

C.S.

NAVAL & MILITARY.

(Naval)

No. S/217/32.

DEF/GUN/1#12

1932.

Colonial Secretary.

SUBJECT.

122

1932.

31st May.

Previous Paper.

Taking over by the Colonial Government of
the two six inch Naval guns.

MINUTES.

Admiralty Issue Order of 31st May, 1932.

O.C. Def. Force

Please see

be the course arrangements

will have to be made for

the reception of these projectiles

projectiles.

Subsequent Paper.

J. M. S. M.

19. 7. 32.

From Col. Sec.

Seen and noted - thank you.

W. Watson
Capt.

20-7-32

h.f. 31/10/32.

a.f. 21/7/32.

Letter from Lt. Col. Leeds of 23/4/32.

2.

Manager. G. Is. Co. of 16/8/32.

3.

Particulars re. iron lighters at Stanley

4.

Letter to Lt. Col. R. Leeds. of 20/8/32.

5-6.

Gr. f. 31. 10. 32.

h.f. 21. 8. 32.

Copy of Bill of Lading of 5/9/32.

7-28-29-30.

O.C. Defense Force

Please see this file
for appropriate action.

W. Watson

13.10.32.

C.S.O. No. 217/32

Sheet No. 2

Inside Minute Paper.

Adjutant F. J. D. F.

For your consideration, suggestions, please.

E.M. 15.10.32

Hon. Col. Secy.

31. Mr Allan's modified scheme
for gun's crew for consideration
please.

James Mow.
18.10.32

O.C. Def. Force

Six men seem to

be to be rather few : if

possible, I should think it

preferable to make ~~it~~ a staff,

say, with one complete gun

crew of eleven men.

J.M.

P.S. I refer to para 2(a) of

rel 31 after all the principal employer

of labour in India is the Government!

Yours

26. 10. 32.

Thank you O.C. Def. Force

26, 10, 32

.. .. rel 32

O.C. Def. Force.

1 received rel 32 subsequent to

writing my remark above.

2. Your proposals in rel 32

are approved subject only to the

following observations:

(1) It is assumed that

the later training of the firm's

Inside Minute Paper.

crew on shore will be
 undertaken by the two officers
 selected for command of

and posting to the battery,

the services of the Hyderabad

being utilized in ^{a supervisory} ~~administrative~~

or a consultative capacity, as

required; and

(ii) Members of the gun's

crew will be compensated in

the actual amount of wages

unavoidably lost on account

of absence from work for

the purpose of undergoing training.

J.M.H.

C.

2. 11. 32.

Adjutant.

To note, & for necessary action.

J.M.H. 3. 11. 32.

Hon. Col. Secy.

Copy of notice re recruitment of gun team submitted, please.

J.M.H. 5. 11. 32.

b.f. 17. 11. 32.

J.M.H. 4. 11. 32.

Minute from Commanding Officer, F. I. D. F. 14/11/32. 34-35.

Bill of lading for Naval Stores. 27/9/32. 36.

Telegram from Commodore, "Durban". 14/11/32. 37.

O.C. Def. Force.

Please see

refs 37-36 for action as

required,

2. In regard to the
men selected for training in
artillery work you will no doubt
consult with Heads of Departments
concerned as to the practicality
of arranging for them to be
released from their customary duties.

Julius

2

15-11-32.

Hon. Col. Leng.

Action taken please. Ref 38. Similar note
to Mr. Synon also, please.

James Mori.

16-11-32.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Submitted Red 38 from the Hon P. M. U.

This is to some extent going to disorganize the Public Works, as five of the men are on lorries. It will mean two lorries standing still, and as they supply materials for about 20 men, it will cost this Department's votes about £6 per day.

Submitted for instructions please.

C. Roberts.

18-11-32.

Urgent

~~Mr. Roberts~~

O.C. Inf. Force.

Please see. I suggest that

this matter would be most conveniently

adjusted by personal consultation with

Mr. D.P.O. You will appreciate naturally

that in present circumstances it is

scarcely feasible for him to release key

C.S.O. No.....²¹⁷/32

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No.....5

max sad as long drivers.

Julius
9

19. 11. 32

Hon. Col. Secy.

① Please, I had seen Hon. D. P. W
presents to his writing minute of 18. 11. 32

② This matter has now be settled
to your satisfaction, please.

James Moir.
- 21. 11. 32.

rel 40-39

Letter for Commodore

24. 11. 32.

in the N.S. - Durbur

J. L

Settled with

draft letter in ref.

Julius
2

Hon C. S.
Approved
J. L
25. 11. 32

25. 11. 32.

Letter To Commodore "Durban" 25/11/32.

41.

Note from Mrs. Durban.

42.

64.

14. 12. 32.

1/2

2. 12. 32

Letter from Commodore R. H. O. Lane-Poole. 5/12/32. 43.

Mrs. D. P. Dooks.

Will reference to vol 36

I understand that these twenty

packages at present have actually

been received at the P.O. there?

J. M. M.

9. 12. 32.

Hon Col. Sec.

The following target gear is in the
Dockyard

- 1 Bundle containing 4 bolts
- 1 Case " bolts
- 2 Bundles timber each 3 pieces 3"x3"
- 16 loose pieces

The above cannot be placed
under cover as there is not sufficient
room in the store.

I suggest paper be passed to C.O.
Defence Force, and that the gear
be taken over by the Military Dep.
Room for Storage could be
found either in the Customs Shed
or Improvement Works Depot

W Roberts

10-12-32

Signal at Memo from Supr. Naval Store
returned Ind 13/12/32. Officer. Portsmouth 13/10/32 (24)

O.C. Def. Force.

Accordingly, please.

Ind

13.12.32
Paper received 13/12/32
Minute from Hon. Sec. of Def. 14/12/32 44-5.

Telegram from H.M.S. "Durban" 10/12/32. 46

Telegram to H.M.S. "Durban" 10/12/32. 47

O.C. Def. Force.

Refs 45-44

Please submit as follows

S.O. under Head XXI "Library"

referred " " Upkeep of 6 " guns "

so as to cover this amount

of £ 37 5 11. Possibly there

is some balance from the

C.S.O. No. 217/32.....

Sheet No. 7.....

Inside Minute Paper.

amount of £15 already

obtained under the previous

S.O. ?

2. Kindly endorse the

S.O. " Met by equivalent savings

" under Public Works departmental

" votes "

J. M. M.
— 4

17. 12. 32.

Hon. Col. Secy.

M Roberts' minute 10-12-'32.

Yes: when gear placed in a suitable
lock up store the military Dept.
will take over, please.

The Customs shed has cement in it,
& it is not desirable to put other
gear in the same storage.

Four minute of 17.12.32.

Balance of S.W. for £15. is £4..11.3.

Herewith please S.W. for £32..14..8.

J Ennes Moir.

Mr Treasurer

Any comments in

regard to the issue of this

S.W., please?

J Ennes Moir.

Hon. Col. Secy.

20.12.32,

I recommend issue of the

S.W.

M. Craigie Kalkreuth

21. XII. 32

C.S.O. No. 517/32

Sheet No. 8

Inside Minute Paper.

y. 2.
S.D. submitted for
signature of approval.

V. 2.

21.12.32.

S.D. signed by J.B.

Mrs. D. P. Doherty.

Kindly see Mr.

P.D.O.'s minutes on the opposite

page and consider further

the provision of a suitable

lock up store. V. 2.

22.12.32.

Recalled.
25/12/32.
all.

Naval Amusement Store Voucher. 86. 9/11/32 48-9

Telegram from Commodore "Durban" 27/12/32. 50.

Imprest Warrant no 11/32 signed
and passed to Treasury. 29/12/32

C.C. J. P. Price

Please see ref 48-48

and withdraw the two memos of
inspection.

Julian

10. 1. 33.

Hon. Col. Hey.

Thank you, withdrawn, please

J.M.
Price 14. 1. 33

G.P. Draft ref to vol 43 submitted.

Just

Hon C. S. 21. 1. 33.
approved.
J.G.
21. 1. 33

C.S.O. No.....217/32.....

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No.....9.....

51. Letter to Commodore R.H.O. Lane-Poole. 23/1/33.

£ 8. 16. 0 Tides

£ 4. 4. 0 Board

Gr. f. 7. 2. 33

per 23. 1. 33

(To Hovers 2nd 44
£ 13)

(52) Minute from Major The Hon. J. D. Morris 27/1/33

O.C. Inf. Force.

Approved : Mr

J.P. Work has been instructed by us

- at Lt Col. Stiemer's request -

(i) to release the gun team
for four afternoons during the week

29. 1. 33 to 4. 2. 33.

(ii) as in your para (ii)

in regard to 17th Fleet at Bigg

Mr Brechin is not at the
employment of Government at the
present time.

Yours
J.M.

27. 1. 33.

Hon. Col. Secy.
Thank you. J.M. 30. 1. 33.

6th. 7. 2. 33.

per 30. 1. 33.

Letter from Commodore, Durban, 17/2/33 53-54

Y. E. Schmitt.

put up a letter
with Mr. Schmitt

of address to Mr. Schmitt for Y. E.'s signature, if approved.

2. 1 will circulate also to

the Local Defence Com.

Yours
J.M.

27. 2. 33.

55

Letter to Commodore - Jackson

2. 3. 33.

56

Letter from Adjutant,

File Def Force

9. 3. 33.

~~of~~ Secty L. Def. C. H. H.

Please circulate to the

members of the L. Def. C. H. H.

J. H. H.

(1) Major the Hon. J. James Macdonald 33 J. H. H. 14. 3. 33.

(2) ~~Hon. G. Roberts~~ C. H. H. 15. 3. 33.

to see, please. Kindly
return to Secretary.

~~John~~
18-3-33

87-88

89-90

91

Letter from Chief Supt of Armament Supply 27/3/33
26/1/33

Write for Adj. File Def. Force

24. 3. 33

Letter to Ch. Supt. of Ammunition Supply, 29/3/33.

(92)

Adj. F. & Inf. Force

Ref 91 noted: Thank you.

2. Refs 88: The memoranda are
being retained, for the sake of safe
custody, in the C.S. private safe
in this office.

[Signature]

29.3.33.

The Hon Col Secy.

I have noted thank you, for future reference
the retention of the memorandums of Inspection of the Ordnance,
in question which have been placed in the private safe of
the C. S. for safe custody.

May I suggest that the enclosed memorandums
of Examination of the 2 Sub-calibre Q.F. 3 in. Mark-1. Guns.
which arrived for H.M.S. DURBAN be placed with the others

Memoranda placed

A. M. Allen
30-3-33. I. O. F.

in C.S. safe 4.4.33.

[Signature]

C.S.O. No. 217/32

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 11

93-96.

Despatch to S of S. no. 58 of 12/4/33.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted.

Cl. Roberts
25-4-33.

Hon. J. Innes Mair.

Passed to you accordingly.

J.I.M.
25-4-33

CMB.
25-4-33.

~~6.4. 25-8-33.~~

~~12.8. 25-4-33.~~

~~11. 30/8/33.~~

~~11. 26/8/33.~~

11. 31/12/33.

C.B.J. 2/10/33

97-98. S. of S. Despatch No. 87. of 1/9/33.

99. Letter from R. H. Armament Depot of 9/9/33.

100. Letter to R. H. A. Depot. of 20/10/33

1/6.

Draft despatch submitted
for approval.

C.B.J. 20/10/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Approved

mcH

22. 10. 33.

Despatch to S of S no 146 of 21/10/33.

(101)

Hon. Col. Sec.

Despatch Synd.

mcH

21. X. 33.

Hon. Treasurer
Adjutant, Defence Force.

To note

C. J. Jones
23/10/33

Adjutant, Defence Force,

Noted & passed to you.

Ans
for Col Treasr.
23. X. 33.

The Hon Colonial Secretary

noted thank you

Wm. Allen 23-10-33

Minutes from Hon. D.P.W. of 30/10/33.

102-103.

P.A.
23/10/33

U.S.O. No. 214/33

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 12

Y/H.

Submitted for approval.

C.D.
for C.S.
30/10/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Approved. We had no option
but to furnish the labour free.

MC#1

S. XI. JJ.

~~Hon. D.P.W.~~
Adjutant, Defence Force.
to note.

CWC 3-11-33.

C.D.
for C.S.
31/1/33

Recalled
6/11/33.

104-105.

Minute from Adjutant, G.S. Defence of 4/11/33

~~Minute from Hon. D.P.W. of 6/11/33~~

Hon. D.P.W.

with regard to Reds 104-105.

His Excellency suggests that the best

end of the Drill Shed might be
used as a temporary arrangement
for the storing of these gun parts.
For report please.

C. J. Jones
6/11/33.

Hon. Col. Sec.

I agree with His Excellency's suggestion,
that the East end of the Drill Shed
be used. We have some 300 barrels
of cement and tar stored there at present.
I will make arrangements to have one
end cleared and for partitions to
be erected. This will be done under
Minor Works. I have spoken to
Lieut Allen about this and he agrees.

C. J. Roberts.

9-8-33.

yf.

Reas 106 and 107 submitted

C. J. Jones
10/11/33

C.S.O. No. 217/32.

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 13.

107 Minute from Adj. F. I. D. J. of 6/11/33.

Hon. Col. Lee.

Copied to

Int. 5/4/32.

A copy of red 106 has been sent by me to the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. "Dauntless," and in view of that Report has informed me that he has arranged to examine the sights together with Hon. Director Pabari works.

2. I discussed the matter of gun drill with Lieut. Allan and approved the proposal in red 107.

MCH

11. 11. 33

Adjutant, Defence Force.

To note.

Wid, thank you

C. J. J.

13/11/33.

W. M. G.

14/11/33

108. Letter from Capt. H. S. Dauntless. 11/11/33

109.

7/11/33

Don D. P. W.

To see A.E's minute of 11/11/33
also Red (108).

C. J. J. S.
for 16/11/33

Hon Col. Sec.

Noted.

C. W. G.

12-11-33.

Minute from adjutant, Defense Force.
15/11/33.

109-112.

Letter to Capt C. O. Alexander of 23/11/33.

(113)

Reds 109-112 submitted; also
letter for favour of your
Excellency's signature.

C. J. J. S.
for 23/11/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Reds 109-112 approved.

2. Letter signed.

M. C. H.

25. XI. 33

Adjutant, Defense Force.

To note and will you
please make the necessary
arrangements to receive the
ammunition from H. M. S. "Dumetess".

C. J. J. S.
for 23/11/33

C.S.O. No. 217/32.

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 124.

The Hon. Sec. - will, thank you.

On the return of H.M. Dauntless I will arrange with the Gunney Office with a view to entering over the ammunition.

Sam Allen Lt. Col.
F.I.D.F.
24/11/33

(114)

Minute from adjt. F.I.D.F. 4/1/33

2/6.

Submitted for information.

C. J. D.
for C.P.
6/12/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Thank you, Sec.

MCH
6. 12. 33

P.A.
6/12/33

(115)

Minute from adjutant. F.I.D.F. 9/1/33

Hon. Treasurer.

For your comments please.
the charge for Sub-calibre
ammunition mentioned in para.
3 of Red (115) will not be
settled until 1934.

C. J. D.
for C.P.
19/12/33

Hon Col Secretary.

I beg to suggest that
a Special Warrant be taken out
for the exact amount by which the
vote is exceeded. I understand there will
be a further P.W.D charge in addition to the
excess mentioned by. G.C. Defence Force
(£58.14.7).

