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Acting Colonial Secretary

THE SECRETARY, THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION, BISLEY CAMP, BROOKWOOD. 27

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESCATCH, No. 107 of the 17th of June, 1927.

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Colonial Secretary's Office, Stanley, Falkland Islands. 17th June, 1927.

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CRETARY NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION, BISLEY CAMP, BROOKWOOD.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, STANLEY, 17th June, 1927.

ALKLAND ISLANDS.

107.

Sir,

a duplicate.

I have the honour to forward for your information a copy of a letter addressed at my direction by the Colonial Secretary to the Secretary of the National Rifle Association enquiring whether it is possible for the Rifle Club which is run in conjunction with the Falkland Islands Defence Force to become affiliated to the National Rifle Association if it so desires and asking for advice generally in the matter of rifle shooting competitions.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient, humble servant,

> > ARNOLD HODSON.

THE HOMOURABLE

M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P., RETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Stanley, Falkland Islands. 22nd June, 1927.

His Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified, for general information, that it is proposed to hold a two days' Bisley Meeting under the rules of the National Rifle Association at Stanley during the month of February, 1928. Full particulars and a programme of the proposed meeting will be published in due course.

His Excellency has kindly promised to present a Cup and Medals to be shot for at this meeting by members of the Falkland Islands Defence Force. This competition will be styled the Governor's Cup and will be shot for under the same conditions as the King's Prize at Bisley. There will be three stages. The winner of the first receiving a bronze medal, the second a silver one and the winner of the whole event, the Cup. A certain number of badges will also be given. Details will be promulgated in due course.

Later in the year (1928) it is hoped that it will be possible to send a rifle team to England to represent the Colony in competitions open to the Empire at the annual meeting held at Bisley in July.

By Command, Jully

Acting Colonial Secretary.

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2nd. July.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the ifle lub which is run in connection with the Falkland Islands Defence Porce includes in its activities shooting on a miniature range both indoo s and outdoor.

2. I should be grateful if you would be so good as to furnish me with particulars regarding any competitions open to Empire Teams for which the Rifle Club could enter shooting on its own ranges.

5. I should also be greatly obliged if you would forward for the use of the Rifle Club any instructions you may hav ready in convenient form on farget Rifle shooting as well as any suitable manual on the care and packing of rifle barrels.

4. I would add that the Rifle Club will be glad to defray any expenses which you may incur in this connection.

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Sir,

Your obedient servent,

The Secretary, National Rifle Association, Bisley Camp,

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GOVERMENT NOTICE.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Stanley, Falkland Islands. 2nd August, 197.

DEFENCE FORCE RIFLE CLUE.

His Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified that errangements have been made for member. of the Defence Force Rifle Club to be issued with rifles on loan against an undertaking for safe custody and proper care and to be supplied with ammunition for target practice at the price of 3d the packet.

Members desiring to avail themselves of these arrangements are invited to apply to the Officer Commanding the Defence Force.

By Conmand, Justice

Acting Colonial Secretary.

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Head Juarters,

Falkland Island Defence Force,

August 10th, 1927.

The Hon,

The Colonial Secretary,

Sir,

I beg to ask if you will kindly order for the Rifle Club, by cable 24 Aperture sights, also if will consider a loan from the Treasury to meet the Crown Agents Account temporary.

The sights are all booked by members of the club and the money will be paid on issue, so that the loan may be paid back early,

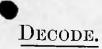
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From The Colonial Secretary

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To The Colonial Secretary.

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SEND FULL PARTICULARS OF NEW RIFLE CLUB TO ALL WESTERS.

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From The Colonial Secretary.

To His Excellency the Governor, West Falkland.

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YOUR TELEGRAN 10TH SEPTEMBER FULL PARTICULARS OF RIFLE CLUB TELEGRAPHED TODAY TO "ESTERS AS DIRECTED.

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Please inform all Westers that the Defence Force Rifle Club has been reconstituted so as to admit as members of the Rifle Club non-members of the Defence Force over the age of thirty years as well as members of the Defence Force as heretofore. The Officer Commanding the Defence Force will be Chairman ex-officio of the Rifle Club Committee which will consist of seven members besides himself of whom four must be serving members of the Defence Force. The annual subscription for membership of the Rifle Club has been fixed at five shillings. Shooting will take place whenever the range is not required for Defence Force purposes. Bifles will be issued on loan to members of the Rifle Club and ammunition will be sold for target practice at the special rate of 3d per packet of ten rounds. Copies of the revised rules of the Rifle Club will be circulated to all as soon as promulgated. It is hoped to send a team of four to Bisley in 1928 to represent the Colony in the Junior Kolapore Cup 116. 10/5/27. 1,000.

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competition. New members from the Camp will be cordially welcomed and any increase over the minimum subscription of five shillings will be gratefully received. Those desirous of joining the Rifle Club are invited to apply direct to the Honorary Secretary of the Defence Force Rifle Club Stanley.

SECRETARY.

TELEGRAPHIO ADDRESS: "RIFLOIRS, BROOKWOOD."



ALL COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY.

BISLEY CAMP,

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18th. Lugust, 1927.

The Colonial Secretary, Stanley, Falkland Islands.

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We have no competitions open to Rifle Clubs or Associations of the impire for which they could shoot on their own ranges, but for the encouragement of the Boys of the impire, the Imperial Challenge Shields Competitions, of which I enclose particulars, are conducted under the suspices of the Mational Kifle Association. I am afraid, however, that this competition will hardly appeal to you as there are probably very few boys in the Islands who shoot with the miniature rifle.

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There are certain recognised methods, set out in the enclosed Army Council Instruction, whereby the grouping of rifles can be corrected by a competent armourer, and it is possible that a local man might be found who has sufficient knowledge to make the necessary alterations.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Bervant.

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BISLEY CAMP,

BROOKWOOD

SURREY.

18th. August, 1927.

Arnold Hodson, Hsq., C.M.G., Government House. Falkland Islands.

Dear Sir.

I thank you for your letter of 1st July informing me that it is proposed to form a Rifle Association in the Falkland Islands in connection with the Defence Force, and to arrange for an Annual Rifle Meeting, which I hope will meet with every success.

I enclose, for your information, copy of a letter I nave sent to the Solonial Secretary and I trust the information I have given will be useful to you.

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I have asked our Silvershiths to send you a catalogue of ledals suitable for the 2nd and 3rd Frizes, and I shall be pleased to arrange with them on hearing from you, for the medals you select to be suitably inscribed.

I am very glad to hear that you propose sending a team to Bisley next year. I need hardly say that the members will receive a most cordial welcome.

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Yours faithfully .

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Secretary - N.R.A.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, STANLEY, 10th October, 1927.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter of the 18th of August enclosing a copy of your letter to the Colonial Secretary in reply to encuiries addressed to you respecting the affiliation of the Defence Force Rifle Club with the National Rifle Association, the competitions in which our local Club would be eligible to shoot, and other kindred matters.

