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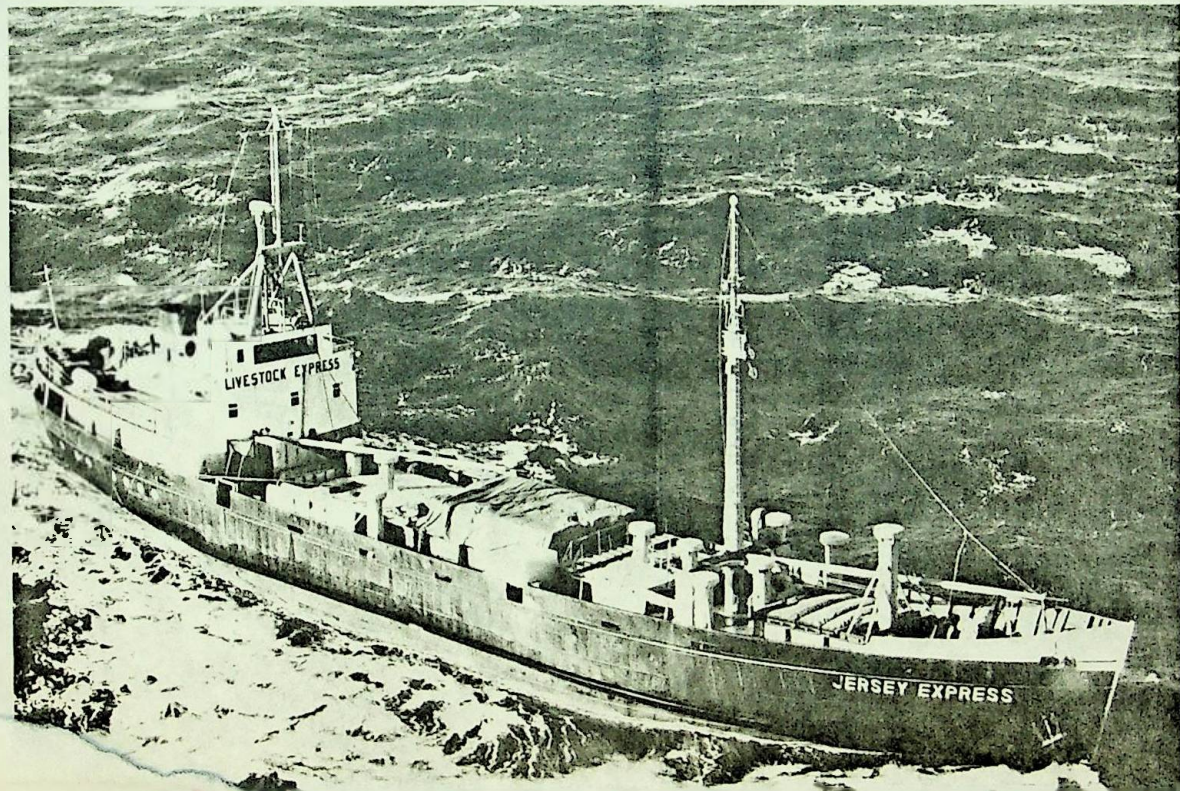
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June 1982 - 27 Apr 1983

M.V. „JERSEY EXPRESS,,



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Stock losses.

Mount Kent. letter 23 Aug to A/S.

5 miles fencing.

? 700 sheep.

Lung Island. 1) Some young cows in pens.

2) fences

3) 4 cattle + 3 more?

4) 200 (estimated) sheep

Amoral.

1) 907 sheep

2) 24 horses

3) 49 cattle

4) 9 pigs

5) 104 hens.

Bluff Cove: ?

13th. December 1982.

D. Roberts Esq.,
Secretary,
Romney Sheep Breeder's Society,
Geneva,
St. Mary-in-the-Marsh,
Romney Marsh.

Dear Mr. Roberts,

I have today received copies of letters exchanged between yourself and Mr. Colin Smith concerning the magnificent offer of live sheep for the Falklands. I too would like to assure you that the offer has not been forgotten. As you rightly point out, the big difficulty lies in the matter of finding shipping space from the United Kingdom to the Falklands. At a meeting of the Board of the Falkland Islands Sheep Association held last week, certain practical steps were taken to try and solve the shipping problem. We understand that General Mills is in charge of getting the whole thing together and at this point it is hoped that the shipment of the various generous offers may be organised during the first half of 1983.

I am taking the liberty of circulating this letter to people who are very much concerned with this matter and it is hoped that some action will be taken at an early date. In the past Romney sheep have been imported into the Islands with much resulting benefit to the industry. I believe the last importation went to Port San Carlos from a Mr. Brundret in the fifties.

I hope to be in the U.K. in late May next year and if I may, I will contact you then.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Steve - knew this would happen - told you so!

B. Hardcastle.

cc. Ex. Secretary, F.I. Sheep Owners Assn.
Mr. S. Whitley M.R.C.V.S.
Mr. D.A. Britton, 94a. Whitechapel High Street.

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To Mr. David Roberts,
Secretary,
The Romney Sheep Breeders' Society,
Geneva,
St. Mary-in-the-Marsh,
Romney Marsh,
Kent.

30th November 1982.
Evening.

Dear Mr. Roberts,

Thank you for your letter dated 25th November 1982 and for your most generous offer on behalf of your members of a minimum of 100 head, half Ram Tegs for the Falkland Islands, and also to the Kent N.F.U who offered to double the number. I am sorry you have had little response, this will be entirely due, to the priority being given to reparation of damage and future defence of the Islands and the chaos following the surrender of the Argentines. Be assured that the Islanders are most thankful and this was mentioned to me when in the Islands.

To answer your questions :-

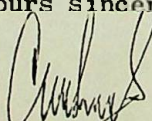
- 1) How can the sheep get there ?
Only by regular charter vessels, namely the "AES", "Sigrid S" and similar chartered by the Falkland Islands Company Ltd., 94a Whitechapel High Street, London E1 7RH or by the Ministry of Defence, sailing from Denton's Wharf, Gravesend.
- 2) Do the Falkland farmers really want Romneys anyway ?
Yes, of course, there are some farmers who would be very grateful for Kent Romneys, (white-fleeced). The majority of farms run Corriedale, some Polwarth, some Corriedale/Romney X, and some Romney.
- 3) Bearing in mind the size of the Island Sheep industry is such an offer of any real practical value ?
Yes if shipping can be organised, and if the right sheep with "heavy white fleeces" good frame and body characteristics can be selected and shipped. Bearing in mind that the Islands are reliant on wool production rather than meat. The Romney's should be not too coarse in wool quality.

To assist I am :-

- 4) Mentioning this matter in today's Newsletter which goes to all the independant farmers and tenants in the Islands giving your address.
- 5) Sending copies of your letter together with my reply, to Government, influential Companies and Individuals.

Please be assured that your gesture of support and offer is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,


..... C.M.L.Smith.

The Romney Sheep Breeders' Society

Secretary DAVID ROBERTS Tel: NEW ROMNEY 3839

Registered Office: GENEVA, St. MARY-IN-THE-MARSH, ROMNEY MARSH, KENT.

Mr. C. Smith,
Abbey Mill Farm,
Knaresborough,
Yorkshire.

November 25th, 1982.

Dear Mr. Smith,

Your name and address were in last week's "Farmers Weekly", and I write to you for some practical advice.

Last summer my Members, like most British people, were anxious to offer any assistance they could to the people of the Falkland Islands.

The original Romney Sheep in the Islands all came from here, and we offered to give a flock of pedigree Romneys as a 'farmer to farmer' gesture.

The idea caught the attention of the media, and was rather more publicised than we would have liked.

The Falkland Island Appeal office accepted the idea, although of course, they would have really preferred the cash !

However, as I explained to them, farmers will give sheep willingly whereas using their cheque book is much more painful.

We are still keen to make the gift - I have no idea of the exact numbers, but I am assuming it will be a minimum of 100 head; half of these could be ram tegs.

The Kent N.F.U. have offered to double our offer, and I have no doubt that other people will want to be associated.

That will start the first of our practical problems. In no way do we want to be seen as exploiting the situation by selling stock commercially for export.

The other practical difficulties follow thick and fast, such as :

1. How can the animals get there?
2. Do the Falkland farmers really want Romneys anyway ?

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Mr. C. Smith

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November 25th, 1982.

3. Bearing in mind the size of the Island sheep industry, is such an offer of any real practical value ?

So it goes on. We want to help, and are the only ones with these particular sheep.

It will be a pity if administration difficulties spoil it all.

I am sorry to go on at length, but now you know the whole story, you may have some ideas.

Yours sincerely,

David Roberts

DAVID ROBERTS
Secretary
Romney Sheep Breeders' Society

DR/MK

The Romney Sheep Breeders' Society

Secretary DAVID ROBERTS Tel: NEW ROMNEY 3839

Registered Office: GENEVA, St. MARY-IN-THE-MARSH, ROMNEY MARSH, KENT.

October 7th, 1982.

FRIENDS

Dear Member,

NOW COMING SEPARATELY

Enclosed please find your copy of our 1982 Flock Book, and also a copy of the newsletter I sent to the U.K. members with all our local news.

For those of you overseas, I will enlarge a little on the happenings in the U.K.

I mention in my notes, the E.E.C. sheep arrangement, which has really helped U.K. producers over the past few years. I will not try to explain it to you - like all parts of the Common Agricultural Policy, it is almost incomprehensible.

However, it will not last for ever (nothing lasts for ever !) So we are trying to increase our efficiency to prepare for the day of reckoning.

I also mention a gift of sheep to the Falklands.

This was a 'farmer to farmer' response from my members to their colleagues in the South Atlantic.

They felt they must help; and made the offer of a flock of breeding Romney sheep, as they are very much the main breed on the Islands.

We have no idea when the animals will go, except, we are told, sometime in 1983.

What else is happening here? Well, flockmasters seem to take less and less interest in wool production.

I know some of you cannot understand this, but in our price structure we think in terms of £50+ for a ewe's output of lambs, and only £5 for her wool. Therefore, the price of wool must increase by more than ten times the price of meat to have a similar financial effect.

Also the price of our wool is gently dropping, and the costs of handling keep rising.

Fortunately, the fleeces are sold each year at a time when cash is short in farming, so the wool cheques are always very welcome.

Romney breeders are an exception. Our breed, as you well know, has a tradition for wool yield, and quality, which still lives on, thank goodness !

It is early autumn here, and the rams are being turned out in the flocks.

As it will soon be Christmas, I send best wishes and success for 1933.

Do keep sending me news from your end. It is always well received by my members.

I am sure some of you will turn up next July at the Royal Show, and I look forward to seeing you.

