Cape Pembroke Lighthouse
21st June 1870

. Byng Esq.

Sir will you be
kind as to let me know if his
Excy has been pleased to grant
the license of Saunders Island
grazing purposes, if so
many sections is there in it

I am Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
William. D. Bonney

"
ng Esq.
rial Secretary

Port Stanley Falkland Islands
June 18th 1870.

Sir.

Most respectfully do I beg leave to inform you, that having heard by report that the situation of Government Gardner is likely to become Vacant, this is to desire of your Excellency that should such be the case that I may be permitted to offer myself as a candidate

I have the honour to inform you that I have once before filled the said place which I held for the space of Three Years and more and should it please your Excellency to deem me a fit person for the duties, every endeavour on my part shall be exerted to merit a continuance of your favour.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your humble and
Obedient Servant
(S.d) John Peck

cellency
' Arcy Esquire
ernor & Commander in Chief
f the Falkland Islands
&c &c &c

Stanley 19th June 1870 103

My dear Colonel D'Arcy

I received your letter
yesterdays date.
low me to assure you
have no intention of
acing before you any
nation in the Council,
it after the present
n has passed, as it
ght possible become
inconvenience to you.
re are many people in

this Colony who has
much more interest
at stake, than I h
and I am willi
with your sanctio
reign in their
with your consider
of the matter.

Believe me
Yours very true
Charles A. Impin

The original was forwarded to Mr Waldron in ✕ ree letter 18th June 1870

A true copy

Stanley.

June 24/1870

M. Gallwey Hurst

Sir,

I have the honour to inform your Excellency that in the month of September of last year, I was requested by Mr Robinson to attend a man at Darwin Harbour in the employment of Mr Waldron, at the time Mr Waldron was absent from the Falklands, otherwise I should have required a guarantee of the fee from Mr Waldron the man's employer, on Mr Waldron's return to Stanley. I spoke to that Gentleman of the circumstance, I understood Mr Waldron to say he could say nothing about it, until he saw this man, I have heard nothing from Mr Waldron since, I beg to observe it has been determined that either of the Surgeons is to be paid at the rate of 3/ per mile, for which the employer of the patient is held responsible, may I ask for your Excellency's advice and assistance as to the recovery of my fees of ten guineas.

I have &c

signed. H. M. Watts. M.D.

His Excellency
Wm Darcy

Registered No. 22183

In further correspondence on this subject, the above number should be quoted.

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General Post Office, London,

20th June 1870.

Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 5th March last, in which I requested that you would cause the usual Acknowledgments of Receipt to be furnished for the Mails from London of the 10th May, 9th June, 9th July 9th August and 9th September 1869 I have now to inform you that none of the Acknowledgments in question have as yet reached this Office, and further that your Office

The Postmaster has

Falkland Islands.

has not yet acknowledged the receipt of the Mails forwarded from this Office on the 9th October, 9th November 9th December, 10th January, and the 9th February last.

I request that the necessary Acknowledgments may be forwarded to this Office as soon as possible, and that you will take measures to ensure the Acknowledgments of Receipt for Mails being regularly and promptly furnished for the future.

I am, Sir,

your obedient servant,

Wm Lindsay

Town Allotment Deed A

No 7. A.

Boundaries the North by the Roadway.

~~On the East~~ 66 feet. &

~~On the~~ East by lot No 6 A 330 feet.

~~On the~~ South by lot No 8 A. 66 feet

~~On the~~ West by No 8 A. 330 feet

Containing 1/2 an Acre.

Upset price £50

Eagle Buildings,
June 21st 1870

Sir

The firm whose interests I manage under the direction of the Admr. with will annexed having made provisional arrangements with their agents at Monte-Video and in London for keeping up a regular communication with Montevideo and Stanley will be able to run the Mails for a small fee daily —

Yr. Excellency's Govt. Secy

I therefore beg to make the following proposal to your Excellency.

Messrs. A. E. Goss & Co: will undertake to run between Monte Video and Stanley 8 times in the year - for £50 a trip or £400 in all.

The delay in Monte Video to bring a mail never exceeds say a fortnight and the same in Stanley. In placing this proposal before your Excellency may I be permitted to point out to your Excellency the economy of the proposed arrangement and that also the 'Foam' would be at your Excellency's disposal & run with a selected crew when required.