The information you have furnished will be of great assistance to us in connection with the activities at present on foot, the outcome of which will be communicated to you in due course.

I appreciate very heartily your kind assurance that a team representing the

Falkland/

MAJOR C. E. ETCHES, SECRETARY, NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION, BISLEY CAMP, BROOKWOOD, SURREY. Falkland Islands at Bisley would receive a most cordial welcome.

Yours faithfully, ARNOLD HODSON.

ADVICE OF ORDERS PLACED.

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OFFICE OF THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES, 4, MILLBANK,

LONDON, S.W.1.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies present their compliments and beg to forward particulars of an order placed in pursuance of the indent quoted. A period of 14 to 28 days may elapse between the contract date for delivery and the date the goods leave this country, while inspection (if any), packing and arrangements for shipment are being carried out.

In the case of goods posted the contractor will forward under separate cover to the addressee two copies of his invoice, quoting the indent number and the date of despatch of the parcel.

The Colonial Secretary,

Falkland Islands.

24th August 1927.

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Falkland Islands Defence Force Rifle Club.

RULES

1. The Club shall be called the Falkland Islands Defence Force Rifle Club and shall consist of members of the Defence Force, and non-members over the age of 30 years subject to election by the Committee.

2. The Club shall be managed by a Committee consisting of a Chairman (The Officer Commanding the Falkland Islands Defence Force) *ex-officio* and a Secretary, a Treasurer, and five others to be elected annually; of the seven elected members of the Committee not less than four shall be serving members of the Defence Force.

3. The annual subscription shall be 5s.

4. No shooting shall take place on the range unless three members are present on the firing point. On all occasions a Range Officer shall be appointed either previously by the Committee or on the range by the members present from among their own number before firing, and such Range Officer shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of the firing.

5. The Club shall have the free use of the rifle range for shooting practices, matches,&c, at all times when not required for Musketry Classification and shall be required to keep same in repair during such shooting.

6. Records for all shooting shall be kept in a book provided for that purpose; and a register of all shoots shall also be kept on the range. The register shall show, the date of the shoot, the number of members shooting, and the quantity of ammunition issued, and shall be signed by the Range Officer at the end of the shoot.

7. A red flag shall be hoisted on the flagstaff on Sapper Hill and also a red and white signal flag shall be hoisted on Victory Green as early as possible on the day when shooting is to take place.

8. A supply of ammunition will be issued to the Club by the Officer Commanding the Falkland Islands Defence Force in bulk, and shall be kept in a locked box in the range hut. Ammunition will be issued to members for a *bona-fide* target practice at the rate of 3d per packet of 10 rounds by the Range Officer.

9. The Committee shall have power to deal with and decide upon any matter relating to the Rifle Club not embodied in these Rules.

Passed at a General Meeting held in the Town Hall on the 16th day of September 1927.

J. M. ELLIS. Chairman. DEFENCE FORCE RIFLE CLUB, Headquarters,

Stanley,

1st October, 1927.

Dear Sir,

I enclose herein a copy of the Rules of the re-organized Defence Force Rifle Club as passed at the General meeting held on the 16th of September, 1927.

2. You will see that membership of the Rifle Club is now open to nonmembers of the Defence Force who are over the age of thirty years subject to their election by the Committee and that the annual subscription has been fixed at 5/-.

3. It is desired to obtain as many additional members of the Rifle Club as possible and if you or any of the persons working on your station desire to join I shall be glad to put your names before the Committee for election.

4. It is hoped to send a team to Bisley in 1928 to represent the Colony in the Junior Kolapore Cup Competition and it will be necessary to increase the funds at the disposal of the Rifle Club with this object in veiw any amount therefore over and above the annual subscription as fixed, which may be given by any member joining will be gladly received.

I am,

Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Honorary Secretary.

DEFENCE FORCE RIFLE CLUB.

We have been sent a copy of the revised rules of the Defence Force Rifle Club and are glad to see that membership of the Rifle Club is now open to non-members of the Defence Force who are over the age of 30 years subject to their election by the Committee as well as to members of the Defence Force.

It is unnecessary to emphasize the importance of national defence in this isolated and unprotected Colony especially at this season of worldwide unrest, and we trust that as many non-members of the Defence Force as possible will join the Rifle Club and so prepare. themselves against any emergency which may arise. Suit-. able men from the Camp are in particular urged to send in their names even although at present the opportunities for exercising their privileges of membership may seem few and far between.

May we be permitted to express the hope that it may be found possible before long further to extend the membership of the Rifle Club in order to admit others who are anxious to join but are still precluded from joining under the Rules as they stand ?

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Gentlemen.

I am directed by the Governor to refer red 10 -> to my telegram of the 15th of August, 1927, and to your accepted Tender form No. G/Falkland Islands 734/1 forwarded under your advice of orders placed of the 24th of August, 1927, relative to the supply to this Colony of 24 Aperture Sights, B.S.A., pattern with Hos. 3 and 5 apertures, and to say that these aperture sights have not yet been received nor does it now appear possible that they will be received before the 20th of December or thereabouts, by m.v. ".shaze."

> I am to say that considerable disappoint-2. ment and inconvenience has been occasioned to the members of the Rifle Club, which is affiliated to the Falkland Islands Defence Force, by thelong delay which has occurred in this connection, and I am to enquire whether it would not have been in any way possible to expedite the despatch of the aperture sights, e.g., by the s.s. "Orits" which left England on the 22nd of September, 1927, or more than a month after the date of the receipt in your office of my /telegram

THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES .

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WESTMINSTER, S.W. 1.

telegram to which reference is above made.

3. I am to add that in making this enquiry I have not overlooked the fact that the period within which despatch was promised on the Tender form signed by B.S.A. Guns, Limited., was thirty days from the date of order, and that the Tender form is marked as accepted on the 24th of August, 1927.

4. I am further to add that I make it an invariable rule not to indent for goods by telegram unless they are urgently required, and I am to add that in view more particularly of this practice you will be good enough to take such steps as are practible to ensure that telegraphic orders for this Colony are supplied in the future as expeditiously as possible.

> I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

> > Colonial Secretary.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, STANLEY, 22nd November, 1927.

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 10th of October, 1927, regarding our newly formed Rifle Club and the movement on foot to send a team to Bisley next year. I should be glad if you would kindly let us know if any alteration is intended in the target measurements for the 1928 meeting.

2. I should also be glad if you would be so good as to forward us copies of the programme of the 1928 Bisley meeting as soon as it is published.

Yours faithfully,

ARNOLD HODSON.

MAJOR C. E. ETCHES, SECRETARY, NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION, BISLEY CAMP, BROOKWOOD, SURREY.



TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary.

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To Messrs Parker, Bisley Works, Birmingham.

Despatched :

23rd December, 192 7. Time: 4.50.

Received :

192 Time :

PARKER BISLEY WORKS BIRMINGHAM.

BENTLEYS.

Please send without fail by Orduna mail leaving 2nd January 24 aperture sights for short Lee Enfield rifle as supplied to Governor Hodson B.S.A. pattern price 57/6 each with apertures 4 and 5 urgently required

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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TELEGRAM.

