goodwin

H.C.S.

Durban is 30 yrs old & often lame. I do not
think we shall have the opportunity to sell
him again. He is a cart horse.

I think it would be best to accept this offer.
May we accept.

J.P.O. 15/5/50.

a.o.

Yes. Accept.

H.C.S.

Noted. Thank you will do so.

John B. Blair 18/5/50
D.O.

17 MAY 1950

M.H.Y. 22/5/50

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To. Hon. Col. Sec.
From. Agricultural Officer.
Date. 19th June, 1950.



In respect of half bred bull which this Department has been trying to dispose of since the dissolution of the Government Dairy Herd more than a year and a half ago.

I now have an offer from Mr. J. Miller of Moody Valley as he requires a change of bull the one there being now running with his own daughters and grand-daughters and much the same age ie. 10 years old as this bull of ours.

He offers £2 and the hide off his old bull, this would be very useful to us for gear making and indeed was all I had come to think we should be able to salvage from our own bull.

I therefore would be most pleased to have the necessary permission to sell this bull on the terms offered.

[Handwritten mark]

19 JUN 1950

John P. Collins
Agricultural Officer.

Approved.

a.o. note approval, pl
Collins
21/6/50

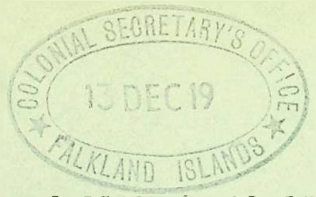
H.C.S. Noted Thank you.

J.R.S.
a.o. 25/VII/50

Collins
28/7/50

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To The Honourable Colonial Secretary.
From The Agricultural Officer.
13/X11/1950.



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May I beg to refer to my ~~minute~~ of 11th April 1950 which led to His Excellency Giving his approval to a proposed exchange of the yearling Prince, made by Miss. Pitaluga of Rincon Grande. Miss. Pitaluga has been unable to implement such exchange. And I am now approached by Mr. Fleuret of Bluff Cove, who offers to exchange an infoal mare "Princess" for said Prince. There are certain grounds of sentiment in his making this offer as he was for several years in charge of Government Horses, & was responsible for breeding Prince & very fond of his dam.

The mare "Princess" offered is very nice to ride though nervous of traffic in town. However with use hereabouts this would pass.

Nevertheless to exchange an old horse for a young one is not too satisfactory, except that it gives us something quiet to ride now which is our immediate necessity.

Might I ask approval of this said exchange, with the following proviso put on - that the purchaser undertakes to keep Prince entire (that is as a stallion) and makes him at all times freely available at Bluff Cove for free service of Government Mares, & at a fee to any mares owned by people residing in Stanley.

[Handwritten initials]
174 DEC 1950

John P. Colver

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Y.E. p. 9. This gets more complicated! Although cases of this sort are not covered by Col: Reps. I think A.O.'s suggestion is reasonable. Will Y.E. approve?

ll

18 DEC 1950

App^d me (The important thing is to keep the balance in the Colony.)
18/XII

ACS
Inform A.O. accordingly.
Auditor to see.

ll
18/12/50

A.O. H.E.S. Noted Thank you. J.P.O. ~~2/12/50~~
A.O.

Auditor
to note approval pl

Hon. L.S.
seen. Thank you.
L.S. 22/12/50

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19/12/50

ll
22/12/50

To. The Hon. Col. Sec.
From. The C i/c Agric. Dept.
Date. 14th September, 1951.



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6797/B.

We have a Mare belonging to this Department which Mr. Oliver bought from Mr. T. Braxton on February 12th. 1951 for £30.

This Mare had a disease when she was bought and is in a bad state now.

I have asked the Acting Inspector of Stock (Dr. Kotowski) to look at her and he says that the disease is infectious and not much hope of a cure. He also says that if the Mare is ridden she may drop dead at any time.

Have I permission to do away with this Mare or would you prefer to speak to the Acting Inspector before giving a ruling.

I should like to speak with
Dr. Kotowski pl.
11/9/51

Reply at 13. A. Rutter,
C i/c Agric. Dept.

Dr. Kotowski
Will you please call on
me when convenient please
19/9/51

The Hon. Col. Sec.
The U.S. Agric. Dept.
Washington, D.C.

Y. E.

Page 11 for information. I have told Mr. Rutter that the animal must be put away. I saw Dr. Kotowski and he informs me that, although the condition probably existed when A.O. bought the horse in February, it would have been very difficult to spot unless you were actually looking for it, and even then you would have to go over every inch of the animal. I think it very likely that the seller knew of it, but that only goes to prove what a tricky business horse dealing is!

W

Put down. It was a miserable looking beast.

me 26ix

26.9.51.

W

Pl confirm in writing to Mr. Rutter the instruction which you conveyed to him verbally from me yesterday.

27/9/51.

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13.

8 October, 51.

Clark

To: ~~Officer~~-in-Charge,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Agricultural Department,

STANLEY.

Destruction of a Mare.

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With reference to your Memorandum of the 14th of September, 1951, I am directed to confirm the telephone instruction conveyed to you on the 26th of September, that on the advice of the Acting Stock Inspector the mare purchased from Mr. T. Braxton earlier this year and now suffering from an infectious disease, should be destroyed.

(Sgd) Michael R. Raymer

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Raymer
8/19/51

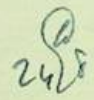
From His Excellency the Governor
to the Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

C.S.