AWD for Col. Treas^r
20. XII. 33.

Adjutant, Defence Force.

To see Hon. Treasurers
minute of 20/12/33.

Will you please ascertain
what the exact amount is by which
the vote is at present exceeded and
amend S.W. accordingly.

C. J. J. pres.
20/12/33.

Hon, Col, Sect

In accordance with the Hon. Treasurers'
Minute I have amended the S.W to the correct amount.
The P.W.D., additional charge is 9/4.

W. M. Bell + Co.
F. I. D. F.
22/12/33

yfb.

Special Warrant submitted for
signature of yfb's signature.

C. J. J. pres.
22/12/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

S.W. signed.

McH

22. 12. 33

Hon. Treasurer.

Special Warrant has been
amended and forwarded to you.

C. J. Jones
27/12/33

Hon. Col. Secretary.

Thank you. Sir. received.

Ans. J.
for Col. Secy

27. x 11 33

PA
28/12/33

(116-118)

Letter from Ordnance Office
evolutionist 21/11/33

(119-121)

Letter from Suplt. H. S. O. Devonport 18/11/33

bf. 23/2/34 to receive stores

C. J. Jones
9/1/34

Adjutant. Defense Force,

Will you please arrange
to take delivery of these articles
and complete the vouchers.

C. J. Jones
26/2/34

How to be.

Articles according to Vouchers
received in good order

Vouchers Completed

Wma.
18/2/34

Vouchers returned.

P.A.
21/2/34

Letter from Ordnance Office. Woolwich 14/3/34

(123)

Vouchers were returned on 2nd
March, 1934.

P.A.
29/3/34

Letter from C.A.A. 9/3/34

(124-128)

Yr. Submitted. CA's may be
authorised to pay the Admiralty
£117. 17. 5. Practice ammunition
received from "Dumfries" in Nov^r
1933, cost £129-10-2, against this
an allowance of £11-12-9 has
been made for empty cartridge cases,
and 3 pdr. Hotchkiss ammunition.

MCH
✓ JmG ——— at 30. 4. 34.
30. 4. 34.

Letter to Bureau Agents of 1/5/34. 129.

Hon. Treas. ~~By~~ p. Head. 2/1/34
Local Auditor. am.
To note. 2 May 1934

MCH
by C.L.
1. V. 14
P. A.
MCH

(130) Communication from Supr. Naval Store
Depot. W.D. Dicks. 28/5/34

C. C. In reference please.
were these books received?
MCH
8. 8. 14.

Hon. C.S.
The books were received and the
necessary receipt returned as per recd 119
herein.
LWA
19/5/34

Forward signed receipt.
MCH
24 C.L.
9. 8. 34.

note
Receipt returned to Supr. Royal Naval
Store Depot.
LWA
13/5/34
GA
13/5/34

Minute from Capt com. allian 17/8/34 (131)

Captain W. M. Allan
Asst. F.I. Defence Force.

Submit a S.W. for the
excess.

MCH

by C.S.

17.8.34

Submit it through Hon^{ble} Treasurer.

Hon Col. Sec.

S.W. for L23 submitted to the Hon^{ble}
Treasurer.

W. M. A. Callaghan
F.I.D.F.
18/8/34

Minute from Adj. F.I.D.F. 18/8/34

(132)

J.E. Submitted. The excess has
been caused through the payment
this year of the sum of £117-17-5
to cover cost of practice ammunition
for the 6" Guns. Payment authorised
by J.E. on the 30th April, 1934.

MCH

by C.S.

21.8.34.

✓ J.E.
22.8.34.

Hon. Treas.

To withdraw S.W. 14/34, then
pass to Asst. F.I. Defence Force to
note.

MCH

by C.S.

22.8.34

Hon C.S.

S.W. 14/34 withdrawn, thank you.

Adj. for Treas.

Adj. F.I.D.F.

So you accordingly, please

Adj. for Treas.

23
VIII-34

W. M. A. Callaghan
25-8-34

133-134.

PA.
214/32Minute from Assistant L. I. Officer
Force of 4th Sep^r 1934.

Hon. Director Pub. Wks.

Will you kindly inspect
the magazine as early as
possible please and furnish
your observations and recommendations.

2. As the matter appears
to be of some urgency perhaps
you could arrange to inspect
the magazine today. Perhaps
you will arrange for Captain
Allen to be present.

MCH -
A.C.S.

4.9.34.

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

I inspected the magazine with Captain
Allan and found that the ceiling and walls
are covered with mildew, as far as it was
possible to inspect the building without the
shells being removed. I could find no trace
of either the walls or ceiling leaking.
It is quite possible, and naturally too,
that some water has entered under the door
and has passed out by the drain which was
put there for that purpose.

2. The building is in as good a state of
repair as it is possible for it to be.
As you are no doubt aware this store is merely

a hole dug below the surface of the hill and lined with timber. I am of opinion that this "dug-out" is totally unfit for a store of any description.

3. In a country where the ground is nearly always wet and a very damp atmosphere prevails, it is very difficult to store 15 tons of iron and not get condensation.

4. I suggest that these shells require to be stored in a concrete or brick building with cavity walls and ample ventilation; even then I think they would require a space between each shell for passage of air. In the present place they are close stacked from the ground to the roof and there is only a space of approximately 2 ft. of floor space on which to stand.

G. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.
4th September, 1934.

Y.R. Submitted. The shell store appears to be unsuitable and I suggest that early action be taken to move the shells to a temporary building + which might be put up near the shell store. Rust and corrosion will render the shells useless.

*MCH
ag. ed.
6. 9. 34*

*+ e.g. portable
steel
6. 9. 34.*

Mr. C.S. Please consult Mr.

D.P.O. in regard to immediate

action or he has said you

suggest.

2. Thereafter Mr. D.P.O. shall be asked to prepare a plan with estimate for the construction of a building such as he considers to be required for the proper storage of the shell. Presumably a building will be required separate both for the cordite magazine and for the new Clinical magazine for 303 amm. and cyphorium in everyday use?

3. The shell room near the gun was never intended, of course, for permanent storage but for ready use in war.

Y. D.

6.9.34.

Hon Director Public Works.

Will you please see me
with this paper tomorrow morning
7th inst. at 10 a. m.

MCH
ay C. S.
6. 4. 34.

1. I have discussed this matter with
the Hon. Director of Public Works.
Mr. Roberts points out that dampness
must be expected during the winter
months and there would be the
same result in an unoccupied house
as regards iron showing rust unless
it has been previously cleaned and
then coated with mineral oil as
a preservative.

2. It is suggested that the
Adjutant G. I. Defence Force should be
allowed to employ 4 men temporarily
for the purpose of removing the
shells, cleaning them and coating
with mineral oil. Ventilation holes
will be cut in the door.
When so coated with oil the shells
will be stored but with battens
separating them to allow the
air to circulate. Had the shells
prior to storage been coated with
mineral oil they would have been
quite alright.

3. The question of a store magazine
for the shells can be considered
when it is known whether the
scheme regarding the 6" gun is to
be proceeded with.

MCH
ay C. S.
7. 9. 34

The C.S.

Approved: Thank you.

JmS

7. 9. 34.
Adjutant A. Deena Loo.

To see for necessary action.
The Director of Public Works will
no doubt assist you to obtain
the men and also in providing
any materials that may be
required. Any expense will require
to be charged to Head - Military
Item 10. Kindly pass to Hon.
Director P.Ws to note.

MCH

ay cl.

Hon Colonial Secretary 7. 9. 34.

Noted thank you. I will arrange
with the Director of Public Works
accordingly.

Hon
The Director of Public Works

To see for necessary action

W.M.A.
10/9/34

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted.

M Roberts
10-9-34.

Adjutant J. I. Deffen-Lover.

Please report when the work has been carried out.

MCH
ag. C.S.

Hon Colonial Secretary 11. 9. 34

As the minute book has been called for, I attach a report on the work as far carried out. Red 135

D. M. Adjutant
F. I. D. F.
14. 9. 34

Hon C.S.

The P. W. D. presented a bill for £1. 19. 7 for payment in respect of work performed in the cleaning of projectiles. Under XVI - 10 the sum of 16/6 only is available.

2. In view of the work having been approved I have passed the bill for payment & spoken to Capt. Allan & asked him to advise me when the work has been completed & the total cost involved in order that a S.W. in the amount of the actual excess created may be submitted.

W. J. Treas.
15

Adjutant J. I. Deffen-Lover

14-34

Please submit through the Hon. Treas., a special warrant in due course.

MCH
ag. C.S.
18. 9. 34.

C.S.O. No. 214/32.

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 20.

(136) Minute from Adjutant JIDF 19/9/34
Hon. Director Pub. Wks.
Can you arrange for an
iron grating to be put in door,
please.
mch
as ch.
22.9.34.

Hon. Col. Sec.

This will be done at
once.

C. Roberts.
24-9-34.

Adjutant Lt. Defence Force
To note. Please see my
minutes of 18th inst:
mch
as ch.
26.9.34.

Hon Col Sec.

Notes:- Thank you..

a S.W. will be submitted on 18th Oct.

W. M. Allen Capt.
Adj. F.I.D.F.
27-9-34

Hon. Treas. ~~Adj~~ for Treas.
To note. 27
mch
18-34
27.9.34.

P.A.
28/9/34

Minute from Hon. D.P.W. of 8 October 1934. 137.
Hon. Treasurer of 8/10/34. 138.

yfb.

Submitted for approval.

C.I. for C.S.
9/10/34

Hon. Col. Sec.

Approved.

mch
9. X. 34.

~~Hon. D.P.W.~~

ENC 10/10/34.

Hon. Treasurer

Ad. for Treas. 10/34

Local auditor.

Gordon E. Roberts
for local auditor
10.10.34

To note.

C.I. for U.S.
10/10/34.

P.A.
15/10/34

(139)

Minute from Hon. D.P.W. of 12/10/34.

yfb.

Submitted.

Pass to Capt. Allan

C.I. for C.S.
19/10/34.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Approved.

Captain Allen

Should act accordingly and he will
no doubt consult Hon. Director Pub. Works
regarding assistance re.

mch
19. X. 34.

C.S.O. No. 27/32

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 28

Adjutant, Defence Force.

Will you please act accordingly.

C.I. for CS.
19/10/34

The Hon Col Sec.

Noted - I will arrange with the Director of Public Works

Wm Allen Carr
F.I.D.F.
22/10/34

Hon D.P.W.

to note

C.I. for CS.
23/10/34

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted

C.M.P.
24-10/34

P.A.
26/10/34

(140)

Minutes from Hon. D.P.W. of 26/10/34.

Y/B.

Red. 140 submitted.

A. J. G.
3/10/34.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Arrangement regarding rate of
wages confirmed.

I visited the site with Hon.
George Roberts and found the
work in full swing. It is a big
job and a difficult one owing
to the great depth of soft peat.
We can only do our best to try
and get the site ready in time.
Every encouragement has been
given the men both as regards
wages and the excellent quarters
put up for them - the nature
of the job required this.

MCH

SI. X. 14.

Hon. D.P.W.

To see.

A. J. G.
1/11/34.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted, thank you. Splendid progress
has been made during the last few days.

C. Roberts.

D.P.W.

2-11-34.

YH.
Submitted for information.

C. J. J.
3/11/34

Hon. Col. Sec.
Seen.

mch
3. XI. 34

P.A.
3/11/34

(141.) Minute from Hon. D. R. W. of 19/11/34.

YH.
Submitted with draft letter
to Commodore, "Exeter".

C. J. J.
20/11/34

Hon. Col. Sec.

Thank you, approved.

mch
20. XI. 34.

(142.) Letter to Commodore A. C. Evans, 22/11/34

Y/6
7/16

Letter submitted for signature.

C. J. J.
for S.
23/11/34.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Thank you.

MCH

23. XI. 34.

Hon. D.P.W.

to note.

C. J. J.
for S.
23/11/34

Hon. Col. Sec.

noted.

CM Roberts

D.P.W.

23/11/34.

Minute from Hon. D.P.W. of 14/1/35.

14.3.

P. A.
30/11/34

Y/6

Submitted for approval

C. J. J.
for S.
15/1/35

Hon. Col. Sec.

Certainly - I am glad
to approve this.

MCH

15. I. 35

147. Letter to Commanding Officer, HMS Bighury Bay of 3/8/54.

43/8
BU 17/8

148
ACP
Re ask Capt. O'Fallon Mr. Harrison to xph - y from the
to. morrow (Tuesday).
Q
16/8

149
H.B.S.
Arranged for 9.30 p.m.
all 17/8/54

150 Letter to Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Bighury Bay of 17.8.54.
(Copy filed in 0113 - Field Coast Defences of Stanley).

BU 25/8
6/9

Record

Re suggestion that 12 lb. Field Gun might
be useful for naval targets in UK. - H.M.S. Superb
was approached by H.B.S., but showed no interest

Q
25/2.

C.V.D. 54
Sec 0113

12.
25/2

H.M.S. "Durban"
Bermuda,
23/4/32

Dear Ellis,

Many thanks for your letter of 16th Jan., which reached me about a fortnight ago; also for the completed forms, which I have sent on to the C-in-C's staff.

The Commodore wants me to write to you about various matters in connexion with our next visit to Stanley, probably on Dec. 3rd.

1. Guns' Crews Although we have recommended that a military officer be seconded for writing the Def. Sch., and training the D.F. generally and the guns' crews in particular, it is probable that the g.c. training will have to be done onboard "Durban". In order to get results, therefore we ought to start as soon as possible after arrival. Consequently, the Commodore suggests that you should recruit your g.c. in plenty of time, and that they should all be Stanley men. They would be required to drill 4 days a week during the visit of the ship, two hours each day. The numbers required are- 2 officers and 22 o.r. in the first instance.

2. Transporting of gun Can you arrange that there will be no obstacle to our having the red lighter belonging to the F.I.Co. on arrival (it would be annoying if we found she had been hauled up for annual refit or something)

We shall also want the two spars remaining in the Admy. store. Can you please let me have -- Length and beam of lighter

Rough shape.

Normal draught (empty)

Tons per inch immersion

Rise and fall of tide at Sparrow Cove.

3. Official calls etc. It may be necessary for "Durban" to anchor at Sparrow Cove on arrival, remaining there for a few days. In this event the calls etc wd. have to be postponed till we came up harbour.

The above is of course unofficial. I presume you will get instructions from the Colonial Office about the Defence matters, but it might be a good thing to try and expedite the instructions.

Kindest regards to Mrs. Ellis, I hope you are all enjoying life.

Yours Sincerely
Roland Keeds

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.

AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TELEGRAMS, FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY VIA RADIO



Stanley.

16th August 1932

Sir,

With reference to our recent telephonic conversation, I beg to furnish you herewith with the particulars required in connection with our iron lighters.

2. These are as follows:-

Length:- 65ft. B.P.

Breadth:- 15ft. 2ins.

Normal draft when empty:- 2ft.

Tons per inch immersion:- approx. 1 · 9

3. A rough sketch, approximately to scale, of one of these craft is enclosed.

4. It is noted that H.M.S. "Durban" ^{will} require one of these lighters, together with the 2 spars ex the Admiralty Depot, for use on arrival in December.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to the P.P. Manager.

P.P. Manager

*Receipt acknowledged
with note by Klyth
to Mr. V. 18.8.32.*

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to The Honourable The Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary

STANLEY.

Stanley,

19th August, 1932.

Dear Lulu,

Red 2.