From	The Magistrate,	South Geo	orgia.	
To	The Colonial Se	ecretary.	Stanley.	
Despatched :	5th Jan.	1928	Time :	13.30.
Received :	6th Jan.	¹⁹² 8	Time :	12.05.

COLONIAL SECRETARY,

PORTSTANLEY.

Crytviken Rifle Club Meeting with considerable support. Request I may be informed internal and external diameter targets Range 200 300 and 500 yards.

MAGISTRATE.



From The Colonial Secretary.

To The Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched :7 than1928Time :15.00.Received :192Time :

MAGISTRATE,

SOUTH GEORGIA.

Red 30-Your telegram 5th Jan, His Excellency is very glad to hear success of rifle club. Please telegraph how many rifles and how much ammunition you require for despatch by next Fleurus. Measurements are as follo ws 200 yards frame 4 feet by 4 feet rings bull 6" inner 9" magpiel2" and outer 48" 300 yards frame same size rings 9" 15" 27" and 48" 500 yards and 600 yards frame 6 feet by 6 feet rings 18" 36" 54" and 72".

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From His Excellency the Governor,

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched :	9th January,	192 8.	Time :	16.00.
Received :		192	Time :	

CHAPELRIES,

LONDON.

I shall be grateful if arrangements can be made for me to be furnished at first opportunity with twenty short Lee-Enfield service rifles of latest pattern. As they are for Defence Force purposes I trust that it may be possible for them to be supplied free of cost or on preferential terms. I regret to trouble you in this matter but in view of our Bisley aspirations I consider rifles are urgently required as none but of obsolete pattern are available in the Colony.

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11th January,

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Gentlemen,

I am directed to refer to the previous correspondence, terminating with my letter No. 265/27 of the 21st of November, 1927, on the subject of the supply to this Government of twenty-four aperture sights, and to inform you that these sights were in fact received on the 22nd of December, 1927, in m.v. "Losada". On receipt, however, they were found to be of a very antiquated pattern for use with the long Lee-Enfield rifle.

2. I am to say that it is incredible that it should not be on record in your office that the Falkland Islands Defence Force is and has been for some years past armed with the short Lee-Enfield rifle, in which case it is impossible not to ascribe the mistake to neglect on the part of the responsible officials concerned. In any case I am to protest most strongly at the implication that anything is good enough, however old and out-of-date, for supply to the Falkland Islands.

3. I am to ask that you will be good enough to cause the necessary enquiries to be made into the circumstances of the matter and will inform me in due course of their outcome

THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,

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WESTMINSTER, S.W. 1.

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4. I have to state that I am moved to address you the more strongly in this connection in view of the fact that the failure to obtain the required aperture sights at this time means the loss of the greater part of an entire shooting season at a moment when under the personal lead of His Excellency the Governor the keenest interest is being taken in the Colony generally in this branch of sport, with high hopes of winning ultimately the Junior Kolapore Cup at Bisley. You will appreciate the inconvenience and disappointment which have been caused when I say that the whole programme of training proposed has had to be postponed on this account.

5. In conclusion I would add that I am returning under separate cover the 24 aperture sights supplied for disposal as you may consider best, and that I have ordered for supply direct from the makers 24 aperture sights of the pattern actually required, namely, the most modern and the most efficient.

I am,

Gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

From The Magistrate, South Georgia.

To The Colonial Secretary.

Dispatched :	9th	January,	192	8.	Time.	23.30.
Received :	10th	January,	192	8.	Time.	15.20.

SECRETARY, PORTSTANLEY.

Your telegram 8th January present membership Grytviken Rifle Club approximately 100. Submit that minimum number of rifles required 8 ammuntion 5000 rounds. Can get at least 40 members for miniature rifle club during off-season. If full plan can be forwarded fittings can be manufactured locally. Shall require however 6 saloon rifles and at least 100000 rounds ammunition.

MAGISTRATE.

From The Colonial Secretary,

To The Magistrate, South Georgia.

Dispatched : 13th January, 192 8. Time. 11.20. Received : 192... Time.

> MAGISTRATE, SOUTH GEORGIA.

Red 35- Your telegram of the 9th of January rifle club service rifles and ammunition also plan of miniature range will be sent by Fleurus January 25th. Miniature rifles and ammunition are on order from England.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.



From The Colonial Secretary, Stanley. To The Westers, Tox Bay.

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 Despatched :
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WESTERS,

FOXBAY.

His Excellency is delighted to hear of capital state of rifle club on West Falkland generally and particularly at Hill Cove and wishes you all every success.

SECRETARY.



From The Colonial Secretary, Stanley.

To Mr. J. Robertson, Port Stephens.

 Despatched :
 12 th
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DOPTESON,

PORT STPINE.

Many thunks for your telegram about Afterglow. Much regret that Watson was unable to visit you in matter of rifle club but you will not be neglected on this account

STORTARY.

Prince Olav Harbour, 3/1/1928.

Sir,

I have spoken to several people about that shooting arrangement, and I am quite sure it is possible to get a useable team in Prince Olav Station. Owing to the uneven formation of the country surrounding our station there will be a certain amount of preparation required to make a suitable 600 yards range, and if we cannot get the rifles and ammunition down before the middle of February I really think it will be a little late for this season. But at the same time if the Governor would like us to start this season, we shall try to do our best to make a temporary shooting range, and we shall be glad to receive 4 rifles ammunition and targets.

> i am, Sir, Your obeaient serbant, Bernt Longva.

The Magistrate, South Georgia. FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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S.G.No.8/1928

Date. 10th January, 1928

To. Mon.Col.Sec., Stanley.

From Magistrate, South Georgia.

Reference Numbers,

> In accordance with his incellency's suggestion I have made tentative enquiries amongst the local whaling managers and their employees with regard to the formation of local rifle clubs.

I find the managers practically unanimously in agreement as to, not only the desirability of their formation, but also as to their undoubted popularity amongst their workmen.

Mr. W. W. Stuart, dhief Customs Officer who is being appointed Government representative on the local sports committee gives me to understand that there is a considerable amount of keeness and marked enthusiasm on the part of the men in support of this scheme.

His Excellency will, I think, have all the local support he requires from all sections of the community insomuch as the scheme is one that will in no way interfere with the normal working of the stations - on which owing to the bonus system of payment (common locally) the salaries of all depend.

I would however suggest that (with the exception of the Grytviken Station) the matter is left in abeyance until

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Excellency's visit in February as if the respective clubs could be organised then they would be prepared for a sound and well equipped start next whaling season. In this connection I attach herewith a copy of a letter from Dr. B. Longva of Frince Claf Harbour.

With regard to Grytviken the position is for three reasons entirely different:-

- (1) That the Station is kept reasonably staffed during the winter months.
- (2) That the Government employees will always be available to supply a nucleus for the club.
- (3) The manager of the Compania Argentina de Fesca is himself a keen shot.