Yours sincerely,

David Roberts

DAVID ROBERTS
Secretary,
Romney Sheep Breeders' Society

P.S. We are still waiting to hear, from the London Appeal office, when we will be able to send the gift of sheep.

Would you like to join the Society? - Very pleased to offer membership for free until you are all back to normal!

THE ROMNEY SHEEP BREEDERS' SOCIETY

October 1952

Dear Members,

Please find enclosed your copy of our 1952 Flock Book. I hope it is interesting and accurate. You will see the membership has had another small increase, which must be good news.

It is much the same format as last year, although we have improved the binding.

I usually send out a newsletter at this time of year, bringing you up-to-date with Society affairs.

However, the local press has done much of the work for me. You all know about the summer shows, and the results of our Flock competition.

Our offer of a gift of sheep to go to the Falkland Islands has also been well aired on the media.

What news of more immediate happenings ?

Firstly, the year has not been too unkind to flockmasters.

Lambs have grown well, and made useful money - thanks, it must be said, to the workings of the guaranteed price arrangements.

So, we are now looking to next year, and I think we can view the scene with reasonable optimism.

In spite of all the warnings of impending financial disaster for the sheep industry - (why is it all financial forecasts are gloomy ?) - the advantages of the B.E.C. sheep regime will be with us for some time yet.

The indications of the early ewe sales are that good Romney ewe tugs are wanted. However, to get quality ewe tugs, you need a well bred ram.

Even on the day I write, I have had a telephone call from a commercial flockmaster with 350 ewes. Up to now, he has only used Dorset Down rams, and purchased all his replacements. He has become increasingly dissatisfied with the quality of the replacements, and this year he is going to buy Registered Rams, and breed his own ewe tugs.

Good news for the ram breeders, but what an indictment on some of the commercial ewe tug producers.

Perhaps they, too, will get the message and use better quality rams.

One active ram will produce enough lambs to allow the breeder to select thirty ewe tugs in two years' time, and he will go on producing thirty tugs for several years, which make the cost of siding each tug pretty minimal.

Now then - hands up anyone wanting 20 pedigree ewe lambs of impeccable breeding ?

Hadlow College have them to sell: all bred out of twin born ewes and over twenty of the lambs themselves were born as twins.

Just the animals to form a new flock or to build up numbers.

They are in good condition and the college feel that by making a private sale, they will be used for breeding and not be sold for meat.

The asking price is somewhere near £50 each, but Farm Manager, Roger Wharton, is open to offers. (Telephone: Hadlow 850201).

Sheep Dogs - I always like to mention them.

There is yet another 'rare' dog-borne disease getting more common.

This time it is Hydatid. Very prevalent in New Zealand, and the Falkland Islands, and now becoming a nuisance in certain parts of the U.K., particularly Wales.

Briefly, it is a type of parasitic worm that does no harm to the dog, but can create the most awful cysts in humans. It is spread by dogs eating infected sheep carcasses left unburied.

If it does occur in your area, the Ministry will probably impose strict conditions, including control on all dogs and frequent compulsory drenches. So the message is, do not leave dead sheep around.

I have been sent a new sheep book titled 'Profitable Sheep Farming'.

It is by Dr. Thomas and Professor Cooper, and with authors like that, it is bound to be good.

It is very up-to-date, and full of new ideas. The authors are generous to Romneys. They do not say much about each individual breed, but they are not unkind to us. Only once do they slip and refer to them as Romney Marsh Sheep. Published by the 'Farming Press' at £7.50, it might be just the thing for the ladies to give to their men for Christmas to help bring the sheep business up to scratch.

Finally, I want to hear of anyone who shears a ewe teg with 20 lbs (or more) of wool.

A research scientist badly needs the figures for a project on wool quality.

No other major sheep breed can get anywhere near these figures, and we are not only real hope.

If we can produce the answer to her problem, I can promise you that I will squeeze plenty of publicity out of the fact, and rather enjoy rubbing it in the noses of the weird mongrel ewes and minor continental breeds that we hear so much about.

I look forward to meeting many of you at our forthcoming Ram Sales. Even if you are coming with no intentions of buying, I bet you will be tempted when you see the quality of the ram tegs on offer this year.

The next time you will hear from me will be about our Dinner Dance on Friday, November 5th - please keep the date free.

Yours sincerely,

David Roberts

DAVID ROBERTS
Secretary
Romney Sheep Breeders' Society

ROMNEY SHEEP BREEDERS' SOCIETY

When the Society was established in 1895, the original Articles of Association commenced as follows: "The first object of the Society is the encouragement of the breeding of Romney Sheep, and the maintenance of the purity of the Breed".

The Society still stands foursquare behind this objective of encouraging all Romney Sheep Farmers.

The work of the Society is divided into two areas.

The best known is the traditional role of all the Breed Societies. To maintain the pedigree histories and to service the needs of the pedigree breeders. These are the Flockmasters with their stock recorded generation by generation in the Flock Books. They are the flocks that supply pedigree stock for export and the home market, and undertake the vital task of annually producing the pedigree rams that are needed to keep up the quality standard of the whole breed.

Although many of these breeders have been established for generations, there are always pedigree animals available to prospective new flock owners, and the Secretary will always be pleased to help farmers to establish a new pedigree Romney flock.

The second area of the Society's work is servicing all the other people who support the Romney Breed.

These are the Flockmasters with the commercial Romneys, that make up 90% of the breed; retired farmers, and other people at home and abroad, many of whom earn all or part of their livelihood from Romney Sheep.

What does the Society offer Commercial Breeders ?

- (1) Organising the annual ewe flock competitions for both registered and unregistered ewes; offering cups to the owners and cash prizes to the shepherds. Also special prizes for such important items as the flock with the least lame sheep.
- (2) Leading the way to establish the Romney Group Breeders' scheme. This is a co-operatively owned flock established at Wye College, by a number of leading Flockmasters, with the aim of increasing the lamb crop by high class management and skilled genetic selection.

With a current lambing percentage in excess of 150%, they have proved that our breed has still got plenty of potential for more lambs if managed well, and bred to a high standard. The encouraging early results from this venture must eventually benefit the whole breed.

- (3) Encouraging exhibitors of Romney Sheep, with cash and special prizes. Not only the pedigree stock at the summer shows, but also carcass competitions and competitions for commercial sheep.
- (4) Providing a 'grading up' system to bring established flocks of true Romney standard up to pedigree status.

There are two classes of Society Membership :

- (1) Members pay £5 annual subscription and receive the Annual Flock Book showing the histories of all the registered flocks, the breeding pedigrees of all the registered ram tugs, and the names and addresses of all Members.

Members also receive copies of the Society Newsletters and details of forthcoming events. Additionally, Members receive a copy of "The Sheep Farmer" Magazine, published every two months.

This class of membership is open to all who have an interest in Romneys, both in the United Kingdom and overseas.

- (2) Pedigree Flock Owning Members who pay £10 annual subscription which entitles them to the extra services required to register their pedigree animals, and to deal with export enquiries.

Pedigree Flocks also pay an initial £25 entrance fee to cover the costs of inspection, registering a prefix etc.

The Romney Society would be nothing if it were not for the support shown by the present and past members. There are ¼million Romney Breeding ewes in the U.K. - by far the most numerous lowland breed.

The more support we receive from all types of Flockmasters, regardless of size, the greater the work we can do to publicise the breed and to inform potential customers of the merits of Romneys.

The Society welcomes all who have the interest of the Breed.

Either complete the enclosed slip, or contact David Roberts and he will be pleased to answer any queries.

ROMNEY SHEEP BREEDERS' SOCIETY

Secretary: DAVID ROBERTS Geneva, St.Mary-in-the-Marsh, Romney Marsh, Kent. Telephone: New Romney 3839.

I would like to join the Romney Sheep Breeders' Society, and enclose £5 / £10 annual subscription (OR please send me further details)

NAME _____ Tel.No: _____

ADDRESS _____

Signed: _____ Date _____

Membership of
The Romney Sheep Breeders'
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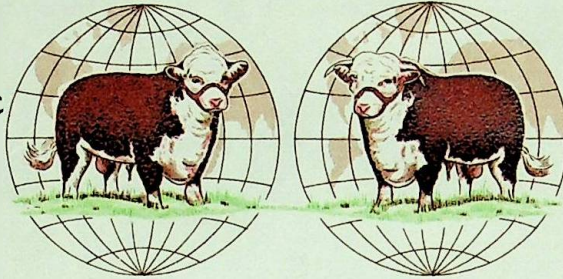
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19th January, 1983

R. S. Whitley, Esq., MBE, MRCVS, BVM&S,
Grasslands Trials Unit,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands,
South Atlantic.

Dear Mr. Whitley,

Many thanks for your letter of the 6th January.

I more than understand the enormous problems that you are faced with and I will, as you suggest, keep my offer "on ice" until I hear from you.

Best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

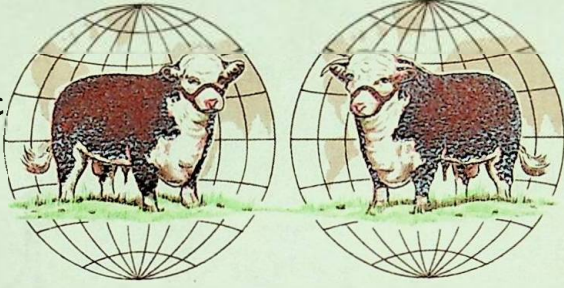
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R. S. Whitley, Esq., MBE, MRCVS, BVM&S,
Grasslands Trials Unit,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands,
South Atlantic.

Dear Mr. Whitley,

Further to my letter of 25th November regarding the possibility of getting Hereford semen to the Falkland Islands on military aircraft, as promised I asked the Secretary of State for Defence, Mr. John Nott, when I gave him lunch in London last week and he is only too delighted to be of help and says there is no problem at all in this connection. I therefore now await to hear from you as to when you want me to make the appropriate arrangements.

It does occur to me that if you so wish I could ask the British Friesian Society if they would donate some semen because it could be flown out at the same time now that I have got the co-operation of the Secretary of State.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

J. A. Morrison
Director

6th January 1983

0133/RSW

Mr J A Morrison OBE.
Director,
Hereford House,
3 Offa Street,
Hereford HR1 2LL.

Dear Mr Morrison,
Very many thanks for your letter of December 13th which must have been caught up in the Christmas rush.

I am most grateful to you for your endeavours on our behalf in speaking to the Secretary of State for Defence and even though his word is bound to help, it, by no means, overcomes all the problems - as I am sure you can imagine.!

In fact, the actual mechanics of getting the semen here worries me less than the use that is made of it once it arrives in the Islands.

We still have no air transport around the Islands but the Beaver float plane has arrived and is in the process of being put together. So things should brighten up then.