Your letter of the 25rd of April reached me not long since; I wonder when this of mine in reply will reach you and where.

To deal with your various points one by one:

We have heard from the Colonial Office and as you are doubtless aware the Overseas Defence Committee has expressed the view that the training of the gun crews can be carried out by officers of H.M. ships of the South American division during their periodical visits to Stanley. The Committee suggests also that the assistance of R.M. officers might be enlisted in preparing the military chapters of the Local Defence Scheme. These matters must wait, it seems, until your visit to us next December. The numbers of officers and men required will be ready for your arrival and arrangements will be made

for their release for drill as we may decide mutually to be most practical and convenient.

The Falkland Islands Company will have the red lighter ready on your arrival and also the two spars. I enclose particulars of the lighter and also a rough sketch of it.

I note what you say, unofficially, about the possibility of "Durban" anchoring at Sparrow Cove for a few days before coming into harbour. You will let us know definitely, of course, more nearly the time.

I suppose your programme will have been considerably upset by your long stay at Callao - Let us hope that nothing further will turn up to interfere with your visit to Stanley or that, if anything does ^{happen} ~~happen~~, it will mean that you will be with us for the Centenary celebrations in February. Please give our best wishes to the Commadore. We are looking forward to seeing you again.

With kind regards from us both,

Yours sincerely

/s/

PARTICULARS REGARDING IRON LIGHTERS

AT STANLEY.

Length. 65 feet B.P.

Breadth 15 feet 2 inches.

Normal Draught 2 feet.
(empty)

Tons per inch 1.9 approximately.
immersion

Rough sketch, approximately to scale, enclosed.

RISE AND FALL OF TIDE AT SPARROW

COVE.

The rise and fall of tides is very much affected by wind and weather. The difference varies from 7 feet at ordinary spring tides to $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet at ordinary neaps.

---o---o---

DUPLICATE.

23

S. 401. } (Outside.) (Revised—November, 1926.)
O.—2.

NAVAL ARMAMENT AND TORPEDO STORE ACCOUNTS.

VOUCHER FORM—Outside Sheet.

† Date of Reporting 1-9-32

† Requisition for Survey No.

† Invoice No.

Date

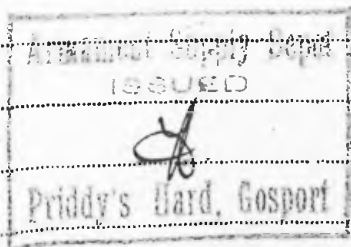
† For use at Depôts only.

Issue Vr. { No. <u>944</u> Date <u>1-9-32</u>	Mode of Conveyance <u>And Sanchez</u>	Receipt { No. Date
	Actual date of Issue <u>9-32</u>	

To be filled in by Receiving Officer.

Issued by The Governor at Port of Call the following articles.
to the following articles
under Authority A. 1935/32 dated 2-6-32 I.O. No. 1441 date 14-6-32

Leger Folio.	Description of Stores.	Stamp or Pattern Number.	Total Quantity.	For use at Depôts only.		
				S.	R.	U.
	<u>(162/1211/32)</u>					
	<u>For Cash</u>					
	<u>Changes plus for low</u>					
	<u>light for P. 6.</u>					
	<u>136. 6" 2x2</u>		<u>1</u>			
	<u>6. 4" 3x2</u>		<u>1</u>			
	<u>Changes listing blow of</u>					
	<u>clutter:</u>					
	<u>Loophers</u>		<u>100</u>			
	<u>Small 1</u>		<u>1</u>			
	<u>(Packed in case <u>TA 1932</u>)</u>					



W. M. Allcock 18/2/32

(Signature and Rank)

(Date.)

F. I. D. F.

DUPLICATE.

89 1401. } (Outside.) (Revised—November, 1926.)
0-2.

NAVAL ARMAMENT AND TORPEDO STORE ACCOUNTS

VOUCHER FORM—Outside Sheet.

† Date of Reporting 1-9-32

† Requisition for Survey No.

† Invoice No.

Date.

† For use at Depôts only.

Issue Vr. {	No. 164	Mode of Conveyance. Ship	Receipt Vr. {	No.
	Date 1-9-32			Date
		Actual date of Issue. 1-9-32	To be filled in by Receiving Officer.	

Issued by The Officer at the following articles.
to the following articles.
under Authority 14.6.1935/32 dated 2-6-32 I.O. No. 14.6.32

Ledger Folio.	Description of Stores.	Stamp or Pattern Number.	Total Quantity.	For use at Depôts only.		
				S.	R.	U.
	In Lark					
	O.P. 14 Kiss Spr 21.					
	Mechanisms		2			
	Pusher plate wedge		1			
	Extruders II		4			
	Hammer firing		1			
	Pins axis stirrups		1			
	" firing I & II		6			
	Plate wedge		1			
	Screws:					
	firing rings guard		6			
	firing rings		1			
	Stop wedge		2			
	jet crank handle		1			
	Springs main II		4			
	" rings seat		2			
	Stirrups hammer firing		1			

Issued 19

Received (Signature and Rank.) 19

Sheets (Date.) 19

Sta. 101/26.
Sta. 126/27.

01. } (Inside.)
2.

NAVAL ORDNANCE STORE ACCOUNTS.

VOUCHER FORM. Inside Sheet.

Sheet No. 2

Ship or Station Falkland Is. Issue Voucher No. 164 Storeholder's No. 1-9: 82
 † For use at Depôts only.

Leger Folio	Description of Stores and Date of Order, etc.	Total Quantity	For use at Depôts only			
			S.	R.	D.	U.
	004. H. Kies Sport.					
	Sty. B. & Spring gun	10				
	Trig. gear	1				
	B. & S. gun parts & implements	1				
	Change main spring	2				
	Imagines	2				
	Long sub cal. Q. & S. Nov.					
	B. & S. VII, XI, XI* & XII guns.					
	Spikes I*	2				
	E. M. & S. 1.					
	Rectangular sub. Decoils	2				
	Spikes leather	2				
	Tools & cutting & measuring					
	preparing & rights n° I III - III*	4				
	Wrenches clamping nut 1/2	2				
	I*.					
	B. & S. VII XI - XI* guns.					
	Plates locking	2				
	Rings distance	2				
	Studs locking plate	2				
	I, I* II, & III.					
	B. & S. VII XI XI* & XII guns.					
	Blocks cutting	2				
	I, I* III I & V.					
	B. & S. VII XI XI* XII, XVI, XVII, XXII, & XXII* guns.					
	Frames adjusting front II	2				

(Inside.) **NAVAL ORDNANCE STORE ACCOUNTS.**

VOUCHER FORM.—Inside Sheet.

Sheet No. 3

Ship or Station Falkland Is.

Issue Voucher No. 1-9. 32

Storeholder's No.

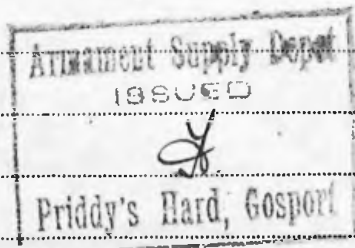
† For use at Depôts only.

Ledger Folio	Description of Stores and Date of Order, etc.	Total Quantity	For use at Depôts only			
			S.	R.	D.	U.
	Phms Carb cal. R.F. 3 prs. I: III I 2x + VI 1. P 36. VII, X, XII, XVI, XXII guns Rings preserving Stimulus apt II Phms Carb cal. R.F. 6 & 3 prs. B M. 7. Clear Handles corking Springs armature (H.P.) O.B.I. Rods brush sponge H. K. 6 & 3 prs Cases wood packing N.B. 193.		2. 2. 2. H In can <u>IVB</u> 5. 1.			

ATTAINMENT Supply Depot

ISSUED

Priddy's Hard, Gosport



Received

F. I. D. F. 18/2/33

(Signature and Rank.)

(Date.)

1

DUPLICATE.

8.-1401. } (Outside.) (Revised—November, 1920.)
0.-2. }

NAVAL ARMAMENT AND TORPEDO STORE ACCOUNTS.

VOUCHER FORM—Outside Sheet.

† Date of Reporting 1. 9. 32

† Requisition for Survey No. 413

† Invoice No.

Date

† For use at Depôts only.

Issue Vr. {	No. 169	Mode of Conveyance.	Receipt Vr. {	No.
	Date 1. 9. 32	Actual date of Issue.		Date.

To be filled in by Receiving Officer.

Issued by J. A. S. Officer at Piddys Head
to The Governor at Port of Spain the following articles,
under Authority H.S. 1935/32 dated 2. 6. 32 I.O. No. 1938. date 12. 6. 32

Ledger Folio.	Description of Stores.	Stamp or Pattern Number.	Total Quantity.	For use at Depôts only.		
				S.	R.	U.
(162/104/32)	Ordnance -					
	Gauges struck					
	Continuity small			1		
	Gauges struck					
	Continuity small					
	Plugs (Box of 100)			1		
	Gauges struck					
	Continuity small			1		
	Ordnance -					
	Bores slide			1		
	bolters actualing					
	indirect Boreslide					
	AT			1		
	Lead actualing					
	slide AT			2		
	Lead R & B.F.					
	AT			2		

Issued..... 193.....

Received..... (Signature and Rank.)..... 193.....

Sheets.....

(Date.).....

Sta. 101/26.

Sta. 126/27.

(Inside.)

NAVAL ORDNANCE STORE ACCOUNTS.

VOUCHER FORM.—Inside Sheet.

For Station AlbatrossIssue Voucher No. 169-4-32Sheet No. 2† Storeholder's No. 2/143

† For use at Depôts only

Ledger Folio	Description of Stores and Date of Order, etc.	Total Quantity	For use at Depôts only			
			S.	R.	D.	U.
	<u>Q.B. 1</u>					
	<u>Handkerchiefs 12-1</u>					
	<u>E.P.M. O.T. 1</u>		2			
	<u>Canvas bag 1</u>					
	<u>Box slide 1</u>		2			
	<u>Box slide 1</u>					
	<u>Slide A-B</u>		4			
	<u>Spinning Gulls</u>					
	<u>Box lock P. 2</u>		2			
	<u>Spinning Main lock</u>					
	<u>E.P. E.P.M. O.T. 1</u>		2			
	<u>Spinning catch retaining</u>					
	<u>B.S. 1</u>		3			
	<u>Spinning catch retaining</u>					
	<u>1 S. tube box slide</u>					
	<u>A-B</u>		1			
	<u>Spinning finger lock</u>					
	<u>E.P. E.P.M. O.T. 1</u>		2			
	<u>Spinning cylindrical</u>					
	<u>lock E.P. E.P.</u>		2			
	<u>Spinning lock E.P.</u>					
	<u>W.T. 1</u>		2			
	<u>Washed lock E.P.</u>					
	<u>E.P.M. O.T. 1</u>		2			
	<u>Washed lock</u>					
	<u>No. 1</u>		1			
	<u>Washed lock</u>		2			
	<u>Drafting wheeling tube</u>		2			

Received

(Signature and Rank.)

(Date.)

1

(Inside.)

NAVAL ORDNANCE STORE ACCOUNTS.

VOUCHER FORM.—Inside Sheet.

Sheet No. 3

or Station

Issue Voucher No.

Storeholder's No.

† For use at Depôts only.

Ledger Folio	Description of Stores and Date of Order, etc.	Total Quantity	For use at Depôts only				
			S.	R.	D.	U.	
012	Explosive like hand						
	for pipe A No 1		1				
	Gauges like						
	Chamber small						
	Bolt		1				
	Pin		1				
	Intermediary		1				
	Tap		1				
	Washer		1				
	Tools with document						
	with function washer		1				
	Wrenches 3 in						
	No. 1		2				
	No. 6		2				
012 6	Dises adjusting obturator		1				
	Obturator 3		2				
	Bonus obturator						
	slip cone		3				
	Yankee Mechanism						
	Obturator 2/10		1				
	Press obturator						
	slip cone modified		2				
	Obturator Press						
	obturator 2/10		2				
012 6	Mechanisms		1				

Received

(Signature and Rank.)

G & S 107 243

(Date.)

1

NAVAL ORDNANCE STORE ACCOUNTS.

VOUCHER FORM.—Inside Sheet.

Sheet No. *1*

Station *Eastland*

Issue Voucher No. *169/9-32*

† Storeholder's No. *143*

† For use at Depôts only.

Ledger Folio	Description of Stores and Date of Order, etc.	Total Quantity	For use at Depôts only			
			S.	R.	D.	U.
	<i>6" V.</i>					
	<i>Sol's hinge</i>					
	<i>Carved</i>					
	<i>Carved</i>					
	<i>Lathe planing</i>					
	<i>13 8 1/2</i>					
	<i>Spindles shot</i>					
	<i>Spindles shot</i>					
	<i>relained 13 m.</i>					
	<i>Lines</i>					
	<i>Lines locking</i>					
	<i>Inde planing</i>					
	<i>cases Hood Packing</i>					
	<i>(iv. 85.86 + 118)</i>					

Armament Supply Depot
ISSUED
[Signature]
Priddy's Hard, Gosport

Received *Wm Allen Hay* 18/2

(Signature and Rank.)

F-1-D-F

(Date)

193

193

G & S 107 243

NAVAL ARMAMENT AND TORPEDO STORE ACCOUNTS.

VOUCHER FORM—Outside Sheet.

† Date of Reporting 1-9-32

† Requisition for Survey No. AB

† Invoice No.

Date

† For use at Depôts only.

Issue Vr. { No. 170 Date 1-9-32	Mode of Conveyance Hand Delivered	† Receipt { Vr. { No. { Date {
	Actual date of Issue. 1-9-32	

† To be filled in by Receiving Officer.

Issued by J. A. S. Officer at J. B. Harris
to the Governor at Falkland Islands the following articles.
under Authority F.S. 1935/32 dated 2-6-32 I.O. No. 1939 date 1-6-32

Ledger Folio.	Description of Stores.	Stamp or Pattern Number.	Total Quantity.	For use at Depôts only.		
				S.	R.	U.
	Did name -		In Full			
	Adapted 85 gauge					
	staked 2000 lbs					
	2 1/2 inch 1/2 ft					
	staked small 3					
	885 1-					
	3 inch 1/2 ft					
	3 1/2 ft 1/2 ft					
	Primer 8 1/2 inch 3 ft 1/2 ft					
	Contractor's hand 11					
	3 ft 1/2 ft 1/2 ft					
	Gauges 1/2 inch					
	Protrusion 1/2 inch					
	(Packed in Case 2/118)					

Armament Supply Depot
ISSUED

Issued

Priddy's Ward, Gosport

Received

Vinal (Signature and Rank)

J. M. Allen, Lt. Col.

193

192

Sheets

Sta. 101/26.

Sta. 126/27.

18/7/33

No.

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

MINUTE.

26 - 10 - 1932.

From C. O. F. I. D. F.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

6 " Guns.
Submitted for approval.

- (i) That two officers & Lt. Allan are to be trained in 6" gun work.
- (ii) That a gun's crew of eleven men be raised from the F. I. D. F. These men to be volunteers.
- (iii) That these men will be granted leave from their employ for training on H.M.S. Durban etc.
- (iv) That the men of the gun's crew will be paid by the Government from XVI. Military, new subhead 11. Upkeep of six inch guns for such hours of training as are agreed on.

J. James Mori.

(31)

C.S.O. No.....

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No.....

The
Officer Commanding
F.I. Defence Force
Port Stanley.