I am of opinion that a miniature rifle club here would obtain adequate financial support for the winter months and that if the necessary fixtures and fittings required could be obtained (or possibly manufactured locally) - Vide my telegram of the .9th January, relevant extract reading as follows:-

Red 35

"Can get at least 40 members for miniature "rifle club during off season. If full plans "can be forwarded fittings can be manufactured "locally. I shall require 6 saloon rifles and "at least 100,000 rounds of ammunition.

- the club would be of incalculable value to all concerned.

I am hoping to have layed out in time for His Excellency to fire the opening shot an outdoor range (on the Government Foint at Grytviken) with butts at 600,500,300 and 200 yards, but the target arrangements will necessarily, for this year, be primitive. As token of the keeness displayed in the matter a considerable number of men have volunteered to assist in the necessary construction work entailed entirely free of recompense.

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I would suggest that if His Excellency would bring down with him in the S/S "Fleurus" what in his opinion would be sufficient for an outdoor club of about 100 active members (during the remainder of the whaling season) and at least 40 active members for the winter months, and would be prepared to start this club under his personal auspices that he would meet with all the support, both financial and personal, that he could possibly require - Vide my telegram of 9th of January.

The suggested club charges are an annual subscription of five shillings per member and threepence per packet for ammunition, I trust that these are correct as if they are not, in His Excellency's opinion, considered sufficient a larger subscription could easily be obtained provided the matter was brought up in ample time.

Subject to your approval I suggest that on the appointment of a suitable constable the actual charge of the range, rifles and ammunition, should be turned over to him, the Magistrate, however, still retaining the ultimate responsibil--ity.

The question of affiliation of the local clubs to the Falkland Islands Club a pears to present the only real difficult--y as the men here, naturally, do not wish to be in any way connected with the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

I suggest the following solution of this minor problem - that the local clubs, probably five in all, could affiliate under a central South Georgian Rifle Association, the committee of which would consist of one representative from each local club and one Government representative (Mr. W.W. Stuart).

This South Georgian Rifle Association could be affiliated with the present Falkland Islands Defence Force Rifle Club under the Title of

--- The Falkland Islands and Dependencies Rifle ---Association.

under this scheme the Falkland Islands Defence Force Rifle Club would still retain it's separate entity.

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I should be glad to know what support the Government is prepared to give towards the formation of and the general support of the respective clubs as although I do not anticipate that the actual labour charges will be heavy the initial cost of material and maintenance thereof are necessarily, in a Dependency of this type, and an extremely expensive undertaking.

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Magistrate.

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TELEGRAM.

From The Legistrate, South Georgia,

Te The Colonial Secretary.

Dispatched: 20th January, 192 8. Time. 21.30.

Received : 21st January, 192 3. Time. 12.30.

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Your telegram of <u>15th</u> January reference Rifle Club can 50 books target patching be supplied also necessary targets for miniature club.

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Minute from Hon. C.S. to Chief Clerk C.S.C., cf 27. 1. 28. 'File and then to C.C. Defence Force for his early consideration please. (intld. J.M.L. 23.1.28.)

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

From

MINUTE.

2nd February, 1928.

To The Magistrate.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SOUTH GEORGIA.

With reference to recent correspondence on the subject of the formation of Rifle Clubs at South Georgia, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that the following equipment is being despatched to you by the s.s. "Fleurus", leaving Stanley to-day:

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8	rifles
5000	rounds Mark VII ammunition
9	books target patching paper
1	plan of miniature rifle range installed in Falkland Islands Defence Force Drill Hall, Stanley.

2. I am to say that these articles are all that can be spared from present stocks, but that when fresh supplies are received the matter of your further requirements will be given attention.

3. I am to add that His Excellency is very pleased to learn of the satisfactory progress the movement is making.

for Colonial Secretary.



TELEGRAM.

From The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

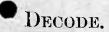
To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched :	3rd February,	<i>192</i> ⁸ .	Time :	13.00.
Received :	4th February,	1928.	Time :	10.20.

GOVERNOR PORTSTAULEY.

Red 32 Your telegram of 9th January last sentence not understood as issue of 100 Mark III X rifles and 50 at special rate was made beginning of 1922 see Crown Agents requisition 1494. War Office states that this mark X is same as at present in use in Imperial Service and cannot agree to free issue or preferential treatment in this case.

SECRETARY OF STATE.



TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor,

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Desputched: 7th February,	192 8. Time: 13.00.
Received :	192 Time :

CHAPELRIES,

LONDON.

Red 46 Your telegram of 3rd February regret inaccuracy of statement made in the last sentence of my telegram of 9th January and assume that improvements to present pattern of rifle are still under consider-In any case rifles are urgently required as ation. effective strength of Defence Force has now increased to 217 and the 150 rifles supplied in 1922 are total quantity on charge in the Colony. In view of the fact that over 100 recruits have been enrolled during past year and that another twenty as least are expected to join during present year request that you may think fit again to approach the War Office in the matter of the free issue or purchase on preferential terms of a further 100 fifles. See my despatch No. 222 of 9th November. Further despatch follows.

GOVERNOR.

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TELEGRAM.

The Colonial Secretary. From

To Messrs Parker, Bisley Works, Birmingham.

192 8. Time: 4.30 p.m. Despatched : 7th February, Received : 192 Time ; . . .

> PARKER BISLEY WORKS BIRMINGHAM.

Red 29 Referring to my telegram of 23rd December aperture sights received safely. Request you will send 20 further sights same pattern by first opportunity.

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APFENDIX "B."

CONFERENCE FORM.

Combined Cortificate of Value and of Origin and Invoice of Goods for Exportation to the British Dominions.

