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SECRETARY OF STATE TO GOVERNOR. RECEIVED 23rd December, 1916.

HIORSBOTE DESIRES MINTAGE PUNGIDOTES ORDERS CHRISTMAS DAY ONE BEGIN I SEND YOU MY SAILORS AND SOLDIERS HEARTY GOOD WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS ALEJAR NEW YEAR SILVERGOD MY GRATEFUL THOUGHTS ARE EVER TRACORSI FOR VICTORIES GAINED FOR HARDSHIPS ENDURED ALCHEMY YOUR UNFAILING CHEERINESS SILVERGOD ANOTHER CHRISTMAS HAS CHUMPEND ALEPIDOTE SIGNBOARDS WAR SILVERGOD BUNTLINES EPPIRE CONFIDENT INTULGRANT REMAINS DICALVAPID WIN SILVERGOD MAY GOD BLESS AND PROTECT YOU SILVERGOD ENDS TWO REGIN APISHNESS CHRISTMASTIDE THE QUEEN AND I ARE THINKING MOPISHMESS OFFURTOR SULDONUESS AMONG MY SAILORS AND SOLDIERS SILVERGOD FRANKLINS HEAR'S WE WISH THEM STRENGTH TO FEAR THEIR SUFFERING SPEEDY RETRECISSE HEALTH A PHACEFUL CHRISTMAS AND MANY HAPPIER YEARS CHUPASTE SILVERGOD ENDS FORH SIGNED GEORGE R.I.

Long.

His Majesty the King desires following messages to be published in Orders Christmas Day. one begin I send you my sailors and soldiers hearty good wishes for Christmas and the New Year. My grateful thoughts are ever with you for victories gained for hardships endured and for your unfailing cheeriness. Another Christmas has come tound and we are still at war. But the Empire confident in you remains determined to win. May God bless and protect you, ends two begin At this Christmastide the Queen and I are thinking more than ever of the sick and wounded among my sailors and soldiers. From our hearts we wish them strength to bear their suffering speedy restoration to health a peaceful Christmas and many happier years to come. ends both signed George R.I.

Government House, Stanley. FALKLAND ISLANDS. Eath December, 1916. Sir, I avail myself of the opportunity of your being in Port to enclose to you copies of two messages from the King which I have received by cable from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies. I am instructed his Majesty the King desires the messages to be published in Orders on Christmas Day. I have the honour to be. Sir, Your obe ment servant, Douglas Jang CAPTAIN SEGRAVE, R.N. H. S. S. LANCASTER.

Captain F. J. Hewnham, Commanding the Falkland Islands Volunteer Force. I have received a telegram from the Secretary of State instructing me that His Wajesty the King desires two messages of which I enclose copies to be published in Orders on Christmas Day. Please he guided accordingly. Bright grand 24th December, 1916.

TO HIS SAILORS AND SOLDIERS.

I SEED YOU MY SAILORS AND SOLDIERS

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GRORGE R. I.

25th December, 1916.

TO HIS SAILORS AND SOLDING.

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LOWESTE ALONG MY STREETS AND SCRIPTING. FROM

OUR HEARTS TO THE THIR SUPPLIES. FROM

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TO COME.

SHOPER N. I.

35th Becomber, 1916.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Government House, Stanley.
26th December, 1916.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 25rd December, and to report that the two messages of His Majesty the King to His Sailers and Soldiers were duly published in Orders in this Colony on Christmas Lay.

2. H.J.S. Encepter being in Port I forwarded to Cuptain J.R. Sograve, R.M., the Senior Mayal Officer in Command, copies of the King's messages.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your mest obscient, humble pervant,

Dagla. Jours.

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