

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Governor's Office.

No. **SGD/WHA/1 # 8**

Date of Receipt.



From

SUBJECT.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

WHALE OIL.

Output of from Falkland Islands, and their Dependencies.

No.

Date

26 16. 2. 16.

Colonial Secretary's Record No 5.

416/16
559/16

MINUTES.

Minutes sent to Col Sec as regards Dependencies and New Island.

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6.4.16

Registered Number of last Despatch.

109/16.

Shipments of oil for Season 1915-16 South Shetlands reported to S/S by No 60 of 11 April 1916.

Vide M.O. 8/16.

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11.4.16

Desp to S/S No 81 of 12 May 1916 forward New Island return to 31st March 1916 -

Vide M.P. 318/16.

28.7.16
Desp to S/S No 124 of 12 July 1916.

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13.7.16

No. next Despatch.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

No. 26



Downing Street.

16 February, 1916.

Sir,

With reference to my telegrams of the 9th and 16th February, I have the honour to inform you that, owing to the importance which whale oil is assuming as raw material for the manufacture of explosives, it is desirable that I should be kept informed with the least possible delay of the output obtained in the Falkland Islands and their Dependencies.

2. You will accordingly be so good as to send interim reports every three months or thereabouts during the season and will instruct your officers in immediate control of the industry to furnish me with such reports direct where this would effect a material saving of time.

3. Such reports should as far as possible state by how much the output is in excess or defect of that of the corresponding period of the previous year, and what proportion of the output is of grades 0, 1, and 2, which are suitable for the manufacture of glycerine.

4. I shall be glad if you will telegraph the number of barrels of oil obtained from the South Shetlands and Graham's Land, as soon as may be after the end of the season, and similar information regarding

GOVERNOR

South

W.D. YOUNG, ESQ., C.M.G.,

etc., etc., etc.

Georgia at the end of each half year.

5. No returns for the year 1914-15 have yet reached me, except that for South Georgia relating to the period to the 31st March 1915, which accompanied your despatch No.130 of the 12th October.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. Bonar Law

7. These were sent in
despatch No 178
of 28 Dec 1915.

Honourable Colonial Secretary.

I attach a draft of Minute to the
Magistrate of South Georgia which, if you will sign
and return to me, I will ask Captain J. D. Allen,
C.B. R.N. H.M.S. Kent to take with him to South
Georgia leaving to-day.

(SGD) Douglas Young
Governor.

6th April, 1916.

*Signed copy of minute handed to
Captain Allen this afternoon.*

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6.4.16

The Office of the Colonial Secretary
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The Magistrate
South Georgia.

The Governor directs that an interim report on the whaling industry should be made by you at the end of every 3 months and sent by you direct to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies by first opportunity thereafter, as regards the Dependency of South Georgia, copies of the same to be furnished to me for His Excellency's information.

The report should state the output of whale oil etc. during the three months, quantities of oil shipped during that period and the estimated quantities on hand at date of report. The report as far as possible should also state by how much the output is in excess or defect of that of the corresponding period of the previous year, and what proportion of the output is of grades 0, 1, and 2, which are suitable for the manufacture of glycerine.

I annex a form of letter addressed to the Under Secretary, which you should use on each occasion when forwarding your reports.

9^d C. A. Cordell
Colonial Secretary.

6th April, 1913.

ALKLAND ISLANDS.

The Magistrate's Office,
South Georgia.

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Sir,

By direction of the Governor I have the
honour with reference to Colonial Office despatch
No. 26 of the 16th February, 1916, to forward to
you herewith, direct, a report showing the result
of the whale oil industry of South Georgia, for the
quarter ended

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Magistrate, South Georgia.

THE UNDER SECRETARY

OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 124.

Government House, Stanley.

12th July, 1916.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 26 of the 10th February, 1916, with respect to the immediate necessity for as large a supply of whale oil as possible, I have the honour to inform you that I have approved to the end of the present year, the action of the Magistrate, South Georgia in granting an application from the Tonsberg Whaling Company, South Georgia, to be allowed to use a 4th Whaler to increase the supply of whales to their station, and insure as far as possible an increased output of Nos. 0, 1 and 2 oil.

2. In forwarding the Company's application the Magistrate writes "In granting this permit I have taken into consideration, that, the winter is now approaching and owing to the continual stormy nature of the weather during these months, whaling is sometimes prevented for several days at a time, and it will be extremely difficult to keep so large a factory supplied with whale matter; and also that a good output of the better qualities of oil is necessary!"

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble servant,

Douglas Young
Governor.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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