We have made due inquiries and find that no one steamer for any length of time could continue to run monthly between this & the River Plate particularly in winter. If your Excellency could carry out this arrangement we should on the return of Irene about 25 July

and

be ready to send up
Dispatches for the mail
to River Plate about
Augst 11th
I shall number of
Passengers the French
accommodation
further accommodation
could be secured at
a little notice. If
Your Excellency could
so with any early answer
we could make
our arrangements
accordingly
I have the honour to be
Sir
Your Excellency's Obt
James Thomson

Falkland Islands &c.
Stanley, 21st June, 1870.

Sir,

I have not ventured up to the present time to address Your Excellency on the subject of the proposed duty on spirituous liquors, as I feared that any remarks of mine might be considered premature; but, having heard, since the meeting of the Legislative Council, that it is desired to elicit the opinions of the merchants of the place upon the subject, I, for one, have no further hesitation in stating mine.

If it be necessary that the revenue be raised in some way or other, I think it quite right that liquors should be the first to bear a duty; because imports should be taxed before exports, and luxuries before

His Excellency
Colonel D'Arcy,
&c. &c. &c.
Governor.

before necessities, even without taking into consideration the benefit that might accrue to the community, by placing, as it were, a fine upon the immoderate use of stimulants.

Supposing, then, that it is determined that a duty be placed upon liquors, it would seem desirable that this duty should be felt by the consumer only, and, as nearly as possible, at the time of purchase. I conclude that this is the intention of the Government, and that it is not proposed to raise the additional revenue by pressing upon the importers more than at present.

It appears to me that the fairest and most simple way of collecting the duty would be to

establish a bonded store, in which all liquors not wanted for consumption should be placed upon their arrival in the Colony; and that the owners of the goods, who would naturally draw them only as required, should pay the duty as they take them out. Not less than a certain quantity should be withdrawn at a time, in order to prevent unreasonable demands upon the time of the Government official in charge (say for instance, of liquors in draught not less than a cask, in bottles not less than a dozen); and, unless the Government would insure the property against fire, consideration should be had for those whose premises could be insured for a less premium than those of Government. A stone or iron building would, however, obviate

obviate this difficulty.

This plan would, as desired, bring the tax home to the purchaser more nearly than any other, without injuring the interests of the importer to any conceivable extent.

Or the other hand, a proposition I have heard made, viz:- that merchants should be compelled to make a return of their importations at once, and pay the duty down, seems to me most unjust, and I think that Your Excellency will agree with me, when I remind you, that sometimes a years supplies are imported in one ship, and that it occasionally happens that certain liquors remain on hand for two or three years. If this proposition were carried out, the loss of interest

interest upon money locked up would be considerable, and the duty would be a fine upon the importer, as well as upon the consumer.

Nor do I agree with a proposal to increase the spirit licences, - a more unequal tax could not be invented. It is right that a certain sum should be paid for a licence, both by wholesale and retail dealers; but the proper amount could, in justice, easily be exceeded, as it is altogether contrary to the principle of making the tax fall upon the consumer. It is only necessary, in refutation of this proposal, to point out that one man may sell twice as much liquor as another, and the taxation is shown immediately to be unequal and oppressive.

One more idea occurs to me — that a prohibitory duty

duty should be placed upon the importation of liquors from South America, which are generally of a bad and poisonous nature.

Hoping that I am not trespassing too far upon Your Excellency's patience,

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient humble servant

Lea. Cloo.

Colonial Treasurer

No. 30
Falkland Isles &c
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It is requested that in any further communication on this subject, the above Number may be quoted; and the Letter addressed to—
The Under Secretary of State for War,
War Office,
Pall Mall, London,
(S.W.)

Replied 13 June 1871

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War Office,
21st June 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for War to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 5th March last, and to acquaint you in reply that the Sum of Sixty £60. 7. 5 Pounds, Seven Shillings, and five pence, on account of the Payment of Pensioners, for the Quarter ended 31st December 1869, has been placed to your Credit in the Books of this Office, and I am to forward the enclosed Abstract of Examination in explanation of the disallowance amounting to Thirteen Pounds, and £13. 9. 0 nine Shillings.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Ant Whitfin

The Governor &c
The Falkland Islands

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Pylades: Monte Video.
22nd June 1852.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter date the 1st of June forwarding me copies of a Despatch with Inclosure received from Lord Granville and to inform you that I have communicated the same to Major Munro.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Captain and
Senior Officer
H.M. Ships at
Monte Video

His Excellency
H.G.A.K. D'Arcy
Governor.
Falkland Isles.

Cecil W. Buckley

22nd June, 1876.



