

C.S.

Livestock
Importation

1924.

No. 140/24

Ag Governor

SUBJECT.

1924

26th June

Previous Paper.

Application by Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans
to import sheep from Patagonia.

MINUTES.

- Minute from Ag Governor 26 June 1924 (1)
- Letter from Mr. Pole-Evans 25 June 1924 (1a)
- Minute to Ag Inspector 26 June 1924 (2)
- Minute to members & Co 26 June 1924 (3)

Copy of Extract from Minutes of meeting of Executive Council held on the 28th June 1924

Mr. W. Atkins, Acting Chief Inspector of Stock attended the meeting for the purpose of advising the Council. He gave it as his opinion that there would be no risk in authorising the importation provided that the importer personally supervised the work of disinfection and that the Regulations were strictly observed. From personal knowledge he assured the Council that the sheep would be completely quarantined. On the recommendation of the Ag Chief Inspector the Council advised that the importation should be sanctioned.

G. H. Brown
Member of Council

Subsequent Paper.

~~14/1/24~~
~~PA 5/1/25~~
~~PA 20/8/25~~
 27th June 1924
~~PA 12/1/35~~
~~PA 17/4/25~~
~~PA 18/1/26~~

2/8.

Submitted with draft letter to Mr. Evans and Vice Consul Punta Arenas.

GRH:14

cc/see

28 Jan 1924

Approved.

Letter to H.B. Mr. Vice Consul, Punta Arenas, 29/1/24. (5)

Letter to Mr. R. C. Pole Evans, 29/1/24. Encl. (6)

Amended form of Declaration, Encl. (6a)

Schedule B not going importation of Stock Encl (7)

With reference to (6) Mr. Evans has explained that it will be difficult to or impossible to put the sheep on board direct from one of the coast farms. ~~that~~ I told him that it was quite impossible to place the terms of the Certificate required, to be signed by the exporter and that I thought that all the ponds were liable to have infected sheep driven over them. Mr. Evans' information was that "Cullen" and all the neighbouring section was quite free and that he would not purchase sheep if it meant driving them over a pond which was used by sheep from an unclean station. I understand that from Cullen they can drive the sheep direct to the neighbouring farms of San Sebastian, which is I know clean, and from which the sheep can be shipped. Will you please substitute the usual form underlining the reference to ponds as in the printed form herein.

1 Dec

Telegram from R.B. Pole Evans of.

31st January 1925 — Encl (18)

Telegram to R.B. Pole Evans of.

31st January 1925 — Encl (19)

Telegram from Chief Inspector of Stock

of 2nd February 1925 — Encl (20)

Telegram from Mr. R.C. Pole Evans, 13/3/25. (21)

Mr. Treas. & C/

Presumably there will be no objection to Mr. Evans being the chairman as before, and improved by Mr. Hardy acting for the names of the Austral. That the vessel is calling at Stanley just

ttttt 16 had 25

Hon:Col:Sec;

I feel sure that Mr. Pole-Evans will do all in his power as a Justice of the Peace, to see that the Customs Revenue is protected, and in consequence I have no objection to offer to Mr. Evans acting as before. Besides this, there will also be a Senior Government Officer present, Mr. R.W. Carter, the Chief Inspector of Stock.

R. Atholson

Colonial Treasurer

18th March 1925

Telegram accordingly

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Telegram to Mr. R. C. Pole Evans, 20th March, 1925. (22)

Telegram from Messrs Alexander Bekety
of 25th March, 1925 — Encl (23)

Telegram from R. C. Pole Evans of 11th April 1925 — Encl (24)

Telegram to R. C. Pole Evans of 11th April 1925 — " (25)

Telegram to Operator Fox Bay of 11th April 1925 — " (26)

Telegram from Operator Fox Bay
of 14th April 1925 — " (27)

Minute from Collector of Customs
of 14th April 1925 — " (28)

Minute from Collector of Customs
of 16th April 1925 — " (29)

Copy of Bill of Health of 00 Austral. — " (30)

Minute from Collector of Customs
of 27th April 1925 — " (31)

Minute from Hon. Treasurer, 9/5/25. (32)

46.
Submitted
G. R. G.
V. E. G.
9 May 1925

No doubt Chief Inspecting Store who is
now at Punta Arenas inspection house
visited the ship.

11 May 1925.

Minute from Hon. Treasurer of
12th May 1925 — Encl (33)

Minutes from Hon. Treasurer of
22nd May 1925 — Encl (34 & 35)

46.
Submitted,

In the absence of Mr. Pole Evans
there is no Justice at Port Howard.

It would in any case seem desirable
that the 'Austral' should be given her

Final clearance from the Colony should
~~be given~~ at Fox Bay or by a Justice of the
 Peace.

C.P.H. 13

D.C.P.

22 May 1925

D.C.P./C.S.O.

I have spoken to Hon. Collector.

2. Will you please telegraph to
 Assistant Manager
 Port Howard.

You are authorized to take and
 clear Aerial for South America.

Deputy Collector
 Fox Bay.

Assistant Manager Port Howard has
 been authorized to despatch Aerial

H.

22 May 1925.

Telegram to Asst. Manager, Port Howard.
 22nd May, 1925. ————— Encl. (36)

Telegram to Deputy Collector, Fox Bay.
 22nd May, 1925. ————— (37)

Minute from Collector of Customs of
 28th May 1925 ————— (38)

Minute from the Collector of Customs
 of 2nd June 1925 ————— (39)

Report from Customs Officer of 2nd June 1925 — v (39) A

Submitted
G.L.H.
or else
6 June 1925

J.C./C.S.

I should like to see a statement showing

- (a) number ^{+sex} of sheep imported
 - (b) number + sex of sheep exported
 - (c) number of horns imported
- since 1st January 1925.

2. If information is not complete in Stanley a telegram can go to Deputy Collector Fox Bay requesting him to send the information by afternoon which will call at Fox Bay about 11th June.

A.H.
7 June 1925.

Telegram to Deputy Collector, Fox Bay, 8/6/25.

(40)

Chief Inspector of Stock.

For info.
G.L.H.
or else
10 June 1925

The Hon
Col Sec.

Information is not yet complete. Am awaiting information from Fox Bay
R.W. Carter
19/6/24

Letter from Mr W. B. Cyles, of 12th June 1925 — Encl (41)
Statement of sheep imported & Exported — (41) A

Chief Inspector of Stock,

Can you now furnish the complete statement asked for in His Excellency's minute of 7th June 1925

W.B.C.
O.C.S.
10 July 1925

The Hon
Col Sec.