In an AI programme a few years ago, I was most disappointed by the quality of the animals presented for insemination. Many were in very poor condition and it was not surprising that the overall results were so low. I would wish to ensure a much better standard of animal this time if we are to make the best use both of the semen and of the 'plane space.

Please don't think that I'm being pessimistic but at present an AI scheme is impractical although in a few months time it will be much more feasible. So, if you will pardon the pun, could we keep your offer "on ice" for a while and let things settle down here first ?

Very many thanks again,

Yours Sincerely

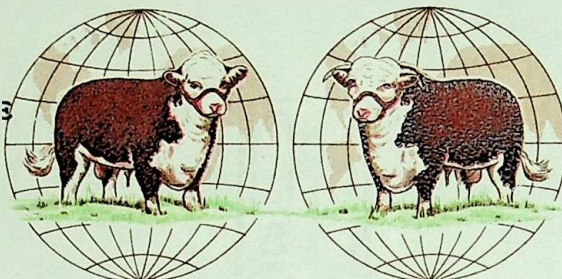
R.S. Whitley.

cc Mr J T Clement,
Executive Secretary,
F.I. Sheep Owners' Association.

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25th November, 1982

R. S. Whitley, Esq., MBE, MRCVS, BVM&S,
Grasslands Trials Unit,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands,
South Atlantic.

Dear Mr. Whitley,

Many thanks for your letter of the 2nd November. Forgive me for this delay in reply but I have been rather pre-occupied with Committee and Council Meetings here recently which has somewhat delayed my correspondence.

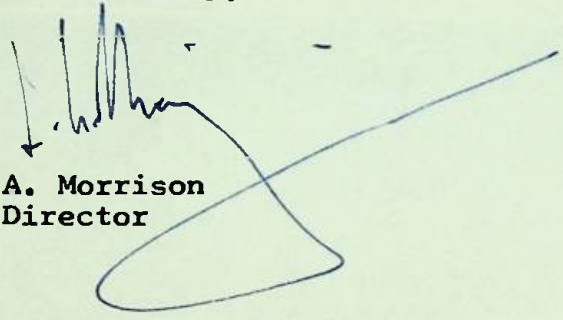
I am delighted that you are so pleased with my Society's offer of assistance and I will convey your thanks to the next Council meeting when it meets in January 1983. I appreciate the difficulties involved with transportation in so far as the carriage of semen is concerned. I am assuming that you have facilities at your end for storage, etc. I will make a point of having a look at the possibilities from this end to see whether I can perhaps exert a bit of influence to have the semen flown to you on military aircraft. It occurs to me that since I am giving the Secretary of State for Defence lunch during the period of the Royal Smithfield Show at my Club, who himself is a Hereford breeder, I might mention the matter to him.

With regard to the possibility of live animals, I will instruct my Export Department to contact you in this connection. I prefer not to put you in direct touch with a breeder who could supply you since I always find it better to "shop around" at this end on behalf of prospective purchasers. I more than understand there is a long way to go before you can place specific orders for animals but I am delighted that we have made contact and am especially pleased to be able to be of help to you after all the problems that you have suffered.

It so happens that we have a very special connection here in that my Secretary's husband, who is serving with the SAS, spent a lot of time both in South Georgia and the Falkland Islands and so, as a result, we have had a very deep sense of involvement in this office here.

Kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. A. Morrison', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right and looping back under the name.

J. A. Morrison
Director

2nd November 1982

0047/RSW

Mr J A Morrison OBE.,
Director,
The Hereford Herd Book Society,
Hereford House,
3 Offa Street,
Hereford HR1 2LL.

Dear Mr Morrison,

Firstly I must apologize for the time lag between your initial offer to the Falklands Appeal and this letter. It is on occasions such as this that the reality of the distance between U.K. and the Falklands is apparent. Even though it is sometimes possible for people to reach here in 24 hours from U.K. our mail seems to take a very variable length of time.

The offer of pedigree Hereford semen is extremely generous and I would be grateful if you would express my thanks to the Society for their kindness in hoping to help us in this way.

As you may know, we have had Hereford blood here in the past, but there have been no importations of animals nor semen for some considerable time. I feel that a stock of pure bred animals would be an asset to the local cattle industry which could certainly do with an input of new genetic material.

However the method by which to set about this problem is a difficult subject. At present, transport is a major constraint at all stages of the journey. Although it is sometimes possible to fly from Ascension to Port Stanley, the normal route is by boat - a journey of 10 days. I would not consider sending a consignment of semen except in the special care of an individual who was making the journey, for the fear of losing the semen en route. However, these problems are minor compared to transport within the Islands which, at present, relies on courtesy flights by helicopters. The Falkland Island Government Airservice has one Beaver float plane on its way here and two Islander landplanes on order, so by March/April of next year the civilian service should be in a better position to cope with the "demands" of an AI programme.

The import of semen would, however, only result in crossbred animals which even if the immediate generations benefited by hybrid vigour, may not be the most beneficial in the long term sustained economy of the Islands unless we already have some purebred stock to inseminate.

This consideration, together with the fact that we require new stock of all sorts of species of animals, has led to the development of the idea of organising a livestock boat which would not only act as the method of transport under veterinary supervision for all these animals and poultry, but also would act as a quarantine station on arrival here.

To this end, I wonder if the Hereford Herd Book Society might consider assisting us with the first stage of the project - that of setting up the purebred stock - by putting me in touch with a breeder who could supply us with 8 - 10 in-calf heifers and at what cost these would be available. After this first stage is completed we then can make best use of the Society's very generous offer of semen in a way which will be of the most benefit to the Islands.

There is a long way to go before we can place specific orders for animals but we're now in a position in which all the strings can be pulled together hopefully to result in helping the Islands industry as a whole but also specifically helping those small farmers around Stanley who have lost most of their stock and who still can not farm properly because of the minefields.

I greatly look forward to hearing from you further and whilst again apologising for the delay in replying, I would like to thank you very much for your generous offer.

Yours sincerely

R.S. Whitley MBE, MRCVS, BVMS.

- cc Sir Rex Hunt, Civil Commissioner
- Major General A.O.G. Mills, Falklands Appeal.
- Cameron, Falkland Islands Association.
- J.F. Clement, F I Sheep Owners' Assn.

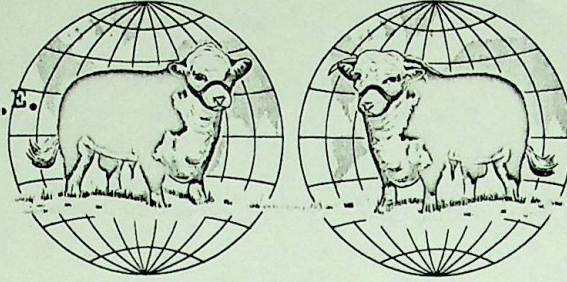
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JS/OMP

4th October 1982.

The Secretary,
Falklands Appeal,
12 Greycoat Place,
London, SW1.

Dear Sir/Madam,

This Society is contemplating donating, free of charge, a supply of Pedigree Hereford Semen to the Falklands Appeal, but before being specific as to the number of straws, delivery, etc., would wish to know whether there is, or will be, a cow population, the number of such, and what method of transport would be available.

I await your reply.

Yours faithfully,

J. A. Seymour
J.A. Seymour
Company Secretary

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19th October 1982

The Hereford Herd Book Society,
Hereford House,
3 Offa Street,
Hereford HRI 2LL

Dear Mr. Seymour,

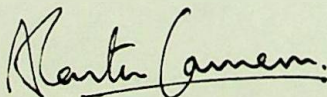
I must apologise for the delay in replying to your letter of October 4th which has been passed on to our office by the Falklands Appeal, as they have requested our assistance in dealing with offers of goods.

I am sure that your offer will be most wellcome in the Islands, and I feel that the best course of action is for us to forward your letter to Mr. Steve Whitley, the Falklands Veterinary Officer, in Stanley. He is the best person to liaise with at that end and will be able to provide information on the number of straws and time of delivery. There is at present a cattle population of some 9,500 in the Islands, and some Hereford strains have been introduced in the past. I imagine that it would be best for the semen to be flown out and we could probably give some help in arranging that.

I will contact you again as soon as we hear from Mr. Whitley. Once again many thanks for your generous offer.

Yours sincerely,

Alastair Cameron.



cc. Steve Whitley, Stanley

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R. S. Whitley Esq. MBE,
Grasslands Trials Unit,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands,
South Atlantic.

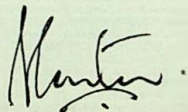
Dear Steve,

Sorry we couldn't get the eggs on the 'plane with Gerald, but time was against us. I hope that we will be able to get them to you by the end of the month, it's really only a problem of getting enough warning of someone who is flying all the way through. Tony Chater has tried to do a 'Bill' with the eggs but I don't think that the FCO are too sympathetic.

I hope that the enclosed is self explanatory. I imagine that this is quite a useful offer, and will be glad to do what I can at this end. You will have no doubt received Gordon Pickering's letter by now, it doesn't look too good for the turkey eggs but the Anglian Turkey Assoc., of which he is secretary, seems keen to donate some poults at the end of November.

I am sure there are many other things that should spring to mind but at present I can't seem to think of them.

Best wishes

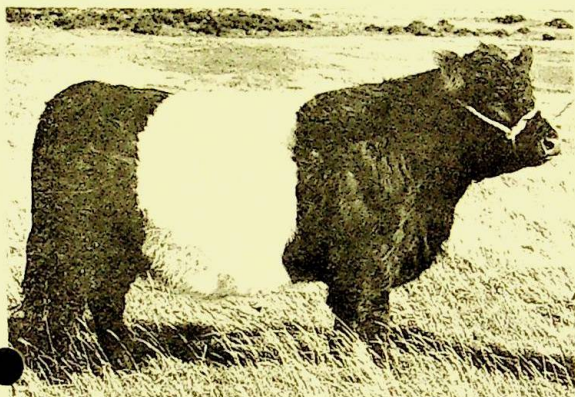


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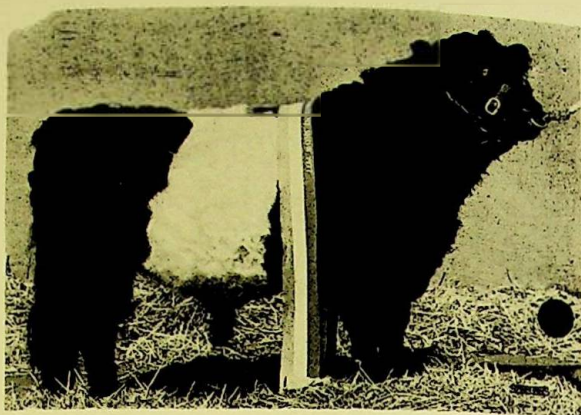
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**BELTED GALLOWAY
CATTLE SOCIETY**



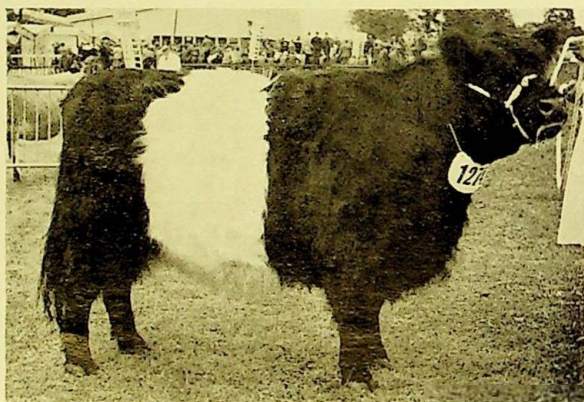
Yearling Bull

Belted Galloways are a hardy breed that originated on the exposed uplands of Galloway in the south west of Scotland.