My dear Sir,

Will you do me the favour of allowing Captain Smithers to bring down five small bags of nails by the Foam. A letter I wrote via Sandy Point ordering their shipment per Lotus

appears not to h
arrived in time
and I want them
badly for shingl

I take the op
portunity of sayin
that I have rece
time by the Lat
but that my ag
could find no m
odorous felt either

Montevideo
Buenos Ayres.

I am, my dear Sir,
very truly yours,

Jeal Cobb.

Lt.
Col D'Arcy,
Governor,
&c &c &c.

No. 1.

Consulate United States at
Stanley Falkland Islands.
June 28. th. 1870.

To his Excellency
Gen". George D. Arces

Sir I have the honor to
report the estate of William H.
Smiley late an American Citizen late
of Stanley Falkland Islands in
a very deranged and unsettled
condition, "My Government requires me
to report the proceeds arising
from its Effects," It amounts to
several thousand pounds Sterling
and is without any Security
whatever for its safe keeping
the money belongs to Orphan
Minor Children in the United
States" and it is my solemn

official duty to look after it
the parties possessed of the Effects
promised to settle with me as
Commercial Agent of the U. S.
but did not. "With the Exception
of the Revd. E. Bell. he settled
with me, and I gave to him
my official receipt for full.
I have been thwarted
in the discharge of my official
duty in this matter," and contempt
and abuse been offered to me
as Commercial Agent of the U.S.
at this port.

I now most respectfully
request of your Excellency to appoint
an Investigation of this matter and
to demand the appearance of all
persons having the Effects. on

Marcy in their hands belonging to the Orphan, Minor children of the late Wm. H Smiley deceased to account in the regular legal way for the same, "to enable me to report to my Government as I am required to do without fourther delay, and also for all Effects of said estate still in their hands not sold, or accounted for as above appears upon the Records of this Consulate Office" "without strife and in view of strict Justice to all concerned" I am Sir Your obt Servant

Joseph Powell
Commercial Agent
U.S.

[illegible] to call for power
from the Court to call in

all Funds & Papers relating
to the unlawful Seizure
of an American Citizen

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General Post Office, London,

29 June 1870.

Sir,

I beg leave to enclose, for your information,

two copies of a Circular to Postmasters, containing a Notice

relative to certain alterations which are about to be made in

the Money Order Offices of the United Kingdom.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient

humble Servant,

John Tilley,

Secretary.

Postmaster

Ferland Lalande

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General Post Office, London,

1st July 1869.

Sir,

I beg leave to enclose, for your information, two copies of a Circular to Postmasters, containing a Notice relative to certain alterations which are about to be made in the Money Order Offices of the United Kingdom.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient

humble Servant,

John Gilley,

Secretary.

Postmaster

Falkland Islands

1st July. 1870.

My dear Sir,

I am sorry that I cannot wait as I am going to Darwin Harbour in the Lotis tomorrow, and my time is short. We are likely to return towards the end of next week, when I shall be happy to place the vessel at your disposal at 70/ per day - This sum will

do little more
cover wages provi
wear and tear and
insurance, but, as
said before, there
nothing for her
hands, for a few weeks
and she may as well
pay expenses.

The change would
made in summer for
a vessel of much less
size is $5 a day.

I am faithfully yours,

Hon. The Governor,

Rufus Cobb

Police Office, Stanley
Falkland Islands
July 2nd 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's letter of the 20th ult: referring to one received from Mr. Powell the Commercial Agent for the United States relating to the estate of the late W. H. Smiley deceased, and asking me whether the Court appointed Messrs Dean and Company administrators to collect the debts due to the estate

Excellency

D'Arcy

estate, and mentioning that Mr. Powell had received money on be-. half of the estate from Mr. Bulk as administration of the late J. N. Gofs deceased, and requesting to know if the Court is about to further ad-. judicate on this matter, and if so that Mr. Powell should be in-. vited to a seat on the Bench during the hearing.

2. In reply I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Magistrates Court appointed on the fifth day of March 1868 Mr. Bailey and Mr. Dean with the consent of Mr. Gibson on the part of Admiral Davis the then acting Consul General of the United States

administrators and trustees under the Court to look after and collect the estate of the late Wm. H. Smyly deceased, and that Mr. Powell has not I believe asked the Court for any power which can give him a right to interfere in the matter Your Excellency is correct in stating that probably the Court is about to try a case in which all the circumstances will be investigated, and Mr. Powell will be most likely called and examined as a witness.

Under these circumstances with respect to Your Excellency's request that I should offer Mr. Powell a seat on the Ben

the Bench during the trial, how-
-ever much I might wish to show
the greatest courtesy to him as a
Foreign Official, I hope that you
will forgive me when I say that
in this case it would not in my
judgment be desirable.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
E. R. Gilbertson.