I saw George Stewart yesterday (about something else) & enquired about Buttercup's hide. I was told that this had been appropriated to the use of Govt. & had in fact already been used up on the Govt. riding gear. Also my permission was not sought & I have received no suggestion that I should be paid. I call this pretty cool, who was responsible?

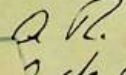

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24/4 Apr Dept.

For early comments pre. I distinctly remember giving instructions that the hide was to be salvaged for sale. 

H. E. S.

Under your instructions, that the hide was to be sold, and as the Agric. Dept. was in need of the hide we therefore took it over. It was an oversight, for which I apologise, that a voucher has not been made out to the credit of H. E. for the sum of £2 which is the usual price we pay for hides

see above - I think 
remains as 

Thankyou. In para 6 have Mr Rutter's explanation,
which is accepted

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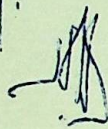
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A.T.

To note pl
adms
docs
27/8/54

John C.

Noted k.y.



ag. A.T.
30/8/54

Case
date

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No. _____



MEMORANDUM.

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

6th September, 19 54.

To: The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

From: O i/c Agric. Dept.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

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Destruction of old horses.

I would be grateful if permission could be obtained from His Excellency to destroy the undermentioned horses which are old and infirm and have become a liability to this Dept.

- | | |
|-------------------|-----------|
| One Colorado mare | Princess. |
| " " " | O'Connor. |
| " Grey horse | Paint. |
| " Colorado Horse | Shamrock. |

} spoke Ag. A.O. Replacement will not be necessary.

AcP
B.
Should we not have a bond of survey.
Ag

A. Rutter
O i/c Agric. Dept.

H.C.S.

Your B on 16. A Board is necessary and
I submit following for appl. pl.

-W. C. Andreasen (Chairman)

W. D. O'Sullivan

W. J. B. Browning.

W. A. Rutter (as adviser regarding ages and
capabilities of animals).

Wt 7/9/54

Apps.
8/9

W. Andreasen. (Chairman)

16+17. I have arranged with S/F + C/C for the
release of Messrs. Browning + O'Sullivan. Wt.
you please arrange a time, this week if possible,
to carry out the survey.

Wt 8/8.
8/9/54

14th, September 1954. 18

To: The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

From: The board of Destruction
of old horses.

Stanley.

Falkland Islands.

I herewith submit the boards report re the destruction of old horses, the property of the Agricultural Department.

The board have agreed that the following horses should be destroyed.

1. Colorado mare "Princess" with one year old Colt, This mare is a cripple, very old and down in condition, should be destroyed.
2. Colorado mare "O'Connor". This mare is poor and done with age.
3. Gray horse "Paint". This horse is blind in one eye, and done with age.
4. Colorado horse "Shamrock". This animal is 13 year old, and have been a cripple for 3 years or more, therefore of no use.

The board wish to emphasize that such animals as the two mares Princess and O'Connor should not have been purchased by the Agricultural Department as they have never been anything but infirm,

The board also suggest that in future when horses are bought for the Agricultural Dept, that two or more people should be asked to see them, and give their opinion on the animals on behalf of the Department.

C. Andreasen..... Chairman.

J. B. Brown..... Member.

H. C. Sullivan..... "

Appl.

Campbell
20/9

M. Andreasen

To note appl. Please prepare usual forms -

3 attached

H.C.S. 20/9

H.C.S.

J.f. of signature (in 3' plicate) on forms as bc.

H.C.S. 22/9

UNSERVICEABLE STORES.

AGRICULTURAL

Department

Inspected by Board of Survey on 11th September 1954.

Description.	Date of Receipt.	Quantity.	Folio in Ledger	Value.			Remarks.
				£	s.	d.	
Horses		four (4)		N	I	L	Infirm

We hereby certify that we have inspected the above stores which we consider should be ~~sent~~ destroyed as unserviceable ~~and handed over to the~~

.....Department

J. Breasler Chairman

H. J. Fullerton Member

J. B. Browning

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

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Dir/ Agric.

ll w/d. one copy of 19 from b.c. & t.n.a.

WJes
23/9.

H. C. S.

W/d drawn, thank you.

A.R.

O/c Ag. Dept

24/9/54

Auditor

To note 19 w/d a copy from b.c.p.

WJes
27/9

Hon C.S.

Noted, thank you

L.S.
30/9/54

WJes
30/9

6/1956/18.



18th June 1956.

The Chief Constable
Stanley.

AGRICULTURAL OFFICER.

(Copy to H.C.S.).

DEATH OF GOVERNMENT HORSE : CHUM.

At 3 P.M. on Saturday the 16th June, the four horses at the Govt stables, including a horse named "Chum", were fed by Mr G. Stewart the Agricultural and Livestock Assistant.

At 9. A.M. on Sunday the 17th June, Mrs Rutter reported that a dead horse was lying a short distance from her house. Mr Stewart and the Mr O'Sullivan, both of this department, visited the spot, found that it was the horse named "Chum", and informed me, stating that the animal appeared to have "just dropped dead", as there were no signs of any struggling or slipping about. On inspecting the carcass I inclined to this same view. There was no blood or marks on the ground to suggest that the horse had been wounded, or that it had died in pain. Pending the result of a Post Mortem Examination, I formed the opinion that death had been caused by either :-

- a. Heart failure due to senile decay. Chum was well over 20 years old.
- b. Falling, and striking the head on a rock;
- c. A rifle bullet.

