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Downing Street,

29th October 1891.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to inform you that the undermentioned Parliamentary Papers have been sent to you by Book Post.

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

ROBERT G. W. HERBERT.

The Officer Administering

the Government of the

Falkland Islands

Honored Sir

Stanly Island Island
24 February 1851 -

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I humbly beg to direct your attention to the few following lines hoping that they will meet your kind consideration and favourable reception. I hope your Excellency will take notice of my complaint I have been working in the Government Shop for four months during that period I served for two months as file man, Mr. Boner as Smith & Mr. Calaway the forman gave me notice that I was to take Boner's place at the expiration of two months I was to take his place I have done my work in the Government Shop as well as I been taught in my trade and I firmly believe that Mr. Calaway wishes to Concurrence by given me wrong direction upon work I hope your Excellency inspect the work that I have done I remain your humble
Obedient Servant
John Stokes

To
His Excellency Governor
of the Island of Iceland

ackd. no 61 21. 1. 92



H. M. Love
Dec 26th 1891.

Hon. F. Madden Langtry,
Acting Colonial Secretary,

Sir,
I beg to inform you that
I hope to leave for England, about
next March, but expect to return to
these Islands before the close of 1892.

I inform you of any ^{proposed} movements as I
believe it is necessary to obtain His
Excellency's sanction before a J. P. can
leave the Colony. I have the honor to be,
your obedient servant
Robert Pollock

Return showing withdrawals from the
Government Savings Bank by persons going
to Patagonia

1889					
11 June	James Mackay	81	15	4	
" "	John Ritchie	127	9	.	
" "	Robert Patterson	200	.	.	
10 July	W ^m Arbuthnot	101	14	.	
" "	W ^m Simpson	51	3	.	
	Total 1889				562 1 4
1890					
5 Feb	John Smith	51	18	5	
" "	Geo Smith	698	18	6	
17 Mch	Geo th Greening	65	11	2	
" "	A Feldman	12	6	.	
19 April	David Wighton	70	9	.	
28 "	Isaac Parks	102	6	1	
29 "	Malcolm Arbuthnot	51	7	1	
14 May	Alex ^r Fraser	182	7	4	
16 "	James Nichol	347	16	5	
10 June	Robert Patterson	34	15	1	
" "	Thomas Patterson	80	.	.	
19 Aug	James Fell	132	7	5	
	Total 1890				1830 2 6
1891					
9 Mch	J. E. Armstrong	120	.	.	
" "	Andrew McInern	28	9	.	
" "	James McInern	27	7	7	
" "	John McInern	243	6	4	
16 "	A. M. McDonald	396	3	1	
" "	M. McDonald	50	10	5	
21 April	John Leon	40	10	.	
15 May	A. Jaffray	141	15	.	
" "	Joseph Klein	101	5	7	
26 "	Isaac Afford	78	1	10	
	Carried forward	1227	8	10	

1891.	Brought forward	1227	8	10
June	Thomas Patterson	93	.	.
16 "	William Dickie	10	.	.
19 "	George Anderson	167	10	7
" "	Alex ^r McKenzie	75	.	.
22 "	William Wallace	40	.	.
" "	William Kennedy	120	8	7
30 "	John Ritchie	100	.	.
4 July	William Reid	161	9	2
	Total up to date	1934	17	2

	1888-9.	1889-90	30 Sep 90 - 15 Jul 1891
Total amount withdrawn	2871. 5. 10	6300 19 5	4360 2 3
Amount withdrawn by persons going to Patagonia	562. 1. 4	1830 2 6	1934 17 2

	1888-9	1889-90	30 Sep 90 - 1 Aug 91
Total amount withdrawn	2871 5 10	6300 19 5	4597 18 3
Amount withdrawn by persons going to Patagonia	562 1 4	1830 2 6	1934 17 2

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Minute Paper. No.

From Imperial Audit Office

Purport As to the system of keeping and accounting for stores purchased.

G. O.

Action Taken Ann. No 336 d. 13. 10. 91.

Wk. The Governor

The answer may be that stores are purchased from time to time as required in small quantities, upon Requisitions approved by the Colonial Secretary; these are expended as obtained.

Stores in larger quantity when purchased (which has seldom been the case) are placed in the Government Store and are issued by the Govt. Storekeeper, who keeps an Issue and Receipt Book and takes Stock periodically.

That, it is proposed in future, to import stores for Government in sufficient quantity for its foreseen needs and these will be kept by the Govt. Storekeeper until requisitioned for and will be duly accounted for.

Yes. [Signature] 13. 10. 91

EXCHEQUER AND AUDIT DEPARTMENT,

No. 215

SOMERSET HOUSE,

LONDON, W.C.

July 1891

In any further correspondence on this subject,
the above number should be quoted,
and
the communication should be
addressed to
"The Comptroller and Auditor General."

Sir,

I am directed by the Comptroller and Auditor
General to refer to a letter dated 13th September, 1888
received from you in reply to an enquiry from this
Office upon the subject of the receipt and issues
of stores, by which he was informed that the
only stores kept in stock consisted of about 50 tons
of coal purchased once a year and valued at
£150, but that other articles were purchased as
required for use under the written authority of the
Governor.

It appears from the Accounts for 1890 that about
£190 was expended in that year in the purchase
of Pakenham Brooks & Co:

Colonial Secretary
Falkland Islands

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of stores for Public Works, and that the individual purchases, though small in amount, were very numerous.