Earl Russell
&c &c &c

Bob for Robertson

Rhoda and Letty

No. 2

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Consulate of the United States
Stanley Falkland Islands
July 6th, 1870.

To His Excellency
Gov" D. D'Arcy

Sir

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt of your letter
of the 1st. Instant, in reply to mine of
recent date requesting your Excellency
to cause an investigation into the
matter of the (estate) of the late William
H. Smiley deceased, "An American citizen
of the Falkland Islands.

The affairs
of this Estate are in a very unsettled
condition, and sundry persons are involved
in its settlement. I am willing
that the Court shall have it correctly
audited, and that all concerned
shall be required to account, and let
this settlement be entered on Record
then, if I shall deem it expedient
I will resume my present official
position over it.

I only demand that

shall be legally and correctly
accounted for to enable me to Report

its true situation to my Government
and that every cent that is justly
due to the Estate shall be paid,
and that no claims for that which
is not due, shall be demanded. This
matter belongs to the Tribunals and
explains on both sides, and the
Courts, the Executive and the
Community should take a deep interest
in its speedy adjustment. Two years have
elapsed and not one dollar has
been paid into the Court claiming
to have cognizance of it - and me,
of the (so-called) Administrators close
not Respond to the mandate of
the Court in the matter. I will
await the departure of the Mail
then I shall Respond it as I have
been instructed by my Government to do.

For your kind regard
and assurance of your official
protection in my position and your
favorable appraisal of my social
demeanor, I am thankful to you,
and trust that I may ever prove
myself worthy of your good opinion,

I am Sir
Your obedient Servt
Joseph Dowell U.S.
Consul

Jas. G. DeArcy

The court is the proper place to decide
the matter of the Estate, as the Record will
show clearly to all interested its Settlement.

Comd. Agent U.S.

Stanley

July the 5th 1870.

Sir

I hear the Government wants shingle for the roads therefore I do guarintee to fetch the same when required for the same price that it was done last time

John Lamm

Registered No. 480, V.

In any further correspondence on this subject, the above Number should be quoted.

General Post Office, London,

7th July, 1870.

Sir,

The postage on letters between the United Kingdom and Norway, viâ Denmark, having been reduced from seven pence to six pence per half=ounce, the benefit of this reduction will be equally applied to letters from Falkland Islands and the rates to be hereafter collected upon letters addressed to Norway, will, therefore, be one penny per half=ounce less than the amounts specified in the Table of Rates last supplied to you.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Wm. H. Lacy

The Postmaster
Falkland Islands

AGENT FOR LLOYD'S

Corporation of the
Falkland Islands Co.
Stanley. 9th July. 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to apply to Your Excellency for a licence to occupy the Government Reserve west of Swan Inlet.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Excellency's most obedient
humble servants
Lea & Lloyd
Colonial Managers

His Excellency
Colonel D'Arcy,
Governor.
&. &. &.

Stanley

July 13th 1870

His Excellence the Governor

I W. A. Hilton certify that I will supply the amount of shingle required for the sum of six shillings per ton

£ 0.6.0

I remain your humble servant
W. A. Hilton -

Stanley
2 Aug 7

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Parsonage Stanley
Sunday Aft. July 17. 1870

Sir,

In reference to my
conversation with Your
Excellency this morning,
I beg most thankfully to
accept Your Excellency's
offer of conveyance by
Sea to Darwin to officiate
at the funeral of Mrs Smith,
and at the same time
to perform the pastoral functions
at Darwin —

Excellency etc

should be prepared to
start to — know afternoon.
Suppose on at present address
to return Lundy Lundy
Esq.
I may add that Sabine
from Excellency Cutting up
rough in the absence
of the "Foam" & sending the
"Foam" with the Chaplain
& Surgeon on [illegible] duty
will have a most
detrimental effect on the
scattered Scotch population
who easily are very much
cut off from the immediate

civilizing influences of
Government.

I am Sir Your Excellency's
Most Obd.t humble Servt.

Charles Bale Capt.n
Commg Troops

"Scout" & attach above ground
Consequently there is no
immediate hurry — On your

Road to the Office please call
on Sheldon & let me know
at 11.45 at the Office his
Precious answer.

E.D.G.