15th October 1932

TRAINING OF PERSONNEL TO MAN 6" GUNS

SIR

1. For practical purposes of instruction I do not consider it feasible that the full complement of 2 Officers and 22 Other Ranks as is suggested should attend the initial course of instruction in Gun Drill, laying, range finding, etc.

2. My reasons are as follows:-

(a) It would cause a lot of inconvenience to employers getting the members off work to attend the class.

(b) And although Gun Crews would actually go through the practical work required to man the guns, I am afraid in the short time at the disposal of the Naval Instructors the crews would not pick up sufficient about the Theory of Big gun Drill to enable instruction to be given during the absence of the Naval Instructors.

3. My suggestion would be:- That say 6 or more intelligent members of the Force who would be voluntarily selected and be considered specialists in whichever branch they may be detailed for;

- (a) Gun Drill
- (b) Gun Laying
- (c) Range Finding, etc.

I would further suggest that not more than 2 members be selected for each branch, Those members would then undergo a course of instruction, and those who qualify would then be considered specialists, or instructors, and train the Recruit Gun Crews at the convenience of the Commanding Officer.

D. M. Allen

Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

4th November 1932.

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Port Stanley.

FORMATION OF AN ARTILLERY SECTION WITHIN THE DEFENCE
FORCE.

Members of the Falkland Islands Defence Force,

1. The Defence Force having taken over the 6" Naval Guns it is now necessary to form an Artillery Section within the Defence Force.
2. With this object in view I have been instructed to raise one Gun Crew from the Force to start training immediately H.M.S. Durban arrives at Port Stanley.
3. The names of Eleven Members are required, they should report to the Adjutant before Wednesday 9th November 1932.
4. Those Members who volunteer will be posted to the Artillery Section of the Defence Force.
5. On the arrival of H.M.S. Durban the eleven members who will form the Gun Crew will be granted leave from their employment to undergo 6" Gun Drill on board the ship.
6. Members of the Guns Crew will be compensated in the actual amount of wages unavoidably lost on account of absence from work for the purpose of undergoing training in 6" Gun Duties.

J. Innes Moss

Major.
Commanding, Falkland Islands Defence Force

Thursday 10th November 1932

To
Officer Commanding
F.I. Defence Force.

Sir
Herewith please, the list of members of the Defence Force who have Volunteered to become members of the Artillery Section and are willing to form part of the Gun Crew which is required.

1	Sergt. S. Summers	No. 3. Platoon
2	Corpl. D. Fleuret	"
3	Pte. D. Lehen	"
	" J. Petterssen	"
	Corpl. W. Browning	"
10	Corpl. M. Evans	No. 2. Platoon
11	" C. Evans	"
4	Pte. H. Dettleff	"
5	" E. Buckley	"
6	" W. Summers	"
	" A. Etheridge	No. 1. Platoon
7	" G. Osborne	"
8	" D. O'Sullivan	No. 2. Platoon
9	" G. Brechin	Ambulance Section.

J. Malla
Lieut & Adjt.
F.I. Defence Force.

No.

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

MINUTE.

14 - XI - 1932.

From

C. O. F. I. S. I.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Red
34.

- I Submitted list of men who have volunteered to become members of Artillery Section.
- II It would appear from the list, taking the names which are numbered, that a gun's crew can be formed within the Government employees, with the exception of no. 9, who has no regular employment.
- III In view of II, I have not approached the F. I. C. Ltd. with a view to arranging for the release from duty of any of their men for training. Those who have volunteered from the F. I. C. can be included in the 2nd gun's crew, & trained locally.

J. James Mow.

B/L 41/18

• Here insert "Naval" (which includes Machinery, Gun Mountings, and all other articles purchased out of Vote 8), "Victualling," "Medical," "Works," "Naval Ordnance," or "Stationery."

BILL OF LADING FOR* NAVAL STORES.



SHIPPED in apparent good order and condition on board the

Mr.

Master, the packages and

• In figures, loose articles undermentioned tonnage*

† In words, (t) **FOUR** tons **FIVE** LT.tons **3. light** feet

in the like good order and condition at the Port of

to **Colonial Secretary, Falkland Islands.****PORT STANLEY.**

subject to the

Regulations for His Majesty's Sea Transport Service or to the Board of Trade Shipping Agents' Regulations, whichever shall be named in the Tender or Engagement for Freight or to the conditions in the Charter Party or Agreement entered into with the Director of Sea Transport or with the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

In Witness whereof the Master of the said Ship hath affirmed to **three** Bills of Lading all of this tenor and date, one of which Bills being accomplished the others to stand void. Payment to be made at **Admiralty**.

For a voyage from any port in Great Britain or Northern Ireland.

This Bill shall have effect subject to the provisions of the Rules relating to Bills of Lading scheduled to and as applied by the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924.

For any voyage other than the above.

This Bill shall have effect subject to the provisions of the Rules relating to Bills of Lading scheduled to the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924, as if that Act applied to the present voyage.

N.B.—Strike out whichever of the two preceding clauses is inapplicable.

Dated at **London** the **29th** day of **September** 19**32**

Marks, numbers or addresses on packages, etc.	Quantity and description of packages (case, cask, etc.), also of articles "not packed."	Description of Stores or Contents of Packages.	
P.17464 72	2	No.	
		Towing Targets (comprising 1 Case 75 Bundles & 1 loose Pieces)	For use of Ships of South American Division of the American & W.I. Squadron & the Falkland Island Defence Force.

Total No. of Packages, etc.

Shipping Officer.

Sta. 62/20

Head
Supdt. Naval Store Officer
Poolemouth Yard

27 **9** **32.**

(27/3/30) (576) Wt. 702083800 34 sets 8/30 S.E.R. Ltd. Gp.

Ma

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From.....Commodore H.M.S. "Durban".....

To.....The Governor.

Despatched: 14th November, 19 32 *Time:*17.07

Received: 15th November, 19 32 *Time:*11.00

Grateful if it could be arranged for all available officers and men of volunteer artillery to attend on board at 9.30 a.m. that day to commence training (21st November)Propose proceeding Sparrow Cove 22nd to 25th November for work on gun.

(Extract of telegram filed in M.P. 242/32

No.

MINUTE.

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

16 - XI - 1932.

From O. C. F. J. D. F.

To

Hon. D. D. W.
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Please, may the under-listed men, who have volunteered for service in the Artillery section be released for training on H.M.S. Gurlan on 21st at 9 A.M. in the sense of Mr Ellis' minute of 26.10.32 & 15.11.32. Red 17, 6, 5 etc.

S. Summers,
D. Fleet.
D. Lehen.
M. Evans.
C. Evans.
H. Dettleff.
E. Buckley.
W. Summer.
~~q. D. S. S.~~
D. O'Sullivan.

J. Innes Moir.

P.S. There would be paid by the military Dept. during the time of their training say. 2 hrs. per diem.

J.E.M.

40

H.M.S. "Durban",

at Sparrow Cove,

24th November, 1932.

Sir,

I should be grateful to receive as early as practicable the views of the Falklands Islands Government on the following points arising from the first paragraph of the enclosed communication from the Falkland Islands Company:-

- (a) What is considered a reasonable charge for the use of the lighter.
- (b) Is payment for this (and for hire of the "Kelp" is found to be necessary) considered the liability of the Falkland Islands Government, or if not, of whom?

2. As regard the second paragraph, my opinion is that the Admiralty (or Imperial Government) must assume responsibility for damage occurring to the lighter on taking her over at Sparrow Cove, and to other property at any time that it is called into use during the operation of moving the gun. But the Falkland Islands Government should be responsible during towage of the lighter to Sparrow Cove by "Penguin" or the FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY if it is decided to tow her there with "Kelp".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Mansel
Commodore

*The Honourable
the Colonial Secretary.
Port Stanley.*

COPY

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY LIMITED.

Stanley.

22nd November, 1932.

Commodore R.H.O. Lane-Poole, O.B.E.
Commanding Officer,
H.M.S. "Durban".

Dear Sir,

In the absence of specific instructions from our Colonial Manager or our Head Office, I beg to advise you that the loan of one of our iron lighters to you for the purpose of removing the gun at Sparrow Cove is subject to such terms as may have been arranged between our Head Office and the Admiralty, or as may be arranged later between yourself and Mr Young on his return to the Colony.

In the meantime I assume that you undertake responsibility for any damage which might occur to the lighter, the same undertaking applying to our jetty at Sparrow Cove or any other of our property which may be called into use during the operation.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) T. J. Creamer
Manager.

217/32.

25th November,

32.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 24th of November, 1932, I am directed to inform you that

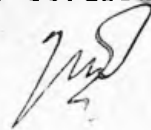
- (a) up to £5 a day is considered to be a reasonable charge for the use of the iron lighter belonging to the Falkland Islands Company;
- and (b) payment of this charge or for any hire of "Kelp" cannot be considered a liability on this Government and would appear to be a liability on the Admiralty.

2. I am to add that it is understood that it has been now decided to tow the lighter with "Penguin" and that in the circumstances it seems simpler to place "Penguin" at your disposal for the service, responsibility for the lighter resting throughout with you.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

Commodore R.H.O. Lane-Poole, O.B.E.,
H.M.S. "Durban"
at Stanley.

42

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
--------	------------------	-------	--------------	------

Durban	Note.			
--------	-------	--	--	--

To

Colonial Secretary Stanley.

Rate book value of patt 6 targets recently sent from Stanley
to Montevideo £110 each patt 7 targets coming to Falklands in
Dauntless values £22-6s-8d each

Durban.

Time

(43)

H.M.S. "Durban",
at Stanley.

5th December, 1932.

Sir,

I understand that in consequence of our agreed decision that the Colonial Magazine is unsuitable for storage of six inch outfit cordite, the Governor is considering plans and estimates for the construction of a magazine on Sapper Hill.

I should be glad to be furnished in due course with a copy of His Excellency's proposals to the Secretary of State on this subject.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



Commodore.

The Colonial Secretary,
Port Stanley.

No.

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

From To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.



MINUTE.

14th December. 19 32.

To From

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Hon; Colonial Secretary,

Submitted, the attached statement of expenditure in connection with the removal of the 6" gun.

I submit that an Advance Warrant be raised for £8. 16s. 0d, being the actual cost of the timber used, which sum will be recoverable either from the Admiralty or the Paymaster of H. M. S. "Durban" when she visits the port in January next, also a Special Warrant under Head XVI. Military, for £37. 5s. 11d. being the cost of lorry stores and labour. To cover this an equivalent saving will be effected on Public Works votes.

J. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.

481

Statement of expenditure in connection with removal of
6" gun from Mount Low to Sappers Hill.

44 No, 4" x 9" Posts, @ 4/- ea.	8.	16.	0
---------------------------------	----	-----	---

Lorry stores on haulage from
Dockyard to Sappers Hill.

40 galls Petrol, @ 2/1 gall.	4.	3.	4
2 galls Eng Oil, @ 5/6 gall.	11.	0	
4 lbs Cotton Waste, @ 3d lb.	<u>1.</u>	<u>0</u>	4. 15. 4

Labour. (U.S.a/c)

Hauling gun from Dockyard
to Sappers Hill.

w.e. 30th November. 1932.	2.	14.	4	
w.e. 7th December. ::	25.	10.	6	
w.e. 14th December. ::	<u>4.</u>	<u>5.</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>32. 10. 7</u>
				<u>£ 46. 1. 11</u>

POSTS. 37 No, Posts were broken during removal of gun.
7 No. Posts form temporary gun bed at Sappers Hill.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From H.M.S. "Durban"

To Colonial Secretary.

Despatched :

19

Time :

Received :

10th December,

19 32. *Time :* 10.30

Request information whether any naval pattern seven targets
have arrived at Port Stanley in Losada or LaFonia.

Durban.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				10/12/32.

To

"Durban"

Certain pieces and packages twenty in number were received by Losada fullstop They have not yet been checked but from marks and from covering bill of lading it may be taken that they are two naval pattern seven targets fullstop Will confirm later

Secretary.

'Phoned to W/T Station. 13.00 on. 10/12/32.

Time

VOUCHER FORM—Outside Sheet.

† Requisition for Survey No.

Date _____

† For use at Depôts only.

Issued by San Antonio Supply Office at L. H. A.
to The Governor, Cookland Islands the following articles

under Authority _____ dated _____ I.O. No. _____ date _____

Issued..... 19.....

Received 10th January 19.....

Sheets.....

Sta. 101/26.

Sta. 126/27.

50
DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From COMMODORE H.M.S. "DURBAN"

To GOVERNOR. FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Despatched : 27th December, 19 32. *Time :* 11.00

Received : 28th December, 19 32. *Time :* 11.00

Owing to alterations in ships' programme "Durban" will not now visit Port Stanley on 25th January nor "Dauntless" on 8th February instead "Durban" will arrive 10th and sail 19th February suggest exercises should commence between midnight 9th and midnight 10th other arrangements remaining unchanged if desired my Gunnery Officer could proceed Port Stanley in "Lafonia" understood to be leaving Montevideo about 22nd January to drill crews and umpire exercises but cost of his passage cannot be paid by Admiralty.

Commodore "Durban"

217/52.

23rd January,

33.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 5th of December, 1952, I am directed by the Governor to state that His Excellency considers it preferable to await the final decision as to the siting of the second 6" gun before proceeding further in the matter of the construction of a magazine at Sapper Hill in view of the modifications in the plan proposed which will become necessary if it is finally decided to site this gun at the Canopus Hut position.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

ore R.H.O. Lane-Poole, O.B.E.,
M.S. "Durban"
at Stanley.

To Commodore's Secretary.
From Lieut. Commander Steenson.

The Hon. C.S. Draft
Submitted for your approval please.

ARRANGEMENTS AT PORT STANLEY.

Turning over 6" GUN To Falkland Islands Government.

With reference to C.S.A's Letter No. 0166/510 of 9th December, 1932 the following provisional arrangements are made or are requested.

Gunnery Requirements on arrival of H.M.S. "Durban"

Land C.H. O.A. 2 O.A. and Q.O's with gear and tools for preparation of Sapper Mill gun for mating the obturator.

Operations necessary.

1. Preparation tests and adjustments.
2. Final Sponging out.
3. Visual examination of gun by G.O.
4. Prepare for crusher guage test.

Gear Required

1. Oil, Glycerine and water and large split pins.
2. Fitted obturator (in exchange)
2. Plasaba, staves and sponge rammer (temporary loan if necessary)
3. Form S.1404.
4. Crusher guage, Tinfoil double quantity, Practice Shots - one. Percussion tubes (small)

Gunnery requirements subsequently.

Measurement of wear of gun.

Equivalent range scales 6" M.K.VII F.O. 25 lbs M.D. and 3 pdr. S.C. 6" Range Table 40 W.O. 8458.

Supply - 32 rounds 5 pdr. S.C. (sale)
Covers for guns (sale)
Two bolts for Mtg. (Supply)
Shell Stores (ex "Dauntless" supply)
? Supply of Glycerine (sale)

NOTES ON STORES TO LAND AND TRANSPORT.

All communications referring to Gun mounting and ordnance stores should be addressed to Major the Honourable (F.I.D.F.) and all supplies made to him.

All stores will be received and signed for by Lt. Allan F.I.D.F. and all applications for information or transport will be dealt with by him.

TRANSPORT TO DOCKYARD.

"Penguin" and a small barge capable of carrying stores up to 3 or 4 tons will be available as required for this purpose free of charge. The barge will carry not more than 40 shell.

LANDING STORES.