As the information furnished by the Cash Accounts is necessarily confined to the Vouching of the Cash transactions, the Comptroller and Auditor General would feel obliged by your furnishing him with a Report as to the system followed in the custody of, and accounting for the stores purchased for the public services and, also, whether there is any periodical stock-taking of the stores remaining on hand

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your Obedient Servant

F. Phillips

G.O. S. 21

13 Oct. 91.

The Comptroller
of the Auditor General.

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July ~~1891~~ last ~~year~~ on the Sept last upon the subject of the receipt & issue of stores.

2. As regards the year 1890 I have only a limited experience, having assumed Office in July of that year.

3. The system ~~which~~ I found in operation, ~~and~~ ^{and} which still continues, is this: stores are purchased ^{locally} from time to time as required, in small quantities, upon Requisition approved ~~now~~ by me, heretofore by the Governor. These are expended as obtained.

4. In the event of an importation from England of a large amount of stores, ~~which~~ they would be placed in the Government store and issued by the Storekeeper, who keeps an Issue and Receipt Book & takes stock periodically. There have been importations
to

to a limited extent and
it is proposed in future
to procure stores direct
from Stone in sufficient
quantities for foreseen
needs. These when
required from time to time
they will be issued upon
Requisition to the Storekeeper
and duly accounted for by
him.

July 1891

Minute Paper. No.

From Board of Survey on Govt. Buildings.

Purport Submitting their Report

G. O.

Action Taken

C. S.'s letter No. 149 d. 18.5.91

Mr. The Foreman

Submitted

by

15.5.91

A. C. I have perused the report of the Board of Survey wh. is in my intention to submit by the ordinary mail to the Secy. Please convey accept and convey to the members of the Board my appreciation of the trouble they have taken.

P. J. G. 16.5.91

To H. E. de Roger
Sackfield Goldsmith

Member of the
Sackfield Island

Commissioners

Having been
appointed by
your Excellency a
Board to examine
into and report upon
the public buildings
of the Colony we have
the honor to report as
follows:

Original structure of
The Government House
we understand
from information we
have received, was built
about forty years ago, of
stone and roofed with
shingle. In the time
During 1883 two bedrooms
and an office were
added and in 1886 another
bedroom all of wood.
The

The condition of this
House and its surroundings
when we inspected it,
most carefully, was
insanitary to a marked
degree. The drainage
appears thoroughly bad.

Wind and Water have
easy access, with the strong
winds which prevail here
at all times, to most
rooms of the house.

Paint is much to be
desired in all parts
and the wall paper in
many rooms is rotten.

As regards the
outhouses we ascertained
that the house for
storing Peat, which is
situated but a few yards
from the Gent. House,
was originally a ^{Stanley} Wooden
Cottage belonging to ^{Government Office} Genl.
~~Stanley~~ and removed
to the spot for its
present purpose, so
~~Stanley~~ has

No.

Falkland Islands.

In replying please quote No. and
Date of this letter.

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has a disreputable
appearance and was
full of an accumulation
of rubbish. ^{filthy} It is in
keeping with the small
yard in which it stands,
directly under the windows
of the House. This yard
is broken in most
parts and the Water
Butts which stand
around are intended to
be supplied by Spouts,
which are broken, and
are green with moss.
~~water spouts~~

It would be
unnecessary to detail
the defects which obtain.
It is sufficient to say
that the Government
House is not a
dwelling adequate to
the position of the
Governor of this Colony.

Dear Bartlett

Part I.

cut and start
as much as you
like.

Yrs.

1871

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Stanley,

Government Office.



In replying please quote No. and
Date of this letter.

Falkland Islands.

No.

The Government Office stands about a hundred yards from Government House. It is built of wood and is of very limited dimensions.

In it ^{are} a small room set apart as a Council Chamber, the Colonial Secretary's Office,

Treasury, Govt. Savings Bank and Customs House (all in one room).

A small room off it is used as a Post Office and a smaller one as a Printing Office.

In the conduct of public business the space is quite inadequate.

On

On occasions when the
Mails arrive from Europe
there is scarcely room for
the people to stand and
the incessant interruptions
render it difficult to
transact business.

Quarters for an Office
Keeper Taken from part
of the Building. We
cannot but condemn them
as distressingly unsuitable.

We may mention that
the Fire Place in it
has fallen to pieces
and that the Ceiling
made of Canvas, is
thoroughly rotten, yielding
to the gentlest pressure,
while ways of keeping
out wind and water
have to be improvised

The Court House
 includes a small room
 used as a Record Office
 and Magistrates' Room,
 in which stands an
 old iron ~~box~~ Chest
 only large enough to
 contain a few books.
 A large number of
 books of record are
 left quite unprotected.

The Barracks were
 erected by Marine, we understand, in
 1848; they lack the
 hygienic improvements
 of later years and
 being ~~grossly neglected~~ are necessarily yielding
 in a state of dilapidation ~~to times' decay.~~

and decay.

The

The Centre is rented to
the Colonial Surgeon
and could be made
into
a comfortable quarters,
to be completely renovated -
but it requires ~~many~~
improvements.

The left wing is used
as an Infant School
and has recently been
greatly improved and
is now quite fit for
its object.