E.D.
Sunday Night

Jamieson that the "Lotus" will
take him there & back for
£15-. owing to the fact
that the defunct dog clap
Smith was an employé of
the F.I. Company — in this
Case please close with Don
Cobb & let the Raid go
in the name of the People
but otherwise his Secretary
had better wait & go in the
"Foam" was daily expected

I am advised that

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Parsonage,
Stanley
22nd July 1870

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge your Letter of yesterday's date may I ask you to be so kind as to express my deep obligation to His Excellency for the great consideration he has shown me in this matter.

I and the Falkland Islands Company shown the slightest approach to the same consideration the service of Religion would have frequently been afforded their people.

You are aware that I was yesterday quite prepared to start for "Darwin" and have been waiting this week for Mr Pain's signal.

Mr Pain the Master of the Storeship now informs me that it is useless to go out, that he will make no way, have either to put back or put into P.C. Hamilt or Fox at this rate the Government will be put to a very seriously heavy expence and the Colonial Chaplain while leaving Stanley without service would not reach Darwin in time to minister to the people. I would therefore with Your Excellency's permission it would not be desirable

Darwin.
Leaving Stanley
and Colonial Secretary

annul the clustering of the
Letters."

I am painfully impressed
with the idea that there
would be no possibility of
curtailing the expenses incurred
by the "Lotus" under the present
arrangements,

I think I be able early next
week to make clearer this
as I am being at the mercy
the Master of Salisbury
may be able more thoroughly
look into the ecclesiastical
lois as Darwin which seem
[illegible] before fully this
[illegible]

Meantime I am
Yours
[illegible]
[illegible]
Oliver Bate, Esq
Mr. Clerk

Stanley July 22nd 1870

According to your Excellency's request I have the honour to make formal application for the Reserve Lands in front of the two Sections I now hold, and known as the Rincons del "Picaso" and "Saino"

Your Excellency will perceive, that the two Sections I now hold, and upon which I have been at expence in complying with the Proclamation, are both inland, and if the water frontage were disposed of to any one else, it would render my land useless to me.

I further beg to inform your Excellency that I have built a corral, and keep some cattle, on a small Rincon of the Reserve land, which was granted to me at an annual rental by the late Governor, who at the same time promised me "that if any time these reserves were to be disposed of, that I should have the refusal of them." Upon my first hearing that the reserves were to be disposed of I applied, and paid to the Colonial Secretary for the occupation licence of two Sections, who promised that I should have the deeds, as soon as the boundries were defined. I understand, that the rincon "Saino" was applied for some time ago, by Mr C. Turpin, who says "that he is quite willing to give up his claim (if he has any) in my favour

I trust your Excellency will see the

the justness of my application, in as much that these lands being shut up as reserves, I have been compelled to take up land in the Mountain districts to which it is extremely difficult to convey wood, and other materials necessary for building, it being so far from the water, and also the land itself is so far inferior the greatest portion being utterly useless, through bogs, and Swamps in fact it is proverbially known as the worst part of the camp, going to the Second Corral, Praying your Excellency to favour me with consideration in this my application

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient humble Servant
James Fulton

To
His Excellency
Colonel P. D'Arcy
Governor and Commander in Chief
&c &c &c

Dec. Appd

Consulate United States.
Stanley Falkland Islands,
July 26. th. 1870.

To His. Excellency

Gov. Dewey

My dear Sir,

I have appointed
Mr. James Turner Vice Commercial
Agent for this Consulate and
Request your Excellency to recognize
him as such.

I. am Sir.

Your Ob't Servant

Joseph Powell
Com'l Agent
U. S.

Annie

To Charles

" Henry Byng Esq

To Council Secy

Consulate of the U.S. at
Stanley Falkland Islands
July 27th 1870.

To his Excellency
Gov: D'Arcy

Dear Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date.

I am not sufficiently acquainted with the social status of your Government, to say what dignity should be attached to the office of Vice Commercial Agent for the United States Your Excellency must be the judge of that.

It is important to me in my feeble state of health, and at my advanced age to have an assistant as competent as Mr. Turner seems to be, however. I must yield to the notions of propriety which your Excellency seems to entertain on the subject

I am Sir
Your obedient servant
Joseph Powell
Commercial Agent.

Money Order Office,
G. P. O. London.
29th July 1870.

Sir,

I beg to forward herewith a supply of form which is to be used in carrying out the New Rules which it has been decided shall come into operation on the 1st of October next.

It will be observed that the Orders granted by the Colony or the United Kingdom are to be included in one list which is to be sent with the relative advices to the Chief Money Order Office, London, but as regards orders granted in the United Kingdom separate lists will continue to be sent to the Colony from London, Dublin, and Edinburgh.