The horse was lying on its left side; head facing the west.

On Monday morning the 18th June, a lorry with a gang of men, was obtained from the P.W.D., and Mr O'SULLIVAN went up to supervise the removal of the carcass, to a suitable place where a Post mortem examination could be carried out. While the animal was being moved, he noticed that there was a small punctured wound in the chest. He reported this fact to me, adding that he strongly suspected that a rifle bullet had been the cause of death.

I carried out a post mortem examination, and this was witnessed by the P.W.D. gang, as well as by the two members of my staff - about a dozen people in all.

There was a small wound, about $\frac{3}{8}$ inch in diameter, in front of the chest at the base of the neck, and slightly to the right side. A flexible probe, about a foot long, passed easily along the course of the wound. The bullet, for I am certain it was a bullet, had pierced the sternum, (breast bone), deflected downwards and to the left, passed through the left lung, then diagonally through the heart, and finally left the body just behind the left shoulder. The exit wound was slightly larger than the initial wound. There was very extensive haemorrhage into the chest cavity, which would account for the fact that no blood exuded from the wounds.

I am convinced that death was instantaneous.

The size of the wound, and its clean path through the chest suggests that the bullet was of a largish calibre, that it was travelling very fast, and that it had been fired from short range.

In my experience of over thirty years as a Veterinary Surgeon, I have seen many horses destroyed, and I have carried out examinations on a number maliciously done to death, but never have I seen one shot deliberately in the manner described above. I am of the opinion that the shot was not fired intentionally, to kill the horse, as a head shot would have been used in that case. I suggest that someone may have fired at, for example, a hare, and that the bullet had ricocheted off a rock, and struck the horse. It is possible also, that a "trigger-happy" person might have mischievously aimed a rifle at the horse, forgetting that a bullet was in the chamber.

I reported the matter to the Police, and Sergt. Norris immediately accompanied Mr O'Sullivan and me, to the spot where the horse had been killed.

EDWARD I. FERN

M. R. C. V. S.

AGRICULTURAL OFFICER

7th May 1957. 19

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

The Honourable The Colonial Secretary,

Agricultural Officer

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- HORSES : FOR CAMP JOURNEYS.

In view of the heavy demands which are likely to be made on the troop of Government Horses, during the next three months, I wish to bring the following facts to your notice:-

2. There are 11 riding horses available at present, and the commitments already made are:-
7th to 13th May (approx). F. Smith and two horses to Horseshoe Bay and Salvador;
13th May (approx) for about 10 days, Colonial Secretary and guide 4 Horses;
early June for 14 days (approx). H.E. and guide, 4 horses.

In addition, 2 horses must always be kept available for the medical department, in cases of emergency. Also, I shall require 3 Horses (1 each for myself and guide, and a "carrigerro") for journeys I have to undertake.

3. It will thus be seen that no spare horses will be available, and those used as above, will require a period of rest and extra food after each journey, as this time of year is very hard on them. In fact, both on the farms, and in a government troop, this is a part of the year when horses are used very carefully.

4. I have already received a request from Mr Swan, Superintendent of Education, for a horse and guide to tour the East Falkland, for about 14 days, from the 18th May onwards. (Actually, for such a trip he would require 4 Horses so as to rest them in turn. I understand that in the past, it was always the custom to "horse" a camp teacher, and also the Superintendent of Education, half way to the first settlement. After that, each settlement provided a horse and guide as far as the next settlement.

5. I suggest that during the next few months, the demands on the horses be limited to journeys of absolute necessity.

Edward J. Tenn
AGRICULTURAL OFFICER.

Reply at 23

On file
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He has returned
1/6. Postman only.
What journey.

13th May, 57.

To: The Agricultural Officer,

From: The Colonial Secretary.

STANLEY.

HORSES : FOR CAMP JOURNEYS.

22 We discussed your memorandum No.13/1957/37 of
the 7th May, 1957, on the subject of camp journeys.

2. Your commitments are:-

- (1) A courier to leave on Wednesday 15th May to carry Government papers to Mr. Clement (Fitzroy), Mr. Gilruth (Darwin) and Mr. Norman Cameron (Port San Carlos).
- (2) A guide (Mr. G. Stewart) and horses for the Governor's tour to Fitzroy, Darwin, San Carlos, Port San Carlos and Teal Inlet starting on the 3rd June.
- (3) At least two horses to be kept ready for medical requirements.
- (4) All possible assistance to Mr. Swann during his forthcoming tour of the East Falklands.
- (5) Members of your staff should take every opportunity to carry mails to the Camp Stations.

(Sgd.) A. G. Denton Thompson.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

AGDT/MC

Be...
8/15
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Miss Halliday

Sp. put up usual
minute appointing
board to condemn two
agone. horses -

Baily

Torpedo

with F. T. Lellman as Chairman
assisted by N. Watson



12.3.63

0797/B

25
13 March, 63.

To: Mr. F. T. Lellman, u/s S/E

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Board of Survey

I am directed to inform you that you have been appointed to act as Chairman of a Board of Survey at the Agricultural Department to inspect two horses 'Bailey' and 'Torpedo' and to submit recommendations as to their final disposal.