I have not yet received full information regarding sales of Stock Exported & Imported in S.S. Austral

I submit herewith numbers of horses & sheep imported & sheep exported. (42)

A complete statement will be submitted as soon as I have received it from Port-Haward

22/7/25
The Chief
of Dept of Stock

E. J. Submitted
W.B.C.
O.C.S.
23 July 1925

O.S.C./C.S.O.

Such matters are easily distributed
Halter on it is very difficult to get accurate
information: In Rich's Custom office
at Victoria some information from Dr. W. D. Swan
when he is in town of May: Chief Inspector
of Stock has better access to whether
information about his to various correspondents
with those on record in Customs Dept.

W.D.
22 July 1925.

Chief Inspector of Stock

Referred.

exhib

or c/s

23 July 1925.

The Hon Col Sec

Mr Rich's numbers
are the same as my own
I submit herewith
numbers + sex of sheep
which are given in the
Annual returns

W. Carter
30/7/25 Chief Insp of Stock.

Minute from Chief Inspector of Stock
4 Aug 1925

(43)

Inside Minute Paper.

Yr. Submitted
W.H. 13
D. C. S. C.
10 Aug 1925
Thank you. J.M.
10 August 1925

H.P.S.

Will you please instruct Chief Inspectors
of stock to make a series of inspections of the
sheep when they are being shorn & to report
on their condition.

2. The inspectors should in certain cases further
inspect the sheep to much as shearing.

J.M.
28 Nov. 1925

Chief Inspectors of Stock

Please note for action
accordingly

J.M.
30/11/25

The Hon
Col Sec.

I shall inspect the
sheep when they are being
shorn

Tad Carter
Ch Insp. of Stock
1/12/25

Report from Chief Inspector of Stocks 11 Feb 1926 44.46.

Y.P.

Submitted

5th 13

for C.S.

13 Feb 1926

H.P.S.

I have enclosed on this paper a letter from Mr McEvans 47.
dated 30th Decemr last which gives valuable information
about Lombard Street which should be treated as confidential.

M.

16 Feb 1926.

~~Letter from R.C. Paley Evans of 14 Feb 1926.~~

48.

Ln from Mr. R. C. Pole Evans
1st Feby 1924 (8)

Minute to Collector, Customs
2nd Feby 1924 (9)

Ln to Mr. R. C. Pole Evans
2nd Feby 1924 (10)

Copy of form of Declaration (10a)

Ag Chief Inspector
of Stock.
For info.
W. H. 13 Oicsee 2 Feby 1924

Hon. Col. Secretary
Noted.

W. H. 13
Ag. Ch. Insp. of Stock
4th Feby 1924.

Letter to Dr. Craddock, 4/2/24 End. (11)

Minute from Ag Collector of Customs
7 Feby 1924 (12)

Y. E. Submitted
W. H. 13
Oicsee
of Feby 1924

I approve of the proposal that
Mr. Atkins should be appointed a
Customs Officer for this purpose
W. H. 13 12 Feb. 24

Hon Treasurer.

To note

G.R.H. 17

Dir/Sec

12 February 1924

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted. I have seen

M^r Atkins, Asst Chief Inspector
of Stock, and have instructed
him regarding the Customs
work he will be required to
perform. M. Grainger Harkness,

13. 2. 24

Telegram from R.C. Pole Evans of

23rd February 1924 - Encl

(14)

L^r from Manager of D.O. 25 Feb 1924

(15)

Hon Treasurer.

To note

G.R.H. 17

Dir/Sec

3 March 1924

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted accordingly.

M. Grainger Harkness

4. 3. 24.

Mr Pole-Evans has told me today that he
still writes to companies from Patagonia & that he will
write a & surplus. The firm from which he writes
to purchase is from from dis. Co & has its own
jetty at which vessels can load sheep. await
letter.

M.

22 July 1924

C.S.O. No. 1440/24

Letter from Mr. R. B. Polo Evans 17 July 1924
Letter from R. B. Polo Evans of 21st July 1924 - Encl (16) (17)

Sheet No. 2

Yours faithfully
Submitted
G.R.H. 13
for C.S.
28 July 1924

H.C.S.

Will you please let Chief Inspector
of Stock see these papers. No question arises
as to ~~the propriety~~ whether the proposed
inspections will inform the public. Recently
I received a telegram from a number of
farmers who had had a meeting in London.
The majority of those present submitted their
impressions from the case and of considerable
value. I replied that I greatly regretted
that advice of Mr. Ingham was not sought
in the first instance but that inspection
would be permitted.

2. Will the Chief Inspector of Stock please
say whether he considers that any further
conditions should be attached to the
permission to import in addition to those
already presented and which seem to provide
adequate protection ~~and~~ against the introduction
of animal diseases. D.R. 28 July 1924

Chief Inspector of Stock

Referred accordingly.

G.M. 17

for C.S.

29 July 1924

Hon. Col. Sec.

I have spoken to Mr. Pole Evans about the proposed importation of sheep & he assures me that he is taking every precaution to secure only clean sheep & will adhere strictly to the regulations laid down.

Mr. Pole Evans will personally supervise the dipping of the sheep before shipping & will dip again immediately upon landing at Tamar Island. The sheep will be quarantined on Tamar Island & if it is possible I will be there to inspect island & sheep upon arrival.

5/8/24

W. Carter

Ch. Insp. of Stock

Y.S.

Submitted

11/11/24 20 Aug 24

H.C.S.

The Chief Inspector of Stock should inspect the sheep when they arrive in the Colony.

J.M.

3/ August 1924

From His Excellency the Acting Governor

to The Officer-in-Charge of the Secretariat.

Please circulate this to the members of Ex. C. and to the ^{of} Chief Inspector of Stock sending a copy of the present Live Stock Regulations with the application for purpose of easy reference.

Mr. Evans spoke to me of this project on the occasion of his return from the U.K. ... was not then able to hold out hope of ~~the~~ leave ~~off~~ being given. He wished inter alia to land the sheep at Port Howard for dipping before quarantine.