Colours are black with a brownish tinge, or dun, both with the characteristic white belt, which completely encircles the body.

These naturally polled hill cattle are eminently suited for converting rough grazing into lean meat.

Beltie semen is available from the Scottish Milk Marketing Board.



In-calf Heifer

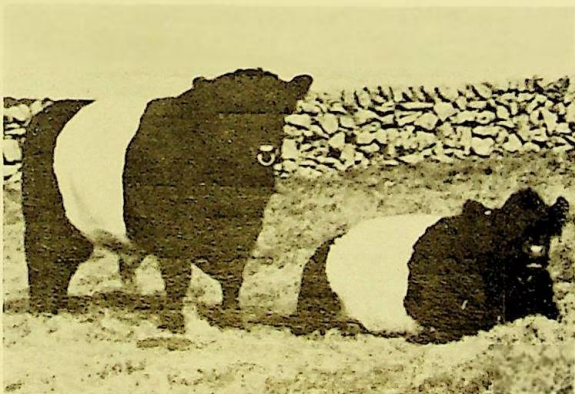


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The cows are long living, regular breeders and are noted for the amount of rich milk they produce, therefore do their calves very well. They can be bred pure or used as commercial sucklers and crossed with any of the popular beef breeds.

Mature cows weigh around 525 to 625 kgs. and mature bulls from 775 to over 900 kgs.

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Typical Bull and Cow



Belties in the snow

Their double coat of longer outer hairs to shed the rain and mossy undercoat to provide warmth, eliminate the need for expensive winter housing.

Yet they can well adapt themselves to extremes of climate and have been exported to the Argentine, Brazil, Canada, Holland, Kenya, New Zealand and the United States of America. They are also popular in Australia, where many animals have been imported from New Zealand.



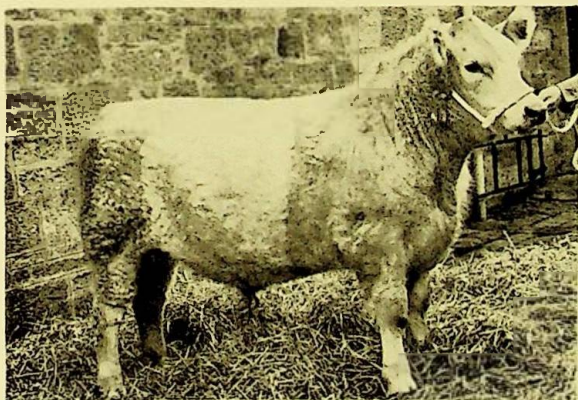
Dun Belted Galloways



Belted Blue Greys

Beltie cows can be used to produce a good Blue Grey by putting them to a Whitebred Shorthorn, the resulting heifer calves are of the typical blue grey colour, often with a complete white belt, and grow on to make big milky first cross sucklers for rearing a calf by a terminal sire.

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LONDON W2 2HF

31 July 82.

I enclose information which may be of use in planning the future of the Falkland Islands: if it has not already been brought to the notice of the Falkland Islands authorities.

My interests are (1) to draw attention to the valuable qualities of the Belted Galloway breed of Cattle (I am Vice-President of the Belted Galloway Cattle Society) and (2) to suggest that help in developing the Falkland Islands could be got through the organisation known as Voluntary Service Overseas. Support for overseas development is being organised in Aberdeen.

There may be opportunities for young

people from the Falkland Islands
to spend six months, a year or longer
in another country through the UKSA
Scheme. The UKSA office in London is
in the Farmers Union premises and
the organisation is closely associated
with the Farmers Unions of the U.K. and
also with Barclay's Bank:

Alexander Birnie.

Vice President, Belted Galloway Cattle Society
Member of "Returned Volunteers Action".

31 July 82.

Development of the Falkland Islands.

1. Belted Galloway Cattle.

About 15 years ago the Overseas Development Agency of the Foreign Office was preparing to start a cattle breeding scheme. I was informed that this was for the Falkland Islands and the Belted Galloway Cattle Society appointed me to represent it in talks with O. D. A.

I visited O. D. A. three times and gave the officials information about Belted Galloway Cattle.

Then one day I was informed that the scheme was not to be continued. By that time it had been agreed by all concerned that the Belted Galloway breed was as good as any for the purpose then contemplated.

I have heard recently that while sheep are of great importance in the agriculture of the Falkland Islands

2.

there may in future be a greater need for cattle of a certain type. In my opinion cross-bred cattle sired by dual purpose Short Horn bulls and out of Belted Galloway dams would be most suitable. I believe that such cattle are more likely to thrive on the grazing land of the Falkland Islands. On behalf of the Belted Galloway Cattle Society I can offer to give what help is possible if any cattle development work is undertaken.

2. Overseas Volunteer Programme.

The British Government has stated that the work of the overseas volunteers is so important that it will be extended.

There are several organisations that send out volunteers to take charge of projects overseas, one of these being Voluntary Service Overseas. One advantage of the Overseas Volunteer

3.

Programme is that it is less costly than other ways of assisting with overseas development.

Consideration should be given to making use of volunteers if help is needed in the Falkland Islands.

In this connection a special committee has been set up in Aberdeen to give support to overseas volunteer schemes. This committee has the backing of the Grampian Regional Council in its work. It includes a representative of VSO in its membership. The interim Chairman is a retired professor of Aberdeen University and its secretary is a former Scottish Episcopal Bishop of Aberdeen and Orkney.

There are large areas in the North of Scotland where conditions resemble those in the Falkland Islands. The experiences of agriculturists from the Grampian Region of Scotland are

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likely to be valuable in dealing
with the development of agriculture
in the Falkland Islands.

I beg leave to bring these two
matters to the attention of whoever
may be planning for the
development of agriculture in
the Falkland Islands.

Alexander Birnie.

Victory Services Club,
63 Seymour Street,
London, W2

Shetlands

Shetland Pony Stud Book Society
 8 Whinfield Road
 Montrose
 Angus
 Scotland.

D.M. Patterson is Secretary & Treasurer

Mrs B.K. Church is where Diana got
 some of her Shetlands from. She has
 not got the Address but Yona Turner
 may have.

Arabs

The only thing Diana knows
 about these was that it was
 somewhere in Skiness in Lincoln. But
 She said Harold Bennett should have
 the address as he gave it to her in the
 first place.

Do you have anymore Lamb Tonic?
 and did you get Dianas letter.

Steve.

Send Copy as Requested

~~ST~~N.B. I do not know who
Wrote to F.W.~~ST~~

Welsh Agricultural College

Llanbadarn Fawr

Aberystwyth.

Dyfed.

U.K.

12-10-82.

Dear Sir,

I noticed your letter in the Farmers Weekly (8-10-82). I am in my last year at the Welsh Agricultural College studying for an H.N.D (Agriculture) when I leave in June I would very much like to travel and gain more experience. If you know anybody who could employ me in the Falklands I would be more than willing to come out sometime during 83-84. My course at college is biased towards conditions in Wales - sheep, beef, dairy + hill farming which I should think can be pretty similar to those on the Falklands. I worked on a beef and sheep farm during my sandwich year and I hope to spend my Easter holidays lambing. My pre-college year was spent on a 200 sow intensive pig unit (which probably isn't much help!) I am 24 years old. The reason I left it

So late before I came to college is because I spent 3 years working with horses . when I left school + consequently I ride pretty well . I have a current driving licence and a desire to see the world .

Perhaps I could bring out some of the livestock and equipment you mention?

Yours,

Ann Dodgson .

P.S. Watch out for gins with bold handwriting.

THE RED POLL CATTLE SOCIETY AND THE BRITISH DANE
CATTLE SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND

6 Church Street
Woodbridge
Suffolk

13 November 1982

R.S. Whitley, Esq., MRCVS
Grasslands Trials Unit
Port Stanley
Falklands Islands

Dear Mr Whitley,

I wonder whether you could tell me if there are still Red Poll cattle in the Falkland Islands?

Members of this Society would like to help reinstate cattle in the Falkland Islands if their assistance is needed.

The Red Poll is a truly dual-purpose breed, giving milk of good butterfat and protein content from relatively poor quality food. The breed is also renowned for its longevity.

One way in which we may be able to help is by sending semen, which would at least be relatively easy to do.

If you can think of any way in which we might be able to help, perhaps you would let me know.

Yours sincerely,



Philip Ryder-Davies, MBBS, BVSc, MRCVS
Secretary

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R. S. Whalley Esq MREUS
Grasslands Trial Unit
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FALKLAND ISLANDS

Royal Mail

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Suffolk - England

Postcode

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To open slit here

6th January 1983

0134/RSW

Mr P Ryder-Davies MBBS, BVSc, MRCVS.
Red Poll Cattle Society.
6 Church Street
Woodbridge,
Suffolk.

Dear Mr Ryder-Davies,
Very many thanks for your letter of November 13th which took an inordinate length of time to get here and then got caught up in my Christmas mail back-log.

Your offer is very generous and considerate and I have sent a copy of your letter to the F.I. Sheep Owners' Association who are our equivalent of the N.F.U.

We have had some communication with Miss Vaughan-Morgan of Warren Crest Farm, Finchampstead, Berks, who has also offered semen.

The problem at the moment is that of internal travel in the Islands. Shortly we will have one float plane in service but the demands on it will be such that space will still be limited. A few years ago, I organised an AI programme but was very disappointed with the animals presented for insemination. If we repeat the procedure I would wish to ensure that the prospects for success were greater. Therefore, it might be the best thing not to rush into things but to hold your very kind offer on ice until things have settled down a bit more.

Very many thanks to you and the Society,

Yours Sincerely

R.S. Whitey.

9th November 1982

0065/RSM

Mr Andrew Coulson MRCVS.
Ag/Vet Technical Services Manager,
Upjohn Ltd.
Fleming Way,
Crawley,
West Sussex RH10 2NJ.

