

C.S.

Licences

(Gun)

1928.

No.

191/29

Mr. S. Miller (Jr.)

SUBJECT.

1929

18<sup>th</sup> April

Previous Paper.

Permits exempting certain men from purchasing Gun Licences for the purpose of destroying Geese on Messrs Blake & Co's Hill Core Star.

MINUTES.

Lecture from Mr. S. Miller (Jr.) 18/4/29

V.E.

Submitted

2. Permits might, I consider be issued under other proviso (1) to Section 6 of Ordinance 2/08. the holders of such permits being regarded as performing a service for the Government.

This is, however, rather straining the interpretation and I suggest that the Ord. should be amended by adding the following proviso under Sec 6: 'By any person authorized in writing by the Governor to use or carry a gun.'

Subsequent Paper.

ERD  
for C.S.  
1.6.29

H.C.S.

Please. H.C.S. to me. As we do not pay for  
"mils" now the concession is justified.  
( $\frac{2.29}{5}$ ) M.

Hon Treasurer.

To see

SPH 13

for C.S.

2. V. 29

Hon Secy

Seen

H. Chen

H. Chen

8.7.29

Y.E.

Draft ordinance submitted for approval.

SPH 13

Ag. C.S.

14. V. 29

H.C.S.

Please send me up the Ordinance to me

( $\frac{14.29}{5}$ )

M

Y.E.

Vol of Laws herewith. - Can Ord pp 382-383

SPH 13

Ag. C.S.

14.5.29

H.C.S.

On reading the Ordinance I think  
we can act under the section of <sup>mentioned in</sup> your minute  
of 1.5.29. It seems unnecessary to alter the  
Proclamation.

( $\frac{14.29}{5}$ )

M.

Copy of Permit granted in respect of Road.



4- Ltr to the Manager, Hill Ave 15<sup>th</sup> May, 1929

Hon Treasurer,

Closer,

S.P.B.

A.C.S.

18. V. 29

Am. Sec. Secretary

Seen.

H. Chy A. Sec.

21/5/29

5-6. Letter from Hon Treasurer of 1/6/29

2-6. Submitted. Permits to issue?

S.P.B.

A.C.S.

7. VI. 29.

Hon C.S.

Please, but make it quite clear if  
any wish to start game a licence must  
be taken out and that I trust the  
manager of each station to see the  
privilege is not abused.

(7-27) M

Copy of Permit issued in respect of Rod 5  
Hon Treasurer,

Permits herewith. With your  
please reply to W. Bonner in sense  
of the Excellency's minute. R.B.  
12. VI. 29 A.C.S.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Permit withdrawn and forwarded  
to Mr John Bonner, accordingly.

Mr. George Harkett

Wrens.

13.6.29.

~~24. 12. 29~~

~~23~~

Minute from S. & S. 14/9/29

Letter to Hon. G. Bonner, 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1929.

Sydney Miller, Esq. — do

Hon. Treasurer.

For note and for favour of  
your observations in para 3 of  
His Excellency's minute (Red 7)

2. His Excellency has asked me  
verbally, what steps are taken to  
ensure that all business are duly  
taken out for all guns used on the  
Camp. Would it be advisable, do  
you consider, to issue a circular  
letter to all managers?

G.H.B.

Ag. C.S.  
20. IX. 29

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10.  
11.

Hon. Col. Sec.

I understand that there is a previous paper dealing with the publication of a circular drawing attention to the provisions of the Gun License Ordinance. This was in a paper dealing with correspondence in 1928 with Mr. Robert Blath regarding use of rifles for killing feral. Will you please attach that paper.

W. Craig Hawker

23.9.29.

Hon. Secy.

In P. 243/28 herewith.

W. Craig Hawker  
23/9/29.

Hon. Col. Sec.

A letter and Circular drawing attention to the Gun License Ord. was sent to all managers of Stations in March last, vide ③ of C.S. 243/28. As a result the revenue for Gun Licenses has increased.

2. It is a difficult matter to control persons residing in the "Camp," in many instances managers of Stations do not bother to see that persons using guns have licenses. The position is somewhat unfair as persons in Stanley are under the eye of the Police and have to take

our licenses but practically get no shooting whereas persons in the "Camp" do not always take our licenses but get plenty of shooting.