In a private letter received by me last mail the Governor said that Mr. Evans had written to him and that he had discussed it with Mr. Matthews adding "Proper disinfection of ships which is carrying ~~the~~ sheep in the Straits is a great difficulty also supervising dipping before shipment also landing dipping and quarantining on West Island. They (Evans and Matthews) are so anxious to improve their flocks that I should like to help them if it is possible to get over the practical difficulties but of course existing regulations do not permit of what they want to do"

As this matter is urgent I will be glad

if it can be considered by members of
Ex. Council and Mr. Atkins who will be
asked to be present at a meeting of Council
to be held here at 2.30 p.m. on Monday.

Members are requested to expedite the
paper to ensure circulation is prompt

~~TTTTT~~ 26 January '24

Stanley Cottage
Stanley
Jan'y. 25th 1924.

Sir,

I have the honour on behalf of my firm J. L. Maldron Ltd, to apply for permission to import from Patagonia 1,000 to 4,000 Ewes for breeding purposes, and also a sufficient proportion of Rams to mate with them.

I wish to land the sheep in our White Rock camp (inside Tamar Pass) and to arrange to quarantine them on this piece of land, and for this purpose move there the dip now at Mount Rosalie.

I will guarantee that the imported sheep do not come from any flock or flocks which have been in contact with scab, or any other infectious disease.

I also wish to be allowed to ship the sheep in a South American boat or boats, which are specially fitted up for the purpose. This would enable me to give the sheep return freights of sheep for freezing purposes. Otherwise the cost of shipping becomes prohibitive, as was proved last year when we imported sheep by the local steamer.

As it may be objected that South American ships may perhaps have been previously carrying infected sheep I will undertake to see that both the sheep & also all the ships fittings are properly disinfected before the shipping.

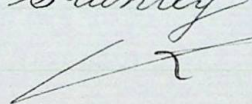
The necessity for this proposed importation appears to me to be pressing, and, if your Excellency requires my reasons, I shall be glad ~~to~~ ~~to~~ to supply you with my arguments and to furnish statistics showing how the animal

lambling has decreased during the last ten years.

I venture to request that this matter may be settled as soon as possible. If my application is granted, I hope to go over to Punta Arenas by the "Oropessa" and personally superintend the shipping, and all arrangements connected with the ship.

May I add that I am willing to do everything possible to conform with whatever regulations you may make, and to afford every assistance to the Stock Inspector?

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
R. B. Evans.

His Excellency
The Acting Governor.
Stanley


No. 140/24

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

MINUTE.

26th January, 1924.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To William Atkins, Esq.,

Acting Chief Inspector of

Stock, Stanley.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to enclose for your information a copy of a minute from His Excellency together with a copy of a letter from Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, relating to Mr. Evans' application to import sheep and rams from Patagonia.

2. The question will be discussed at a meeting of the Executive Council to be held at Government House at 2.30 p.m. on Monday the 28th inst., at which it is desired you should be present. A copy of the Live Stock Regulations (Consolidation) 1923 is enclosed for easy reference.

G. R. L. Brown,

for Colonial Secretary.

No. 140/24

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

MINUTE.

26th January, 1924

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To.....

Hon. W. A. Thompson,

Hon. Dr. F. G. W. Deane,

Hon. M. C. Craigie-Halkett.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to enclose for your information a copy of a minute from His Excellency together with a copy of a letter from Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, relating to an application from Mr. Evans to import sheep and rams from Patagonia

2. The question will be discussed at a meeting of the Executive Council to be held at Government House at 2.30 p.m. on Monday the 26th inst., notice of which is hereby given. A copy of the Live Stock Regulation (Consolidation) 1923 is enclosed for easy reference.

G. R. L. Brown,
for Colonial Secretary.

(6a)

I..... do solemnly and sincerely declare that the undermentioned sheep are to the best of my knowledge and belief free from all infectious and contagious diseases and were so at the time of shipment to the Falkland Islands and have not within six months immediately preceding the date hereof been in direct contact with stock infected with any such diseases and consist of:-

Number	Sexes	Breeds	Marks or Brands
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and I further solemnly and sincerely declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief no disease of animals has existed for six months previous to the shipment of the above sheep at _____ the place from ^{which} the said stock are brought or at any place adjacent thereto. I further solemnly and sincerely declare that the above sheep have been shipped direct from _____ and have not passed over any roads or land in the neighbourhood of this station, that I have personally superintended the disinfecting of the vessel conveying the sheep to the Falkland Islands and am satisfied that every reasonable precaution has been taken to render this vessel free from infection and I make this declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

W. J. [Signature]

Reporter.

Declared at _____ this _____ day of _____ 1924

British Vice Consul.

Draft letter to British Consul Punta Arenas.

Sir,

With reference to my letter No. _____ of the _____, I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, Manager for Messrs J. L. Waldron, Limited, Port Howard, West Falkland, has applied on behalf of his principals for permission to import 1,000 to 4,000 Ewes and Rams from _____, Patagonia and that he has also asked to be permitted to ship the sheep in a South American vessel.

2. It is realized that the safeguard against the importation of infected stock is considerably lessened if conducted in a sheep vessel which may have carried diseased animals but ~~as~~ the application has been represented as pressing and as Mr. Evans has undertaken to superintend personally the disinfecting of the ship and its fittings, His Excellency has sanctioned the importation on the understanding that the sheep will be shipped direct from _____ and not allowed to pass over any neighbouring land or roads.

3. I enclose a copy of a letter to Mr. Evans informing him of the conditions with which it is necessary he should comply. It is his intention to leave ~~for~~ for Punta Arenas by the "Oropesa" due at Stanley on the 8th of February.

140/24.

29th January,

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Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th of January outlining the arrangement for the importation of ewes and rams from Patagonia which, subject to the approval of the Government you propose to carry into effect at an early date.

2. His Excellency is desirous of extending to you every facility for the improvement of your flocks and has with the advice of the Executive Council and upon the recommendation of the Acting Chief Inspector of Stock sanctioned the importation on the lines suggested in your letter, subject to your strict compliance with all the requirements of the Live Stock Regulations (Consolidation) 1923. The permission given however is conditional on the express understanding

(1) that you will personally superintend the disinfecting of the carrying vessel,

(2)/

R. C. Pole-Evans, Esq., J.P.,

Port Howard,

West Falkland.

- (2) that the sheep will be shipped direct from their home station and not allowed to pass over any neighbouring roads or land, and
- (3) that the sheep will if possible arrive in the Colony not later than the 15th of March.

With regard to conditions (1) and (2) I enclose a copy of an amended form in which your declaration before the British Vice-Consul at Punta Arenas should be made.