3, Albert George, Parker, (1) a Director (1) Here insert Manager, Chief Clerk, or as the case may be. A.G.Parker and Co., Ltd., of (2). Birmingham, _of (3) manufacturer of the goods enumerated in this invoice amounting to £46-4-0d (2) Here insert name of firm or company. . 10 11 (3) Here insert name of city or country. hereby declare that I [(4) have the authority to make and sign this certificate on behalf (4) These words should be onitted where the manu-facturer or supplier himself signs the Certificate. of the aforesaid manufacturer and that I] have the means of knowing and do hereby certify as follows ;--VALUE. 1. That this invoice is in all respects correct and contains a true and full statement of the price actually paid or to be paid for the said goods, and the actual quantity thereof. 2. That no different invoice of the goods mentioned in the said invoice has been or will be furnished to anyone; and that no arrangements or understanding affecting the purchase price of the said goods has been or will be made or entered into between the said exporter and purchaser, or by anyone on behalf of either of them either by way of discount, rebate, compensation or in any manuer whatever other than as fully shown on this invoice, or as follows (5) (5) Here insert particulars of any . NONE special arrangement. 25 . 2000 3. That the domestic values shown in the column headed "Current Domestic Values" are those at which the above mentioned firm or company would be prepared to supply to any purchaser for home consumption in the country of exportation and at the date of (6) Hereinsert -warehouse," "factory" or "port of shipment." γ exportation identically similar goods in equal quantities, at (6). Warehouse subject to nett per cent. cash discount, and that such values we would be cost of outside packages, if any, in which the goods are sold in such country for domestic consumption. That the said domestic value includes any duty leviable in respect of the goods before they are delivered for home consumption, and that on exportation a drawback or has been allowed by the revenue remission of duty amounting to_ NONE authorities in the country of exportation. ORIGIN. (In the Case of Goods Exported to Newfoundland the following portion of the Certificate dealing with Origin should be struck out). (Delete whicheve: of 5 (a) or 5 (b) is not applicable. If 5 (a) is used delete 6 and 7. If 5 (b) is used insert required particulars in 6 and 7.) 5. (a) That every article mentioned in the said invoice has been wholly produced UNITED KINGDOM (7) Insert "United Kingdom" or name of other part of British Dominious. or manufactured in $(7)_{-}$ 5. (b) That every article mentioned in the said invoice has been either wholly or partially produced or manufactured in (7)_ 6. As regards those articles only partially produced or manufactured in (7)6695 HP - 6701 8 That the final process or processes of manufacture have been performed in (a)that part of the British Dominions. (b) That the expenditure in material produced in (7)____ and/or labour performed in (7) _calculated subject to qualifications hereunder, in each and every article is not less than one-fourth of the factory or works costs of such article in its finished state. (See Note below.) 7. That in the calculation of such proportion of produce or labour of the $(7)_{-}$ _none of the following items has been included or considered-"Manufacturer's profit or remuneration of any trader, agent, broker or other person "dealing in the articles in their finished condition: royalties: cost of outside " packages or any cost of packing the goods thereinto; any cost of conveying, "insuring, or shipping the goods subsequent to their manufacture." Note.—In the case of goods which have at some stage entered into the commerce of; or undergone a process of manufacture in a foreign country, only that labour and material which is expended on or added to the goods after their return to the United Kingdom shall be regarded as the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom in calculating the proportion of United Kingdom labour and material in the factory or works cost of the finished article. H. SNAPE & SONS, Dated at Birmingham this 30th day of December Manufacturing Stationers. Signature I live Millon Salford, Manchester. June alicia . Witness Jaussie

MEMORANDUM FROM



FLEMEN, BIRMINGHAM. Telegrams: Telephone CENTRAL 7162.

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E. A. G. PARKER.

The Colonial Secretary,

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Dear Sir,

We received your kind cable which on account of apparent misquoted code words, there was some difficulty in translating completely at once. However, we read same to call for :-

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These we have posted as attached invoice, and we hope to hear same are entirely to your satisfaction on arrival.

Anticipating your continued interest, and assuring you of our best attention at all times.

> Yours faithfully, A.G. P.RK R & CO: LI TITED.

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

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GOVERNMENT HOUS! STANLEY,

29th February, 19

Sir.

I have the honour to refer to the previous correspondence terminating with my telegram of the 7th of February, 1928, on the subject of a supply of whort Lee-Enfield rifles for the use of the Falkia Islands Defence Force and also to my despatch, M.N of the 27th of February, 1928, reporting the access to the Defence Force of one hundred recruits and M during the past year.

2. I would state in the first place that at the time of sending my telegram of the 9th of January, 1928, I was under a misapprehension, it would appen that improvements had actually been effected to the latest pattern of short hee-Enfield rifle issued to the Imperial Forces and that I understand now that such improvements are still under consideration. If regret that I should have occasioned you any inconvenience by this inaccuracy.

3. Apart from any Bisley considerations, however, I would desire to lay before you the advisability of arming each member of the Defence Force with his own rifle a principle with which I feel sure that the Tar Office will be the first to agree. As you are aware from my despatch above referred to the actual strength of the Defence Force is at the present time two hundred

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C. M. S. IMERY, P.C., M.P., SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES. and seventeen all ranks and is expected by the end of the current year to approximate to two hundred and fifty. In any case I submit that if the full number is not attained it will be well to have a few rifles in reserve.

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4. I have to ask therefore that you will approve the supply to the Defence Force of a further one hundred rifles of the most recent pattern. In view of the importance which is attributed to the maintenance of adequate means of local defence among the several units of the Empire and of your personal interest on which I rely so strongly in the extension as widely as possible of rifle-shooting for men of British race throughout the world I venture to suggest that you may think fit again to approach the Car office in the matter of the issue free or on preferential terms of the number of rifles stated. If the ar office is still unable to see its way to meet this Government I would then ask your sanction to dofray the necessary cost in toto from the accusulated balances standing to the credit of the Colony.

5. Furthermore you will appreciate that increased mombership of the Defence Force and of the Rifle Association entails increased expenditure of ammunition. It is true that a fairly good stock of .303 ball cartridges of some age is on hand in the Colony but the supply of new ammunition is at the present date less than 5,000 rounds. I would request therefore that 20,000 rounds of the latest ammunition may be supplied in like manner on free issue or on preferential terms, if possible, to meet immediate needs. I shall address you further in due course on the subject of the annual expenditure of ammunition/ ammunition when I am in a position more accurately to assess it. Incidentally I would remark that part of the cost of the ammunition supplied to the Rifle Association is recovered from its sale to members at the reduced rate of 2d per packet of 10 rounds, or 21. 5s. Od a thousand.

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6. I am aware that my requirements in this connection may sound at first somewhat large. In justification I have to show the unprecedented boom in recruiting to which I have alluded already and to plead that such enthusiasm on the part of the men should not be allowed to evaporate from no other cause than lack of the necessary materials.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient,

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humble servant,

ARNOLD HODSON.