2. You will be assisted by Mr. N. Watson, a Clerk in the Customs and Harbour Department.

(Sgd) H. L. Bound.

Copies to: Mr. Watson u/s Collector
of Customs

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

0 i/c Agric. Dept.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the purchase of a seven year old Friesian Bull from the Agricultural Department.

Tenders marked 'Friesian Bull' should be addressed to the Officer-in-Charge Agricultural Department and should reach him not later than Saturday the 30th March.

Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
13th March, 1963.
Ref: 0797/B.

HLB/EH

By 30.3.63

~~By 22.3.63 (25)~~



Stanley
26 March

The Colonial Secretary
Stanley

Sir

On 23 March a survey was carried out regarding the two horses 'Bailey' and 'Torpedo' belonging to the Agriculture Department.

They were found to be in a condition which renders them unfit for further use of any description.

The Board therefore recommends that they be painlessly destroyed at the earliest opportunity to terminate any further suffering.

Board of Survey.

Chairman - F.T. Hellman.

Member - Bill Watson.

afu
5

April,

63.

From: The Colonial Secretary,

To: Officer-in-Charge,
Agricultural Department,

STANLEY.

BOARD OF SURVEY

I am directed to inform you that approval has been granted for the disposal of "Bailey" and "Torpedo", two horses belonging to your department.

2. It is recommended that they be painlessly destroyed at the earliest opportunity to terminate any further suffering.

(Sgd) H. I. Bound.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

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Abstract User

8 4/9/63

giving a fortnight.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the purchase of a seven year old Friesian Bull from the Agricultural Department.

Tenders marked "Friesian Bull" should be addressed to the Officer-in-Charge Agricultural Department and should reach him not later than Thursday the 18th April, 1963.

Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
5th April, 1963.
Ref: 0797/B.

FH

Hm CS. 31

Two tenders at b.c

de!

19.4.63

But 19.4.63

BU 42

Wipe ~~intended~~ to T. 10

Do ~~up~~ with to ~~hand~~ for ~~the~~ ~~book~~²

20/4/63

area in ~~hopper~~

BU 1/5/63

BU 27.4.63

27.5.63

BU Thursday 30.5.63

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Active in proceeding.

They are waiting till they

round up to ~~catch~~ on the Sand ~~press~~ to ~~bring~~ to ~~get~~ in

hopper

5 21/5/63

BU 20.6.63

0797/B

14 June,

63.

From: The Colonial Secretary,

To: Officer-in-Charge,

Agricultural Department,

STANLEY.

AGRICULTURAL HORSES

I am directed to inform you that Government should retain normally eight horses for ordinary use.

It has also been decided that Government should obtain horses when necessary to replenish the numbers and should not breed. In accordance with this decision the present untamed horses and mares and foals and other horses in excess of eight should be sold. It is suggested that this should be done in Farmers' Week.

It is considered that when work is being done requiring horses on any farm and our own horses are tired out the farm ought to be prepared to lend horses.

or
(Sgd) R.H.D. Manders.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

RHDM/FH

BU 20. 6. 63 (33)

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0797/B

4th June, 63.

To: Officer-in-Charge,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Agricultural Department,

STANLEY.

AGRICULTURAL HORSES

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Further to my memorandum of the 1st of June, I am directed to inform you that the stallion should be removed from the Peninsular with the least possible delay.

(Sgd) R.H.D. Manders.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

HLB/FH

*Please see AD
when the letters
about 34 & 35
21/6/63*

BU 19.6.63

0797/B

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21st
June, 63.

To: Officer-in-Charge,
Agricultural Department,
From: The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

AGRICULTURAL HORSES

3 + 35
I am directed to refer to my memoranda dated the 1st and 4th June respectively and to enquire on what date it is proposed to have the horses assembled for inspection and what price you recommend should be obtained for each animal.

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2. Would you please also confirm that the stallion has now been withdrawn from the Peninsular and that the two horses 'Bailey' and 'Torpedo' have been destroyed as authorised in my memorandum dated 1st April, 1963.

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(Sgd) R.H.D. Manders

COLONIAL SECRETARY

HLB/FH

BW 27.6.63

~~BW 27.6.63~~

JE

Acton ³⁷ being taken BS v

Wednesday

R 23/6/63

bu 3/7/63

(570) S.H.B. Number

PUBLIC NOTICE

38.

A Public Auction of surplus horses, mares and foals owned by the Agricultural Department will be held in the Pound Paddock (East of the Power Station) commencing at 10 a.m. on Thursday the 4th July.

2. The animals are now held in the Pound Paddock and may be inspected at any time.

3. Cash must be paid at the time of purchase.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

2nd July, 1963.

Ref: 0797/B

HLB/TB.

Copied to S/P.

RESERVED PRICES

39

Horses £20

Mares £20

Mares with foals £30

Foals £6

Colts £10

Old Horses £5

except Tomato horse at £20

27

BU 5.7.63

O/C Agrie - Duplicate ⁴⁰

For record purposes
would you please be
good enough to list the
horses sold by auction
together with the price
obtained.