3. You will readily understand that this special concession, which is only allowable through a somewhat forced interpretation of the regulations, could not in less pressing circumstances be allowed, and I am to impress upon you the importance on your part of taking every precaution to see that in all respects strict observance is given to both the intention and letter of the regulations.

4. I am in conclusion to remind you that any vessel coming to these islands must enter either at Stanley or Fox Bay. Dr. Craddock will doubtless be willing to perform the necessary quarantine inspection if the ship is entered at the latter port and Mr. Innes Wilson will, if at Fox Bay at the time enter and clear the vessel, granting a transire for Tamar Harbour from whence final clearance to the Coast can be given by yourself if you previously obtain the necessary papers from the Collector of Customs in Stanley.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. R. L. Brown.

for Colonial Secretary.



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule B of the Live Stock Regulations
(Consolidation) 1923.

I hereby give notice that I propose to import into the Falkland Islands the following live animals:—

Number and description: *4,000 Ewes, 150 Rams*

Where purchased (Country and locality): *South Patagonia*

Port whence shipped: *Unknown*

Port at which vessel will enter in Falkland Islands: *Fox Bay*

Approximate date of arrival: *Unknown*

First port at which any animal will be landed: *Tamar Harbour*

Name of person in the Falkland Islands to whom the animals will be consigned: *R. Pollock for J. L. Maddron Ltd*

N.B.—This notice, of which printed copies may be obtained on application, must be made out in duplicate and forwarded to the Chief Inspector of Stock, Stanley, in order to reach him AT LEAST TWO MONTHS' before the livestock is expected to arrive in the Colony.

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Stanley Cottage
Stanley
Feb 1st 1924.

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Jan 29th No 140/24 and to request you to convey to His Excellency the Acting Governor my grateful thanks for the way in which he is giving every assistance to help me in importing sheep from Patagonia

I am afraid, however, that the restriction laid down in paragraph 2, section 2, may cause almost insuperable difficulties as many of the farms, from which I might be able to buy sheep, have no ports suitable for the shipping of sheep -

I understand from Mr Slaughter of Darwin, who has had a long experience of farming on the Coast, that there are many areas in that district which have been free from scab & other infectious diseases for many years. I therefore venture to ask if I shall be complying with the spirit of your regulations if I drive sheep over these clean areas, should necessity arise.

With reference to paragraph 4, I called to see the Senior Customs Official who stated that he was unable to furnish me with the necessary clearance papers without first receiving instructions from the office of the Colonial Secretary. May I therefore request you to issue these instructions?

Further with regard the return freight of sheep which I am hoping to give the steamer or steamers I wish to ship these sheep from Port Howard and to give final clearance to the Coast from that port.

According to my present calculations there will
be two loads of sheep.

I am Sir,

Your obedient servant

R. B. Pollock

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary

Stanley

No. 140/24

MINUTE.

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

2nd February, 19 24.

From

To The Hon. the Acting

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Treasurer and

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Collector of Customs.....

I am directed by the Acting Governor to attach an extract from a letter to Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, relative to the arrangements which have been authorized for entering and clearing a South American sheep vessel which it is proposed should be sent to the Colony with a consignment of sheep for Port Howard Station the importation of which has been authorized if carried out strictly in compliance with the Live Stock Regulations (Consolidation) 1923. I am to request that you will be so good as to supply Mr. Evans with the necessary forms for clearance and instruct him as to the formalities which it is necessary should be observed.

G. R. L. Brown,

for Colonial Secretary.

140/24

2nd February, 1924.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st of February in which you state that it would not be possible for you to undertake that the sheep which you propose to import from South Patagonia would be shipped from their home station. I am to say that in view of the assurance given in your letter that the sheep would only be allowed to pass over areas which you know on good authority to be perfectly free from infection, His Excellency is willing that this condition of the importation should be withdrawn and that the required declaration before the British Vice-Consul at Punta Arenas should be in the usual form a copy of which is attached.

2. It must, however, be clearly understood that the wording of the declaration must be most strictly observed and that the sheep may not be imported if this involves driving them over any roads open to any sheep which may have come from an infected farm. As far as is known all public roads in the mainland of the Magellan district are so open.

R. C. Pole-Evans, Esq., J.P.,

Stanley.

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3. The declaration or declarations should be signed by the manager of the farm from which you purchase the sheep, and not by yourself as intimated in my previous letter.

4. I am to add that the necessary instructions regarding your authority to clear the carrying vessel on her return journey to the Coast have been sent to the Collector of Customs.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. R. L. Brown,

for Colonial Secretary.

SCHEDULE C. LIVE STOCK REGULATIONS (CONSOLIDATION) 1923.

I.....do solemnly and sincerely declare that the undermentioned sheep are to the best of my knowledge and belief free from all infectious and contagious diseases and were so at the time of shipment to the Falkland Islands and have not within six months immediately preceding the date hereof been in direct or indirect contact with stock infected with any such diseases and consist of:-

Number Sexes Breeds Brands or Marks.

and I further solemnly and sincerely declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief no disease of animals has existed for six months previous to the shipment of the above mentioned sheep at the place or adjacent thereto from which the said stock are brought and that they have not on the way to the port of shipment been driven over any roads open to any sheep which may have been infected with any contagious or infectious disease and I make this declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Exporter.

Declared at this day of 1924

British Vice-Consul.

(11)

140/24.

4th February,

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Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that permission has been given to Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans to import sheep from South Patagonia in a South American vessel which is expected to arrive in the Colony some time in March. The vessel will enter at Fox Bay and I am to request that you will be so kind as to arrange to give her the necessary pratique.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. R. L. Brown.

for Colonial Secretary.

Dr. F. J. Craddock, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.,

Fox Bay,

West Falkland.



MINUTE PAPER.

Departmental Number.

From.....Ag. Collector of Customs.

Date.....6th February 1924

To.....Honble Col. Secretary.

SUBJECT.

Proposed Imporatation of Sheep from South America.

Reference Numbers.

Hon. Col. Secty,

With reference to your Minute No. I40/24 dated the 2nd inst., I beg to report that I have supplied Mr. R.C. Pole Evans, Manager of Port Howard Station, with the necessary forms of clearance and have instructed him as to the formalities required to be observed on clearing a vessel.