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February 13th 1928 19

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3, Albert George, Parker, of (2) A.G.Parker and Co:, Ltd., (1) Birmingham, (1) Here insert Manager, Chief Clerk, or hs the case may be. of (2) (2) Here insert name manufacturer of the goods enumerated in this invoice-amounting to £37-10-0d ROIT supplier (3) Here insert name of city or country. hereby declare that I [(4) have the authority to make and sign this certificate on behalf (4) These words should be omitted where the manu-facturer or supplier himself signs the Certificate. of the aforesaid manufacturer and that I] have the means of knowing and do hereby certify supplier as follows :--ofin: VALUE. 1. That this invoice is in all respects correct and contains a true and full statement of the price actually paid or to be paid for the said goods, and the actual quantity thereof. 2. That no different invoice of the goods mentioned in the said invoice has been or will be furnished to anyone; and that no arrangements or understanding affecting the purchase price of the said goods has been or will be made or entered into between the said exporter and purchaser, or by anyone on behalf of either of them either by way of discount, rebate, compensation or in any manner whatever other than as fully shown on this invoice, (5) Here insert particulars of any special arrangement. or as follows (5) NONE 3. That the domestic values shown in the column headed "Current Domestic Values" are those at which the above mentioned firm or company would be prepared to supply to any purchaser for home consumption in the country of exportation and at the date of (6) Here insert exportation identically similar goods in equal quantities, at (6). warehouse arehou factory " or port of shipment." subject to nett per cent. cash discount, and that such values exclude the cost of outside 535 15 Spackages, if any, in which the goods are sold in such country for domestic consumption. That the said domestic value includes any duty leviable in respect of the goods before they are delivered for home consumption, and that on exportation a drawback or has been allowed by the revenue remission of duty amounting to____ NONE authorities in the country of exportation. ORIGIN. (In the Case of Goods Exported to Newfoundland the following portion of the Certificate dealing with Origin should be struck out). (Delete whichever of 5 (a) or 5 (b) is not applicable. If 5 (a) is used delete 8 and 7. If 5 (b) is used insert required particulars in 8 and 7.) 5. (a) That every article mentioned in the said invoice has been wholly produced (7) Insert "United Kingdom" or name of other part of British Dominions. U.K. or manufactured in (7)_ 5. (b) That every article mentioned in the said invoice has been either wholly or partially produced or manufactured in (7)_ 6. As regards those articles only partially produced or manufactured in (7)That the final process or processes of manufacture have been performed in (a)that part of the British Dominious. (b) That the expenditure in material produced in $(7)_{--}$ and/or labour performed in (7). _calculated subject to qualifications hereunder, in each and every article is not less than one-fourth of the factory or works costs of such article in its finished state. (See Note below.) 7. That in the calculation of such proportion of produce or labour of the (7)none of the following items has been included or considered-"Manufacturer's profit or remuneration of any trader, agent, broker or other person "dealing in the articles in their finished condition: royalties: cost of outside " packages or any cost of packing the goods thereinto; any cost of outside insuring, or shipping the goods subsequent to their manufacture." Note.—In the case of goods which have at some stage entered into the commerce of, or undergone a process of manufacture in a foreign country, only that labour and material which is expended on or added to the goods, after their return to the United Kingdom shall be regarded as the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom in calculating the proportion of United Kingdom labour and material in the factory or works cost of the finished article. H. SNAPE & SONS, Birmingham 13th_{day of} February Dated at_ this Manufacturing Stationers, Salford, Manchester. Signatur Weil Barker Witness Jusie kene loisa

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Cable AP/CIA 14-2-25

The Colonial Secretary, Port Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Dear Sir,

Your cable received with thanks, and we have posted as enclosed invoice.

The word given to us as "negey" in cable is advised"mutilated," but as nothing could be gained by referring back, we took the available opportunity to post at once. We trust we have understood correctly, and that you will receive in good time and condition.

Trusting to hear of . your approval in due course.

Yours faithfully, A.G. PARKER & CO: LTD.

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DIRECTOR.



ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE OROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES. THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE OF CARLENDE ISLENDS TELEGRAMS. "CROWN, LONDON." 2734. TELEPHONE, 7730 VICTORIA.

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

18th January, 1923.

- AFR.1928 27 I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your AND ISLANDS etter of the 21st of November No. 265/27 from which we regret to note that disappoint ent and inconvenience has been occasioned to members of the Rifle Club by the delay in the supply of the F.S.A aperture sights which were telegrapher for on the 15th of August.

> 2. We forwarded the enquiry to the B.S.A. Company on the same cate at the telepron was received (the 16th August) but they did not really until the 25rd of August and the order to them was iscued by us on the 24th of August. The firm quoted 50 days for the delivery of the sights but actually took three works longer, the goods being deepatched by post to the Falkland Islands on the 19th of October. We have taken the matter up with them and a comp of a letter is enclosed in which they explain the position.

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It is our practice to treat all telegraphic indents as urgent, and we do what we can by reminders atc. to secure delivery by the dates promised in the tenders.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

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for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary, Falkland Islands. G/Falkland Islands 2704, 4.

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<u>FROM MALA. GUNS LIMITED TO CROWN AGENTS.</u> Ref.H.W.R.T.

Eirmingham,

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Centlemen.

Which occurred in the despetch of the Sights which form the subject of your letter of January 2nd. The fact is that just before your order was received the plant was turned over to the manufacture of the newest design of the the Sight - the No.5- and it was so employed when your order came to hand. In order to bring through the No. 90 Sights which you required the plant had to be partly dismantled and re-set up and, as you will readily understand, this necessarily caused delay in manufacture.

Te sincerely hope that your people were put to no very great inconvenience in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) H. Tarrant.

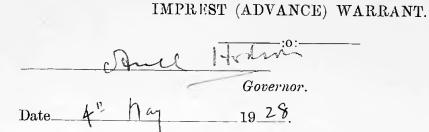
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You are hereby authorized and required to issue to the $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{Person}_{Account} \\ \operatorname{Account} \end{array}\right\}$ described in the subjoined Schedule, the amount entered against $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{his, its, their} \\ \operatorname{respective} \end{array}\right\}$ designation, to be accounted for, in the manner and at the date specified.

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Chairman Rifle Association

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Head quarters,

The Hon,

The Colonial Secretary,

Sir,

I beg to ask for an advance from the Treasury to cover the amount of Account due to Parkers for last consignment of Aperture Sights.

The money will be paid back to the Treasury in instalments as the sights are sold out to members of the Rifle Club,

I hve the honour to be,

Jir, your obedient Servant,

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O/C Defence Force.

The Colonial Secretary, Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, S.America.

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COPY OF LETTER FROM B.S.A. GUNS LTD. TO CROWN AGENTS.

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BIRMINGHAM.

8th March, 1928.

Gentlemen,

Thank you for your letter of March 7th. If you will be good enough to refer to your enquiry No.2734/1 of the 16th August 1927 you will see that what you called for were 24 Aperture Sights, B.S.A. Pattern with No.3 and No.5 Apertures. It was not stated whether they were to bee for the Long Pattern Rifle or the present British Service Pattern Rifle S.M.L.E. Mark 111. As there are so many Long Lee-Enfield Rifles in use in Colonies governed by the Crown Agents we sent Sights for that Rifle. We are extremely sorry about this and will very willingly and immediately despatch Sights suitable for the Short Lee-Enfield Rifle. If you will kindly confirm that this will be in order. From your letter of February 24th we assume that this is the case, but we would like you to confirm it please.

We would like to say that we have not yet heard from the Governor of the Falkland Islands in regard to this matter.

We are, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servants, B. S. A. GUNS LIMITED. (Sgd) M. TAURANT.

Managing Director.

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TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE OROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES. THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE: 6/Falk. IS. 2734. TELEGRAMS. "CROWN. LONDON."

TELEPHONE. 7730 VICTORIA. Enclosure.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS

4, MILLBANK, WESTMINSTER, LONDON, S.W. 1. 14th March 1928.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.265/27 of the 11th January, concerning the aperture sights which were supplied by B.S.A. Guns Ltd. in satisfaction of the order conveyed in your telegram of the 15th August last.