8.7.63

BW for reply 13.7.63

pl. ask O/C Ag. to let us have
list early

BU 109.63

Done D.P.M. 16.7.63 ~~BU 29.7.63~~

HORSES SOLD AT AUCTION

1 Untamed Mare 2½ years old	---	Pebble Island	£27
1 Untamed Gelding 2½ years old	---	Darrell Parrin	£18
1 Gelding 27 years old	Bing	George Butler	£3
1 Gelding 23 years old	Chico	George Butler	£5
1 Mare and Foal 8 years old	Countess	Bill Reive	£42
1 Mare 18 years old	Dandy	George Butler	£20
1 Mare and Foal 9 years old	Princess 2nd	Jimmy Stephenson	£41
1 Gelding 17 years old	Ryvita	Chris Bundes	£18
1 Mare and Foal 22 years old	Tomato	George Butler	£20
1 Horse Foal 6 months	---	D.J. Morrison	£7
			<u>£191</u> - Total

31st January,

64.

To: Officer-in-Charge,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Agricultural Department,

STANLEY.

36 I refer to my predecessor's memorandum of 21st June, 1963, paragraph 2 of which reads -

"Would you please also confirm that the stallion has now been withdrawn from the Peninsular and that the two horses "Bailey" and "Torpedo" have been destroyed as authorised in my memorandum dated 1st April, 1963."

2. Since no confirmation has been received, I assume that these animals are still running. If so immediate steps must be taken to carry out the order.

3. Please let me know the position early next week.

CS.

I think O/C Agric has seen fairly tired

up this week with the Saeman ova. Wd

COLONIAL SECRETARY

you like me to arrange an interview on Monday or Tuesday?

HLB/LH

7.2.64

BU 6.2.64

for release 51

lf 42.

G. Stewart confirms Tapedo Bentley
have been shot.

Stallion still in Pennsylvania.

x Agreed further warning to be given
to owner, but all in all this stallion
is useful & only if Ex Co insist will any
further action be taken.

W1.

12.2.64

x G.O. 12.3.

0797/B

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2nd March,

64.

To: Officer-in-Charge,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Agricultural Department,

STANLEY.

Disposal of Agricultural Bull

The Manager of Teal Inlet has now indicated that he is no longer interested in the purchase of the old Agricultural bull and I am to request that you submit your recommendations regarding the final disposal of this animal.

(SGD) H. L. BOUND

For COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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*Sp. R. ask O/C agric. to let me have his
recommendations on migration*

HLE/LH

14.3.64

25.3.64
BU 12.2

See 46

No. 0797/B



MEMORANDUM

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

19th March, 1964

To: The Honourable
Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

From: O i/c Agric. Department,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :- Destruction of Agricultural Bull

I refer to your memorandum of the 2nd of March, 1964, and recommend that the Bull be painlessly destroyed at the Butler Butchery.

G. A. Stewart
O i/c Agric. Dept.

Agreed. I presume there will be some revenue

Sl. 21. 3. 64

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CS.

The meat wd be unfit for sale & I
Suggest we offer it to the Butcher for feeding
to his pigs.

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27.3.64

But if he does sell any
we want one 'pound of flesh'
as it were.

Discussed with CS.
Meat unfit for human consumption.

W.I.

BD 10.4.64

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Record

Before the Bull could be
slaughtered, the manager of Fitzroy
contacted me on the phone +
offered £1 for the animal. I
agreed + the bull is now at
Fort Harriet

14. 4. 64

Bull to KIV Payment
25. 4. 64

Apr's.

W!

Reduction of stock particularly unmarked oxen around Stanley

Discuss with Mr. Goss and try and work something out.

W.

C.S.

WHT/FH
18th April, 1964.

6/6. 30. 5. 64
W.

6/6. 30. 7. 64
W.

o/c Agric Dept. to see
+ speak on Zelin
from Punta Arenas.

W. + 18/64

Bu 14/8/64

W.



52
4/6
S.W.
1/7

C/S

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT HORSES

The present state of the horses in the department is as follows:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Bobby	16)	Still quite useful though getting old could not stand very long journey.
Captain	16)	
Fifi	11	All right
Patience	16)	Have been useful animals. Can now only manage short work as they stiffen up easily.
Prudence	18)	
Ruby	15	Has a tendency to lameness and is at present.
Sally	9	Good horse
Segundo	17	Done. Can only walk around common

As can be seen from the above there are only 2 horses fit to make a camp trip of more than a day's duration. As there are 4 men in the department gang 4 good horses must always be on hand and this is not at present the case. Mr. Anderson cannot therefore supply me with any horses to make a camp trip and has difficulty in meeting his own requirements.

These are the following reasons for my making camp trips on horseback -

(1) I can travel when it suits me and will not be delayed by waiting for flights. This will be particularly important in spring and summer when a large amount of experimental work will have to be done in a fairly limited time.

(2) I will not have to bother farm managers for men or vehicles at busy times of the year i.e. I would be completely self sufficient in the matter of transport.

I would therefore suggest that at least 4 more young animals be bought and that 2 of the older mares (e.g. Patience and Prudence) be put in the manada on one of the nearby farms with a view to producing replacement colts at a cheaper cost than by direct purchasing.

Colin D Young
(Colin D. Young)
Grasslands Officer

note

The cost of a young horse is at present about £60.

type 5 copies including note at the bottom

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Westholme,
Stanley.



27th July. 1965.

Agricultural Department Horses.