Working Party required (12 + 1) Small 5 ton derrick is available at the pier and railway trolley to the Works Department Store.

STOWAGE.

Ship has undertaken to dump stores in Dockyard except range-finder and shell. Shell will be stowed in magazine on Sapper Mill, Range-finder placed on prepared base near gun. W.P. of 6 required.

Only 1 Sapper

TRANSPORT FOR SHELL AND RANGEFINDER.

2. Lorries will be available when required for these purposes. Each lorry will carry 20 shell and will make a complete round trip in about 60 minutes W.P. of 6 per lorry required.

Total W.P.

Sea Transport and Landing.....12 plus 1
Land Transport and Lorries ...12 plus 2
Stowage Sapper Hill..... 6 plus 1

REMARKS.

1. O.C. F.I.D.F. does not require the Patt VII Target to be assembled. They are in P.W.D. and should be sighted and turned over to F.I.D.F.
2. Range Finder will be placed on a temporary base pending the construction of the control hut in which the rangefinder base will be placed.
3. Gun mounting and Ordnance stores will be stowed in the P.W.D. Store, loader to Drill Hall. F.I.D.F. responsible
4. Bad weather may make use of small barge - 24 feet by 9 feet beam impracticable. No larger craft are available. F.I.C. will land the stores at 15s/- per ton if required.

DISTRIBUTION.

Copies to : Colonial Secretary. -
O.C., F.I.D.F.
Lt. Allan Adjutant F.I.D.F.
Secretary to C.S.A.
Commander
Lieutenant Commander J.F. Steenson -)

} In accordance with
your instructions to me.
For information.

J.F. Steenson
Lt. Col. R.N.



Training of gun crews 6 " guns.

Submitted ① The gun crews will train four afternoons a week from 2 p.m. The crews will be liberated from their normal employment & paid from Military XVI Sub-head 10.

Urgent. ② Lt. Cmdr. Steenson requires the following men for the afternoon of 27/1/33.

D. Fleuret

Eric Briggs.

G. Brechin.

may these be liberated from their employment apart from Military XVI Subhead 10.

③ Hon. A.P.W. has not been approached by me as regards the liberation of the three men for 27/1/33, ~~refer~~

④ Submitted for confirmation, approval, please

J. James Moir.

53

H.M.S. "Durban",
at Port Stanley.

18th February, 1933.

Sir,

I have the honour to report as follows regarding progress made in the training of the Artillery Section of the Falkland Islands Defence Force during my visit to Port Stanley from 26th January until 9th February, 1933 inclusive.

2. During this period the officers and men of the Artillery Section were instructed in and carried out drill at the Sapper Hill gun on six days as arranged by Officer Commanding Falkland Islands Defence Force.

The officers received additional instruction in fire control against targets at sea, and also against land targets using the necessary gridded charts, indirect fire diagrams for full and half charges, wind deflection calculators (which were constructed in the Colony) and all appliances required for direct and indirect fire (with inclinometer) upon all areas.

Distant aiming marks in certain cases and a number of temporary near aiming marks for indirect fire were erected by the officers of the section while under instruction in their placing and use.

3. The section is insufficiently supplied with books of reference and text books on the subjects of the storage and maintenance ashore of ammunition and explosives and control, organisation and operation of land artillery and fixed defences etc., and it is suggested that application should be made by the Colonial Government to the War Office for suitable publications.

As a temporary measure the officers of the section have been supplied with typewritten instructions in "spotting rules" against land and sea targets, notes on bombardment and observation, and extracts from the Naval Magazine and Explosives Regulations where applicable.

4. The Artillery Section is capable of continuing the drill in all subjects unassisted, and of carrying out a land bombardment upon all areas in which shell bursts may be observed from the temporary control position. Distant observation positions for future establishment have been noted by the officers concerned.

The officers of the section are not yet capable of controlling with instruments a firing practice against a moving target at sea, without further drill with the instruments and instruction in the manner of control.

The necessary instruments were not available before "Durban's" arrival and no opportunity was found to carry out a proposed sub-calibre firing practice during the week of the Centenary celebrations in which the numerous activities of the personnel of the Artillery Section made training arrangements impracticable.

5. On the night of 9th-10th February, the Artillery Section carried out its functions in the tactical exercise with "Durban" correctly, smartly and with enthusiasm.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

J. A. Steenson.
Lieutenant Commander.

The Commodore,
South America.

54

H.M.S. "DURBAN"

at Port Stanley,

17th February, 1933 .

No. 1432/310.

Sir,

I beg to forward for your information my gunnery officer's report on the training carried out by him before H.M.S. "Durban's" arrival, and the state of efficiency which the Artillery Section of the Falkland Islands Defence Force has now attained.

It is considered that the section will be capable of carrying out a sub-calibre firing during the next visit of one of H.M. Ships, and a full calibre firing after a fortnight's further instruction.

It is not however anticipated that the section as at present constituted and trained will ever be capable of carrying out full calibre practices with full benefit without the assistance of a specialist officer for recording and analysing them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,



Commodore

His Excellency the Governor of the Falkland Islands.

Port Stanley.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

2nd March, 1933.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 217/32.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter No. 1432/310 of the 17th of February, 1933, forwarding for my information a copy of your gunnery officer's report on the training and state of efficiency of the artillery section of the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

2. I note your observations in regard to the capability of the section for the firing of full calibre and sub-calibre practices.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

Commodore R. H. O. Lane-Poole, O.B.E., R.N.,
America & West Indies Station,
BERMUDA.

-9th March 1933

From
The Adjutant
F.I. Defence Force

To
The Hon.
Colonial Secretary
S T A N L E Y.

SUBJECT:- DAMAGE IN TRANSIT OF 6" GUN FURNITURE WHICH
ARRIVED PER H.M.S. DURBAN.

Sir,

I beg to report that whilst unpacking one of the cases of Gun Furniture which arrived per H.M.S. DURBAN I found that the RANGE CLOCK and DUMARESQ instruments had got badly damaged.

2. Mechanically, neither of the instruments are damaged, except that the Handle which operates the Opening and Closing Rate instrument has got wrenched off, also the Handle which operates the Range on the Clock has got badly bent inwards.

3. The box which contains the DUMARESQ instrument and fixing screws has got badly staved in, and would require a new end with hinges.

4. The damage could be repaired locally.

I am,
Sir, yours obediently,

A. M. Allan Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

*Spoke Re Adjutant - repairs to be
Effectual locally as < damage against*

Steel XVI 'Military' - 10. "Up. of 6" gun."

2.

11. 3. 33.

25 January, 3

Sir,

Memoranda of Inspection for Guns.

I have to forward herewith, at the request of the Commodore Commanding, South African Division, duplicate Memoranda of Inspection for the undermentioned guns allowed for defence of Falkland Islands, viz:-

B.L. 6" Mark VII Reg.No. 1641 and 1805.
Q.F. 12 pr 8 cwt Reg.No. 1227.
Q.F. 3 pr. Hotchkiss, Reg. No. 2721.

The original Memoranda are not available.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. A. MITCHELL

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF
ARMAMENT SUPPLY.

The Governor,
Government House,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.



217/32

A.S. 89/33.

It is requested that in any further communication on this subject the "A.S." number and date hereof may be quoted, and the letter addressed as follows:—

"The Chief Superintendent
of Armament Supply,
Admiralty,
London, S.W.1."

Telegraphic Address:
"Mentarma, London."

Admiralty,

London, S.W.1.

25th January, 1933.

Sir,

Memoranda of Inspection for Guns.

I have to forward herewith, at the request of the Commodore Commanding, South African Division, duplicate Memoranda of Inspection for the undermentioned guns allowed for defence of Falkland Islands, viz:—

B.L. 6" Mark VII Reg. Nos. 1641 and 1805.
Q.F. 12 pr 8 cwt Reg. No. 1227.
Q.F. 3 pr. Hotchkiss, Reg. No. 2721.

The original Memoranda are not available.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. A. Mitchell

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF
ARMAMENT SUPPLY.

The Governor,
Government House,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

A.S. 89/33. (9)



It is requested that in any further communication on this subject the "A.S." number and date hereof may be quoted, and the letter addressed as follows:—

"The Chief Superintendent
of Armament Supply,
Admiralty,
London, S.W.1."

Telegraphic Address:
"Mentarna, London."

Admiralty,

London, S.W.1.

26th January, 1933.

Sir,

Memoranda of Inspection for Guns.

With reference to letter dated 25th January, 1933, No.A.S.89/33 forwarding duplicate Memoranda of Inspection for certain guns allowed for defence of Falkland Islands, I have to request that the word "African" in the second line of the letter referred to may be amended to read "American".

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. A. Mitchell

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF
ARMAMENT SUPPLY.

The Governor,
Government House,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

AML.

26 January,

3

Sir,

Memoranda of Inspection for Guns.

With reference to letter dated 25th January, 1933, No.A.S.89/33 forwarding duplicate Memoranda of Inspection for certain guns allowed for defence of Falkland Islands, I have to request that the word "African" in the second line of the letter referred to may be amended to read "American".

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. A. MITCHELL.

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF
ARMAMENT SUPPLY.

The Governor,
Government House,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

AML.

27/32 *hr white*

(91)

MINUTE.

24th March 1933

To

From The Adjutant

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Falkland Islands Defence Force

S T A N L E Y

Upkeep of 6" Guns

Sir,
I beg to report that the 6" Gun on "Sappers" hill was placed in a state of preservation on Friday 24th March 1933.

2. The Breech Mechanism and Sight Brackets were striped down, oiled and put away in the gun shed.

3. The Bore of the gun was thoroughly cleaned out and oiled. The Breech and muzzle were then sealed up.

I am,
Sir.
yours obediently

A.M. Allen

Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

217/32.

29th March,

33.

Sir,

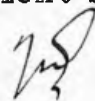
I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters No. A.S. 39/33 of the 25th and 26th of January, 1933, and of the enclosed duplicate memoranda of inspection for the undermentioned guns :-

B.L. 6" Mark VII Reg. Nos. 1641 and 1805.
Q.F. 12 pr. 8 cwt Reg. No. 1227.
Q.F. 3 pr. Hotchkiss, Reg. No. 2721.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

The Chief Superintendent of
Armament Supply,
Admiralty,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

96.
GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

12th April, 1933.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 58.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that on the occasion of the recent visit to Stanley of H.M.S. "Durban" for the Centenary celebrations one six-inch gun mounted in position at Sapper Hill was formally handed over to this Government as at the 12th of February, 1933. The second six-inch gun, originally sited at Mount Low, has been transported to Sapper Hill but is as yet unmounted.

2. In this connection I enclose a copy of a letter from the Commodore, South America, dated the 18th of February, 1933, giving fuller details of the work performed.

3. I would request, as suggested by the Commodore in paragraph 8 of his letter, that the War Office be asked officially to supply free three field telephones with two cells each for use with the six-inch guns.

4. I would request at the same time, also on the suggestion of the Commodore, that the War Office may be asked similarly to supply six copies each of books of reference and text books on the storage and maintenance ashore of ammunition and explosives and on control organisation and operation of land artillery and fixed defences, etc., etc.

5. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Commodore's letter/

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
G.B.E., P.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

letter it would be a convenience if the Admiralty would
issue this Government with one naval or ordnance rate
book.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

94

ENCLOSURE IN FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 58
of the 12th APRIL, 1933.

H.M.S. "Durban",

at Port Stanley.

18th February, 1933.

No. 1421/310.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter of 9th December, 1932, I have the honour to report that the following further work on the fixed defences has been carried out during "Durban's" presence at Port Stanley for Centenary Week.

X 2. Six inch gun No.1805 on P.III mounting was delivered to the Falkland Islands Government on the occasion of the Centenary Review on 12th February, 1933, the gun having fired a shotted round with full charge (adjusted to 24 lbs 12 oz - Cordite M.C. size 19 in accordance with Admiralty instructions) to mate the obturator.

The gun and mounting functioned correctly and are serviceable.

3. The memorandum of examination of this gun has not yet been received in Stanley, but copies of my report to Ordnance Depot, Woolwich on Form S.1404 of a visual examination carried out before the firing, and of the round fired, are attached for information of the Officer Commanding Defence Force.

X 4. Six inch B.L. gun No.1805 and mounting P.III, mounted, with spares complete, and a quantity of ordnance and gunmounting stores shipped from England by "Dauntless" and "Durban" have been transferred to the charge of the Officer Commanding Falkland Islands Defence Force who has given receipts for them on behalf of the Falkland Islands Government.

5. All the items mentioned in paragraphs 12 and 13 of my letter of 9th December have now been completed by "Durban" and the Defence Force with the exception of the sub-calibre firing, the repair of gun platform and the provision of a cordite magazine.

6. The Colonial Government has reconditioned a shell store on Sapper Hill, splinter proof, with wooden frames, concrete floor and drainage, which can be made shell proof on all sides by the addition of breastworks. Three hundred rounds six inch A.P. shell are now stowed therein.

7. The Admiralty have approved of practice ammunition and ordnance stores being supplied to the Falkland Islands Defence Force at current rate book prices, and other naval stores at rate book prices plus 15 per cent, all transactions being reported for financial adjustment in London.

8. The War Office will supply free, three field telephones with two cells each provided that they receive official application for them from the Falkland Islands Government.

9. It is recommended that the following steps be taken at an early date as precautions against fire and the approach of unauthorised persons to the Shell Store.

- (a) Enclose the shell store and gun position with an unclimbable fence with locked gate.
- (b) Erect a conspicuous notice bearing warning of danger and the need for precautions against damage and fire.
- (c) Fit an outer covering of iron plating to the door of the shell store.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Excellency's
obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) R. H. O. Lane-Poole.

Commodore.

His Excellency the Governor
of the Falkland Islands,
PORT STANLEY.



FALKLAND ISLANDS

Downing Street,

September, 1933

No. 87

Sir,

Red 96.

With reference to Sir James O'Grady's despatch No. 58 of the 12th April, I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a letter from the Admiralty enclosing a statement of expenses amounting to £36.7.10 in respect of the cost of certain supplies for the six-inch naval gun on Sapper Hill.

Fr. Admiralty
30.8.33

In orig. for return.

2. I shall be glad to learn whether this sum may be paid from Falkland Islands funds.

3. The enclosures to the letter from the Admiralty should be returned with your reply.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

humble servant,

W. C. CUNLIFFE-LISTER

THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

COPY

No.1D.N.A.

L.C. 537/33

Admiralty, S.W.1.

30th June, 1933.

Sir,

The expenses specified in the attached statement having been incurred by the Naval Department for the services stated, the cost of which, under the circumstances explained, appears chargeable to the Votes of your Department, I have to request that you will be good enough to cause repayment of the sum in question to be made to the credit of Naval Services.

The necessary Receivable Order is attached for transmission to H.M. Paymaster-General with your authority for the transfer of the sum claimed.

£36.7.10

I am etc.,

(Sgd) R.G. PEIRCE,

for Director of Navy Accounts.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE, S.W.1.

216/32.

99

P.H. 162/2957/33.

Royal Naval Armament Depot,

Priddy's Hard,

GOSPORT.

9th September, 1933.



Sir,

Issue of Naval Armament Stores.

I beg to enquire whether vouchers Nos. 169, 170 and 164 dated 1.9.32, for stores issued from this Department, sent to His Excellency the Governor for signature on 5.9.32, can now be signed and returned. The stores were conveyed by H.M.S. "DAUNTLESS".