2. It would appear advisable that a Customs Officer should board the vessel on her arrival at Fox Bay and remain with the vessel until she is finally cleared. If the Chief Inspector of Stock is to supervise the landing of Stock brought over then I suggest that that Officer be appointed a Depty Collector for the purpose of supervising cargo landed or exported. If this could be arranged it would not be necessary to send an Officer from Fox Bay to await the vessels arrival. Perhaps you will be good enough to request Mr. R.C. Pole Evans to send notification by telegraph if he succeeds in arranging for a vessel to come over from S. America.

M. Stanley Hartley

Ag. Collector.
Febry 7th 1924.

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No. 140/24

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

MINUTE.

12th February, 1924.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Acting Chief Inspector
of Stock,

Stanley.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that for the visit of the South American sheep steamer which is expected from the Coast in March, His Excellency has appointed you to act as a Deputy Collector for the purpose of supervising cargo landed or exported.

2. I am to request you to call at the Office of the Collector of Customs at Stanley and receive from him the necessary instructions.

G. R. L. Brown.

for Colonial Secretary.

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TELEGRAM.

From : Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, Punta Arenas,

To : The Colonial Secretary

Dispatched : 23rd February,

19 24. *Time*. 4 pm

Received : 24th February,

19 24. *Time*. 11.30
a.m.

COLONIAL SECRETARY
PORT STANLEY.

Please advise Stock Inspector not shipping

Evans.

RECEIVED
ANTWERP 8 20 44

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.



Stanley. 25th February, 1924.

Sir,

I beg to advise you that I have received a radiogram from Mr R.C.Pole-Evans, who is now in Punta Arenas, to the effect that he is not shipping sheep and that he will be returning to the Islands by a boat leaving Punta Arenas about the 8th proximo.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in green ink, appearing to read "W. R. Graham". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Manager.

THE HONOURABLE
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.
STANLEY.

16

Port Howard

West Falkland Islands

July 17.1924.

To

The Honourable H.Henniker Heaton
Colonial Secretary
Falkland Islands.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that the permission given to me to import sheep from South Patagonia, as per your letters No.140/24 of Jan.29 and Feb.2 1924, will be extended to cover the coming season.

I have the Honour to be

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

Ab Pol Evans

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

24th July, 1924.

No. 140/24.

Sir,

Further to my letter of the 17th instant I have the honour to state that it is at present my intention to obtain about 4,000 ewes from Menendez-Behety from their farm Maria Behety in Argentina. I understand that I will be able to take these sheep off a jetty on the home Station.

Our Agents in Punta Arenas wire me that these people are prepared to swear before the British Consul there that the sheep on this farm are free from all infectious and contagious diseases.

I have also been asked to obtain 500 ewes for Messrs Anson and Luxton and 20 rams for Messrs Baillon and Stickney from this same farm and to arrange for their quarantining with our own sheep, which I am prepared to do.

I shall be obliged if you will advise me that these importations will be permitted.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. P. Evans

Manager. J. L. Waldron, Limited.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary.

Stanley.

TELEGRAM.

18

From : Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, Port Howard, West Falkland.

To : The Colonial Secretary.

Dispatched : 31st January, 1925. *Time.* 10 am

Received : 31st January, 1925. *Time.* 12.35 pm

COLONIAL SECRETARY
PORT STANLEY

ARRIVED FOX BAY 31st WHERE IS STOCK INSPECTOR

EVANS.

TELEGRAM.

19

From : The Colonial Secretary

To : Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, Port Howard, West Falkland

Dispatched : 31st January, 192 5. Time. 4 pm

Received : 192 Time.

EVANS

PORT HOWARD

YOUR TELEGRAM 31st STOCK INSPECTOR IS AT SAN

CARLOS NORTH

SECRETARY.

TELEGRAM.

20

From : The Chief Inspector of Stock, West Falkland.

To : The Colonial Secretary.

Dispatched : 2nd February, 1925. Time 6 pm

Received : 4th February, 1925. Time 8 am

HON COL SECRETARY
PORT STANLEY

WILL BE IN PORT HOWARD UNTIL ARRIVAL OF SHEEP BOAT

8th FEBRUARY

CARTER.

21

TELEGRAM.

From : Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, Port Howard.

To : The Colonial Secretary.

Dispatched :

13th March,

192 5. Time. 3 pm

Received :

14th March,

192 5. Time. 12
noon.

Fox Bay Radio.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

PORTSTANLEY.

AUSTRAL DUE HERE ABOUT MARCH 20th MAKING TWO TRIPS
WITH FREEZERS FOR US STOP CAN I GIVE CLEARANCE HERE.

EVANS.

104/24.

TELEGRAM.

(22)

From : The Colonial Secretary.

To : Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, Port Howard.

Dispatched : 20th March,

1925. Time. 10.55
am.

Received :

192 Time.

EVANS
PORT HOWARD.

REFERRING TO YOUR TELEGRAM 13TH MARCH CLEARANCE
AUSTRAL. REPLY IS IN AFFIRMATIVE.

SECRETARY.

TELEGRAM.

23

● From : Messrs Menendez Behety, Punta Arenas, Chile.

To : The Colonial Secretary.

Dispatched : 25th March, 1925. Time. 5.40
pm
Received : 26th March, 1925. Time. 11.20
a.m.

COLONIAL SECRETARY
PORT STANLEY.

AUSTRAL ARRIVING STANLEY ABOUT SATURDAY

MENEBETY.

140/24.

24

TELEGRAM.

From : Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, Port Howard.
To : The Colonial Secretary.

Dispatched : 11th April, 192 5. Time. 8 am
Received : 11th April, 192 5. Time 10.40 am

COLONIAL SECRETARY
PORTSTANLEY.

AUSTRAL EXPECTED TO ENTER FOXBAY TODAY OR
TOMORROW STOP DOCTOR CALLED TO PEBBLE ADVISE
WHAT TO DO IF AUSTRAL ARRIVES MEANTIME REPLY
IMMEDIATELY.

EVANS.

140/24.

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TELEGRAM.

From : The Colonial Secretary

To : Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, Port Howard, West Falkland.

Dispatched : 11th April, 1925. Time 11.20 am
Received : ... 192 Time.

EVANS
PORT HOWARD

MYLES MAY GIVE PRATIQUE UNDER SECTION 44 OF
CUSTOMS ORDINANCE IF AUSTRAL HAS CLEAN BILL
OF HEALTH OTHERWISE SHE MUST WAIT FOR THE
DOCTOR AT FOX BAY

SECRETARY.