Just a brief note to let you know how things are progressing with reference to the shipment of animals from U.K.

I have put forward a proposal^{to} the Falkland Islands Government that the formally consider a "Noah's Ark" to get all sorts of birds and mammals here. The list, at this stage, includes cattle, horses, sheep, dogs, assorted poultry, goats etc. but these are not definite orders - depending on costs etc., the list may well be extended.

So now we just have to wait and see what the response is, but as soon as I know anything definite, I'll let you know.

I have now managed to get my office into some semblance of respectability after thorough cleaning and painting. At last it now doesn't smell of soldier !

Having had a very late winter, we are now paying the price and it's been a terrible time for lambs. The extent of this difficulty on top of previous ones will probably never be known. It's not that there have been any heavy snowfalls of the sort that you get in U.K., but we've had a long cold spell with quite a lot of rain - in some ways worse.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

R.S. Whitley MBE MRCVS BVMS

P.S. I've just received your letter of Oct 29th - thanks very much. The points are answered above

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29th October, 1982

S. Whitley, Esq., M.R.C.V.S.,
c/o The Colonial Secretary,
The Falkland Islands,
South Atlantic.

Dear Stephen,

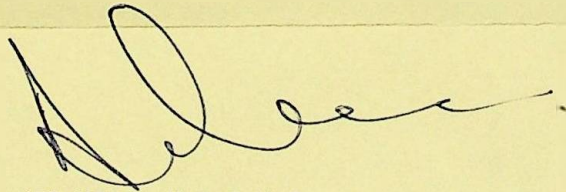
I hope by now that you have received a copy of the letter that I wrote to Michael Scott on 29th September, but from my prior knowledge of the O.D.A.'s communication I am not sure whether this will be so. I hope that your return to the Falklands was a relatively safe one and that your work has not been too disrupted.

I would confirm our conversation at the B.V.A. Congress, Reading, concerning my availability to act as Quarantine Veterinary Surgeon for livestock being transported to the Falklands in the New Year. Local television stations have been giving some coverage in the last month to various breed societies or individual farmers who have offered poultry or cattle for the Falklands and activities within the general farming community are still referring occasionally to the needs of the Islanders.

Please let me know if you wish to take up my offer and in the meantime all the best for Christmas and I look forward to seeing you some time during the New Year.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely,



ANDREW COULSON, B.VET.MED., M.R.C.V.S.
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29th September, 1982

J.M. Scott, Esq.,
Animal Health Adviser,
Overseas Development Administration,
Eland House,
Stag Place,
LONDON.
SW1E 5DH

Dear Mr. Scott,

I recently enjoyed useful discussions with Steve Whitley concerning the offer made to him concerning assistance in the Falkland Islands.

The principle item discussed was the possible temporary supply of my veterinary services on the shipment of livestock which is currently being arranged to replace those slaughtered in the recent conflict.

I would confirm both to you and to Steve Whitley, that I am able and willing to act as floating quarantine veterinary surgeon, etc., should this be required.

I hope you can convey confirmation of this to Mr. Whitley and assure you of our assistance if required.

Yours sincerely,

ANDREW COULSON, B.VET.MED., M.R.C.V.S.
Ag/Vet Technical Services Manager

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Milk Production for Port Stanley

1/ Introduction

At this time it is not known if the Falkland Islands Government (F.I.G.) has decided on whether there should be home-produced liquid milk or not, or if the military garrison(s) will require a liquid milk supply. Some possibilities are suggested below on the future of the Port Stanley Dairy and very, very rough estimates of cost are offered.

2/ Present Condition

The Stanley Dairy is run by the Ashworth family who, until 2nd April 1982 had been gradually increasing the dairy herd and improving its genetic base and facilities. The management/feeding system depends upon utilising the poor quality natural pastures, as and when available, and feeding large quantities of relatively cheap (Argentinian) concentrates. Cow and young stock numbers are now reduced from 25 adult milkers and some 30 young stock to 15 adult cattle and a handful of followers. Some 30 gallons of milk are produced each day and retailed in Port Stanley. That this state cannot continue is not in doubt, and some changes must be brought about immediately and careful plans made for the medium and long-term future.

3/ Short Term

✓ The first and most important step to decide whether or not F.I.G. wishes fresh home-produced liquid milk to be supplied to the citizens of Port Stanley. If this decision is not made immediately then the future of the dairy is in doubt. Should it be decided that a dairy is either (a) not desirable or (b) economically not worthwhile then the dairy must be disbanded as and when the Ashworths decide. (This will be in March or April 1983)

If the dairy is to continue then the following short-term options are worthy of consideration:

(a) the present stock is retained and concentrate feed, costing about \$350.00 per ton in Stanley and increasing the cost of Stanley produced milk to over 40p. per pint, is imported to maintain the herd at the best possible level until long-term plans may be executed. This will mean that some 30 tons of concentrate will be required during the next 12 months and some form of maintenance payment made to Malcolm Ashworth. Records indicate that that there will be little or no milk produced from about June 1983 - in effect the herd will mark time for a period.

✓ (b) the present stock plus about 15 extra in-calf cows (these could be Falkland Island bred or imported) will be fed on imported concentrates and sufficient milk will be produced to give Ashworths an adequate income (if milk sales are maintained); some 80 tons of concentrate will be required over the next 12 months.

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(c) the herd is agisted (i.e. grazed elsewhere) and all milk imported until such time as new premises are available. Malcolm Ashworth will then be free to take up other employment during the period when there is no herd to be managed. Once new premises are available more new stock will be required. Malcolm Ashworth will probably require two guarantees should this option be selected, (i) that he will return to the business of producing milk in the new premises and (ii) the milk produced will find a market.

Whichever option is chosen there will be periods during the next 2 or 3 years when there will be a scarcity of liquid milk in Stanley. In each of the options offered it is assumed that a long-term plan will be decided upon during the next few months.

4/ Long Term

That the present dairy site is about the worst possible cannot be disputed from (a) the agricultural point of view and (b) public health requirements. (The land is very poor, the dairy is within a few yards of a rubbish tip.) The future dairy must be sited elsewhere and the most obvious choice of site is along the new Darwin Road within an easy 15 minutes Landrover drive of Port Stanley.

To supply milk to the civilian population of 1,200 then about 40 to 50 dairy cows will be required. Should a population of 3,000 require liquid milk then about 100 to 120 dairy cows will be necessary. (This assumes that Port Stanley will have a garrison of just under 2,000.)

It is estimated that in the Falklands a family could manage a herd of 50 milking cows and their associated young stock provided adequate, modern facilities are provided. Informed opinion suggests that about 400 acres of land would be required which when developed would consist of about 100 acres of seeded productive pasture and 300 acres of rough natural pasture. It may be expected that pasture and forage will provide for the production of about 250 gallons of milk per cow per year with the balance of milk production being provided from imported concentrates. Approximately 1.25 tons of concentrates per cow will be required. Fertilizer usage will be about 2 cwt per acre per year.

To construct and run a dairy farm for 50 cows then the following estimates of costs are made (it is assumed that the basic stock is imported from Britain to thus optimise on the investments in buildings) :

50 cows at £2,500	£125,000	
Buildings, plant, pastures, fences etc. at £3,000 to £4,000 per cow	£150,000	to £200,000
Living accommodation	£ 60,000	
Agricultural machinery	£ 50,000	
Total	£385,000	to £435,000

Annual concentrate cost
 50 cows at 1.25 ton concentrate
 per year costing £350 per ton £ 21,375
 Fertilizer at £150 per ton
 2 cwt/acre £ 1,500

Thus to provide milk for approximately 3,000 people an initial investment of about £0.75m to £0.85m will be required. (Two dairy units) It is likely that public health authorities will demand that the milk will be treated by pasteurisation.

x + military

17th October 1982

24th November 1982

0094/RSW

H.E Sir Rex Hunt,
Government House,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

A suggestion for reply to the "Tree Telex" :-

Purpose of request not clear and therefore scale of answer difficult. Remember prime necessity of not introducing plant and soil pests. Trees planted in gardens in Stanley include Willow, Elder, Nothofagus spp., Cupressus macrocarpa most popular, Picea sitchensis, Embotrium coccineum, Pinus contorta contorta, also Eucalyptus gunii, Araucaria araucana, other trees recommended include Alnus spp., Eucalyptus globulus, E. nipophyllia, E. perriniana, Pinus mugo, P. muricata, P. radiata, Betula pubescens and Hippophae rhamnoides. Shrubs for ground cover include Berberis, Cotoneaster, Juniper, Fuchsia, Ulex and Escallonia.

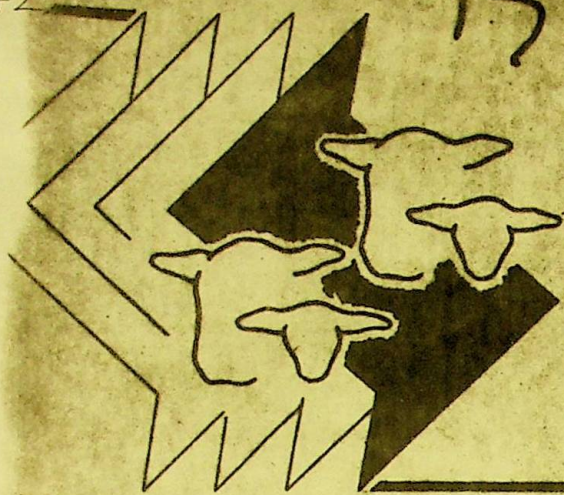
Further details available from J.H. McAdam, Queen's University, Belfast., or secondly B.J. Stewart, Dept. Forestry, Oxford.

Hope this is of use.

R.S. Whitley.

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Mrs Thatcher,
10, Downing St.,
LONDON

(02)

PC

13th August 1982.

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Dear Mrs Thatcher,

If the long term plans for the Falkland islands includes the intensification of farming, could you let me know if there is any way I can help with the fencing.

I supply, and erect on contract, permanent electric fencing. This system has been in use in New Zealand for several years and has proved to be the most efficient and economical way of controlling sheep and cattle. I saw miles of it in use whilst sheep-shearing in New Zealand and was most impressed. When I found out it was to be imported into this country — the method relies on a non-conductive hardwood grown only in Australia — I took out a dealership for the North West of England. I have just completed $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles of fence across a peat-bog in North Derbyshire — about as near to the Falkland conditions we are likely to get in the U.K!