2. I certainly consider it would be far more equitable if the same was applied to possession of a gun instead of to carrying and using a gun. I find, however, that in the U.K. the same applies to carrying and using a gun, but as the conditions are so very different I think we would be justified <sup>in</sup> ~~to~~ altering the law to "possession of a gun or guns." The law as it stands is difficult to enforce in the "Camp"

3. The Revenue, derived from gun licenses this year was £64 to the end of August, or £9 more than the estimate for the year - this increase was no doubt due to the effect of the Circular mentioned in para: 1. £64 covers 128 guns, probably only about half those actually used.

W. Brangin Haskett  
Treas.

24. 9. 29.

Wm. Pearson.

I am of opinion it would be better to let the Gun Licences Ordinance stand as it is. If on the other hand registration of firearms were required here it would overcome many of the present difficulties. An ordinance on the lines of 19 of 1920 Cyprus would I think be useful in this colony. I

shall be glad of your views.

S.P.B.

A.C.S.

26. IX. 29.

Hon. Sec.

I have seen Cyprus Ord: 19 of 20 dealing with the registration of firearms, and consider that legislation here on the lines of that Ordinance would be of value. A record would then be available of all firearms in the colony, with such record it would be an easy matter to ascertain what persons possessing guns had taken out a license under the Gun License Ord: 1908.

2. The Gun License Ord: 1908 might stand, as this Ordinance provides for carrying and using a gun. In the form of license given on page 369 of laws of Cyprus the words "and use" are included - these words would require to be omitted in any legislation here.

W. V. Hallett

Treasurer

Fee for registration might be 27. 9. 24  
2/6  
met



Y.S. Submitted. During of present  
pressure of work your Excellency  
may be disposed to allow  
this matter to stand over for a  
week or two.

Y.S. 17

A.C.S.  
26.11.29

Hon C.S.

yes, put up say in a  
month's time. Hon C.S. to

see enclosures 10 & 11.

A.H.

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30/11/29  
3/9/29

Y.S. Submitted Y.S. has kindly

spoken to me on this matter.

2 Y.S. will not wish

to proceed with the introduction

of a Gas Registration Ordinance

but thinks that the Treasurer

should compile an unofficial register

of gas in the Library with



Inside Minute Paper.

Re co-operation of farm managers  
e.g. in issuing the licences for  
the current year he might send  
them a typed circular letter asking  
them to be forth enough to furnish  
him with a list of the men on  
their farms who possess guns together  
with a description of the guns.

3. Mr. Trevelyan should  
continue to do all in his power  
to ensure the strict enforcement of  
the existing Ordinance No. 2 of 1908.  
His chie Officers of H.M. Ships  
working the Colony should be required  
to take out the necessary licences.

4. To co-ordinate service 1

Will myself instruct the Chief Constable

in the <sup>appropriate</sup> ~~necessary~~ sense.

J. H. S.

10. 2. 30.

Mr. C. S.

Accordingly please. I agree  
it will be better to get the  
information we require by  
Cautful measures.

(10.30)  
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J. H. S.

Mr. Thompson

To you please

J. H. S.

11. 2. 30.

Hon. Sol. Sec.

Will you kindly cause  
C.S. 243/28 to be attached.

M. Banerjee Halder

Travis

13.2.30

Hon. Treasurer.

243/28 herewith.

C. D. J.

L.S.

13/2/30.

12. Treasury Notice prepared re  
Gun Licence.

12. Copy to Editor of "Penguin".

13. Copy posted on Notice Board  
at entrance to Town Hall.

MCH

15.2.30

13. Minute to Ch. Constable

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MCH

15.2.30

Hon. Sol. Sec.

Action as noted above has  
been taken in this matter.

2. I have asked the Editor  
of the "Penguin" to let me have  
some copies of the Treasury Notice  
which was published in today's  
issue of that paper. Action will  
then be taken as set out in  
para. 2 of your minute of 10.2.30

3. I still think it would  
be preferable to leave the gun

See para 2  
of minute  
of 24.9.24



in which case a person possessing  
a gun or guns would require to have  
licences for them. I am afraid it  
will always be a difficult matter to  
exercise control in the "camp" under  
the present Ordinance.

Mr. Brian Kalkreuth

17.2.30

G.P. Schmitt. G.P. will not

desire to criticize legislation in

this connection at any rate at

present but I will try to

track progress, say, in three months

this?

yes

18.2.30.

Mr. C.S.

Please.