Copies of the Vouchers are attached in case the originals have been lost or mislaid.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient Servant,

GS/NH.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "J. B. ...", written over the typed name of the Senior Armament Supply Officer.

SENIOR ARMAMENT SUPPLY OFFICER,

The Colonial Secretary,
Falkland Islands,
SOUTH AMERICA.

217/32.

20th October, 33.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, P.R. 162/2957/33 of the 9th of September, 1933, and to return herewith duly signed the originals of vouchers Nos. 169, 170 and 164, in connection with stores conveyed to this Colony by H.M.S. "Durban".

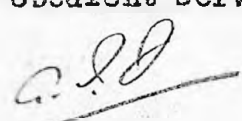
2. I am to explain that the matter of the return of the vouchers had been overlooked and to express regret for any inconvenience which may have been caused by the delay.

3. I take this opportunity of enclosing also vouchers Nos. 91 and 94 of the 1st September, 1932.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,


for Colonial Secretary.

The Senior Armament Supply Officer,
Royal Naval Armament Depot,
Priddy's Hard,
GOSPORT.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

21st October, 1933.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 146.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 87 of the 1st of September, 1933, transmitting a statement of expenses amounting to £36. 7. 10 in respect of the cost of certain supplies for the six-inch naval gun on Sapper Hill, and to inform you that the sum in question may be paid to the Admiralty from Falkland Islands funds.

2. The enclosures to the letter from the Admiralty which accompanied your despatch are returned herewith as requested.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

M. CRAIGIE-HALKETT.

RIGHT HONOURABLE
R PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
C.B.E., P.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES

No.

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

MINUTE.

30th October, 1933

~~From~~ To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

~~From~~ From Director of Public Works,

Stanley.

Submitted for approval and confirmation please.

His Excellency the Acting Governor presided over a meeting held at Government House on Saturday the 21st October, 1933 at which were present the Captain, Commander and Gunnery Officer of H.M.S. "Dauntless" and myself. The Captain reported that he had received instructions from the Admiralty to remove one 6" gun and fittings from Sapper Hill to the site of Canopus Hut, and asked what assistance this Government was prepared to give. His Excellency said that in accordance with a despatch signed by Sir James O'Grady, K.C.M.G., dated 18th January, 1935, the Government would supply up to 50 men without charge, and mechanical transport at actual cost. I was directed to arrange and proceed accordingly.

2. The time which will be taken to remove the gun is unknown, but I estimate the cost of Government assistance for labour at about £185, and the mechanical transport at £20.

3. I submit that the labour be charged to Head XVI. Military (10) Upkeep of 6" guns. A special warrant will be required as the balance available will be insufficient to meet this. An equivalent saving will be effected under Public Works Extraordinary to cover any excess.

I would also submit that an Advance warrant in the sum £20 be taken out against the Admiralty, to cover the cost of mechanical transport.

4. It was also understood at the meeting that the guns' crews would receive training whilst the ship was in port. As most of these men are employed by the Public Works Department authority is sought to pay them for any working hours lost from Head XVI. Military (10) Upkeep of 6" guns.

G. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.

MINUTE.

4th November 19 33

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From The Adjutant
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Port Stanley

SUBJECT: FOR
PROVISION OF ACCOMMODATION THE COMPONENT PARTS
SPARES, SUB- CALIBRE GUNS AND RANGE FINDER OF THE
TWO 6" NAVAL GUNS.

Sir,
When I was informed and saw the vouchers of the large number of component parts etc belonging to the two 6" Guns which was to arrive by H.M.S. Dauntless in February I at once discussed the question of accommodation with the Commanding Officer Major. J. Innes Moir.

I suggested that the only place I considered available for such a large quantity of spares would be the Drill Shed in which the 12 pounder Field Gun and the 3 pounder Gun is stored in. A part could have been divided off in the shed, the cases unpacked and the gear & laid out.

The Commanding Officer agreed and put the matter forward. The gear arrived by H.M.S. Durban in February having been transshipped from H.M.S. Dauntless. On the day the gear was landed I was instructed to attend at the Government Dockyard to take delivery of the Stores which were to be stored by the Public Works Department in the bottom flat of the Public Works Store.

I checked the boxes and cases which were correct according to the number vouchered, but I was unable to trace the numbers on the boxes or cases as the numbers and marks were obliterated on the large cases, they having been painted over.

The small cases which contained Gun Furniture i.e. instruments, the Clock etc, I had a look inside of although I had no instruction to unpack anything. Everything seemed in very good order except the Range Clock and the Dumaresq which had been slightly damaged. This has been repaired locally. The large cases which contain the Sub-calibre guns, Range Finder and heavy spares were not opened since the day they came ashore in February.

I received instruction from Lieut Dickinson the Gunnery Officer to unpack the Sub-calibre guns and Range Finder as he was to take them up to the Gun position on Sappers Hill. With the assistance of two men from the Public Works Department I unpacked all the heavy cases on Wednesday 1st November and found everything correct with the exception of the Range Finder.

The case which is 15' X 1' 6" X 18" contained the range finder and the box of spare parts well packed in wood straw. The spare parts were all correct but the P-

Range Finder which was encased in a cotton bag was very wet. The packing was sodden. Lieut Dickinson was present when it was lifted from the case. The case and Range Finder was taken to Sappers Hill, but it was found to be in such a bad condition that it was immediately returned and laid on blocks in the Drill Hall.

I am unable to account for it being in so wet a condition as every one of the other cases and contents are dry.

The Gunnery Officer considers it essential that proper accommodation should be found immediately so that the spares and component parts also the Sub-calibre should be unpacked and laid out.

A shed similar to the one constructed for the Vickers Machine Guns and spares could if necessary be erected on the West Side of the Drill Hall, the shed could also take the Practice Loaden.

I am,
Sir,
yours obediently

W. A. L. L. Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

106
H.M.S. "DAUNTLESS",
at Port Stanley.

7th November, 1933.

Your Excellency,

I regret to report that the 15 foot FQ2 rangefinder, which was taken on charge from H.M.S. "DURBAN" by the Falkland Island Government in February this year, has been found unserviceable.

2. This instrument had been left in its original maker's packing in a store in the Government Dockyard until it was unpacked in the presence of my Gunnery Officer. The damage was caused by ingress of water.

3. I have informed the Commodore, South American Division, of this fact and have suggested to him that another rangefinder should be sent out to the Falkland Islands in H.M.S. "EXETER" and that I should take the unserviceable one to a Naval Dockyard for return to the makers.

4. My Gunnery Officer also reports to me that all the 6" spare gear which is still in its original packing in the dockyard store should be unpacked and stowed so that it can be looked after and kept in a proper state of preservation.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency,

Your obedient servant,

C. Alexander

C A P T A I N.

His Excellency the Acting Governor,
Port Stanley.

107

H.M.S. "DAUNTLESS",

at Port Stanley.

11th November, 1933.

No.45.

Your Excellency,

I have received confirmation from the Admiralty with reference to the prices of the practice ammunition which I have brought out for use of the Falkland Island Government. The prices to be charged are as follows:-

6" practice projectiles.	£	s.	d.	
	1	10	0.	each.
3pdr sub calibre fixed ammunition.	-14	10.		each.
Clips for sub calibre fixed ammunition.	1	4	11.	per 100.
Sub calibre ammunition boxes.	2	6	5.	each.
(each box holds 16 rounds).				

2. I have on board 50 6" practice projectiles and 60 3 pdr sub calibre rounds together with the necessary clips and boxes. The total cost at the above rate would be £129 : 10s. : 8d. I should be glad if you would give me authority to land this ammunition and make the necessary arrangements for its stowage.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency,

Your obedient servant,

C. O. Alexander

C A P T A I N.

His Excellency the Acting Governor.
Port Stanley.

21/7/32

with ● R/L

110

MINUTE.

6th November 19 33

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From The Adjutant
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Port Stanley, Falkland Islands

DRILL FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE "ARTILLERY" SECTION

I arranged to-day for drill to be carried out by the Artillery Section on the return of H.M.S. Dauntless. The Gunnery Officer, Lieut. H.G. Dickinson is to draw up a program to cover seven afternoons' instruction, commencing on 28th Nov, '3

H.M. Allen Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

MINUTE.

15th November 1933

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

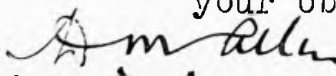
From The Adjutant

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Port Stanley

SUBJECT : DRILL FOR THE "ARTILLERY" SECTION OF THE
FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

Sir,
I submit for approval draft letters which I have
prepared in connection with the forth coming training of
the "Artillery" Section.

I am,
Sir,
your obedient servant
 Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

15th November 1933

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Port Stanley
Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT : DRILL FOR THE "ARTILLERY" SECTION OF
THE FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary Sir,

On the return of H.M.S. Dauntless to Port Stanley on Monday 27th November 1933, a series of drills, probably seven in number will be carried out by the Artillery Section.

2. The Gunnery Officer, Lieut Commr, H.G., Dickinson, R.N. of H.M.S. Dauntless is to draw up a programme of training which he will submit to me on his return. His Excellency the Acting Governor has approved of the drills.

3. The drills will be carried out either on board the ship or at Sappers Hill, and will combine Control, Range finding duties, gun drill and Sub calibre firing with the gun on Sappers Hill.

4. The first parade which will be on board H.M.S. Dauntless, will be held on Tuesday 28th November

5. All drills will take place during the afternoon and the time for assembly will be :

2.p.m., On board ship, or at Sappers Hill.

6. Dress for Section during training unless otherwise ordered will be:

Officers: Slacks, with Sword-belt.
The Section : Drill Order, waistbelt without Bayonet.

7. Signal: When a parade has been arranged and the weather is considered suitable for the parade, a Red and White Streamer will be hoisted on the Flagstaff at the Drill Hall at 12.Noon. If no Flag is hoisted the parade is off.

8. For the first parade on Tuesday 28th November meet at the Government Jetty at 1-30.p.m.

I am,
your obedient servant

Copy to Capt.D.R.Watson
" 2/Lieut.A.I.Fleuret
" The Hon, Colonial Secretary.
" The Gunnery Officer,
H.M.S. Dauntless

J.M. Allen Lieut & Adjutant
F.I. Defence Force.

15th November 1933

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Port Stanley
Falkland Islands.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary

SUBJECT: DRILL FOR THE "ARTILLERY" SECTION OF
THE FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

Sir,

On the return of H.M.S. Dauntless to Port Stanley on 27th November, a number of drills will be carried out on board ship, or at Sappers Hill. Permission has been obtained from the Department concerned for your release from work to attend the drills.

2. Drills will be carried out during the afternoon. The time to parade and where the drill is to be held will be notified to you in due course.

3. Dress for parade: Drill Order, waistbelt without the bayonet.

4. The first parade will be aboard ship, on Tuesday 28th November 1933. Parade at the Government Jetty at 1-30.p.m.

5. Signal: When a parade has been arranged and the weather is considered suitable for the parade, a Red and White Streamer will be hoisted on the Flagstaff at the Drill Hall at 12, Noon. If no Flag is hoisted the parade is off.

6. The programme of training which includes Control Range Finding and Gun Drill, also Sub-calabre firing with the gun on Sappers Hill will be explained to the Section on the first parade.

A. M. Allen Lieut & Adjutant
F.I. Defence Force.

Copy to: The Gunnery Officer,
H.M.S. Dauntless.
The Hon. Colonial Secretary.
O.C. Artillery Section.
2/Lt. A.I. Fleuret.
Corp. C. Evans
" M. Evans
" D. Fleuret
" F. O'Sullivan
Pte. E. Buckley
" E. G. Biggs
" H. Dettleff
" G. Brechin
" D. Lehen
" E. Berntsen
" G. Osborne
" D. O'Sullivan
" E. Sornsern

(111)

15th November 1933

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Port Stanley
Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT : RELEASE FROM WORK OF MEMBERS OF THE
"ARTILLERY" SECTION OF THE DEFENCE FORCE TO
ATTEND DRILLS TO BE CARRIED OUT UNDER THE
INSTRUCTION OF THE GUNNERY OFFICER OF H.M.S.
DAUNTLESS.

Sir,

On the return of H.M.S. Dauntless to Port Stanley on Monday 27th November 1933, a series of drills to be carried out by the Section have been arranged by the Gunnery Officer Lieut Commander H.G. Dickinson. R.N.

2. The drills which may be seven in number and have be approved of by His Excellency the Acting Governor will be carried out during the afternoon, the first parade being on Tuesday 28th November 1933.

3. I shall be glad if you will arrange for the release from work of the members concerned who may be employed by your Department when a parade is to be held.

4. The members concerned will be paid by the Military Department for the actual hours that they are released from work to attend drill.

ROLL OF ARTILLERY SECTION DEPARTMENT

Corpl.	C. Evans	P.W.D.
"	.M. Evans	"
"	.D. Fleuret	"
"	.F. O'Sullivan	"
Pte	.E. Buckley	"
"	.E.G. Biggs	"
"	.H. Dettleff	"
"	.G. Brechin	"
"	.D. Lehen	"
"	.D. O'Sullivan	"
"	.E. Sornsern	"
"	.E. Berntsen	POST OFFICE
"	.G. Osborne	ELECTRICAL

Copy To: Director of Public Works
Postmaster
Electrician in Charge
The Hon. Colonial Secretary.
The Gunnery Officer,
H.M.S. Dauntless

Amella
Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

23rd November, 1933.

F. LAND ISLANDS.

7. 217/32.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 45 of the 11th of November, 1933, and to inform you that the ammunition for use of this Government may be landed and handed over to the Adjutant of the Defence Force who will make the necessary arrangements for its conveyance to and stowage in the Magazine.

2. I note that the cost of the ammunition together with the necessary clips and boxes amounts to £129. 10. 8.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

M. Langin Kallsten

Acting Governor.

Captain C. O. Alexander,
H.M.S. "Dauntless",
at STANLEY.

27/32 285F 2/11/33

MINUTE.

4th December 1933

To

From The Adjutant

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

F.I. Defence Force

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

S T A N L E Y

Sir,

I have to-day taken over from the Gunnery Officer of H.M.S. Dauntless the following ammunition for the 6" Guns,.

Cartridges, Q.F. Fixed, Sub-calibre, Cordite, MK.I., 5.

Lot.No. 2790-----60 rounds

Clips for above No. 14 -----60

Boxes for Sub-calibre ammunition----- 4

Shells, Practice 6", B.L. A.Q. MK.IV-----50 rounds

2.----The Gunnery Officer took over 32 empty cartridge cases, and 3 Boxes, 3Pdr Hochkiss Gun with a view to getting a return from the Admiralty which in due course will be credited to the Colony

D. M. All

Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

MINUTE.

19th December 1933

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From The Adjutant

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Port Stanley

Subject: SPECIAL WARRANT FOR MILITARY VOTE XVI. SUB.HEAD.10.

Sir, Submitted in Triplicate Special Warrant to pay the additional charges against sub,head,10.Upkeep of 6" Gun.

2. The total charges are \$130-0-8.-To meet this charge I have in the vote £71-6-1 which leaves a Dr Balance of £58-14-7.

3. I have not included in this Warrant the charge for Sub-calibre, or Practice ammunition brought to the Colony by H.M.S.Dauntless.

I am, Sir, yours obediently

W. M. Allen Lieut & Adjutant.
F.I.Defence Force.

See Red
105

Spare copies
for retention by
His Excellency
The Governor of the
Falkland Islands.

15555/MC/328.