The Schoolmaster occupies
another wing of the
building. He and
his family are lodged

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Government Office,



No.

Falkland Islands.

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Date of this letter.

Cramped into apartments
insufficient for their
accommodation and,
without alteration in
some respects, unhealthy.

Of the other
Government Buildings
we do not think it
necessary to speak in
detail. It suffices
to say that most
require repair.

In any climate, more
especially in this
stormy one, periodical
painting is a necessity.
This requirement has
been neglected for
years.

we

We do not lose sight of the fact that the Public Buildings were constructed in the early days of the settlement; but the time has arrived, we submit, when improvements, commensurate with the improved condition of the Colony should be undertaken.

In this connection we respectfully advocate the erection of a central block of Offices for the transaction of public

public business.

The Government
Office is at the
far end of the town.
To pass a Customs
Warrant, buy a
postage Stamp, obtain
a Money Order, post
a letter, obtain an
interview with the
Officer who in his
person represents
nearly all the public
offices, requires a
walk of nearly half
a mile, it may be
in the teeth of a
hail-storm, as
frequently happens.

We sincerely trust
that we are not
assuming in making
this suggestion, but
the

the inconveniences
attending the present
state of things are
patent to all.

We recommend however
that the suggested
improvements and repairs
to Gov. House, the Governor's
offices & other Public
Buildings should take
precedence of this latter
project.

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Stanley,

Government Office,



In replying please quote No. and
Date of this letter.

answer them, you will
confer a much appreciated
favor upon

Your obedient humble servant

James Forbes

The Registrars of the
Supreme Court
Falkland Islands

care of
Commercial Bank of Australia
1 Bishopsgate street - within
London

12th October 1891
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Dear Sir

I take the great liberty
of writing to you under the
following circumstances

I have had a list compiled
of all Wills & Administrations

of persons of surname of

(1) Blow

(2) Bromar

(3) Forbes

— appearing in the

Somerset House, London.

Calendar from its

commencement in 1598, down to
present times

I desire to obtain a similar
list of all Wills & Administrations
of persons of some surname,
appearing in your Indices, from
the commencement thereof
Would it trouble you too much
to kindly inform me as to the
best way of obtaining
such a list?

Would you compile such a
list for me, and if so, on
what terms?

Or, if not, will you kindly
inform me as to the Fees for
inspecting your Indices

and compiling lists therefrom?

Will you further kindly oblige
me with the name and address
of any one who would compile
such a list for me —
and kindly inform me as to
the probable cost thereof?

Will you further kindly inform
me as to the date of the
commencement of your Indices
of Wills & Administrations?

Should you very kindly
overlook the liberty of
these queries and

The Falklands
Fleet
Wants

England

Sept^r 18th 1891

Sir

As Eldest Son and heir at Law
of my Father the late Admiral
Sir B. J. Sullivan I have to request
that you will be pleased to have
my title registered to the "Plot of
Land in the Suburbs of the town
of Stanley numbered 2 in the
official Plan or Survey made by
Merrill Robinson Robinson in
May 1844"; which Plot of Land was
granted to the said Adm. Sir Bartholomew
James Sullivan when a Captain in
The

The Acting
Colonial Secretary
Falkland Islands

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the Royal Navy by a deed dated
20th September 1847 signed by Governor
Moody

I enclose proofs of my being the
heir at Law and as such entitled
to succeed my late Father; and I
will undertake to pay any fees
necessary for searching documents
or registering that may be necessary

I shall be very glad to receive
back the three certificates (of my
Parents marriage & my birth &c)
enclosed as I have no other copies
in my possession

I have the honour to be
Sir

Your most obedient Servant

W. Mulvan

Com^{de} Royal Navy
(Retired)

P.S. This land would have been
acquired about the same time
as the other in about 44-45

Fleet
Hauts
January 26th 191

Sir

With reference to my enquiry
as to the Land supposed to be in
the possession of the late Admiral
Sir B. J. Sullivan I have found by
subsequent enquiries that there may
be some other land in the Eastern
part of the Township which may
have belonged to him and if so
I should be glad if you will
kindly give me any information
about it
I am Sir
Your obedient Serv^t
The Acting Col Sec^y of the
Falkland Islands W. Sullivan Com^d 1911

From *Mr. H. H. Hennah*

Purport.

Offers the "Chance" to convey the West Auckland Mails for 6 months.

G. O.

Agreement entered into with O. K. Jueli 17. 12. 90.

Action Taken.

*C. S.'s letters N^o 471 d: 17. 12. 90.
472.*

*H. L.
The Governor.*

I understand that your Excellency is disposed to accept this offer. An Agreement on the lines of that entered into with Jueli in the "Result" in April 1890 (herewith) might therefor be drawn up for execution.

HJ

*approved subject to the alterations marked in pencil 12. 12. 90.
12. Decr 1890*



Port Stephens
Dec 8th 1890

The Honbl. F. Shedden Sanguinetti

Sir

The "Cutter

Chance" is leaving either this afternoon
or tomorrow morning for Port Stanley
and I have instructed Otto. H. Fugellie
the Master to make arrangements with
the Port Master for the carrying of the
West Falkland Mails for a term of
Six months ending June 30th 1891 —
provided you have made no previous
arrangements and are willing to
accept our tender, hoping to hear from
you regarding this matter at your earliest
convenience

Remain Sir

Yours very truly

Henry H. Hemmell

Manager for Messrs. Dean & Humphrey



21
Stanley
May 19th 1891.

Sir

The enclosed Estimate
having only been estimated
by one person, I consider
the same to be overcharged.