For the first few months, and indeed until all the Orders issued previously to the commencement of the new system shall have been paid, the monthly account will

will consist not only of the current issues of each Country for the month, but also of such of these previous issues as may be paid. For instance, the debit of the Colony for the first month will consist of the amount of the lists of Orders issued in the Colony in October which have been despatched during the month, and of the amount of any account of paid orders (issued previously to the beginning of the new system) which may be received from the United Kingdom; while the credit of the Colony will consist of the amount of any lists it may receive of orders issued in the United Kingdom in that month, and of the amount of any orders (issued in the United Kingdom before the beginning of the new system) it may pay during the same month.

I am,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant.

The Postmaster
Falkland Islands.

Controller

...ny further communication on this subject ...uld be addressed to—
THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,
BOARD OF TRADE,
WHITEHALL GARDENS, S.W.
...d the following letter and number should be ...ted in the communication, and marked ...ully on the *outside* of the envelope, viz.:—
M 6623

Board of Trade,
Whitehall Gardens,
July 27th 1870.

Casualties-Wrecks-Colonial

Sir,

It having been notified to this Department that you are the Officer appointed to make out the Returns of Casualties to Ships and to communicate directly with this Department on the subject, I am directed,

...y Byng Esqre
...olonial Secretary
Falkland Islands

directed by the Board of
Trade to inform you that
all communications should
be addressed to

The Assistant Secretary
Marine Department
Board of Trade
London
S.W.

A supply of forms
separate
W.S. 1. for the returns in
question is inclosed.

I am to request that
a Report on Form W.S. 1.
should

should be sent in respect of each casualty to a British or Foreign ship on or near the shores of the Colony, and of each Casualty to a British ship at Sea which comes to your knowledge, and that they should be sent as soon as possible after the casualty.-

H.C.

I am Sir

Your obedient Servant

Thomas Gore

Police Office
July 30th 1870.
June

Sir,

I have the honour to draw Your Excellency's attention to the question of the remuneration of myself and Mr. Bailey, the Magistrates engaged in the investiga-tion into the loss by fire of the British Ship "Blue Jacket" and the circumstances connected therewith, directed by His Excellency the late Governor in his letter addressed to me dated the 5th of April 1869, (No. 217).

2. This Inquiry was commenced on April 7th and carried out on several subsequent days till the 19th, and the Report forwarded to the Governor on.

His Excellency
Governor D'Arcy,
&c. &c. &c.

on the 30th. The evidence was volu-
minous, and the taking it on some
days very unpleasant in consequence of
the smell arising from the effects of
frost-bite.

3. The cause of the delay in officially
applying for this remuneration has
been my absence in England, and
Mr. Bailey not feeling himself au-
thorized to be the sole applicant
in the matter. He however informs
me that the subject was mentioned
to Governor Robinson, and his opin-
ion was that it ought to be paid.

4. Under these circumstances I have
the honour to express a hope that
Your Excellency will be pleased
to authorize the payment to Mr.
Bailey

Bailey and myself of such remuneration as you may think right.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
E. R. Griffiths.

to let me see
No 217 of the
5th April 1869 —

If the
Money is due,
let us in the name
of the Prophet
pay them right
off — the Labourer
is worthy of his
hire

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San Salvador

Sir

will you be Kind
enough to ask H. the Governor
that Section Land
Bougainville for Henry
Petaluga and that
on of Land called Buenos
motos for Celestino
aluga and if you

do me the favour I will be
obliged and if the
money is required go
to M^r Dean I have got
to much work in hand
at present to come in
myself I am having
that house pointed up

Yours Truly
A Pelatiah

Consulate of the U. S. at
Stanley Falkland Islands.
July 30th 1870.

ellency
. D'Arcy.

My Dear Sir.

I received permission from
Robinson to practice Law in the Courts of this Colony
it proper to make it known to your Excellency and also
w of your Excellency if the privilege meets your sanction

Please answer me this day as I have
before the Court on Monday next.

I am Sir
with the highest considerations of regard
Your obedient servant
Joseph Darnell
Commercial Agent U. S. and
Attorney at Law.

that he had
such permission
before the Court
opened.