~~10/2/30~~ 10/2/30  
~~10/2/30~~ 10/2/30  
10/2/30

AK.

Vide

Re Firearms Ordinance

N.P. 2/6/30

at P.A. yes

31.5.30.

H.C. These papers may now be  
filed? 31.5.30

NP

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HILL COVE,

FALKLAND ISLANDS, April 18<sup>th</sup> 1929.

Sir,

I enclose a list of employees on this Station, to whom, His Excellency the Governor informed me, would be issued individual permits to carry rifles solely for the destruction of geese on the property of this Station.

His Excellency also informed me that the possession of one of these permits would exempt the holder from obtaining a Gun Licence.

I am,  
Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

Sydney Miller jun

The Hon.  
Colonial Secretary.

Manager.

Stanley.

List of names of employees at Hill Cove, in  
the possession of rifles for the destruction of geese.

Alfred Summers.  
William Tudor.  
James Pitaluga.  
William Halliday.  
David McKay.  
James Davis.  
Thomas Gordon, junr.  
William G. Libbey.  
William H. Pearce.  
Guy Halliday.  
Eric Johnson.  
Frederick Cheek.

Sydney Miller  
manager.



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

P E R M I T.

In pursuance of the provisions of Ordinance  
No. 2 of 1908, permission is hereby granted to

(List of names on Red. 1.)

to use a rifle for the purpose of shooting geese  
and for that purpose only.



Acting Colonial Secretary.

Stanley,  
16th May, 1929.

191/28.

18th May, 29.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th of April, 1929, relative to the use of rifles by employees on your Station for the purpose of destroying geese, and to enclose herewith the necessary permits in this connection

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*S. R. B.*  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,  
Hill Cove,  
WEST FALKLAND.

San Carlos,  
Falkland Islands.  
29 th May 1929.

Dear Sir,

Your Circular letter re Gun Licence Ordinance 1903, to hand. We were given to understand by His Excellency the Governor when he was here on his last tour that Free Permits would be issued to Men possessing guns or rifles who wished to use them for ~~any~~ the purpose of shooting geese or birds of prey, such as Turkey Buzzards, Coranchos, etc. I herewith append a list of six desiring such Permits;- R.Beive Senr. R.F.Short Junr. J.Beive. J.Alazia. Junr. J.D.McCallum. A.D.McCallum.

Also the names of two desiring Gun Licences to shoot game;-

J.B.McKay. P.Beive.

Payment for the two latter may be obtained from our agents in Stanley, Messrs. The Falkland Islands Co. Ltd.

Hoping you will see the licences and Permits are dispatched here at your earliest convenience.

Yours Faithfully

p.p. Geo. Bonner.

J. F. Bonner.  
Manager.

The Acting Treasurer.

The Treasury.

Port Stanley.

X. *Noted for action.*  
*MCH,*  
*1.6.29*



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

C.S. No.....

MEMO.

Departmental Number.

From.....Col.Treasurer.....

Date.....1st June 1929.....

To.....Hon.Col.Secretary.....

The Manager, San Carlos South Station, applies for Free Permits to enable employees to shoot geese or birds of prey.

Reference  
Numbers.

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Hon.Col.Sec,

Submitted. No doubt such Free Permits are issued from your office.

2. I fear that the practice of issuing free permits will result in fewer gun licences being taken out.

*M. V. H. H. H.*  
Treasurer.  
1.6.29



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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

P E R M I T.

In pursuance of the provisions of Ordinance  
No. 2 of 1908, permission is hereby granted to

MR. R. REIVE, Senr.  
MR. R. F. SHORT, Junr.  
Mr. J. Rieve.  
MR. G. ALAZIA, Junr.  
MR. J. D. McCALLUM.  
MR. A. D. McCALLUM.

*or gun*  
to use a rifle for the purpose of shooting geese  
and birds of prey and for that purpose only.

*S. R. G. Jones.*  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Stanley,  
12th June, 1929.

TREASURY,  
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS,  
13th JUNE 1929.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 29th May last, and to transmit herewith Permits in favour of Messrs. R. Reive, Senior, R. F. Short, Jr, J. Reive, G. Alazia Jr, J. D. McCallum and A. D. McCallum, authorising those persons to use a rifle or gun for the purpose of shooting ~~game~~<sup>geese</sup> and birds of prey and for that purpose only.

2. I am to make it clear that if persons wish to shoot game a license must be taken out and to express the hope that you will see that the privilege now granted is not abused.