I have maintained an interest in the Falkland Islands since the late 1960's when they used to advertise for shepherders. I didn't get there — but went to learn to shear in New Zealand instead and through shearing have met many with connections in the Falklands. I congratulate you on your bravery and discipline in seeing the campaign through, and was as proud as any to have the white flag over Stanley — it had seemed so unlikely that it would be equally proud if there was any more development. Yours Faithfully, Mary V. Coupland

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

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DARWIN,
FALKLAND ISLANDS

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY"
"FLEETWING LONDON E1"

7th. August 1982.

The Agricultural Officer,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

I refer to your broadcast notice concerning missing sheep due to the recent Argentine invasion.

We do not at this time have any real idea just what numbers are missing at Goose Green/Darwin. However I thought I would write to you and advise you that we do know from what we saw at the time that a certain number of sheep were brought into the settlement by helicopter and killed by the Argentines for mutton - most were already dead on arrival.

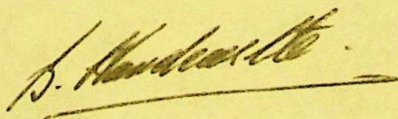
Most fences within a four/five mile radius of the settlements have been damaged, many gates had been taken away and burnt or left open further afield. The sheep therefore are mixed to a greater or lesser degree and we will not be able to get things sorted out for some considerable time, possibly until well into the coming summer. Even then it will be difficult to determine the numbers lost by natural causes and those which have been destroyed.

An even greater concern to me is the dispersal of the pedigree flock at Burnside. We do know that some of these sheep are alive but once again it is impossible to tell exactly how many have been killed by the Argentines until such time as a considerable part of the farm has been gathered up and sorted out. Most of the fences in the Burnside area were destroyed during the fighting and Argentine troops were camped in the Burnside paddocks, so one supposes some of the sheep have been used for eating. On the bright side they could be as far afield as the Sussex Hills - some of our horses were found there.

I will advise you further concerning the situation just as soon as we have some firm figures to put forward. In the mean time I hope that this rather unsatisfactory letter will give you some idea of the situation.

Yours faithfully,

General Manager.



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Agricultural Department,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

24th August 19 82

SOME ESTIMATED VALUES OF STOCK, Wool, Fencing, Vehicle Hire Etc

Values/Hire Estimates :-

<u>Agric Dept Est.</u>	<u>Private source Estimate</u>	<u>F.I.C. (Were known)</u>
Poor cast Ewes or Wethers. } £1.50	£1	£3-£4.
Mutton £4-£5.50	Av. £5	
Br. Ewe ? £4.50 - £10 (Flock) } depending on age	?	£30
Br. Ewe ? (Pedigree) }	?	?
E. Hogts (Good) £15	?	?
W. Hogts (Good) £10-£12	?	?
X Bred R. Hogts ?	£35 - £50	?
Fl Age Wethers £4.50-£9	?	?
Gimmers good £10-£12	?	?
Pedigree Ayreshire Cows and incalf Heifers (Dairy) } £1000	£1000	?
Ordinary X Bred Cows in calf } £150		£150
Dry Cows/Starks		£100
Good young tamed Mare.		£150
Good young tamed Horse	£100	£100
Greasy Fleece wool £1.50-£2.00/lb	£1.50-£2.00/lb	?
Tractor driver £11/Day	£11/day	£11/day
T. Driver plus ? Tractor & Fuel £20-£25/day	£20-£25/day	?
Electric fencing £100/ml	£100/ml	?
Traditional 6 wire batten fence.	£100/ml	?
Young well train- ed Sheep dog		£130

As offer

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY"
"FLEETWING LONDON E1"

22nd. August 1982.

The Agricultural Officer,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

Further to my letter dated 7th. August concerning sheep losses due to the Argentine invasion.

After some detailed conversations with the Farm Managers concerned we can now make a fairly accurate estimate of sheep losses as follows:-

GOOSE GREEN. 280 cast wethers.
6 young breeding ewes.
2 flock rams.
268 scraggs.

Our main concern is the loss of the following pedigree sheep from Burnside:-

7 pedigree ram Hoggets.
3 pedigree rams.
2 pedigree ewe Hoggets.
20 pedigree breeding ewes. (one third of the breeding flock).

When we have an accurate tally of the above sheep, they will have to be replaced.

FOX BAY WEST:- 874 cast sheep.

FITZROY:- 6 G.T.U. experimental sheep.

I will write to you again when we can define exactly the losses involved.

Yours faithfully,



General Manager.

c.c. Managing Director.

C.E. Molkenbuhr,

Murrell Farm,

P.O. Box 86,

Stanley.

1st. Aug.

Dear Mr. Monk,

The sheep totals on the stock returns are my shearing totals for 1961/1962. Total 3007.

Horses, Cattle, Swine and Poultry are what I have left now.

The count that was done from the helicopter with Major Thomson was very good I thought but still leaves some doubt.

The total ~~on~~ on this trip are 2100 approximately.

This makes a loss of 907 sheep.

Before the Argentine invasion I had...

Horses 14 Loss 2

Cattle 71 Loss 49 | 1 bull, 20 cows, 20 calves, 16 yearlings. 14 Oxen

Swine 12 Loss 9 1 Boar, 3 breeding sows, 6 fattening pigs.

Poultry 117 Loss 104. Hens 112 cocks 5

claims

I have filled in [^]for these losses, also put a note to say that I would rather replace these animals and poultry lost. The horses I can buy locally, I hope.

Yours sincerely,

C. Molkenbuhr



30th July

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The Broadcasting Officer,
Broadcast Studio,
Stanley.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would be grateful if the following announce-
-ment could be put out over Stanley Radio:-

Begins: " In order that the Government can get some idea of
the extent of Stock losses we wish to obtain the co-operation
of Farmers. We fully understand that exact losses will not be known
until all stock can be rounded up and sorted - a task that will
not be possible until October/November or later where Stock is
surrounded by minefields.

However for planning purposes it is import-
-ant that some idea of the extent of the losses are available now.
Farmers are therefore requested to write^{to} or communicate with, the
Agricultural Officer, estimating their losses of all types of Stock.
All such information will be considered to be confidential.

Signed A.B.Monk. Agricultural Officer."

Ends.

Yours sincerely,

(A.B. Monk)

HOUSE OF COMMONS
LONDON SW1A 0AA

18th June, 1982

Jim Clements, Esq.,
Representative of the Sheep Owners' Assoc.,
c/o Falkland Islands Office,
2 Greycoat Place,
London, S.W.1.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Clements".

The Falklands Islands Office has suggested that I write to you following a long discussion I had with a constituent of mine, Mr. Sandy Milne, who is also a close friend. He is working with Remevite Rumenco and has a special responsibility for their sales in Spain. Over the last year he has established three or four trials out there and hopes that these will come to fruition some time within the next few months.

Last weekend he mentioned to me the possibility of Rumevite Feed Blocks being of value in terms of the Falkland Islands and I promised to take some of the background material on Rumevite and pass it on to Bill Luxton. However, as I know you are the Representative of the Sheep Owners' Association here and will be very closely involved in ways and means of increasing productivity on the Islands in the future, I wondered if it might not be better to send it to you. I thought the most interesting note provided by the company related to the Isle of Mann. I did my basic military training there way back in 1943 and would have thought that in many ways it very much resembles the Falklands. If so, then there is obviously a place for Rumevite on the Falkland Islands.

I understand you will be going back home in the very near future and can I say that you do so with all our good wishes and hope that the future for the Falkland Islands and all Falkland Islanders will be prosperous and happy.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Spicer".

Enc.

c.c. Sandy Milne, Esq.

ANDES TRADING CO.

IMPORT - EXPORT

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MIDDLEBROOK HOUSE
BEAMINSTER
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TEL. (0308) 862229

Telex 418188 NUVAC G

Jim Spicer Esq.,
House of Commons,
Westminster,
London, S.W 1A OAA.

14th June, 1982.

Dear Jim,

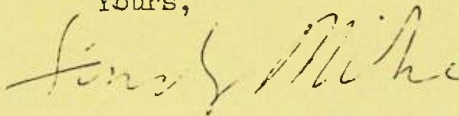
Rumevite Feed Blocks for the Falklands.

I enclose various leaflets on Rumenco products that could be of interest for improving sheep production on the Falklands and would make the following points:-

- 1) Normally shipping feed blocks such a distance would rule out their use from an economic point of view, especially if they were competing with concentrates produced locally, inspite of the blocks other advantages. So I think we must get a subsidy on freight. The maximum freight this product could stand would be about £30 per ton.
- 2) The Standard block should be perfectly adequate, as long as there is not a serious mineral deficiency prevalent in the Falklands. Such a deficiency can of couse be compensated for in a special block, but would add to the cost.
- 3) The block is especially godd for feeding animals which are difficult to reach, as seems the case in the Falklands; a fortnight's supply, being left at one journey.
- 4) Wormablock is a good way of worming if other methods are difficult.
- 5) The article on feeding sheep in the Isle of Man is very apt I think.
- 6) I cannot emphasise too much that ad lib roughage, however poor in quality is essential for Rumevite to work.

Many thanks for your help, and I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours,



Sandy Milne



S.A.

Wrightson NMA Limited

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Challenge House, 105-109 The Terrace, Wellington. Telegrams & Cables 'Wrightson'. Telex NZ 3418.

10th August, 1982.

Mr J. Clements,
Secretary,
Sheep Owners Association Ltd,
Barton House,
Ross Road,
Port Stanley,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Dear Sir,

Some time ago we made an approach, through our London Office, to the U.K. Government offering our services in case it was contemplated that the Falklands may require a shipment of commercial sheep to replace those no doubt lost over recent times.

After a rather drawn out exchange of telexes, we have been finally advised to write to you.

In order to introduce ourselves, I enclose herewith copy of an export booklet. Although a couple of years out of date it at least gives you some idea of our operation. Livestock exports is a very minor part of our livestock business which, in general terms, is set out on page 6. In the year to June just completed we handled 11.8 million sheep so I think it is reasonable to say that we have some experience in the business of looking after interests of farmers.

We also suggested, through our London Office, that the British Government might be interested in replacement housing. Part of our parent company, Fletcher Challenge Limited, are the leading producers of prefabricated and kitset housing. We also have a considerable involvement in the Forestry Industry so have plenty of timber. The advice from the UK Government was that they were limiting the suppliers to UK companies, which I suppose is understandable but disappointing.

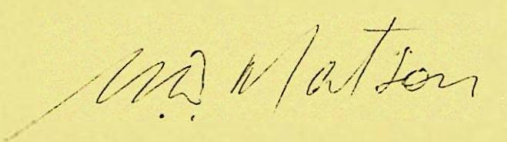
I certainly apologise for boring you with all this but if it was me I would like to know something about the people who wrote to me out of the blue.