21 November, 1933

Sir,

I am directed by the War Office to refer the accompanying Vouchers to you for three Telephone Sets No.110 and twelve Cells, Inert, "Q" Mark I, supplied under Army Council Instructions, in connection with your letter Falkland Islands No.58 dated 12.4.1933.

I have also to request that the above Vouchers be signed and returned to this office, addressed, D.D.C.S., Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, on receipt of the stores which were despatched recently per "H.M.S. Exeter".

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

JOHN HEALY
for D.D.C.S.

His Excellency
The Governor of the
Falkland Islands,
Government House,
Port Stanley.

~~xxNORMALxxOR~~ SPECIAL.

ISSUED BY.....C.O.O., Woolwich Arsenal.

VOUCHERED TO..... Crown Agents for the Colonies,
4, Millbank, S.W.I.
His Excellency, The Governor of the
Falkland Islands, Stanley.

Address
for
stores

No. of Sheets forming this Voucher.

⁹⁷ Form G 982 (Voucher) (in books of 200).

Sheet No. 1

To be filled

Issue Order No. 13211

Dated 11.10.33.

Indent

or
Demand No.

*REPAYMENT

by Issuing Depot.

Voucher No. IIIIC/1841

Account Woolwich

Account commenced.....1.4.33.

Shareholder's initials

AUTHORITY.
(War Office or other special instructions).

PlD/2685 d/- 9.10.33. 078/136 (D.D.O.S./PlC/328).

Posted in Tally or Ledger	Internal Accounting No.	DESIGNATION.	S	R.	D.	U.	Rate.	Value	How Packed			Measure	Tonnage					
									Description of Package (10)	Mark (11)	On what voucher package is charged (12)		Heavy (14)			Light (15)		
													Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	Tons	feet
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9) £ s. d.										
		Section Y.																
		Telephone Sets No.110. (4/232)	3															
		Supply ordered under W.O. instructions. In response to Reqn. Falkland Islands No.58 d/- 12.4.33. To be issued FREE																
		See Wood packing (4/232)																

To be delivered to U.S. EXETER.

Leaving Devonport on 12th November 1933
for Shipment.

TALLY LEDGERS

PARTICULARS OF DESPATCH.

RECEIVED STORES ON THIS VOUCHER:—

Signature W M. Allan

Rank & Unit / Plt Lt + Adjutant
/ F-1 Defence Force

Receipt Voucher No.

Account.....

Date	Account commenced.
1891	
1892	
1893	
1894	
1895	
1896	
1897	
1898	
1899	
1900	
1901	
1902	
1903	
1904	
1905	
1906	
1907	
1908	
1909	
1910	
1911	
1912	
1913	
1914	
1915	
1916	
1917	
1918	
1919	
1920	
1921	
1922	
1923	
1924	
1925	
1926	
1927	
1928	
1929	
1930	
1931	
1932	
1933	
1934	
1935	
1936	
1937	
1938	
1939	
1940	
1941	
1942	
1943	
1944	
1945	
1946	
1947	
1948	
1949	
1950	
1951	
1952	
1953	
1954	
1955	
1956	
1957	
1958	
1959	
1960	
1961	
1962	
1963	
1964	
1965	
1966	
1967	
1968	
1969	
1970	
1971	
1972	
1973	
1974	
1975	
1976	
1977	
1978	
1979	
1980	
1981	
1982	
1983	
1984	
1985	
1986	
1987	
1988	
1989	
1990	
1991	
1992	
1993	
1994	
1995	
1996	
1997	
1998	
1999	
2000	
2001	
2002	
2003	
2004	
2005	
2006	
2007	
2008	
2009	
2010	
2011	
2012	
2013	
2014	
2015	
2016	
2017	
2018	
2019	
2020	
2021	
2022	
2023	
2024	
2025	
2026	
2027	
2028	
2029	
2030	
2031	
2032	
2033	
2034	
2035	
2036	
2037	
2038	
2039	
2040	
2041	
2042	
2043	
2044	
2045	
2046	
2047	
2048	
2049	
2050	
2051	
2052	
2053	
2054	
2055	
2056	
2057	
2058	
2059	
2060	
2061	
2062	
2063	
2064	
2065	
2066	
2067	
2068	
2069	
2070	
2071	
2072	
2073	
2074	
2075	

Storeholder's o

Qr. Mr's Initials 27-2-34

A=Cases. B=Bales or Bundles. C=Crates. D=Drums. K=Kegs. L=Loose. M=Baskets. P=Parcels. S=Sacks. T=Bottles, Tin Oil or Tins. V=Vats, Barrels or Casks. Z=Cases special to contents. When standard packages are used S.P. will be added to index letter thus
 A.S.P.=Case Standard Packages. * Nature of issue, if not free, to be entered in red ink in this space

(9327) Wt. W1916/1228 2032 Hw. G110/154 Forms/G982/43

12.

~~NORMAL~~ OR SPECIAL.ISSUED BY C.O.O., Woolwich Arsenal.Office Stamp of Issuing Depot on original
and of Receiving Depot or Unit on
Duplicate copy.VOUCHERED TO Crown Agents for the Colonies,
4, Millbank. S.W.1.Address for stores His Excellency, The Governor of the
Falkland Islands, Fort Stanley.

ORIGINAL

Army Form G 982 (Voucher) (in books of 200)

No. of Sheets forming this Voucher

Sheet No. 1

To be filled in by Issuing Depot.

Issue Order No. 13211Dated 11.10.33.Indent
or
Demand No.Issue Voucher No. IIIB/2372Account WoolwichDate Account commenced 1.4.33.

Storeholder's initials

Date

AUTHORITY.

(War Office or other special instructions).

P1D/2685 d/- 9.10.33. 078/136 (D.D.O.S./P1C/328)

Posted in Tally or Ledger (1)	Internal Accounting No. (2)	DESIGNATION. (3)	S. (4)	R. (5)	D. (6)	U. (7)	Rate. (8)	Value (9) £ s. d.	How Packed			Measurement (13)	Tonnage					
									Description of Package (10)	Mark (11)	On what voucher package is charged (12)		Heavy (14) Tons cwt. qrs. lbs.			Light (15) Tons feet ins.		
		Section <u>W.2.</u>																
		Cells Inert Q Mk.I. (3/21)	12															
		Supply ordered under War Office instructions. For use with Telephone Sets No.110. In response to Regn.Falkland Islands No.58 d/- 12.4.33.																
		<u>Cases W.P. (3/4)</u>																

To be issued FREE

To be delivered to:

"H.M.S." EXETER"

Leaving Devonport on 12th November 1933
for Shipment.

TALLY LEDGERS

PARTICULARS OF DESPATCH.

TO BE FILLED IN BY CONSIGNEE.

RECEIVED STORES ON THIS VOUCHER:-

Posted
by
Checked
by
DateMode of Conveyance
(If shipped, name of vessel).Date 19.10.33

Carriers Note No.

Signature

Rank &
Unit

Receipt Voucher No.

Account

Date Account commenced

Storeholder's or
Qr.Mr's. Initials

Date

A=Cases. B=Bales or Bundles. C=Crates. D=Drums. K=Kegs. L=Loose. M=Baskets. P=Parcels. S=Sacks. T=Bottles, Tin Oil or Tins. V=Vats, Barrels or Casks. W=Cases special to contents. When standard packages are issued S.P. will be added to index letter thus

A.S.P.=Case Standard Packages.

* Nature of issue, if not free, to be entered in red ink in this space.

(9327) Wt. W1916/1228 12,000 bks. 2/32 Hw. G110/154 Forms/G982/43

Telephone:—WOOLWICH 0080. Ext. 1011
Telegraphic Address:—COORA, WOOLWICH.

217/32
D.D.O.S. Form 23, 118

ORDNANCE OFFICE,
ROYAL ARSENAL,
WOOLWICH, S.E. 18.

Any further communication on
this subject should be addressed to

THE D.D.O.S.,
and the following number quoted:—

No. 5505/Pic/328

21 November, 1933

Sir,

I am directed by the War Office to refer
the accompanying Vouchers to you, for three Telephone
Sets No. 110 and twelve Cells, Inert, "Q" Mark I,
supplied under Army Council Instructions, in connection
with your letter Falkland Islands No. 58 dated 12.4.1933.

Returned.
I have also to request that the above
Vouchers be signed and returned to this office,
addressed, D.D.O.S., Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, on
receipt of the stores which were despatched recently
per "H.M.S. Exeter".

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

H. Heale

for D.D.O.S.
[Signature]

His Excellency
The Governor of the
Falkland Islands,
Government House,
Port Stanley.

29611

119

*Here insert "Naval" (which includes Machinery, Gun Mountings, and all other articles purchased out of Vote B), "Medical," "Works," "Naval Ordnance," or "Stationery."

BILL OF LADING FOR* *Naval* STORES.

SHIPPED in apparent good order and condition on board the

Mr.

Am. S. Ender Master, the packages and

* In figures loose articles undermentioned tonnage*

tons *1 Light* feet

† In words. († tons

feet) to be delivered

in the like good order and condition at the Port of

Salkland Islands

to *The Governor*.

subject to the

Regulations for His Majesty's Sea Transport Service or to the Board of Trade Shipping Agents' Regulations, whichever shall be named in the Tender or Engagement for Freight or to the conditions in the Charter Party or Agreement entered into with the Director of Sea Transport or with the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

In Witness whereof the Master of the said Ship hath affirmed to

Soul

Bills of

Lading all of this tenor and date, one of which Bills being accomplished the others to stand void. Payment to be made at

For a voyage from any port in Great Britain or Northern Ireland.

This Bill shall have effect subject to the provisions of the Rules relating to Bills of Lading scheduled to and as applied by the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924.

For any voyage other than the above.

This Bill shall have effect subject to the provisions of the Rules relating to Bills of Lading scheduled to the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924, as if that Act applied to the present voyage.

N.B.—Strike out whichever of the two preceding clauses is inapplicable.

Dated at *Devonport* the *30th* day of *October* 19 *33*

Marks, numbers or addresses on packages, etc.

Quantity and description of packages (case, cask, etc.), also of articles "not packed."

Description of Stores or Contents of Packages.

100
11593
1.2

2 Parcels. Books.

Received from Deptford

Received
Wm. Bell
F.I.D.F.
27/3/34

2
W. I. Buttershaw

Shipping Officer.

Aspy. Naval Store Officer.

Wm. Bell

Master

1.M. DOCKYARD, DEVONPORT.

BILL OF LADING FOR* NAVAL STORES.

296/24 June 1934
Here insert "Naval" (which includes Machinery, Gun Mountings, and all other articles purchased out of Vote 8), "Medical," "Works," "Naval Ordnance," or "Stationery."

SHIPPED in apparent good order and condition on board the **H.M.S. EXETER.**

Mr.

Master, the packages and

* In figures. loose articles undermentioned tonnage*

1 tons 244. feet

† In words. († tons

feet) to be delivered

in the like good order and condition at the Port of

to **COLONIAL SECRETARY** **FALKLAND ISLANDS** subject to the Regulations for His Majesty's Sea Transport Service or to the Board of Trade Shipping Agents' Regulations, whichever shall be named in the Tender or Engagement for Freight or to the conditions in the Charter Party or Agreement entered into with the Director of Sea Transport or with the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

In Witness whereof the Master of the said Ship hath affirmed to Bills of Lading all of this tenor and date, one of which Bills being accomplished the others to stand void. Payment to be made at

For a voyage from any port in Great Britain or Northern Ireland.

This Bill shall have effect subject to the provisions of the Rules relating to Bills of Lading scheduled to and as applied by the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924.

For any voyage other than the above.

This Bill shall have effect subject to the provisions of the Rules relating to Bills of Lading scheduled to the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924, as if that Act applied to the present voyage.

N.B.—Strike out whichever of the two preceding clauses is inapplicable.

Dated at **DEVONPORT** the **11th** day of **NOVEMBER** 19**33**.

Marks, numbers or addresses on packages, etc.

Quantity and description of packages (case, cask, etc.), also of articles "not packed."

Description of Stores or Contents of Packages.

*K2399 1 base Rangefinder
N.O. type. Reg No. 2056
For Artillery Section of Defence
Force.*

*Received Wm. R. L. Hay.
F.I.D.F.
27/2/34*

W. H. DOCKYARD, DEVONPORT

Shipping Officer.

Diptyg. Naval Store Officer.

Master.

Suptdg. Naval Store Officer, Devonport Yard.

18/11/33.

The Governor
Falkland Islands.

1/Shipping

H.M.S. "Exeter"

Shipment of Stores per S.S. "....."

The stores mentioned on the attached copies of
Bill of Lading were shipped to you on.. 18/11/33.....
per H.M.S. "Exeter"....."
S.S. "....."

When delivery of the stores has been effected,
will you please receipt the consignor's copy of the Bill
and return it to this Yard.

Brins.
f SUPTDG. NAVAL STORE OFFICER.

(122)

21st November, 1933.

Sir,

I am directed by the War Office to refer the accompanying Vouchers to you for three Telephone Sets No.110 and twelve Cells, Inert, "Q" Mark I, supplied under Army Council Instructions, in connection with your letter Falkland Islands No.58 dated 12.4.1933.

I have also to request that the above Vouchers be signed and returned to this office, addressed, D.D.O.S., Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, on receipt of the stores which were despatched recently per "H.M.S. Exeter".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) M.R.NEALE.

for D.D.O.S.

His Excellency,
The Governor of the
Falkland Islands,
Government House,
Port Stanley.

V.I.

Telephone:—WOOLWICH 0080. Ext. 1011

Telegraphic Address:—COORA, WOOLWICH.

(115)
D.D.O.S. Form 23.

Any further communication on
this subject should be addressed to

THE D.D.O.S.,
and the following number quoted:—

No. D.D.O.S.P.1.C/328

ORDNANCE OFFICE,
ROYAL ARSENAL,
WOOLWICH, S.E. 18.

14 February, 1934.

Sir,

With reference to my letter dated 21.11.33.
(copy attached), I beg to inform you that the
signed Vouchers referred to in the above letter
have not yet been received. These Vouchers are
required to adjust accounts and it would
greatly oblige if they could be forwarded
as early as possible.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

H. Heath

for D.D.O.S.

His Excellency,
The Governor of the
Falkland Islands,
Government House,
Port Stanley.



ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

1188
4, MILLBANK,
LONDON, S.W.1.

P/G.O. Falk Is. 1.

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN LONDON"

TELEPHONE: VICTORIA 7730

9th March, 1934.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose vouchers received from the Admiralty in support of a claim for the sum of £117. 17s. 5d. in respect of stores issued by H.M.S. "Dauntless", and to enquire whether payment may be made from Falkland Island funds.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. Stewart.

for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

187

Supplies Form O. 87.

A.S. Claim No.

440

DEPOT.

26th January 1934.

Charges against
(Here state Vote, Department, Govern-
ment, or person chargeable.)

Falkland Is Government

Work done
(No Sub-
Vouchers
required)

Supplies,
&c.
(as per
Vouchers
attached)

Counter-Signature of local Officer of Dept., or
representative of Dominion Government or person supplied.

~~Signature of Officer Supplying~~

Chief Superintendent of Armament Supply.

O.—16. (Outside). (Revised—March, 1929.)

NAVAL ARMAMENT, TORPEDO & MINING STORE ACCOUNTS.

REPAYMENT VOUCHER FORM—(Outside Sheet).