Handwritten notes:
W
3/12
re

Dear Sir,

I inspected the 8 Agricultural Department horses at the stables yesterday and found them all to be in good condition. I understand from Mr Anderson that the Department use on an average 3 - 4 horses a week to carry out their work on the Common. He considers that 7 out of the 8 horses could make the journey to Fitzroy and 4 out of the 8 the journey to Teal Inlet, but only 2 out of the 8 would be fit to use for an immediate second days ride. From this, it would appear that Mr Young could get to Fitzroy or Teal Inlet without leaving the Department short of horses in Stanley, and I am sure that Farm Managers would provide him with horses to continue his journey. In any case, he will have to rely on West Falkland farms to provide him with transport from whichever settlement he disembarks.

However, in view of the fact that there are only 2 horses belonging to the Department under 12 years of age, I would suggest that consideration be given to purchase 2 additional tame horses under 8 years old. There is one untamed colt aged 18 months belonging to the Department which should be tamed at 3 years old if it is decided to keep it.

I doubt if it would pay the Department to breed horses owing to the difficulty of having them tamed, and even getting them ridden regularly after taming. The latter was the reason why young horses belonging to the Department had to be sold a year or two ago.

Yours faithfully,

H. C. Harding

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary.
Stanley.

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 5/65 OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON THE 7TH AND 8TH JULY, 1965

0797/B

17. HORSES

Council considered a request from the Grasslands Officer for the purchase of four horses to enable him to move freely about the Camp. In support of this request a detailed list of the horses and their suitability for work was submitted.

Council advised that an independent survey should be undertaken and clarification sought as to whether there were any other horses belonging to the Agricultural Department which had not been accounted for. Mr. Harding agreed to undertake this survey.

Clerk of the Council

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CONFIDENTIAL

Ref: 0797/B

3rd August, 1965

MEMORANDUM NO. 44/65 FOR EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Agricultural Department Horses

Honourable Members will recall that at the last meeting of Executive Council a request from the Grasslands Officer for permission to purchase four new horses was considered and deferred pending an examination of the horses at present in service by The Honourable Mr. H.C. Harding, O.B.E., J.P.

Mr. Harding has now reported as follows -

"I inspected the 8 Agricultural Department horses at the stables yesterday and found them all to be in good condition. I understand from Mr. Anderson that the Department use on an average 3 - 4 horses a week to carry out their work on the Common. He considers that 7 out of the 8 horses could make the journey to Fitzroy and 4 out of the 8 the journey to Teal Inlet, but only 2 out of the 8 would be fit to use for an immediate second days ride. From this, it would appear that Mr. Young could get to Fitzroy or Teal Inlet without leaving the Department short of horses in Stanley, and I am sure that Farm Managers would provide him with horses to continue his journey. In any case, he will have to rely on West Falkland farms to provide him with transport from whichever settlement he disembarks.

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Honourable Members are asked to advise that an application for funds to purchase two horses be laid before the Legislative Council.

W. H. Thompson

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Sent to all members today.

AB
- 10. 8. 65.

BU 16. 8. 65

Extract from Minutes of Meeting No. 6/65 of Executive Council held on the
24th and 25th August, 1965.

0797/B

6. AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT HORSES. (Memo 44/65)

His Excellency thanked Mr. Harding for his report.

Council advised that the report be accepted and that enquiries should be made about a young horse at Rincon Grande said to belong to the Agricultural Department. This horse together with the young untamed one already held by the Agricultural Department might possibly meet present requirements. Should this not be so, then an appropriate application should be submitted to the Standing Finance Committee.

Clerk of the Executive Council

0797/B.

S.

15th September,

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To: The Officer-in-Charge,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Agricultural Department,

STANLEY.

Horses for Grassland Officer

As you are aware the Grassland Officer has asked for horses to allow him to travel around the East Falkland. The Executive Council requires that enquiries be made about a young horse at Rincon Grande which is said to belong to the Agricultural Department. It is considered that this horse together with the young untamed one already held by your Department will possibly meet the Grassland Officer's requirements. Should this not be so we shall have to look into this matter again.

Please let me know the outcome of the enquiries at Rincon Grande.

WHT

Copy to Grassland Officer.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Be ✓ S.

57

Minute

H.M.

Two notes re 56, & action is
in your hands. Please let me know the
outcome ide.

S.I.

58

26/9

G.S.

First opportunity the horse (untamed) from Rincon
Grange will be brought into Stanley if I can
arrange for someone to tame it in here, however
when tamed it will not be suitable for a camp journey
for another two years.

H.G.
29.9.65

✓ S.I. 28/10

B.H. 1.1.66.

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H.M. What progress please

S.I. 1/1/66

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H. C. S.

Subject to your approval I will send
-in' Kay and one other to Rince Grande to
put this horse then bring it to Stanley
where in' Kay will do the tanning at the
usual rate for tanning horses. Biken
Anderson is not sure whether this horse
will be of any use to the department if
it is tanned because it is now six years
old and only the size of a pony.

H.G.

3.1.66.

O/C Agric.

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Yes, get the animal in here first
& then we can decide whether we should go through
with the tanning programme or dispose of it untanned.

H.G. 3.1.66

62

A.C.S.

Seen. Thank you.

H.G.

3.1.66

BD 10.1.66

O/C Agric.

For the record, would you please report the outcome.

H.G. 10.1.66

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C.S.

This horse is now in Stanley and turns out to be a Mare of reasonable size and Forman Anderson agrees that the Department would get a lot of use out of it if it was tamed. The fee for taming colts is £6. I suggest we get Steve McKay to do this in his own time and be paid from II Agriculture 7. Incidentals.