I have the honour
to be, Sir,

Your Most Humble Obedient
Servant
G. Turner

To the

Honbl. F. Sanguinetti
Acting Colonial Secretary
fc fc fc

Articles of Agreement²²
made this thirteenth day of
December one thousand eight
hundred and ninety between
Thomas Kerr Esquire C.M.G.
Governor and Commander in
Chief in and over the Falkland
Islands and their dependencies
for and on behalf of the
Government of the Falkland
Islands, of the one part, and
Otto Conrad Fugellie master
of the yawl "Chance" of this
port of the other part.

It is agreed between the said parties that
Otto Conrad Fugellie shall undertake
the conveyance of the mails from
Stanley to the West Falklands and from
the West Falklands back to Stanley under
the following conditions for the period
of six months commencing on the 17th
day of December instant and ending
in the month of June 1891.

The Officer administering the
Government for the time being shall
pay to Otto Conrad Fugellie the sum
of Twenty five pounds sterling for the
conveyance of the mails to and fro
between Stanley and Fox Bay or Port
Howard in the West Falkland Island
for each month of the above time on
proof of the service having been duly
performed.

The said mails shall be conveyed by Otto Conrad Fugellie in the yawl "Chance".

The "Chance" shall leave Stanley for the West Falklands not later than three days after the arrival at that Port of the Kosmos Mail Steamer and shall remain at the West Falklands not less than fourteen days and shall in no case reach Stanley with the return mail less than four days before the arrival of the Kosmos mail Steamer as fixed by the Company's Time Table.

Passengers, and freight carried for the Public shall be charged at the customary rates, provided that all articles for the use of the Government be carried free of charge.

The said ~~Otto~~ Otto Conrad Fugellie shall in the event of a breach occurring through his default of any condition of this agreement forfeit the sum of Ten pounds sterling payable to the Officer administering the Government for the time being, on his demand unless it shall clearly appear that such breach was caused by stress of weather or unpreventable accident and in case any dispute should arise as to the liability of the said Otto Conrad Fugellie to pay the said forfeit in any particular case the matter shall be referred to the

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arbitration of two persons one to be elected by each party to this agreement, and in case the said arbitrators shall fail to agree they shall between them choose an umpire whose decision shall be final.

As witness the hands and seals of the said parties

Signed sealed and delivered by the abovenamed Thomas Kerr C.M.G. and Otto Conrad Fugellie in the presence of

Kerr
Governor

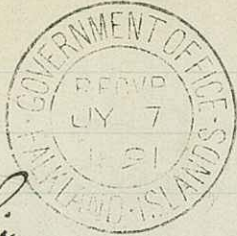


O. C. Fugellie
Master



Jed. Shedden Sanquhar
Appointed Secretary.

Henry B. Jameson
Government Clerk



Weddell Island

West Falklands.

May 31st 1891-

Sir

I beg to lay before you the following report concerning the loss of a sailor man, named Lais Olsen, in the employ of this Station.

On the 30th inst at 10.45 pm, our cutter boat "Fanny" started from Gull Harbour, bound to Dyke Island with the wind north.

At 11.48 pm she was abreast of Circum Island with the wind drawing into the north west, and while furling over the mainsail, Olsen was knocked overboard.

In falling he succeeded in catching one of the steering lines and was forced astern, while the "Fanny" being dead before the wind was sailing on or about five knots.

Every attempt was made by the remaining five men to drag him on board again, but from fatigue & cold, or possibly an injury incurred in his fall, his grasp relaxed and letting go his hold was rapidly left astern in the -darkness.

With all possible speed the cutter was rounded to; the place was searched up and down, and in all directions, but no trace could be found or sound heard.

They continued sailing about for one and

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a half hour without being able to discover anything, and concluding he had sunk, anchored in New Year's Cove and walked back to Gull Hill, reporting the accident to me at 2.30 pm 31st Street.

All his personal effects I have now placed under lock & key, and I hold a balance in hand of wages due to him -

Waiting your favoured instructions as to what steps I am to take in the matter, having also reported it to be going in case the body should be recovered.

I have the honour to be Sir -

Your most obedient servant.

W. Seccombe Williams.

To
The Hon^{ble} Lt. Shedden Sanguinette
Stanley.

Sir,
90.
8 July 1891
In reply to your letter of the 21st May received on the 5th Inst I have to express my regret at the sad fatality you report and to request that you will send in to me at the earliest opportunity the late Olsen's effects, into inventory, and remit me the balance of wages due him -
I am Sir,
Yours truly,
Stanley

Falkland Islands ²⁵ (C)

Stanley, May 24^d, 1891.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you, herewith enclosed, two receipts, one from the Uruguayan Post Office for \$ 613.⁶⁶, and one from the British Minister Resident for \$ 15.⁹⁰, paid through the London and River Plate Bank on account of the Colonial Government, the equivalent of which at the exchange of 53⁰, viz: - £ 139.. 0.. 6, I shall be glad to receive at your convenience.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Andrés G. Baillon.
Manager.

The Honble.