3. Gun licenses for which you applied in favour of Messrs. J. R. McKay and P. Reive have been forwarded to you under separate cover.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

*M. Graigg Harker*

Colonial Treasurer.

JOHN BONNER, ESQUIRE,  
MANAGER,  
SAN CARLOS SOUTH STATION.  
E. F.



File in relevant paper  
16. 11. 29

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## DRAFT DESPATCH.

From the Honourable the Colonial Secretary

to His Excellency the Governor.

(Copies to be typed .)

### ALTERATIONS.

### DRAFT.

Please write a tactful letter  
to Mr. Miller & say I  
find it impracticable to  
grant any free licences for  
guns. <sup>Short</sup> These are technical &  
of great efficiency etc. So from  
you must be must take  
out licences for all guns.

For C.D. to note, &  
to see that licences are  
taken out.

Would it not be advisable  
to alter the Ordinance to  
"being in possession of a gun"  
instead of "using a gun."  
Or are there difficulties?  
What does Mr C.D. think?  
This will simplify collection  
of tax & give us a record  
of all guns in the Colony. A  
very valuable piece of knowledge.

14/29  
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191/29.

19th September,

29.

Sir,

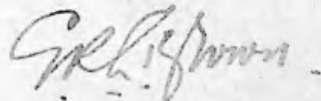
With reference to the gun licences recently issued free to employees on your station for the purpose of shooting geese, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency regrets he is unable to authorize the issue of similar licences in future in view of the provisions of the Gun Licences Ordinance, 1908.

2. The licences in question will expire on the 31st of December, 1929, and I am to request that you will see that no person on your station after that date uses a gun unless he is in possession of a licence for which the prescribed fee of 10/- has been paid.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable  
G. Bonner,  
SAN CARLOS SOUTH.

191/29.

19th September, 29.

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I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*G. H. Brown*

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Sydney Miller, Esq.,  
Hill Cove,  
WEST FALKLAND.

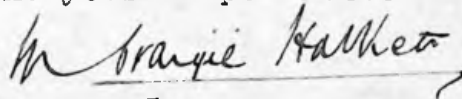
TREASURY NOTICE

(The Gun Licence Ordinance 1908)

The particular attention of all owners of guns is drawn to the provisions of the Gun Licence Ordinance, 1908, which provides that it shall not be lawful for any person to use or carry a gun in the Falkland Islands without a licence, and that any person who shall use or carry a gun elsewhere than in a dwelling-house or the curtilage thereof without having in force a licence duly granted to him under the Ordinance shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding the sum of five pounds.

Licences may be obtained from the Colonial Treasurer, Stanley, on payment of the prescribed fee of ten shillings. Residents in the West Falkland may obtain licences on application to the Deputy Collector at Fox Bay. Persons resident in the Camp, East Falkland, may obtain licences through an Agent in Stanley or on direct application to the Colonial Treasurer.

All Gun Licences expire on the 31st December in each year irrespective of the date on which they are taken out, and it is advisable therefore to apply for a licence as early in the year as possible.

  
Colonial Treasurer.

Treasury,

Stanley, 14th February 1950.



MINUTE

From Colonial Treasurer.

Stanley.

14th Februry 1930

To the Editor,

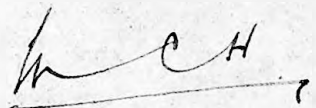
Newsheet "Penguin".

Stanley.

Mr. Thomas,

Will you kindly insert the attached Treasury Notice in the next issue of the "Penguin".

Could you conveniently let me have 50 copies of the Notice as these will be required for circulation to 'Camp' Stations.



Treasurer.

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MINUTE

Colonial Treasurer.

Stanley.

The Chief Constable,

Stanley.

15th Febr'y 1930.

The Chief Constable,

Under the provisions of Section 5 of the Gun Licence Ordinance 1908, the Police may demand the production of a Gun Licence by the person carrying a gun. You should instruct the Police to carry this out in future.

2. I have often noticed persons leaving Stanley for the "Camp" carrying a gun in their Maletas in some cases the barrels of the gun being wrapped up. The Police should be instructed to exercise vigilance and ask such persons to produce their Licence.

Guns are also carried on some of the small craft for use when they leave Stanley, and care should be taken to see that the owners have taken out licences.

*hch*

Treasurer.  
15.2.30.