A.B.
O.I.C.
A.G.

K.M.

Before I authorize please confirm that S. McKay cannot do it in our time.

S.I.

14/1

G.S.

Colt taming is considered a dangerous job and that is why the Labour Federation and Sheep Owners Association have agreed to a fixed rate of £6 per head. McKay is not husband to take on this work as part of his ordinary duties.

A.B.
17.1.66.

K.M.

By doing this in his own time McKay will not of course hold us responsible for any injuries he may suffer & the fee of £6 is authorized

S.I. 20/1/66

C.S.

Seen, hi' Kong has been informed accordingly.
Thank you.

H.S.

O.V.C

23.1.65

C.S.

26/1 pe.

C/S



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Ag. Dept Horses

as suggested by McHardy in his report I borrowed horses for travel on my last 2 camp trips. However farm managers did not seem to be keen to lend animals and on one occasion I was unable to get one. This is partly due to the fact that the season is on and animals are needed. It would therefore seem to be a more satisfactory arrangement if the Ag dept. obtain 2 or 3 good truck horses which I could take with me and thus obviate the necessity for borrowing. The young horse brought in from Ramon will not be put for truck work for a year or two

CP Jones

13 Jan 66.

G.O.

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Please put up your estimates for the Budget.

Sd.

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26/1

Seen CP Jones

22/1/66

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0797/B

Extract from letter from Agricultural Department Advisory Committee dated
20th June, 1966. (Original filed in 1095)

Horses. At present the Agricultural Department has a total of ten horses. Six over 16 years of age, three over 10 years, and one untamed colt of 2½ years. It can therefore be readily seen that half the total number are beyond a useful working age and one is yet untamed. This leaves the Department with three horses fit for general work. Add the mare, Ruby, just turned 16 years of age, to make four 'track' animals. It would seem that the present number is adequate and the problem is not one of sufficient horses but rather that of the age of the animals concerned.

We recommend that two of the present number, Prudence and Segundo, be condemned as being no longer of use to the Department. The mare offered free as a manada mare only and the gelding offered to the care of good hands. Two younger animals, certainly not more than eight years of age, should be obtained from the Farms or Punta Arenas and a further two during 1968. It would appear that the present situation arises through failure to review replacements and we consider this should be done every three years. We favour mares as replacements, if possible, as these can more easily be disposed of as manada mares at the end of their useful life.

69.

15th July

66

Dear Sir,

With reference to our conversation earlier this week on the subject of the availability of the Government bulls, I have consulted several people who in my opinion are competent to give advice on the matter and I am now convinced that the decision to take the cows to the bulls rather than to let them out to range with the cows is a satisfactory arrangement.

The Foreman, Agricultural Department, will be pleased to assist you in every way and if you advise him when and what cows are to be introduced to the bulls he will make the necessary arrangements, including ensuring that the cows are with the bulls throughout one conceiving cycle.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) L. E. Headell.

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

Mr. A.H. Clifton,
STANLEY.

Pa

Copy sent to Off Agric. Dept.

CH.

~~123~~

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16th September, 1966.

Dear (as below)

Government is interested in buying two horses for the Grasslands Officer. Do you know of any suitable animals that would be for sale, and what would you consider a reasonable price?

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) L. Gleadell

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

S. Miller, Esq., M.L.C., J.P.,
ROY COVE.

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G.C.R. Bonner, Esq., M.L.C., J.P.,
SAN CARLOS.

Reply ev 14

A.B. Monk, Esq., J.P.,
PEBBLE ISLAND.

Reply 75.

~~123~~

IM.

Pa

No. _____

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



MEMORANDUM

22nd September 19 66

To: The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

From: The Officer in Charge, Agricultural
Department.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :- Bulls - change of.

I am advised by the foreman of the Agricultural Department that the present two bulls owned by Government should be offered for sale by tender. The oldest bull was imported from Punta Arenas in March 1962 and has since served his purpose, while the other bull is now three years old and is the son of the former, and off Sir Edwin Arrowsmith's cow which died some three years ago, and was taken over by the Agricultural Department.

The question now is where can we get another bull? or do we need one?

This question should be discussed with Clifton and Hoggarth

L. J. Green

O i/c Agric. Dept.

*|| O/c to
discuss with
mess Clifton
& Hoggarth.*



COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
STANLEY,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

16th September, 1966.

Dear

Syd,

Government is interested in buying two horses for the Grasslands Officer. Do you know of any suitable animals that would be for sale, and what would you consider a reasonable price?

Yours sincerely,

Les Curran

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

S. Miller, Esq., M.L.C., J.P.,
ROY COVE.

IM.

73.

Dear Les,

Sorry we have none to spare.
With regard to price that would depend on the age & type of animal.
A good horse 5 to 12 yrs old would be worth about £35 - £40.
Over 12 say £20 - £35.
Under 5 would be too young for any other than short rides.

Yrs.
Les

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To: The Hon. ~~XXXXXXXX~~
The Officer Administering The Govt
STANLEY. CARLOS,
EAST FALKLAND.

19th September, 1966.

Dear Sir,

Purchase of Horses. 0797/1.