140/24.

TELEGRAM.

26

From : The Colonial Secretary

To : Mr. W. Myles, Wireless Operator, W/T Station, Fox Bay.

Dispatched : 11th April,

192 5. *Time.* 11.20

Received :

...

...

192 *Time.* am

MYLES

FOXBAY

PLEASE GIVE AUSTRAL PRATIQUE EXERCISING YOUR
POWERS UNDER SECTION 44 OF CUSTOMS ORDINANCE
IF THE VESSEL HAS CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH OTHERWISE
SHE MUST WAIT FOR DOCTORS RETURN TO FOX BAY

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

14 0/24.

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TELEGRAM.

From : Deputy Collector of Customs, Fox Bay, West Falkland.
To : The Colonial Secretary.

Dispatched : 13th April, 1925. Time. 8.35 am
Received : 14th April, 1925. Time. 1050 am.

HON COLONIAL SECRETARY
PORTSTANLEY.

AUSTRAL ENTERED FOXBAY 6.30 a.m. CAPTAIN PRODUCED
CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH STOP SHIP PROCEEDING SANCARLOS
VIA PORT HOWARD

MYLES.

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No.

MINUTE.

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

14th April, 19 25



From...Collector.of..Customs

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The following telegram has been received from the Deputy Collector, Fox Bay:-

Austral entered Fox Bay 6.30 a.m. stop cleared for San Carlos via Port Howard to discharge horses and wood.

Myles.

Myles

Collector of Customs.

29

No.

MINUTE.

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

16th April, 1925.

From The Collector of Customs,

To

Stanley.



THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The following telegram has been received from the Deputy Collector, Fox Bay:-

Austral Left Port Howard twelve 6'clock bound Chile

Myles

Collector of Customs.

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B I L L O F H E A L T H
-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME :

I, **Kenneth J. M. White Esquire** British Vice Consul
at Punta Arenas, Chile, send greeting

WHEREAS the **Chilian** Ship **"AUSTRAL"**
Official number **875---** owned by **The Soc. Anon. Gan & Com. Menendez-Behety** Com.
of **Punta Arenas, Chile** whose Master is **Juan Schmiegel.**
and which was last at the Port of **Punta Arenas**
is about to sail from the Port of **Punta Arenas, Chile.**

on this **seventh** day of **April** in the year of our
Lord **One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five** and from thence
for **the Falkland Islands** and other places beyond the Seas,
with **twenty-six-----** Persons on Board including the said Master
and Passengers

Now, Know that I, the said ^{Vice} Consul, do hereby make it known to
all Men, that at the time of granting these presents no Plague, Epi-
-demic Cholera, or Yellow Fever, nor any dangerous or contagious
disorder in epidemic form exists in the above Port or neighbourhood.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Name and Seal
of Office on the Day and Year aforesaid.

Given in the British **Vice** Consulate
at **Punta Arenas, Chile.**
on the **seventh** day of **April**
in the Year of Our Lord **1925.**

K. J. M. White
British Vice-Consul.



W. B. Hughes
to Port Health Officer
13th April 1925



21 Receipt for Fees.

Name of Vessel Austral
 Port Punta Arenas
 Official Number 875.
 Name of Master Juan Schmiegel

* Part.	* Number	Service.	Amount		
			£	s.	d.
1.	10.	Engagement of Seaman ...			
1.	12.	Discharge of Seaman			
1.	13.	Desertion of Seaman ...			
1.	19.	Indorsement of Agreement ...			
2.	25.	Noting Protest ...			
2.	40.	Certificates for Clearance ...			
2.	34.	Bill of Health		18	9
Total				18	9



\$41.60

Received the above Fees.

British ~~Vice~~ Consul at

R. M. White
Punta Arenas, Chile.

Date 7/4/25.

* For further explanation see back of Form.

FORM C. 32.

The Fees are levied in pursuance of the Consular Salaries and Fees Act, 1891, and the Foreign Marriage Act, 1892, the Consular Fees (General) Order in Council, 1906, the Foreign Marriages Order in Council, 1892; the Japan (Consular and Marriage Fees) Order in Council, 1906; the China and Corea (Consular and Marriage Fees) Order in Council, 1906, and (Shipping Registry) Order in Council, 1904; and the Consular Fees (Amendment) Orders in Council, 1910, 1914 and 1916.

Stamps to the Amount of the Fees charged are to be affixed to the documents, and must be cancelled by impressing the Consular Ink Seal as well as by writing the date in figures on each Stamp.

This receipt is given in addition for the convenience of Masters and others.

Each Fee is numbered in the Table, and the number is given on the receipt.

The Table is divided into four parts, and the number of the part is given on the receipt.

The parts of the Table are headed as shewn below.

- Part I. Fees to be taken in respect of matters in which the Consul's interposition is required by law.
- „ II. Fees to be taken in respect of matters in which the Consul's interposition is to be given when required by parties interested.
- „ III. Fees to be taken for certain attendances, in addition to any other Fee chargeable under the present Table, and to Travelling and other Expenses.
- „ IV. Fees to be taken in respect of certain other services which may be rendered by the Consul, at his discretion, at the request of parties interested.

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No. _____

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



27th April, 19 25.

From The Collector of Customs,

To

Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The following telegram has been received from the Deputy Collector, Fox Bay:-

AUSTRAL ARRIVED FOXBAY 10.30 a.m. PROCEEDING SANCARLOS TONIGHT PORTHOWARD TOMORROW THE 25th. MYLES.

Author
Colonial Treasurer.

No. _____

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



9th May.
~~30th April~~

*answered by request.
telephoned 1925 for recovery*

32.

From Treasurer and

Collector of Customs.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

The following telegram has been received from the Deputy Collector at Fox Bay -

" AUSTRAL ARRIVED FOXBAY 8 A.M. LANDED FIFTYFOUR MARES
LEFT FOR SANCARLOS VIA FORTHWARD 11.15 A.M."

"MYLES"

Treasurer & Co.

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No.

MINUTE.

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

12th May, 1925

From TREASURER AND COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The following telegram has been received from the Deputy Collector at Fox Bay -

" AUSTRAL LEFT PORTHOWARD FOR PUNTA ARENAS SIX OCLOCK THIS MORNING MYLES".



Handwritten signature

Treasurer &c.

No.

MINUTE.