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3. Jay

I am of the
opinion to the effect, that
if Sir Robinson
Gore has been heard
to practice in the
Courts, so far as I
was concerned, his
authority was sufficient
for I added that
it would be stigmatized
to request the
Chief Magistrate

Cape Pembroke Lighthouse

1st August 1870

Byng Esq

Sir There has been
made that the Lights were
first by the "Fairy" on Thursday
9 to 11. and the second from
"Irene" on Sunday at 5 Am
we sent Hawkings for you
to down his statement for
ish this Case to be investigated
ou will please find out the
ssels at
ion of the time mentioned by
for I can go on oath.
the lights were burning at 11
- oclock on Sunday morning
for —

—for I was sitting with Hamilton in the Kitchen, there is 16 lamps and they would not go out although there is a Mistake some where both Vessels happen to be from the Northward the Arno was despatched early in the day was seen off at Sunset with Wind from the N & W. and at 8 saw it was blowing strong from the North I believe that both Vessels have been behind some high land or have lost themselves,

Sir you will please inform his Excellency that after this trial is over that I wish to resign but not for his Excellency to think that I feel guilty, but I feel very much hurt about although its not in my Watch to hear it.

You will please Question the Lamps very Minutely for I feel confident that the lights are burning well at both times mentioned

Sir I beg no offence and remain Your most Obedient Servant

William. D. Bonney

H. Byng Esq.
Colonial Secretary.
Stanley. F. I.

M. Barry

The Govt. has been much
Concerned that the Captain's ^ Crew of
Vessels should have exposed
Cargoes so invisible ^ Conspicuous ^ without
Bodies laid down on the Chart

Your Statement
together with that of your ^
is however of Moment, & We
would have ordered a Court of Inq
to investigate & report on the
alleged dereliction of duty -
for the receipt of your Despatch
which indicates has not
prop the matter, unless you ^ desire
report it ——

Cape Pembroke Lighthouse

2 August 1870

Byng Esq

Sir would you
ask His Excellency if he
a Court of inquiry for I
confident that the Lights
night on the Thursday night
owed by the Fairy —
garding the "Irene" I feel
for I hear that its
by "Foss" Mischief
lay at Anchor by the
Rocks which is at the back
Marin
will please mention
day His Excellency postponed

for I wish to be present as I can contradict Cain's statement by some of his own crew as to winds, and Notice I dont believe he knows the distance from the Light at 9 & 11 one of his men says 4 miles and he say about 2 miles, Truth will out

I am Sir
your most Obedient Servt
William O. Ramsay

A. Young Esq
Colonial Secretary
T. I.

Wm. Bailey - Dr

Wm Bailey

D. Watts. ——

Wm. Bailey

D. Watts

L. Dang.

To His Excellency
Colonel George D'Arcy,
Governor and Commander in Chief
of the Falkland Islands and the
Dependencies thereof.

The humble petition of
the Merchants, Landholders,
and other Inhabitants of Stanley
and the Falkland Islands,
Sheweth —

1. That your petitioners
regret that Your Excellency in
Council has seen fit to impose
a tax on spirits, wine and beer,
by an ordinance passed July
1870.

2. That your petitioners
with all due deference to
Your Excellency, are of opinion that
the mode of imposing this tax
(viz: in a Council composed of
two Officials and one Colonist)
is oppressive; and that if it be
necessary for any <u>specific</u> purpose
to tax the community, those
persons

persons on whom the tax would fall should be adequately repre= sented on the Council, and that the Money so obtained should be applied to some Expres purpose and accounted for to the Colonists.

3. Further, that Your petitioners desire to lay befor Your Excellency the difficulty of carrying out the tax as at present proposed, as the Merchants cannot be reasonably expected to pay duty on spirits wine or beer before they may require them for sale. That a bonded Store and an Excise Officer will be necessary, and that it will be impossible to prevent smuggling without a staff of preventive Officers, as a boat could at present land anywhere in the Settlement at night, there being no Sentry nor even a constable on duty after 10 p.m.

4. Further, that your petitioners do not consider the Colony to be in a sufficiently thriving state to commence

taxation

taxation of any kind, as the shipping on which the settlement is dependent for support is decreasing annually, while the stock of sheep in the Colony is increasing but slowly, owing to the ravages of the scab. Further that the settlers on the West Island have only recently imported sheep, which are not likely to pay expenses for some years, and that agriculture to any extent is out of the question, owing to the uncertainty of the climate.

5. That your petitioners are of opinion that the fact of Stanley ceasing to be a free port would be most injurious to the interests of the Colony, as it would have the effect of decreasing the already very limited number of vessels calling during the year.

6. That your petitioners would most humbly suggest that your Excellency apply to the Secretary of State for an increase of the Parliamentary Grant to the amount at which it stood until

until the last year, the revenue derived from the West Falklands not reaching the anticipations of Your Excellency's predecessor, and they would further suggest that such application be accompanied by a copy of this petition.