Fredk. Shedden Sanguinetti

acting Colonial Treasurer

to.

to.

to.

Printed that any fraction of the
Revenue or Excise ~~Law~~ of the
Colony shall at once determine
to be same.

Stanley

May 22nd 1891

Sir
In reply to your letter of the
days date.

I beg to state for
His Excellency's information
that the Board of Health
decided at their meeting
May 4th 3 that a notice
should be inserted in the Gazette
and also that printed forms
of the Summary Jurisdiction
Ordinance. should be sent
to every occupier and owner

owner of houses in Stanley.

I In reference to the question
of Hospital and Asylum.
in my opinion the necessity
does not exist at present.

I have found no difficulty
in meeting the requirements
of the few cases that have
been under my treatment
during my long term of office
here.

The Hon^{ble}
The Secy, Loty

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

J. Hammett

P.S.

I am writing the arrival of the Rev
Judge when I shall propose certain amendments
in the present Board of Health Ordinance

P.S. May - 24. 1890

Minute Paper. No.

From The Colonial Chaplain.

Purport Asks the Governor to certify the audited Balance Sheet of Expenditure on the new church.

G. O.

Action Taken

W.L. The Governor

In Mr. Kerr's time I was deputed on his behalf to audit this A/c into Mr. Jelton. I did so to oblige him; but it was no part of my duty.

Submitted,

Jes
6/5/91.

a.c.s

It is not yr. duty, but I should be glad if you would act as in Mr. Kerr's time

A.S.G 7.5.91 P.T

W. E.

The Governor,

I have satisfied myself of the
correctness of the copy and put my signature
to it. Will Your Excellency now sign
it. The Church Committee are anxious
to get it back in time to be copied for
the Mail.

W. E.
13. 5. 91

Signed by the Governor &
returned to Mr. Lewis in person.

W. E.
14. 5. 91



The Parsonage

Stanley

May 6. 91

Sir

I have the honour to enclose

the balance sheet as audited and signed
by the Hon. J. J. Fulton. I shall feel much
obliged if His Excellency will countersign it
to enable the Bishop to draw the subscription
promised by the S. P. G. (I think) which is paid
in instalments as we certify the amounts
actually spent on the Church.

I have the honour to be

Sir

your obedient servant

Lowther E. Brander

Colonial Chaplain

The Hon.

Fred. Shillden Surgeon-General

to to to

Minute Paper. No.

From

The Colonial Chaplain

Purport

*Reports intended departure on
duty to the West Falklands.*

G. O.

Action Taken

*His Excellency
The Governor
Seen ?*

~~*Ans.*~~
6. 5. 91.

Seen

P.S.G. 6. 5. 91.



The Narronage

Stanley

May 6. 91

Sir

I have the honour to report that I propose to go out in the Castalia to Middle Island and Beaver Island to perform a marriage. Mr George Turner holds a written permission from Bishop Stirling to read prayers in the service-room. I shall be absent one Sunday.

I have the honour to be

Sir

your obedient servant

Loe the E. Bruden

Colonial Chaplain

The Hon.

Genl Shedden Secy Genl

to to to

From Mr. James Lewis.

Purport 1. The shortening of the Hosmer
Co.
2. The monopoly of land.

G. O.

Action Taken

Co's letter N^o 14, S d: 16. 5. 91.

H. E. The Governor

1. The Agent's reply to Mr. Lewis was misleading. I understand that you Co's intends writing about the matter of the charge for freight, to the Secy of State. At the same time may it not be urged that some modifications are called for in the existing contract, ~~conformances~~ in the requirement that cargo must be shipped at Hamburg or Antwerp. Why should not a certain space be reserved and filled up at Dartmouth? The Co are making a good thing out of the trade here, it is generally supposed and would not like to give up the Contract.

2. Until a general Survey of the land is undertaken it cannot be ascertained whether

more land is held by horses than is rightfully
their. Mr. Lewis might be told that this
matter is under consideration.

As regards a monopoly of the land the
hands of the Government are tied by
circumstances in which there is now no
control.

Submitted

~~W. J.~~
11. 5. 91.

At. C. G. has now inform Mr. Lewis that
the Cassin's Coop. have a contract with the
Government - till the 1st July 1892 and spend
a new contract when the old expires, nothing can be
done; but the points he has drawn attention to will
certainly not be lost sight of.

Whilst recognising the truth correctness of his
statement that the lands of the colony are in the
hands of a few persons I am not prepared to
adopt his statement referring to grazing lands
as follows "some of which grazing lands were"
"never included in the measurement of lands held
"to the present occupiers" unless distinct & specific
cases are given & which will admit of proof & the
only way to determine ^{the same} would be by survey -

I should not expect myself to see a smaller
class of sheep farmers who but ^{in view of} ~~strongly~~ had the
lands of the colony have been taken up, unless as
stated by Mr. Lewis larger areas of land are farmed
those lands are held for, there is not any available
land for that purpose.

A. J. G. 13. 5. 91.



Stanley, Falkland Islands
May 8th 1891

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter N^o 132 and dated 2nd May in answer to that of mine respecting my complaint of the deduction of from 4 to 5 Cubic feet from each ton of Shipping in their Charges by the D.D.G. Kosmos Company together with the undesirable expense, inconvenience & annoyance caused to Colonists by the goods consigned to them having to be previously sent to Europe from England before they can be shipped for this place.