As far as the sheep are concerned, subject to getting sufficient notice, we could supply Romney or Corriedale two-tooth ewes and rams. Delivery could be organized to suit your requirements but it would depend to quite a degree whether you wanted the ewes mated or unmated. Our seasons will be similar. The main time for selling two-tooth ewes here is January. To give you a quotation I would need to know the numbers, breed, whether mated or unmated and any animal health requirements that the Falklands may have.

Obviously there is not much point in getting quotations from livestock carriers if, in fact, sheep are not required. The other two leading livestock companies, Dalgety New Zealand Limited and Pyne Gould Guinness Ltd, have agreed to join us in supplying any order that you may have. New Zealand sheep have demonstrated their ability to move to a wide range of climatic conditions but no doubt you will be aware of that in any case. We have an extremely good animal health status and no diseases of any economic consequence exist here.

Hopefully you have some telex facilities so please advise us as soon as possible whether or not you are likely to be in the market.

Yours faithfully,



H.D. Matson
New Zealand Livestock Director

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6th August, 1982.

The Director,
Falkland Islands Office,
2 Greycoat Place,
LONDON SW1 P15B,
UNITED KINGDOM.

Dear Sir,

Ref: Breeding Sheep

We have recently been informed that certain efforts are being made to re-establish the sheep flocks that flourished prior to the Argentinian conflict.

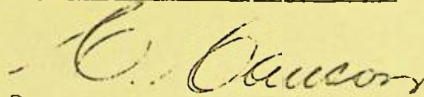
Unfortunately there appears to be quite a degree of confusion as to how such a project would be funded and in this I mean as to whether such re-establishment would be via funds provided by a Government to Government aid program or through privately negotiated sales.

The point of this letter is to ascertain whether or not such a project is in fact envisaged and if so through what channels and on what basis?

The Falkland Islands sheep population is principally Polwarth and Corriedale, two breeds extremely well established in Tasmania and if a re-establishment program is being contemplated we would ask if suitable representations could be made for Tasmanian Livestock to be considered for purchase.

In the past, stud and breeding sheep have been exported from Tasmania to the Falklands and consequently we feel that our flocks are well placed to service any future requirements. Our company has been involved in the Tasmanian Pastoral Industry for well over 100 years and would be pleased to offer our services in selection, purchase and shipment of stock, should such a project be undertaken.

Thanking you, we remain,
Yours faithfully,
ROBERTS STEWART & CO. LTD.



Per:
COLIN CAUSON

12 AUG 1982



MINISTER FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
~~MINISTER ASSISTING THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE~~

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Member for Bass

2nd Floor, AMP Building
46 St John Street
LAUNCESTON, TAS 7250
Telephone (003) 31 4322

Dear Mr. Halliday,

I refer to my letter of 26 July, 1982 in which I said that I had passed on to my colleague, the Minister for Foreign Affairs the request you had received from the Falkland Islands for Australian Government assistance to replace breeding stock lost in the recent war.

... I have received the Hon. Tony Street's response and enclose a copy of his letter to me for your information.

As you will note he says that the Australian Government is willing to give consideration to any request for assistance, however as yet none has been received from the British Government.

Yours sincerely,

(KEVIN NEWMAN)

Mr. T.A. Halliday,
2 Whittle Street,
PENGUIN, TAS. 7316.





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MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS
CANBERRA

CANBERRA

My dear Minister

Thank you for your letter of 26 July written on behalf of Mr I. A. Halliday of 2 Whittle Street, Penguin, Tasmania, 310, about the possibility of Australia sending some sheep to the Falkland Islands. I have received a similar letter from Mr Kay Groom.

After receiving your letter I asked the Australian High Commission in London to discuss with the British Government the extent of the problem of sheep losses in the Falklands and British intentions with regard to restoring any such losses.

I have been advised that as yet the British Government has given no consideration to the subject of replenishment of sheep losses. Current rehabilitation efforts continue to concentrate on housing, fuel, airport reconstruction and port facilities. The question of sheep stock replenishment would probably be examined along with proposals for dealing with the longer term economic development of the islands. The British Government has two official bodies examining conditions on, and the future of, the Falklands. Lord Shackleton is preparing a report he made six years ago on economic development and there is a Falkland Islands Rehabilitation Unit within the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

I have also been advised that sheep numbers in the Falklands before the conflict were approximately 650,000 of which nearly half were owned by the Falkland Islands Company and the balance by small holders. Flocks are predominantly strong wool cross-breds raised for wool production and export. During the hostilities sheep losses are known to have occurred from slaughter to feed the Argentine troops and from animals killed during fighting and wandering into minefields. More urgent problems have prevented the authorities from making any reasonably accurate assessment of sheep losses.

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In these circumstances there has been no request from the British Government for assistance in replenishment of sheep stock. If such a request is received it will be given careful consideration by the Australian Government.

Yours sincerely

A. P. STREET

The Hon. Kevin Luckton, P.
Member for Lakes and
Minister for Administrative Services
Second Floor
A.P. Building
46 St John Street
LAUNCESTON TAS 7250

MAX BURR
MEMBER FOR WILMOT

6th August, 1982.

Mr. Harold Rowlands,
Financial Secretary,
Legislative Assembly,
PORT STANLEY,
Falkland Islands,
South Atlantic
via LONDON.

Dear Sir,

We in Australia have followed very closely the Argentinian invasion of your Islands and the conflict that followed in order to re-establish self government.

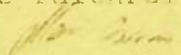
Australia gave full diplomatic support to Britian and the Islanders in the actions that were taken. While diplomatic support is fine I imagine much now needs to be done to re-establish the Falkland's economy. I would like to determine whether there is any way in which Australia can help in that process.

I understand that, like Australia, the Falklands rely to a large extent on the sheep and wool industry. From reports we receive it appears that your breeding flock has been heavily reduced as a result of the war. It may be that we can assist in the rebuilding of your commercial flocks. I believe you mainly rely on dual purpose breeds such as Corriedale and Poleworth and perhaps other English crossbred stock.

Tasmania has renown stocks of these breeds, both at stud and flock level, and perhaps we may be able to provide the nucleus for re-establishing your flocks.

If a rebuilding programme is one of your requirements I would be grateful if you could let me know what assistance we can offer and I will help to co-ordinate matters from this end.

Yours faithfully,



MAX BURR
Member for Wilmot

Copies to: Sir Richard Butler,
National Farmers' Union
Mr. John Thorley,
National Sheep Association

The Romney Sheep Breeders' Society

Secretary DAVID ROBERTS Tel NEW ROMNEY 3839

Registered Office: GENEVA, St MARY IN THE MARSH, ROMNEY MARSH, KENT.

Mr. R. M. Hunt, C.M.G.,
Room 267,
Foreign & Commonwealth Office,
King Charles Street,
London, S.W.1.

June 14th, 1982.

Dear Mr. Hunt,

At the moment we are all pre-occupied with the military situation in the Falkland Islands.

Shortly, we hope, the military men, and the politicians, will have completed their work, and attention can then be turned to assisting the people of the islands.

As you know, the original Falkland sheep came from here, and we have regularly supplied rams to maintain the quality of the Romney stock.

We are not a very large organisation. However, we are the one with the Romney sheep.

On behalf of my Members, I can guarantee to have a top quality nucleus flock at any dock or airport in the U.K. within 24 hours. Individual export certificates would accompany the animals.

Bearing in mind the size of the Falkland Island's sheep population, a small gift of breeding stock would be more as a gesture of our support, than for practical agriculture. However, it is something we would like to do, so please bear us in mind.

We realise that our National Farmers' Union and the National Sheep Association are both planning to offer assistance. As Romney sheep are the basis of the Island's agriculture, we will be expecting to play an active part in their nationwide efforts, both in helping to raise funds, and in selecting any sheep required for shipment.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, at any time, if you require any further assistance or information.

Yours sincerely,

DAVID ROBERTS
Secretary
Romney Sheep Breeders' Society

Wandurah,
HAMILTON Vic 3300
AUSTRALIA

2nd August, 1982.

Dear Mr. Rowlands,

I am writing to you in reference to the enclosed cutting from this weeks issue of the Bulletin(3rd August, 1982). I do not know Mr. Halliday's Tasmanian address, so I am writing to you, in the hope that you will receive this, presuming that you are now in the Falklands.

I am a semi-retired Stud Corriedale Breeder, living at Hamilton in the Western district of Victoria. I have been connected with the Moodie Nigretta East Corriedale Stud, and my own Stud for a long period of time, and we have exported our Sheep to many parts of the world.

I am very sorry to hear of your serious losses of Sheep during the recent war in the Falklands, and I may be of some assistance in obtaining Sheep for you, from this part of Australia. The first thing would be to establish contact with you, and then to find out your requirements. There are probably many ways of going about this, and the Primary Industry section of our government may assist, but of course you will understand that there is no guarantee that we could arrange an export. We have a number of Sheep Ships taking mutton sheep to the Middle East, and some of these ships carry upto 130,000 Sheep on each load.

You may have already made some arrangements to obtain Sheep, but if you haven't and if you are interested in going further into this, you might let me know.

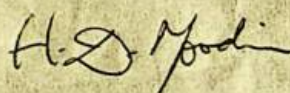
Last month I wrote to Major General Jeremy Moore, who you may have come into contact with in the Falklands, he stayed with us on our property many years ago, when he was attending an Army Staff College in Victoria.

I do hope that you are settling down again happily in the Falklands, I know there will be a lot to be done

Please let me know if I can be any assistance.

Yours faithfully,

H.D. MOODIE.



Can Australia help?

A FALKLAND Islander Trevor Halliday living in Tasmania has received a telegram from his friend Harold Rowlands, the islands' Financial Secretary asking for help. The message: "All here appreciated Australian support during crisis. Our sheep losses appear heavy would parliamentarians be sympathetic to request for breeding stock?" □

Mr. Whitley

The military authorities are prepared to help on other the instructions letter but, before they go any further, they would like to know what the quarantine regulations are!

I should be grateful for any advice you may have.

John
J. Anderson.

17.10.52

M. W. Kitley,

copy NCOs

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Dunnose Head,
West Falklands,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

The Military Commissioner,
Major General D. Thorne.
H.Q. Land Forces.
Stanley.

25th September, 1982.

Quarantine rules?

Dear General Thorne,

I hope I am not out of place by writing to you with this problem, but with Mr. Hunt away and the military being in charge of transport to the Islands anyway I thought you may be the right person to contact.

The problem is this, some relatives of mine who lived out here for many years and now reside in Wales wish to help Islanders in replacing some of their livestock killed and or eaten by the Argentines. They have a small farm and want to send some of their stock out to Falkland farms., and I have been finding suitable recipients. Obviously large animals will have to wait for a suitable opportunity and come by sea, but they would very much like to get up to 50 young hens, hybrids and on the point of starting to lay, flown out to the Falklands from Britain so that their eggs produced this summer here can be hatched out locally to produce a still greater number of poultry replacements for the following year.