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2. We greatly regret to learn that the sights were not of the pattern desired and we fully appreciate the inconvenience and annoyance which this must have occasioned, but we must protest against the assertion that it was due to neglect in this office. The primary cause was the inadequate description of the sights contained in your telegram of the 15th August. It is true that when a description is patently inadequate,, or the suppliers draw our attention to its inadequacy or ambiguity, we are often able by consulting the records of past supplies to save a colonial Government from the consequences of these defects, but in view of the large number of indents dealt with, the great variety of goods indented for, it is clearly impossible for us to undertake always to detect and supply deficiencies in the descriptions furnished by Colonial Governments. In the present case it was not obvious that the sights were inadequately described and the order was transmitted to the firm named by the Government in the terms given in the telegram. The firm accepted the order without comment and we had no reason to /suppose

The Colonial Secretary, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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suppose that the Government would not receive what it required.

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3. With regard to the part played by B.S.A. Guns Ltd. in the transaction we cannot do better than enclose a copy of their own explanation.

4. The incorrect sights have been returned to the firm which has sent us a credit note for their value (242. 12. 0.) As will be seen from the copy of their letter which is enclosed, they have not yet received from the Government the direct order which is mentioned in the last paragraph of your letter. This will no doubt reach them before long and no time will then be lost in sending out the sights.

I have the honour to be,

Sir, Your obedient servant,

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for Crown Agents.

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

to

17th.March, 1928.

Dear Mr.Hodson,

May I refer you to your Colonial Secretary's letter of January 11th., No.265/27, about a telegraphic indent for aperture sights and our reply of March 14th.?

I can well understand the intense annoyance which must have been caused by the mistake which was made in I hope however, you will not think that our this case. reply is merely an attempt to shift the blame on to other It is most important in the working of our shoulders. system that Colonial Governments should realise the necessity of giving a sufficiently full description of the articles which they require. The variety of goods which we purchase - ranging from stallions to pen-nibs - is so great that it would be unreasonable to expect our staff always to detect whether a particular description was adequate or not. We are bound therefore, to rely to a certain extent in this matter upon the judgment of the firm with whom the order is In this particular case we were certainly entitled placed.

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to assume that a firm with the reputation of the B.S.A.Guns Ltd., would have raised the question with us if there had been any doubt as to the type of sights required. I consider that we were very badly let down by them, and propose to tell them so in plain language.

Even sincens, It. C. Thouton.

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TELEGRAM.

From The Magistrate, South Georgia,

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched:	15th Lay,	1928.	Time :	1930
Received :	15th Hay,	1928.	Time :	11 p.m.

SECRETARY, PORTST.MLEY.

Requirements local rifle Club next season 150,000 rounds of armamition and 25 rifles.

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Gentlemen,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 48 G/Falk. Is. 2734, on the subject of the supply of aperture sights, and to thank you for the enquiries which you have made in this connection.

2. I would say that I am unable to agree that he primary cause of the delay which has been occasioned was, as stated by you, the inadequate description of the sights contained in my telegram of the 15th of August, 1927. I do not, however, desire to labour this matter beyond pointing out that as the short Lee Enfield is the pattern of rifle ordinarily in use, if the sights had been exceptionally required for the long Lee Enfield now obsolete, such of course would have been made clear.

3. I would add with repard to the last paragraph of your letter under reply that the order for the correct sights has been placed direct with A.G. Parker & Co.Ltd. of Birmingham, and that the sights have been in fact received.

> I have the hondur to be, Gentlemen,

THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES, 4. MILLBANK, WESTMINSTER, S.W.1.

Your obedient servant.

Colonial Secretary.

23rd May, 1928.

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I was much touched by the receipt of your personal letter dated the 17th of March in which you refer to my Colonial Secretary's letter of January 11th in connection with aperture sights. He is replying to you direct but I feel I must write these few lines to thank you so much for your kind explanation.

I am extremely grateful for all the trouble you have taken in the past in connection with this Colony and I do not forget the assistance you gave me in procuring my Christmas tree presents for last year's party, so I do not wish you to think I am ungrateful. I fully realise the enormous amount of work your department has to do and the worry and anxiety you must be caused from time to time.

You are aware that we are sending home a team to H.C.Thornton, Esq., C.M.G., C.V.O., Crown Agents for the Colonies,

4, Millbank, S.W.

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Bisley for the Junior Kolapore Cup. This is a great event in the life of our Colony and it was naturally a blow to us all when our training was so seriously thrown back.

However, this is a thing of the past and I hope I shall have before long to consult you as to the cheapest way of sending the 500 Guinea Junior Kolapore Cup to these islands for safe custody!

I hope to be in England myself by the same mail as this letter and I will make a point of calling upon you so that we can discuss matters in general.

Again with many thanks for your letter which is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE, STANLEY. 28th May, 1928.

FALKLAND ISLANDS. No. 185.

Sir,

In continuation of my despatch No. 89 of the 29th of February, 1928, on the subject of the arming of the Falkland Islands Defence Force with rifles of the most up-to-date pattern, I have the honour to inform you that it would appear from experience obtained in actual practise that a considerable number of the 150 short Lee-Enfield rifles mark III, supplied at the beginning of 1922 - vide your telegram of the 3rd of February, 1928 - are unreliable for accurate shooting if not generally unfit for service purposes. I understand that these rifles are of war-time manufacture and that the barrelling is of inferior steel which is liable to unusually rapid deterioration.

2. I have therefore taken advantage of the visit to the United Kingdom of Captain D. R. Watson, Adjutant and Acting Commanding Officer of the Falkland Islands Defence Force, to send in his charge a case containing a sample of sixteen rifles considered in this manner to be defective and I would ask that the newessary arrangements may

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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L.C.M.S. AMERY, P.C., M.P., DECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES. be made in consultation with Captain Watson for their expert examination by the War Office authorities.

I shall be grateful if you can see your way clear to assist me in this connection and in such event if you will kindly cause me to be furnished with a copy of any report in regard to the rifles which may be made.

3. At the same time I should greatly appreciate any facilities which it may be possible to extend to Captain Watson and with him to the members of the Colony's Bisley team in order to enable them to visit Woolwich Arsenal and similar establishments and there to obtain the benefit of skilled advice in the care and overhaul of rifles and other modern instruments of war.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient, humble servent,

> > ARNOLD HODSON.

928. 1 The Colonial Secretary, Port Stenley, Felkland Islands, S.Americe. MANUFACTURED BY KENRICK & JEFFERSON LTD THE K&J POSTAL STATEMENT 464506 Telegrams: RIFLEMEN, BIRMINGHAM. Telephone: CENTRAL 7162. Code: A B C 5th Edition. Bisley Works, Whittall Street, BIRMINGHAM, Feb: 29th: 1928 IN ACCOUNT WITH A. G. PARKER & CO., Ltd. RIFLES, SHOOTING ACCESSORIES and MUSKETRY APPLIANCES. Contractors to the Government. Folio R. 65.2 GP: INVOICE BALANCE CREDIT DEBIT DATE To A/c rendered 1928 To Goods 46 11 7 Dec:20 1928 11 38 15 Feb:13 5 7 85 0

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4. MILLBANK, WESTMINSTER, LONDON, S.W. 1. 31st May. 1928.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 11th January No. 265/27 and in continuation of our letter of the 14th March No. 48 regarding the supply of aperture sights under the above requisition, I have the honour to inform you that Messrs. B.S.A. Guns Ltd. have written to us to say that they have not yet received any instructions regarding the direct supply of the correct aperture sights as mentioned in paragraph 5 of your above mentioned letter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

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for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary,

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6th July 1928.