Lewis's letter of April 27 1891. Also - The wholesale monopoly of the grazing lands of this Colony by a very few Sheep Farmers - Some portions of which monopolised land vastly exceed the measurements of lands leased to the present proprietors, and the consequent necessity through such land monopoly of the best of our Colonists leaving this Colony to go & settle in foreign Colonies such as those of Chile & Argentina where such monopolies as those here complained of are not suffered in the leasing of land for sheep farming.

Answer. In regard to the first subject matter of my letter - Though in your letter N^o 132 you kindly inform me "The metrical system in measurement in Holog^o in weight is in accordance with the scale laid down in the contract between The Government and the D.D.G. Kosmos Company" - that surely does not exculpate The Kosmos Comp^y from allowing us only about 35 instead of 40 Cubic feet for each ton - neither, I humbly submit does it exonerate The Government from

to The Hon Fred Shedden Sanguinette
At^y Colonial Secretary

from
allowing this deduction to be made to the loss & expense of
H.M. Subjects here - seeing that an excessive rate of Fifty
shillings per ton is charged for freight in addition to the
delay, trouble & expense of sending goods from England
to Europe in search of the D.D.G. Cosmos Steamers.

As such increased expenses enhance the value of goods
the whole Colony suffers in consequence.
Before trespassing on your valuable time with a
communication on the subject, I wrote to the Agent
of the D.D.G. Cosmos Company the following -

letter to D.D.G.
Cosmos Comp^y Agents
Dear Sir Stanley April 25th 1891

Will you kindly inform me as to what number
of English cubic feet is reckoned as "one ton of shipping"
by the Cosmos Company when shipping goods
to Stanley for settlers here.

An answer would oblige
Yours truly
H. Schlottfeldt
Agent Cosmos Comp^y

In answer to which I received the following -

In reply to your note I beg to inform you that
40 Cubic feet Eng^l measurements are
equal to one ton of shipping by the D.D.G. Cosmos

Yours truly
H. Schlottfeldt

The foregoing will show sufficient grounds for my
having troubled the Government on this matter

The removal of this grievance suffered by the General Public and the removal of the disadvantages accruing to the present system is solely in the hand of the Government and for it we have no other means of redress seeing that there is no other means of shipping goods to Stanley open to us - The F. I. Company prohibit all sailing vessels owned or chartered by them from bringing cargo for other consignees & thus maintain a monopoly

The suggestion in my letter of April 27th to the F. I. Comp^y getting in their case a reduction or compensation in consideration of some sort to balance for their disadvantages such as those from which other importers suffer is borne out by the statement which you kindly inform me was made by the Agent of the D. D. G. Kosmos Comp^y to His Excellency the Governor was

"The Agent informs His Excellency that the D. D. G. Kosmos sometimes allows a reduction in freight at large shipments

— Upon enquiry I think you will find that no one else in Stanley (not even so large a consignee as Mr. C. Williams) has been able to obtain a reduction of freight charges (the materials for the Assembly room on which I understood there was a reduction were consigned to the F. I. Comp^y) — therefore it would seem the F. I. Comp^y are the only ones for whom a reduction has been made and it is therefore perhaps not worth their while to raise the question of exorbitant freights seeing that they are compensated in some other way.

It is acknowledged by the Agent "The Kosmos Company allows a reduction on large shipments" and you observe

observe

in letter N° 132 "certainly the bills of lading from Europe to Port Stanley for the F. I. Company show always "the same rate of freight as to other consignees in Port Stanley" — the only inference that can be drawn from the two statements is that the reduction or compensation is made to the F. I. Company in such a manner as not to appear to the uninformed

2nd matter } I regret exceedingly that no allusion whatever has been made
in Lewis's } in your letter N° 132 to the second matter that I brought
former letter } before your notice in my letter of April 27th 1891

— viz — that of the existing wholesale monopoly of grazing lands in the Falklands by a very few farmers — some portions of which grazing lands were never included in the measurement of lands leased to the present occupiers — the same monopoly and unwarranted occupation of land being detrimental to the prosperity of H. M. Subjects here.

I communicated with Governor Kerr on the subject on the occasion of myself + my two grown up sons applying to the Government for a small allotment each (one section) of grazing land but without any satisfactory result, and I take the liberty of observing that the public exposure of the connived at monopoly of grazing land has been kept in abeyance by myself + others principally out of consideration for the declining years of Governor Kerr; and an

and an unwillingness on our part to worry him - being as we were in the hope & expectation that the for some time anticipated new & honoured Representative of Her Gracious Majesty would without much elucidation on the part of the Colonists perceive the disabilities under which we suffer & bring about the removal of such disabilities without necessitating the ventilation of such matters in the Public Press - which publicity although very useful to striving political parties in England might engender feelings amongst us (corralled in as we are by the Atlantic Ocean) which would be the reverse of promoting the mutual happiness & forbearance of such an isolated Community as ours and which mode of ventilation therefore should only be used by Christians as a "dernier resort" to obtain right.

We implore His Excellency to augment the esteem & loyalty of British Subjects here by graciously considering the desirability of a change in the existing order of things - I believe I am right in affirming that such a change was contemplated by Governor Callaghan when here.

The present monopolists of large tracts of grazing land will no doubt try to make it appear that the land is of less value than has been represented.