Is there any way in which the R.A.F. could help out and enable this to take place? There are homes waiting for the poultry in Stanley, The Murrel Farm, Goose Green and Pebble Island and Fox-Bay.

To quote from my uncle's letter -" We want to help, money alone is no good, things in kind are." If anything could be arranged I am sure that my uncle could arrange suitable crates and delivery to the point of departure.

On a different subject, the Ghurkha Engineers are doing some first class repair jobs here, the shearing-shed is repaired and we hope to be able to move back into the repaired house later next week when they finish and return to Stanley. They are great people and we enjoy having them here.

Yours sincerely,

Tim Miller,

22nd October 1982

0023/RSW

Mr J Chandler,
Government House.

Dear Mr Chandler,

Thank you for your letter and the copy of Mr Millers' letter concerning the possibility of the importation of some young hens on the point of lay.

Unfortunately, the Falkland Islands requirements are unclear - at least, to me - on imports from U.K., and there is no recent effective legislation covering the subject.

My own inclination is to advise caution because of various factors including the absence of a disinfectable quarantine station and the close physical contact between poultry and wildlife. The importation of eggs is very much safer as long as they originate from a flock which is a member of the Poultry Health Scheme and which has been blood tested for salmonellosis and mycoplasmosis and in which there has been no history of a whole lot of other fowl diseases.

However, the possibility exists that we may be able to organise the importation of a large number of animals on a special shipment from U.K. In this 'Noahs' Ark' a number of poultry of different sorts could be included and we could thereby circumvent the problem of quarantine because the ship will act as a floating station.

Lastly there is the problem of Ministry of Defence rules and regulations. I was assured in London by M.O.D. that regulations forbid the carriage of livestock on M.O.D. transport planes - this was in connection with the possibility of bringing back here the Shearwater which had been inadvertently transported to U.K. on a Task Force ship. The refusal to allow this was absolute.

To be positive, the offer of livestock is obviously greatly appreciated. Perhaps the birds could be carried out in 'Noahs' Ark' if that materialises !

Yours sincerely

R.S. Whitley MRCVS BVMS

cc Mr T Miller, Dunnose Head.
Major General Thorne.

3rd November 1982

0050/RSW

Mr K Halliday,
Fox Bay East.

Dear Ken and Joyce,

Firstly, very many apologies for not replying to your letter sooner but I thought it better to give it a little bit of thought which I could do whilst redecorating and cleaning the office !

I read with interest the pamphlet about the Barred Dorset and, whilst not condemning it out of hand, I thought the man was trying too hard to push his point. Nevertheless the breed may be suitable even if the eggs are pricey. However we must be careful about importing new diseases with the poultry and all suppliers must be members of the Poultry Health Scheme and must have blood tested stock.

Although we are getting some eggs out from U.K. at present, the method and means is pretty haphazard due to the uncertainty of who and what is allowed to travel on the Hercules. My aim is still to try to organize a "Noahs' Ark" with cattle, horses, poultry etc on board - all under veterinary supervision. This way we can get larger numbers of purebred stock and have a floating quarantine station at the same time. This may be the opportunity for your venture ? Anyhow please keep me informed of developments at your end and I'll let you know how I get on.

Best wishes.

Regards

R.S. Whitley.

Steve.

Copy of telegram for
your information

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29/10/82

TREVOR HALLIDAY, 2 WHITTLE STREET, PENGUIN 7316, TASMANIA, AUSTRALIA

No: 119

VERY GRATEFUL OFFER. REQUEST MORE DETAILS REGARDING NUMBER OF SHEEP OFFERED, BREED, TYPE, SEX, AGE AND AREA OF ORIGIN. VET REQUIREMENTS ARE AS FOR IMPORTATION FROM TASMANIA 18/9/80 REFERENCE F19/80 C0525 MINISTRY LAUNCESTON. MANAGEMENT AND QUARANTINE PROBLEMS STILL FORMIDABLE. WE STILL WOULD HOPE TO ARRANGE A LARGER SHIPMENT OF QUALITY ANIMALS IN THE FUTURE. DO NOT FORESEE DIFFICULTY IN REFUELLING HERCULES SHOULD FLIGHT MATERIALIZE PROVIDING SUFFICIENT NOTICE IS GIVEN. WILL RING SHORTLY

REGARDS HAROLD

NOTES ON A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN J.T.CLEMENT
F.I.S.O.A. LTD. AND MR TREVOR HALLIDAY OF TASMANIA
AT APPROXIMATELY 12.10 HRS ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 1st 1982.

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- 1/ AREA S.E.TASMANIA DROUGHT HAS BEEN CONTINUOUS FOR FOUR YEARS.
- 2/ HOW MANY ? HE DID NOT KNOW BUT WOULD FIND OUT.
- 3/ WHAT TYPE HE WAS UNSURE BUT THOUGHT THEY WOULD BE CROSSBREDS. HE STATED THAT THEY WOULD ALL BE LAMBS EWE AND RAM . SOME FLOCK POSSIBLY SOME STUD. HE WOULD FIND OUT.

4/ WHAT BREEDS?
I suggested that we were mainly interested in Polwarth or Corriedale

5/ VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS
I STATED THAT F.I.G. WOULD IMPOSE OUR NORMAL VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS. THAT THESE MIGHT BE KNOWN TO THE AUSTRALIAL AUTHORITIES BECAUSE OF THE SHIPMENT OF FIVE RAMS TO F.I. IN 1980 IF REQUIRED WE COULD TELEX REQUIREMENTS.

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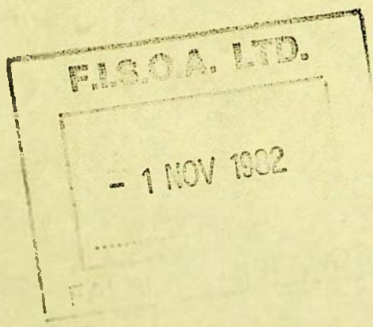
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Mr. R.S. Whitley
Grasslands Trials Unit
Port Stanley
Falkland Islands

Your Ref: 0287/RSW

27th April 1983

Dear Mr. Whitley

Many thanks for your letter of the 20th April 1983, received this morning.

I was informed a few weeks ago by Maj. General Mills of the moves afoot by the Falklands Appeal to ship livestock to Stanley and that purchase and shipping was being handled by the Crown Agents. Since then I have been in close contact with Mr. George Warrick (South Atlantic Shipping Manager). We have now made to him a formal first offer on the vessel "JERSEY EXPRESS" for a shipment in July this year. Unfortunately however Mr. Warrick does not feel he can proceed further at this stage with the shipping until full detailed needs are known.

It is felt by myself and the owners of this fleet of livestock carriers that shipping co-ordination should proceed along at the same pace as location and purchase of stock to avoid the position of having all the required stock to hand and at the right period in gestation and then finding no ship is available. These are very specialised ships and are therefore in great demand, but we have a tentative reservation on the 'Jersey Express' for a sailing in July, with a verbal acknowledgement that a larger vessel may be required.

I have written in some detail to General Mills, and enclosed the information I am now sending to you, along with a request that we be allowed to discuss the project in more detail with him and Sir Rex Hunt (either arrived or soon to arrive in U.K.).

I have enclosed a cross section of the ships available in the fleet of 24 from the largest to the smaller sizes and hope this is of some help to you. Some preliminary work has also taken place to ascertain availability of a quarantine holding farm near the expected port of loading, which we would hope to use to receive, hold and re-deliver for loading on the ship. This would also be used for the necessary veterinary/health inspections.

Hoping that we can be of service to you.

Yours Sincerely

Victor F. Upson.



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(C/O Mr. Graham Bound)

8th April 1983

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Victor F. Upson.

GRASSLANDS TRIALS UNIT

Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, South Atlantic.

...20th April.....1983....

Your Ref.

Our Ref. 0287/RSW.....

Mr V F Upson
An-Tor Shipping Ltd.,
4a St. Benets Rd.,
Southend-on-Sea,
Essex SS2 6LE.

Dear Mr Upson,

Thank you for your letter of 8/4/83 concerning shipment of livestock to the Falkland Islands.

The description of your vessels sounds most interesting and appropriate for what may be required for our purposes. However, the shipment of animals is being organised by the Civil Commissioner and the Falklands Appeal and, I believe, there is a move away from the idea of a single shipment towards containerisation of livestock and multiple consignments.

I have sent a copy of your recent letter - as I did the previous one - to the Civil Commissioner, the Falklands Appeal and to the Sheep Owners' Association.

I personally, would be most interested to receive further details of your ships and perhaps you could forward these - together with photographs - to me.

Very many thanks,

Yours Sincerely

R.S.Whitley.

cc H E Sir Rex Hunt, Civil Commissioner,
Major General A Mills, Falkland Appeal.
Mr J T Clement, Sheep Owners' Association.



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Received from Mr Graham Bond

Copies sent to H.E. Sir Rex Hunt
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Regards Stan.



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Mr. Graham Bound
The Editor
"Penguin News"
Stanley
Falkland Islands.

22nd March 1983.

Dear Mr. Bound,

We would like to enquire as to the costs of placing display advertisements in your newspaper the "Penguin News", and at the same time would value your opinion on a possible forthcoming venture we are at present studying, which would be the reason for the advertisement.

During the occupation it was reported in the U.K. Press that there was a great loss of livestock. It is our intention, to act as agents for Falklands Farmers to purchase and ship livestock requirements to Stanley. We are in contact with U.K. farmers and dealers to ensure that livestock is of the best quality and that most suited to the environment, although Falkland Farmers will know what breeds are best.

We have heard from the Crown Agents that appeals went out to British Farmers for livestock, some of which was donated, but as yet as far as we know nothing has been done to ship it to Stanley.

Consideration would also be given to orders for Farm and other equipment requirements, along with any other supplies not freely available. With this in mind study was given to the setting up of an independant co-operative for the purchase and shipment of supplies, equipment etc. in competition with exsisting trading organisations. This however would solely dependant on the support we could be given from Islanders, who we would expect to have the majority shareholding in the resulting company, us holding a small intrest and acting as purchasing agents in the U.K.

The undersigned last year did have an extensive conversation with an Islander one "Lecky Ross", for whom he arranged return passage on the ship "Merdeka", and he felt an Islanders Independant Co-Operative would solve a lot of the Islanders problems.

Your early reply would be appreciated, as the first shipment of livstock is anticipated in our late autumn so as to arrive in your early spring.

Yours Sincerely
for An-tor Projects

victor F. Upson.

Steve -

I have replied to this guy suggesting that he contact you about the livestock shipping idea. I don't know much about it, but it seems like a pretty good idea. Perhaps you could write to him with your ideas.

Thanks.

Graham