The only farms that might have suitable horses for sale are Messrs Dean Bros at Pebble Island and Est. J. Hamilton, Weddell Island. I would suggest that an approach be made to both the managers concerned and inquiries instituted as to what is available and price etc. You should have time to have the necessary information back by the end of next month, so that if extra finance is required over and above the £80 already voted, you will be able to present a request to SFC.

I have not bought horses locally for a long time but I would think £30/35 would be a reasonable price for an untamed animal, one cannot get them for less from the Coast. If, however, tamed animals are required, anything up to £50 might be asked. I think that they used to sell tamed horses from Weddell Island for £45 some years ago. Mr A.G. Barton probably has a much better idea of current prices than I have.

Before any sale negotiations are entered into, Government must ensure that they are offered a choice of animals to pick from. I would suggest that the choice of animal be left to the Leading Hand of the Department, Mr L.R. Anderson, who is probably as good a judge of horseflesh as anyone in the Islands. Mares should be chosen in preference to horses.

Executive Council Memo 71/66.

Licencing and Insuring of Vehicles on a Colonywide Basis.

You will remember that we had considerable discussion on this memorandum at the meeting at the end of last month, particularly with regard to the insurance aspect. You will also remember that it was thought to be established that it was not possible to insure vehicles against 3rd Party risks outside of the area defined under the Road Traffic Ordinance 1948. I have had some discussion since with our insurers, the Falkland Islands Co acting on behalf of the Royal Insurance Co, and I would quote from their latest letter to me dated 13th September:

" Dear. Mr Bonner,

Motor Insurance.

With reference to our telephone conversation of yesterday afternoon, after speaking to you I decided to check this matter, and I now quote from a letter received by us from the Royal Insurance Co Ltd.,

'We are prepared to grant FULL Third Party Liability Cover, which includes Legal Liability Cover in respect of Damage to property of Third Parties and also Legal Liability in respect of the Death of or Personal Injury caused to Passengers at the following Rates:

Private Cars £4. et ~~xxxx~~ alia.....

and this cover applies, ofcourse, to the use of the vehicle concerned anywhere in the Falkland Islands and is not restricted to the limits defined in the existing Legislation . "

I thought that this might be of interest. I do think that before there is any further discussion on this question we should be entirely clear on this point of what insurance cover owners of vehicles can obtain and carry on ;

- a) private property,
- b) public tracks or right of ways in the Camp.

Yours Faithfully

Cristyler Jones

Extracted to 1983.

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DEAN BROTHERS LIMITED

CHAIRMAN: A. G. BARTON. DIRECTORS: H. C. HARDING, D. M. POLE - EVANS, D. BARTON.

TELEGRAMS: "MITERJACK PORT STANLEY"

PEBBLE ISLANDS.
W. FALKLAND ISLANDS.
21st September 1966.

L.Gleadell Esqre.,
Officer Administering the Government,
Secretariat,
Stanley.

Dear Les,

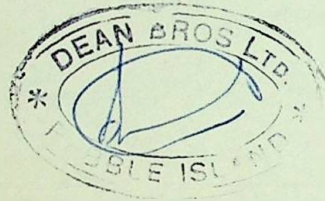
70.
With reference your letter 0797/1 dated 16th September regarding Horses. Probably this will not be of much interest to Government. As you are probably aware Young untamed Horses are a 'Drug on the Market', so to speak; one can barely give them away, because hardly anyone wants to ride them. In consequence good steady tamed Horses that most anyone can ride are valuable and in short supply. I presume Government wants 2 good tamed Horses.

I cannot spare any middle aged tame Horses; I can sell you 2 young Horses just tamed; one whenever transport offers and one after Xmas. We would want \$30 a piece for these. However, I must in all fairness say, that I do not think they are really suitable for your purpose. Apart from the fact that both Animals will be extremely green and so need a fair rider to 'educate' them; they are both young and our experience here is that these just tamed young Horses do not stand much work, as the Grasslands Officer will be travelling about on these Horses quite a bit I imagine, I dont think these Young Horses would stand up to it.

2.

You ask what I consider a reasonable price. Well I think if you pay £40 for a good 8-10 Yr old Tamed Horse you would have a far better bargain than a just tamed animal at £30. Unfortunately we cannot supply anything in the former category.

Yours sincerely



(A.B.Monk)

Manager.

G.S.

Hoggarth agrees that both Government bulls have served their purpose and considers they should be sold to some farm who may require them, he also states that each Dairy should provide its own bull - which he is doing.

Clifton on the other hand is not easy to talk with he is very anti-Government - he claims that at least three bulls should be made available by Government and the present two should not be sold until these replacements are here.

LJS

O.S.G.

G.S. Department

9.11.66.

Off. Gp. Dept.

Please refer the problem to the Advisory Committee & we will act on their report advice.

W1

22/11

G.S.

Mr. G. Robertson is out of town at present can this file come up say mid January

LJS

30/12/66

O/C Ag.

78

Please see 75.

If we get 'green' horses can they be further worked up & trained here?

This all depends on Bikes Anderson & Co's ability to condition.

W.I.

22/11

79

B.S.

Yes, we have Steve McKay who is willing to tame young horses at the rate of £6 per horse which is the fee laid down for colt tamers.

HG

31/12/66

O/C Ag.

G.O.

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You have the funds: now go ahead. Do not lose sight of 76.

W.I.

31/11

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File returned from O/C Agricultural Dept today 10.4.69