Sir,

In continuation of our letter No. 89 of 31st May regarding the supply of aperture sights under the above requisition and with reference to your letter of 23rd May No. 265/27, I have the honour to informyou that Captain Watson, The Adjutant, Falkland Islands Defence Force, has informed us that although B. S. A. sights were originally specified the replacement of the sights has been obtained from Messrs. A. G. Parker & Co.

2. We have informed Messrs. B.S.A. Guns Ltd. of the action taken, and they have refunded the sum of £42. 12. Od. being the cost of the sights which have been returned to them. The amount has been credited to the account of the Falkland Islands Government with this office.

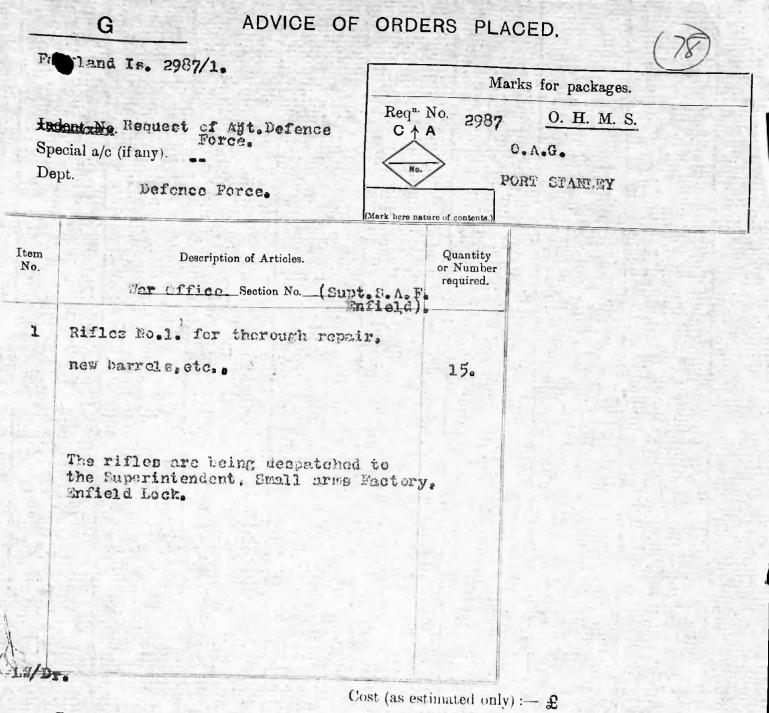
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The Colonial Secretary, Falkland Islands.



Date 9th July,1928

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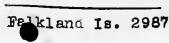
The Colonial Secretary,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies present their compliments and beg to state that the above stores have been demanded from the War Department in pursuance of the indent quoted. Unless it is found convenient to issue the stores from Army stocks, the supply may normally require some months to complete, and in the case of ammunition a period of at least a year must be allowed. No reports on the progress of manufacture will be made from this office, but cases of special urgency will receive individual attention. Shipment will be effected as early as possible after issue.

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All communications to be addressed to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, the above reference and the date of this letter being quoted. OFFICE OF THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,

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

The Crown Agents for the Colonies present their compliments, and with reference to the Indent noted in the margin, have the honour to subjoin a copy of a letter authorising amendments to the Contract, details of which have already been forwarded to you.

Request of Adjutant,

Special a/c. (if any) ••

Dept. Defence Force.

Item No. ..

To The Colonial Secretary, FALKLANDISLANDS.



23rd July, 1928. Date.....

The Under Secretary of State, War Office, Whitehall, S.W.1.

Sir,

With reference to our demand under the above reference dated the 9th July, I have the honour to request that the number of rifles for repair therein be amended from 15 to 17. The latter quantity have actually been despatched to the Small Arms Factory, Enfield Lock.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

for Crown Agents.

C/Dr

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(It is requested that, in any reference ence to this minuted the above Number and the date may be quoted).	22nd Novem	ber, ₁₉ 28.
From Ag. Treasurer.	То	
	THE COLONIAL SEC	RETARY,
	Stanley, Falkla	and Islands.

In connection with an advance of 242--14--5. made in respect of Aperture Sights which were subsequently returned as unsuitable, this amount has now been repaid with the exception of 2s/5d, which represents the marine insurance premium paid by the Crown Agents in December last (their voucher No.27). I suggest that some action be taken with a view to settling this A/c - perhaps the Hon.Treasurer

of the Rifle Club could be asked to pay the amount ?

Ag. Treasurer.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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Departmental Number.

From Magistrate, So. Georgia.

S.G.No.191/28

Date 27th November, 1928

To Hon.Col.Sec., Stanley.

Reference Numbers.

> With reference to Lt.-Commdr Alison's telegram of the 15th of May,1928, requesting that 150,000 rounds of ammunition be forwarded for the use of the South Georgia rifle clubs, I would be glad if at least 10,000 rounds could be supplied as soon as possible. The present stock is only about 400 rounds.

2. In addition to the above a further supply of target patches will be necessary, also a fair supply of flannelette and a gallon of oil for cleaning purposes.

3. I should be glad if you would cause me to be advised of the cost of the ammunition in order that a proper price may be charged to the members.

L. Barlas

MAGISTRATE.

265/27.

29. 18th January,

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you with reference to your letter No. 191/28 of the 27th of November, 1928, that on account of the expense and difficulty of supplying arms and ammunition for the Rifle Clubs at South Georgia the members of which for the most part are or would be almost exclusively of alien nationality His Excellency has decided that the best course will be to close down altogether the Rifle Clubs in South Georgia.

2. I am to request you therefore to take the necessary steps to this end and to arrange for the return to the Officer Commanding the Falkland Islands Defence Force, Stanley, of the rifles which and such remaining stock of ammunition as you have in your charge at South Georgia.

3. I am to express regret that this action should have become necessary and to say that His Excellency trusts that the disappointment caused will not be too keenly felt.

I am, Sir, Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

The Magistrate, SOUTH GEORGIA.



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To MAGISTRATE. SU IN GEORGIA.

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RALKLAND ISLANDS.

C.S. No. 265/27

Memo.

Departmental Number.

From Magistrate, So.Georgia.

S.G.No.80/29

Date 12th April, 1929.

To Hon.Col.Sec., Stanley.

Reference Numbers.

> In reply to your telegram of the 2nd inst., I beg to inform you that the sum of £6. 5. -. has been collected in respect of the 5,000 rounds of ammunition supplied to the South Georgia Rifle Club, - Vide S.G. Receipt Nos:- 261 & 282 of 10/4/29. 2. The rifles are being returned by the S/S "Fleurus"

which is due to leave for Port Stanley tomorrow.

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Magistrate.