They will no doubt omit to mention that the lands occupied by most of them were when they took them stocked with wild cattle the proceeds of whose slaughter hides helped vastly to pay the expenses of stocking with

sheep — They will doubtless omit to mention that
these circumstances have been at times so flourishing
that they have not hesitated to cut the throats of
thousands of sheep and fling the carcasses
into the sea or leave them to rot upon the
beach or the Camp.

Had the grazing lands been apportioned into
smaller allotments this reckless destruction
loss & waste would have been prevented and
the land generally would have been improved and
made to carry hundreds of thousands more sheep
than they are ever likely to do under the present
existing state of things — and with a corresponding
increase of work, wealth & prosperity in this Colony.

3rd I would most respectfully suggest that that
valuable & appreciated epitome of useful
information "The Falkland Islands Gazette"
should inform the Public as to the acreage of
land at present leased to the different Sheep farmers
in the Falkland Islands.

With many thanks for the kindness & courtesy of
your communication, No 132.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant,
James Lewis.

Kerr

Governor.


By His Excellency
 Thomas Kerr Esquire
 Companion of the Most
 Distinguished Order of
 Saint Michael and Saint
 George, Governor and
 Commander in Chief of
 the Colony of the
 Falkland Islands and
 their Dependences.



Falkland Islands
 G.

To Bertie Angelo Cator Esquire
 Lieutenant in the Royal Navy.

I do hereby appoint you
 the said Bertie Angelo Cator
 (with the consent of the Senior
 Naval Officer in Command on
 this Station), to act temporarily
 as Assistant Surveyor General
 of the Falkland Islands and
 their Dependences, and upon
 being required to survey any
 Lands



lands from time to time by any
of the Inhabitants of the said
Islands you are to keep an exact
register of such Surveys as you
shall make in your capacities
aforesaid, hereby authorizing you
to administer Oaths where on
such Surveys you may want in
Testimony for your due, and
just information and evidence
And you are hereby empowered to
ask demand and receive to your
own use all customary Fees,
Perquisites, Profits and Emoluments
to your Office of Assistant Surveyor
General belonging and for your
acting herein this shall be to you
a sufficient Warrant

Given under my hand
and the Broad Seal of the
Colony this sixth day of
February in the fifty fourth
year of Her Majesty's
Reign, Annoque domini 1891.
By Command

Thedden Sanferritto
As Colonial Secretary

From Comer, West Falklands.

Purport. Forwards particulars connected with the disappearance & presumed death of E. Casey.

G. O.

Action Taken.	<u>Cl's letter N° 370 d. 15. 9. 90.</u>	<u>Cl's letter N° 457</u>
	" " 379 d. 19. 9. 90.	<u>d. 5/12/90.</u>
	" " 394 d. 27. 9. 90.	

Mr. The Governor

The man must be presumed to be dead: therefore the proceeds of the Cheque should be paid by the Official Receiver into the Savings Bank to Cl. of Inheritance Estates, the necessary formalities being gone thro' to ensure Administration.

The Cheque for £105 said to be a forgery must also be presented for payment.

The Official Receiver will write to the widow of the deceased ^{and as soon as} the Estate is wound up will pay the proceeds of it to her upon proof satisfactory to the Chief Justice.

Ackly receipts of D. Goring's letter & the Cheque for £4. 4/. The other one is in my Chest.

Wm
15/9

15/9/90.

MC
15th Sept 1890



Free Bay.

No 1.

Aug: 25: 1890. W. Falkland.

Sir

I have the honor of reporting the ^{probable} death of a man - E. Casey, who has either been seen or heard of since Tuesday July 1st 1890.

2. The facts of the case are as follows -. The man Edward Casey volunteered to come across from Saunders Manx to Shallow Bay in the afternoon of July 1st, in order that a message might at once be forwarded to the Assistant Colonial Surgeon at Free

Bay.

He started in a dinghy from

James



Sounders Island about 3.30 p.m.,
 bespoke the "Fleet" anchored
 in a small bay to the south-
 ward eastward of Rabbit-
 Point about 4.30 p.m.; after this,
 nothing more has been heard
 of the man.

3. As soon as the man was
 missed, a search was instituted,
 and was carried on for a
 considerable time, every rock
 & cranny for miles & miles
 of "camp" being searched, ^{but} not
 a trace of the body was found.
 It appears, however, that the
 man landed, as the dinghy
 dinghy

Saunders
 in wh: he came from ~~east~~
 was found some a consider-
 able distance up into "camp",
 turned bottom upwards, the oars,
 and locks, & the man's apparel
 containing $2\frac{1}{2}$ pieces of tobacco,
 were found lying under the
 boat. The boat could not
 have been washed up in
 that spot, - abt $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles
^{westward}
 to the Northward of Channel
 Point, as she was a good
 many yards above high water
 marks, and as I mentioned
 above, everything was placed
 neatly under boat.

I arrived at Shallow Bay
 on the following Tuesday viz
 viz

July 5th and with the help
of several of Mr. Blake's men,
and the Saunders' Island men,
again instituted a search for
miles & miles. Nothing further
was found.