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

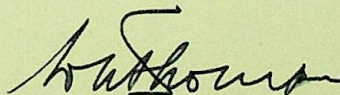
22nd May, 19 25

From Treasurer & Collector of
Customs.

To ~~The Chief Inspector of Stock.~~
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

The following telegram has been received from the Deputy Collector at Fox Bay, W.Falkland.

"AUSTRAL ENTERED FOXBAY 2 P.M. CLEARED AND LEFT FOR PORTHOWARD SANCARLOS PEBBLE ISLAND 3.30 P.M."



Treasurer &c.

No.

MINUTE.

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22nd May 1925 19

From Collector of Customs

To

Stanley

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

With regard to the telegram received this morning from Fox Bay, reporting the arrival at, and departure from that place for Port Howard, of the Chilian Schooner "Austral", I beg to report that Mr. Pole-Evans rang me up on the phone this morning stating that he was at Darwin on his way to Stanley in the s.s. "Falkland" expected to arrive here on Sunday morning. He asks for permission for his Assistant at Port Howard to be allowed to enter and clear the "Austral" at that place. Up to the present no papers regarding this ship's movements on the West Falklands have been received by the Customs Department at Stanley.

A. W. Thompson
Colonial Treasurer

140/24.

TELEGRAM.

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From : The Colonial Secretary

To : The Assistant Manager, Port Howard, West Falkland.

Dispatched : 22nd May,

192 5. *Time.* 3 pm

Received :

... ..

192 *Time.*

ASSISTANT MANAGER
PORT HOWARD

YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO ENTER AND CLEAR AUSTRAL
FOR SOUTH AMERICA.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

140/24.

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TELEGRAM.

From : The Colonial Secretary
To : The Deputy Collector of Customs, Fox Bay,

Despatched : 22nd May, 1925. Time 3 pm
Received : 192 Time.

MYLES
DEPUTY COLLECTOR
FOX BAY

ASSISTANT MANAGER PORT HOWARD HAS BEEN
AUTHORIZED TO DESPATCH AUSTRAL
SECRETARY.

No.

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



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28th May, 1925 19

From The Collector of Customs

Stanley

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

The following telegram has been received from the Deputy
Collector, Fox Bay:-

Austral left for Chile 4. p. m. 27th.

Myles.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. Thompson".
Colonial Treasurer.

No.

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

MINUTE.



2nd June 1925

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From Collector of Customs

Stanley

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

I beg to report for the information of the Governor, that the Customs Papers in connection with the visits to the West Falklands of the ~~Moto~~ S.S."AUSTRAL", during the latter end of last year and the beginning of this year, were received by the S.S."Falklands" last week, and beg to submit the attached report from the Assistant Customs Officer S.H.Riches, in regard to which, I would explain that Mr.Riches was in the South Shetlands during the Whaling Season 1923-24 and 1924-25. On the return of the attached report I will ask Mr.Bennett the Senior Customs Officer, ~~for~~ who is at present on board of the S.S."Lobos", for his report, as he was attending to the Customs during Mr.Riches' absence in the South Shetlands.

Colonial Treasurer.

Custom House,

Stanley.

June 2nd. 1925.

39 A

Sir,

With reference to the Export of Live Sheep by S/S "Austral" this year, I am unable to find the Customs Export Entries amongst that ships papers which you handed to me recently for filing; on Saturday last Mr. Evans, manager of Port Howard, from which station most of these sheep were shipped, came to see me in respect to these entries, and he informed me that, with regard to the last three voyages of this vessel, he was not certain as to whether Customs entries had been passed or not: he then drew my attention to the voyages made by "Austral" in January and February, of which I of course knew nothing, and requested me to look up the ships papers, to see if Customs entries had been passed for those four consignments of sheep shipped during those two months, this was done, and I am unable to find anything in the form of entries covering this matter, possibly Mr. Myles may have these at Fox Bay, however, in view of Mr. Evans' probable departure from the Colony in the "Lobos", I thought it advisable to type out fresh entries in respect to six separate consignments of sheep, and get him to sign them before his departure - which has been done.

In the event of these entries turning up at a later date, they can be destroyed.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

G. W. Niches

Asst. Customs Officer.

Hon:- Collector & Treasurer,
Stanley.

140/24.

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TELEGRAM.

From : The Colonial Secretary

To : The Deputy Collector, Fox Bay, West Falkland.

Dispatched : 8th June, 1925. Time. 11 am

Received : 1925 Time.

MYLES
DEPUTY COLLECTOR
FOXBAY

PLEASE SEND BY AFTERGLOW 11TH JUNE STATEMENT
SHOWING STOCK IMPORTED BY AUSTRAL SINCE 1ST
JANUARY 1925

- (a) Number and sex sheep imported
- (b) ditto exported
- (c) Number of horses imported

SECRETARY.



Got by
12/6/25

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Sir

I have the honour to forward
herewith statement of number and sex of
sheep and horses imported and exported by
S/s Austral January to May 1925.

Regret am unable to give particulars as to
quantity, sex, of sheep shipped from
Pancards north on Austral's 5th voyage early
in April, as I have no copy of Outward Manifest.

I have the honour to be
Sir
your obedient servant

W. S. Hughes.

The
Hon. Colonial Secretary
Stanley

Sheep Exported by S/S Austral
January - May 1925

(41)

Wethers	9181
Ewes	<u>1328</u>
Total	10509

Sheep Imported by S/S Austral

Ewes	5100	} Total	\$131
Rams	31		

Horses	"	"	90
Mares	"	"	<u>368</u>
Total			<u>458</u>

W. R. Hughes
12/6/25

Hon
Colonial Secretary
Stanley

The Ben
cable

Mr Pole Evans before he left promised to forward to me the correct numbers & sexes of stock shipped on S.S. Austria. This information has not yet arrived.

The following are the numbers of sheep & horses imported & Exported.

Date	Importer	no Sheep	Importers	no horses
14/125	J. L. Waldron	1293 Ewes	Falkland Is Co. W. Hutchinson R. P. Pole Evans	28 2 1
31/1	"	1238 "	Falkland Is Co. R. P. Pole Evans	34 1
9/2	" + W. Hughton Charles	1319 " 31 Rams	Falkland Is Co. R. P. Pole Evans	34 1
17/2	J. L. Waldron	1250 Ewes	(Falkland Is Co. E. B. Binnit S. Miller	2 1 32
29/3	-	-	R. P. Pole Evans	74
13/4	-	-	"	82
24/4	-	-	Estate W. K. Cameron	59
8/5	-	-	"	56
21/5	-	-	R. Hardy	41 10
Total sheep imported		5100 Ewes 31 Rams 5131	Total horses imported	458

Date	Exporter	no.
20/1/25	J. L. Waldron	1350
2/2	"	1365
11/2	"	1389
19/2	"	1406
3/4	Estate W. K. Cameron	1470
15/4	J. L. Waldron	1330
27/4	"	1333
11/5	Estate W. K. Cameron	" 69
26/5	J. H. Dean	" 69
		11981

19/7/25. Mr Carter
Ch Insp of Stock

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No.