Date of reporting _____

Issue
Voucher

No. 1
Date 11 12 33

Mode of Conveyance

Cash Voucher
O. 87a No.

11 12 33

Receipt
Voucher

No. _____
Date _____

†To be filled in by Receiving Officer.

Issued by

at

to Sackland & Co. Government the following articles.

Authority

Date

ISSUE ORDER

No.

Date

Admiralty
A.S. CLAIM

No.

449
1933/1934

Ledger
Folio

Description of Stores

Quantity

S

R

Per

Rate

Amount

£

s.

d.

Chips of Lead

Blue Lead & Sub. Col

White Lead

Lot 18 2491

60

10

13/9

41

5

-

Chips of Lead

60

100

1-3-1

-

13

10

White Lead

3 lbs. QFC 90

11

10

2-3-0

8

12

-

6" Practice Shot

6" BL AQ IV

50

10

1-4-9

60

46

-

119

18

2

+ 8 1/2 pence

9

10

-

Total or Forward ... £

129

10

2

Issued

19

Received

(Signature and Rank)

(Date)

19

Sheets

Sta. 23/29.

NAVAL ARMAMENT, TORPEDO & MINING STORE ACCOUNTS. 18'

REPAYMENT VOUCHER FORM—(Outside Sheet).

Date of reporting _____

Mode of Conveyance _____

Issue
Voucher

No. _____

Date _____

Cash Voucher
O. 87a No. _____Receipt
Voucher

No. _____

Date _____

To be filled in by Receiving Officer.

Issued by _____

at _____

to _____ the following articles.

Authority _____

Date _____

ISSUE ORDER

No. _____

Date _____

Admiralty
A.S. CLAIM

No. _____

193/19

Ledger
Folio

Description of Stores

Quantity

S

R

Per

Rate

Amount

£

s

d.

Total or Forward ... £

Issued _____ 19

Received _____ 19

(Signature and Rank)

(Date).

Sheets _____

Sta. 23/29.

217/32.

1st May, 34.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter P/C-O Falkland Is. I, of the 9th March, 1934, and to authorise you to pay to the Admiralty the sum of £117 - 17 - 4. in respect of stores issued by H.M.S. "Dauntless" in November, 1933.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant.

M. CH

Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies.
4, Millbank
LONDON S.W.1.

(131)

MINUTE.

17th August 19³⁴

To

From The Adjutant

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Stanley Falkland Islands

Red 129
Sir, In the Crown Agents Charges for June 1934, against the Military Department, there is a charge of £117-17-5 under Sub-head, 10. Upkeep of 6" Guns. Under C.S.M.P. 217/32 dated 1/5/34 this is for stores issued from H.M.S. Duntless November 1933.

2. In my Vote account under the above head I have available £95-13-11 only. To cover this expenditure a Special Warrant will be required.

3. In the Crown Agents charges for January a charge of £36-7-10 had to be met. This should have been charged in the accounts for 1933 as the money was then available.

4. May I submit a Special Warrant please.

I am, Sir, yours obediently.

W. M. Lilla

Captain & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.

MINUTE.

18th August 1934

To

THE COLONIAL

Treasurer
SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From

The Adjutant
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Stanley, Falkland Islands

Submitted:- S. to. in Liphiale to cover
an excess on Military XVI. Sub. Head. 1
upkeep of 6" Guns. £23.

W. M. A. (a)

Has. C.S. Submitted. The actual excess to
date is £22-3.6

for Treas.
18
VIII-34

MINUTE.

4th September

34

19

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From The Adjutant

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

REPORT ON THE 6" GUN SHELL MAGAZINE AT SAPPER HILL

Since taking over by the Military Department of the 6" Gun and equipment on Sapper Hill I have periodically made a visit to Sapper Hill and inspected the Gun, Spare parts shed and Magazine and have previously found everything correct. During the Winter months I have made a monthly visit.

2. On my last visit which I made on Monday 3rd September I found that the inside of the Shell Magazine and the shells were in a very bad state of repair owing to dampness. The walls and roof of the magazine was covered with a white fungus. I was unable to examine all the shell, but the top row and the butts of the shells in the other rows were all more or less wet and in many cases rust and corrosion has set in.

3. The rust and corrosion are only superficial, and could be removed immediately by having the shells removed from the magazine, dried and rubbed over with "Shell Oil" and then treated to a dressing of mineral oil.

4. On making my previous visit on 29th July I saw nothing to complain about, the magazine was dry inside and the shells were all correct. It would appear that water has been flowing quite freely inside the magazine, the water having passed down the drain which is there for the purpose

5. I was unable to trace where the water had come from, although I am of the opinion it entered below the door of the magazine.

6. As the space available inside the magazine is really inadequate to hold the number of shells stored may I suggest that 200 of the B.L. Armour Piercing Projectiles which are powder filled and plugged be removed to the magazine in Magazine Valley. If this cannot be done it will be necessary to arrange for a system of ventilation whereby a channel of air will be continually passing through the magazine.


Captain.
Adjutant. F.I. Defence Force.

135

MINUTE.

14th September 1934

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From The Adjutant

Falkland Island Defence Force

Stanley, Falkland Islands

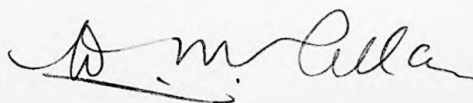
REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF THE B.L., A.P. 6" SHEELS, AND
THE WORK CARRIED OUT AT THE MAGAZINE ON SAPPER HILL.

With the assistance of four men from the P.W.D., I personally supervised the removal from the magazine of the 300 A.P. Projectiles. With few exceptions, the shells were wet, and rusty.

2. Each shell was treated as follows. The whole projectile was thoroughly cleaned with Shell Oil, then treated when dry to a coating of Boiled Linseed Oil. Before putting the shells back in the magazine they were rubbed over with Mineral Grease.

3. There is yet about 180 shells to go back into the magazine. At present they are piled up on wooden baulks outside the magazine, covered with sheet iron and canvas and will be quite safe and secure until this weather moderates.

I will make a further report when the work is completed.



Captain.
Adjutant. F.I. Defence Force.

MINUTE.

19th September 19 34

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From The Adjutant

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

UPKEEP OF 6" GUNS

I beg to report that the work in connection with the cleaning of the shells in the magazine on Sapper Hill is now completed.

It would assist greatly to keep down the damp if an iron grating was put in the door of the magazine.

 Captain.
Adjutant. Falkland Islands Defence Force.

217/32.
No. ~~217/32~~

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

MINUTE.

8th October. 1934.

~~From~~ To.

~~To~~ From.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.

M.P. ~~Secret 21/32~~. 217/32.

SIX INCH GUN POSITIONS.

With reference to the above, I beg to submit for approval Imprest Warrant on the Imperial Government. (Admiralty)

The warrant has been made out for the total estimate of the works, although as shown in telegram of 24th July, 1934, this Government is to meet part cost.

The appropriation of the estimate is :-

Imperial Government.....	£1,305.
Falkland Islands Government...	615.
	<u>£1,920</u>

For simplicity in accounting I would suggest that all charges be met from this warrant, and that at the end of the year or on completion of work this Government's share can be effected by adjustment and Special Warrant.

Details of the expenditure on the different works will be kept for attaching to claim on the Imperial Government.

S. Roberts.
Director of Public Works.

No.

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

MINUTE.

8th October, 19 34.

From The Colonial Treasurer,

Stanley.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Special Warrant in the sum of £6. 15s. 4d. under XVI. MILITARY
10. Upkeep of 6" Guns submitted, please.



for Colonial Treasurer.

No.

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

MINUTE.

18th October, 1934

~~From~~ To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From. ~~To~~ Director of Public Works,

Stanley.

SIX INCH GUN POSITIONS.

It is proposed to commence work on the observation and control position for the Sapper Hill gun, and this necessitates blasting for the foundation. It is proposed to remove the shells from the dug-out to a temporary storage, the proposed site for this being at the foot of Sapper Hill.

2. I submit that the site may be agreed upon, and that the shells be removed under the supervision of Captain W.M.Allen, the labour being carried out by this Department as a charge to the control position estimate.

3. I also submit for consideration that Captain W.M.Allen may be instructed that no firing should take place on the rifle ranges during working hours whilst men are working in the vicinity of the gun at Sapper Hill.

R.B. White
for Director of Public Works.

No.

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

MINUTE.

26th October, 19 34

To
~~XXXX~~

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From.

~~XX~~ Director of Public Works,

Stanley.

Six inch Gun Positions.

I beg to report that the quarters for the workmen at Canopus hut gun site have been completed and that 12 men are now living there and providing their own board. As agreed verbally with His Excellency the Acting Governor the men are being paid 4d per hour extra making the present 1/2d rate 1/6d. This is to be an allround rate and no extra will be paid for overtime during the ordinary working days. Should it, however, become necessary to work on Sundays the question can then be reconsidered.

2. The men are working 2 hours extra each night and returning to Stanley on Friday nights. This will enable them to have the week-end to tend their gardens and cut peat. 5 hours of the extra time worked will be paid at the 1/6d rate, and 5 hours deducted for the Saturday morning.

3. A good start has been made with the drainage to the gun pit and some 40 feet of 6" piping has been laid in 13 feet of peat.

4. Whilst every endeavour will be made to complete the foundations prior to H.M.S. "Exeter" leaving the Colony it is extremely doubtful whether it will be accomplished. It will depend largely on the amount of water which will be encountered in the peat necessitating extra sheet piling, and on weather conditions.

S. Roberts.
Director of Public Works.

No.

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

MINUTE.

19th November, 19 34

From Director of Public Works,

Stanley.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Canopus - Six inch Gun Position.

I beg to report that owing to the nature of the peat and subsoil which has to be excavated for the gun at the Canopus site it is impossible to complete the foundation prior to the departure of H.M.S. "Exeter" on or about the 1st of December, 1934.

2. The peat found at 10 to 15 feet from the surface is extremely wet and it has become necessary to take extra precautions, consequently some 1,700 tons or 2,380 cubic yards have to be removed before concreting work commences.

3. It is estimated that the earliest possible date for the completion of this Department's work is 30th December, 1934.

4. I submit that the Commodore, H.M.S. "Exeter", may be informed accordingly, please.

A. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.

1402

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

22nd November, 1934.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

C.S. 217/52.

Sir,

With reference to the preparation of the site at Canopus Hut for the mounting of a six-inch gun, I have the honour to inform you that the nature of the work has proved more difficult than was anticipated and that in consequence it will not be possible to complete the foundation prior to your departure from the Colony.

2. I enclose a copy of a minute received from the Director of Public Works on the subject, from which it will be seen that the earliest possible date for the completion of the work is the 30th of December, 1934.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Mr. George Hamilton
by. L. O. 12

Commodore A. E. Evans, O.B.E., R.N.,
H.M.S. "Exeter",
at STANLEY.

No.

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

MINUTE.

14th January, 1935

From Director of Public Works,

Stanley.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

CANOPUS HUT - GUN POSITION.

I beg to report that Mr. G.L.Challen, General Foreman of Works, is living on the site at Canopus, and I would submit for approval that he be paid the subsistence allowance of 6/- per day whilst living away from Stanley - such subsistence to be met from the advance against the Imperial Government.

2. Mr. Challen has been living on the site as from Tuesday the 8th January, 1935, and the work has now considerably advanced. The excavations for the gun foundation are out, piles driven and sheeting erected ready for concreting.

G. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.

27 MAY 1935 1935

DESPATCHED

To Mr. Robert L. Carson

(NOTE: This form is to be used as an Advice or Supply Note, and not as a Bill of Lading.)

Order to Send	Description and Distinguishing Number of Package	Quantity — No.	Established Number of Form	GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Sta/G. 4600/35. 15-3-35.	86 66 22 57	1	O.U. 6184.	Appendum No. I.
A25 J2				<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> SUPPLY NOTE FROM R. N. STORE DEPOT W. I. DOCKS TO BE RETAINED </div>

Received the above, ~~*except as shown on the other side.~~

Although supplies are made from Royal Victoria Yard, Deptford, all correspondence should be addressed to the Superintendent, Royal Naval Store Office, West India Docks, E.14.

Minute

Yh. Captain Glenner
has asked whether action
should be taken to
prevent tourists photographing
the furs, magazines &c.

A member of the
Defence Force (in uniform)
can be posted at each
position to tell people
that photographs may not
be taken.

MCH
CL
3. 2. 59.

Certainly the furs should
not be visited. If ar-
rangements could be made
for a member of the D. Force
to stand by and warn visitors
away from the Prohibited
Areas if necessary it would be
a good thing

ttttt 3/2/39

CONFIDENTIAL

3rd August, 1954.

Dear Martell,

We have various items of Naval equipment e.g. 2 rangefinders and 2 three pdr. sub-calibre guns which were transferred to the charge of the Falkland Islands Defence Force by the Admiralty in 1933 and which appear to be no longer of any use here, particularly as all our coastal defence guns have been declared obsolete.

I would be most grateful if at your convenience you could discuss the matter and advise me on possible methods of disposal. I suggest we meet in my office where such records of this equipment as exist are kept.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) C. Campbell

The Commanding Officer,
H.M.S. Bigbury Bay.

Copy filed in 0113 - Fixed Coast Defences of Stanley.

SECRET

17th August, 1954.

Dear Martell,

Further to my letter No. 217/32 of the 3rd of August, 1954, and to our recent conversation, it is confirmed that Mr. Thompson will arrange to inspect guns and ancillary equipment with Captain O'Sullivan, Falkland Islands Defence Force:-

The guns in question are:-

- | | | |
|------------------------|---|----------------------|
| (a) Canopus | 2 | 6 inch B.L. guns |
| (b) Ordnance Point | 1 | 4 inch Q.F. |
| (c) Charles Point | 2 | 12 pdr. 12 cwt. Q.F. |
| (d) Naval Camber Store | 2 | 4 inch B.L. guns. |

It seems probable that (a) (b) and (c) belong to the Colony but I am told that (d) are naval stores and were never handed over to us. Incidentally I believe they are lying in the open at the Camber.

The ancillary equipment consists of:-

- | | | |
|----------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| (a) Snake Hill | 2 | 3 pdr. sub-calibre guns. |
| | 1 | Rangefinder. |
| (b) F.I.C. Warehouse | 2 | Rangefinders. |
| (c) Camber | 1 or 2 | Rangefinders. |

Again it seems probable that (a) and (b) are Colony stores and (c) Naval Stores.

+ | There is also an ancient 12 pdr. Field Gun belonging to Government which is at present lying near the Falkland Islands Company's Warehouse.

We have been advised by the Army Council that it would be unwise to dispose of these guns at present but if we are convinced that they no longer serve any useful purpose we should take up the question of disposal with the Admiralty as all the equipment is of Naval origin. In the meantime

the/

The Commanding Officer,
H.M.S. Bigbury Bay.

CC/VP

Reply at 65 on 0113.

the Army Council were inviting the Admiralty to arrange for their servicing.

As H.M.S. Superb when she was last here did not give the guns a proper inspection and servicing and only painted them we are not in a position to judge if they serve any useful purpose and they have therefore been retained in situ.

As regards ammunition, all live shell has been declared unserviceable and has been dumped and the Admiralty would not approve the provision of replacements, particularly as no 6" ammunition is now available.

As we agreed the best course of action appears to be:-

- (a) Leave the guns in situ.
- (b) Ascertain if the equipment is unserviceable.
If it is then steps should be taken to dispose of it. If not, suitable storage arrangements should be made.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) C. Campbell