5. I searched the man's ^{bag} clothes, found in both ^{the} ~~two~~ ^{bags} ~~the~~
and in pocket ^{and} of his coat,
found a cheque for £105
sterling, signed E. Hansen
& payable to Edward Carey.
Now with regard to this
cheque - I ~~had~~ requested
Captain Hansen to give
^{me} ~~me~~ any particulars, ^{he could}
about the cheque, as there
were



No 1.
sheet 2.

were rumors about its being
a forgery. Captain Hansen
informs me, that he knows
nothing ^{about} of the cheque.

I am told also, that the man
had two other cheques on
him - one for £21 and the
other for £6, wh: I am
informed
~~that~~ are genuine.

6. His effects have been
sold, and realized the sum
of 4 guineas - for which
I enclose a cheque.

7. I have been able to
ascertain



The following particulars about the
man. — Edward Curry.

(2) He had been in British
Navy & had got his discharge
from it, on account of being
deaf in one ear.

(3) That he had "done some-
thing" ? (committed some crime)
& that he dare not go home.

(4) His mother was living in
Swansea, & that she h^d a
dunking and cart carrying
coals about.

(5) That his wife was living
in Plymouth England, h^d no
children.

(6) He reached Falkland Islands

from Sandy Point, worked for
Captain Flannery from 11
months at $\frac{1}{2}$ \$5 per month, and
was paid off, after signing
clear, with a cheque for \$5.

8. The man E. Carey worked
~~Cass~~ Saunders from Shallow
Bay on the day previous to his
lop, in order to work for work, "n"
to across to the coast in the
"Mouth Gale".

9. I purchased ^{mentioned} a parcel of ^{deed} ^{deed}
for \$105 into his Excellency
the Governor by the Custodian
of the: W. H. Henson July 14. 1840.

Thence the honor to be,

Sir.

Your most obedient servant.

J. B. Carey.

Coroner for W. F. H. H.

The Hon. The Colonial Secretary

Papers please

HW

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Stallow Bay
W. Falkland Is.

20th March, 1891.

Your Sir

in reply to your letter

dated Stanley 20th Feb^r 1891

No. 67. with respect to the
adoption of the child
belonging to the late
Ralph Mercer.

I may assure Mr. Minchin's
my full consent that the
child belonging to the

late King's mercer,
be legally transferred
to the woman who wishes
to adopt it.

I remain yours truly

M. W. L. H. H.

Hill Cove.
Isl. Falkland.

I, Charles Hansen of Carcaso Island
humbly declare, that a cheque for £105,
said to have been signed by me,
is a forgery; declared in presence of
Robert Blake, J. P.

Signed.

Charles Hansen

April 6th 1891.

Yer Bay,
W. I.



September 12. 1891.

No 2.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt
of yr communication No 253 of date
Aug: 20. 1891.

I regret that I have placed you
in a "false position", but I ~~have~~ sent
a semi official communication into
you about the "Claco", before I saw
Mr. Sparman. I should have
written before, but I was away
from home, when the "Hadeser"
came in last.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Yr most obedient servant.

J. A. Spring,
Assistant Collector.

by "Castalia"

The Hon: The Collector.

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BIRMINGHAM,

Sept 22nd / 91



The Colonial Secretary of

The Falkland Islands

Sir

As arranged we send you 6 copies of the Pamphlet descriptive of the new Imperial Service Pattern Revolver Pistol Webley Mark I now in course of manufacture under contract from the War Office and Admiralty.

This revolver was adopted by a joint War Office and Admiralty Committee for the exclusive use of Her Majesty's Army and Navy

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and has since been adopted by the Indian Government for whom we also have large contracts on hand.

May we ask you to send this Pamphlet out to your Government and say we shall be most happy to send a sample if requested to do so

In case your Government should wish to make a small contract for this new pattern revolver your Office would doubtless be able to arrange for the Government Inspection Department (whose reviewers are employed in our Works) to inspect the Arms for your Government under arrangement with the War Office.

The lock work is made on the interchangeable system a matter of great importance as your Department could order a supply of components

which would be found absolutely
interchangeable

The Official War Office list
of said components can be supplied
when required

We are.

Your obedient servants

P Webb

P.S.

We enclose copies of Field Editorial

May 4th /89



Stanley

22nd September 1891.

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of His Excellency, that I rode to Mr. Jones house at Fox Bay, & presented him with your letter.

He acquainted me that he kept no books of any kind nor did he keep an account of the moneys received

Humble

Collector of Customs
Stanley

by



by him after they had been
acknowledged from Stanley
the whole system is most
fair and I should strongly
recommend that a set of
books should be forwarded to
Dr. Jones at once & that he
should be instructed to keep them
up to date.

If I might venture
a suggestion I would strongly
recommend that all ships
arriving at the West Falklands
should

be bound to put into Fox
Bay not necessarily to go up
to the settlement but to lay
off & the D^r should then
(of course weather permitting)
board them. It is a most
undesirable thing that ships
should put into any port
in the West Island & the D^r
should have to go off to
wherever they chose to take
the ship & his patients have
to wait for him in consequence
even

were were I going not at Fox
Bay there are three Justices
of the Peace who would act

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Wickham Pearce

I sent D. going a form of
Customs Report Book for use, some
time ago which seems to me sufficient
for the limited business of the West
Falklands.

Mr. Spearman's suggestion as to
Fox Bay being the sole Port of Entry
would I consider be a crushing blow
to the small trade that is now carried
on.

What seems required on the West
is a peripatetic Commissioner.

W.P.
23. 11. 91.