MINUTE.

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

4th August 19²⁵.

From Chief Inspector of Stock

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The figures obtained from Mr Riches are the same as those submitted by me (Enc.42).

The following are the figures taken from Annual Returns which I have now received.

Sheep exported from -	Wethers.	Ewes,
Port Howard	7151	1020
Pebble Island	861	308
San Carlos North	1904	735
	<u>9916</u>	<u>2063</u>

Total 11979 -
Total stapled on books 11981

RW Carter
Chief Inspector of Stock

RELEASE FROM QUARANTINE.

414

(Form 4.) Section 27, Live Stock Ordinance, 1901.

I CERTIFY that I have examined the sheep described below imported by

Miss W. Gibson & Wood in the S.S. *"Austral"* during the period of *from Jan to May* on the *9 months* day of *1905*, which sheep have been in quarantine for *approximately* days, and I hereby certify that the said sheep are free from any disorder,

and they are hereby released from quarantine.

Ewes *4,528*

Wethers

~~Lambs~~

Rams *31*

Tom Carter

Inspector.

21st January 190*6*.

flocks at Port Howard. The sheep have been held in quarantine on White Rock section for a period of ^{approximately} 9 months and upon inspection I found them to be free from infectious and contagious diseases. I released the sheep from quarantine on January 21st 1926.

I have attached hereto a copy of certificate releasing the above sheep from quarantine.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

THE HONORABLE,
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
STANLEY.

R. W. Carter
Chief Inspector of Stock

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STOCK DEPARTMENT,
STANLEY,
FEBRUARY 11th 1926.



Sir,

I beg to submit for His Excellency, the Governor's information a report on the sheep imported from Tierra-del-Fuego by Messrs Waldron and Wood, Port Howard.

I arrived at Port Howard on January 16th., and saw the imported ewes both before and after shearing. The ewes and rams were in fair condition and in good health. A few of the ewes had not lambed and these were in splendid condition both as regards wool and body.

There were very few ewes that had not lambed last season but on account of the severe spring many of the lambs had died. Considering the rough handling undergone during shipping, the lambing percentage over fifty was very good.

The sheep are with the exception of the dry ewes a little bit light in the wool and the wool is also on the fine side and according to Bardford counts averaging about 50.

The lambs bred from these ewes are fairly good but a little too fine in the wool, for this country. Mr Pole-Evans however, intends crossing these sheep with sheep of coarser wool and the sheep derived from this cross should be a good class. The imported ewes will considerably improve the flocks

JAMES LOVEGROVE WALDRON
LIMITED.

Telegraphic Address:
HOWARD, FOXBAY, FALKLANDS.
BENTLEY'S CODE USED.

140/24.

Port Howard.

West Falkland Islands.

(47)

The information in this
letter is given as confidential
Middleton
16 January 1926.

Dec 30th 1925.

Dear Sir John.

I should have written to you before
with regard the Coast Ewes; but I have not had much
time since my return for ~~my~~ writing.

I am very well satisfied with them & they came
up to my expectations considering the winter & spring
and in comparison with our own Ewes.

The 3980. Coast Shearling Ewes (Dipping Tally)	gave	1788 lambs.	44.92%
2600 Our own " " " "	"	634 "	24.38%
960. Coast 3 years Old "	"	541 "	56.35%
2400. Our own 3 " " "	"	1093 "	45.54%
99. Old Coast. Ewes.	"	71 "	71.71%
2350. Old Ewes of ours.	"	1221 "	42.83%

Total Average. Coast Ewes 47.62. on dipping tally.

" " Our own Ewes 45.51 " " "

" " Loss Coast Ewes to lamb marking 9.69%

" " " Our own " " " 12.74%.

The big amount of Shearling Ewes in the Coast ones
has to be taken into consideration

Our highest lambing was in the Stud flock with 66%.

then our 5 & 6 years Old Ewes with 58% then we

dropped to 49% in the 4 year Old Ewes, the Coast Ewes

Tuesday 19th of August 1888.

will give us another 4% at shearing time, as the lambs Ewes had only been lambing 5 weeks when I marked them and a lot have been dropped since marking - I hope to shear the Ewes about Jan 14th or 15th & I am inviting any one ~~that~~^{who} likes to come & see them.

The biggest difficulty with the Coasters was, as soon as lambing commenced they flocked into every point & fence they could towards the westward, and they beat the shepherds as it was impossible to keep turning them out of the points & off the fences then, & the shepherd reckoned we lost a lot of lambs that way, by the overcrowding, another year when I can get them split up in smaller lots & on different pieces of ground I look for far better results. This I know they have paid us and also we would have been very much in the soup this year with this rotten lambing had we not had them - things are bad enough as it is & should we not get a decent lambing next season another 4000 young Ewes will be needed again. Losses this year are beyond anything I have known out here, we have lost 1655 Hoggets out of 8,600 odd. & I honestly believe we won't shear more than 30,000 Sheep this year. The clip is heavy, but not nearly as clean & bright as usual - The Coast Ewes are very strong & healthy, but not fat, & there no suspicion of any disease among them I am pleased to say.

Any other information, which I have not thought about I will gladly give you, my books & figures are all here for anyone to see, & Port Howard have got to be very thankful that they have these Ewes on hand at the present time, & if they listen to me they will get another 4,000 in 12 mos time, these Ewes will shear some lovely wool to.

Fancy 18,400 Ewes out, & we will only mark about 9,000 lambs.

I understand Hanso is not coming this season as F. S. Co. are boiling down. I am trying to fix up a deal with Menéndez's with regards fat sheep & they promise to cable me this week definitely about it, we want to get sale somewhere & keep a trade going, this standing still is no good, boiling down does not pay us that I know.

With very good wish for the New Year to you & Lady Middleton from us all,

I am

Yours sincerely
Alb. Pole Evans