And your petitioners do humbly pray that the tax in question be repealed.

1 Falkland Islands &c.
Ald. Clode.
Colonial Manager
2 Frederick Kemp
3 Wm. Diner Jr.
4 [illegible]
5 Thomas Nicholls
6 John Stephen
7 Thomas Sharp
8 Wm. Biggs
9 John Campbell
10 Wm. Mason
11 Edward Biggs
12 William Fell
13 William Connotherly
14 John Murray
15 Charles Eldridge
16 J. Henry Rosen.
17 Wm. Dean Lon.
18 Henry Felton
19 J. C. Dettleff
20 Henry Ernest Jr.
21 Fredk. L. Henry Jr.
22 Charles Williams
23 William Mc. David
24 Jno. Morgan
25 William Russell
26 John Wilson
27 Allan Rice
28 J. M. Lanfeldin
29 Sam. Simm
30 W. Luxton
31 J. C. Dettleff
32 W. Felton
33 H. Cammenoss
34 M. Turner

35 Francis Rowlands
36 Wm Wolanings
37 Bernard Wheelear
38 William Bound
39 Richard Turner
40 R. Osking
41 James Allen
42 Thomas Aldridge
43 John Casey
44 Julian Martin
45 Geo Hyman
46 Samuel Bonner
47 James Anderson
48 Wm A. Hilton
49 G Bletsoe
50 G. Holway
51 a Ryan
52 Alexr Laws
53 Joseph Adazia ✓
54 H Packe
55 Edward Packe.
56 Denis Watson
57 Emile Bayer
58 Peter Reilly
59 George Mayers
60 Lewis Scott
61 Thomas Oailvie
62 Joseph Lehman
63 J. L. Waldron, W. Falklands
64 H. J. Powney
65 Thomas Wootten
66 A Williams W. Falklands
67 John Tanner
68 Matias Figueroa ✓

69 James Hubbard
70 Robert McCully "Sea Foam"
71 Wm Roberts

Owing to the speedy departure of the Mail to England, and the difficulty of Communication, it has been found impossible to obtain the signatures of people living in the Country and on the west Island.

Stanley - Falkland Island
1st August 1870.

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Spiritualists Leagues

July 30.

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Colonial Government Schools
Falkland Islands
August 2nd 1870.

Honoured Sir.

The great interest you have of late manifested towards me in offering me a higher position in life demands my most sincere and grateful thanks, which I here respectfully tender to your Excellency, and which I trust may be duly accepted.

2. I am ready at any time to enter upon my future duties, and trust that by a due and perservering energy of application to the same. I may continue and ensure your Approbation

3. May it please your Excellency to inform me of the Amount of Salary, time, and means of transition to the Lighthouse &c. or Anything in fact that you may deem expedient for me to know to fulfil the said duties.

4. Assuring your Excellency again that such trust about to be placed upon me, shall receive every possible endeavour and exertion, to give that satisfaction that may be needed.

I have the honour to be
Your Excellency's Obedient
Humble Servant
George Andrew Clarke

Lonel D'Arcy
Governor & Commander
in Chief of the Falkland Islands
&c &c &c

Stanley
Aug 2 1870

is Excellency Colonel D'Arcy
ernor of the F. Islands

r Sir,

As a Resident of the Colony in these
rds, I wish to make a few remarks how the Cattle
ections were carried out in England, being a
Farmer there & Breeder of Sheep, I have had for
ers of seeing the Small Pox in Sheep, Steam Pneumonia
Foot & Mouth disease amongst Cattle, during the
Export of Cattle Plague in England, one County alone
disease viz "Cheshire" over forty eight thousand
Cattle by order of the Government
ers, in the whole of the three years it raged in
Sheep Farms & Lean Stock were sold as usual
land, & the Meadows of Cheshire were stocked with
instead of Cattle and throughout all England
was no case of Sheep during it from Cattle reported,
were sold by the Government Inspectors from Farm
n without one fear of their carrying disease
m, I have myself in another Contagious disease
e viz Steam Pneumonia seen the Inspector
close up in the yard where Cattle were ill with
ase, and experiments have been made with Sheep
ing them in Sheds with Cattle suffering from

Henry Pneumonia but they did not give it them,
as regards the Foot & mouth disease amongst Cattle,
it is a very infectious disease but seldom fatal, & if
one has nothing to do in time they get well, the only loss
to the Farmer being loss of condition & retarding the
fattening of the Animal, a friend of mine a large Farmer
had 27 amongst eight of his cows & a Bull, by Isolation
he confined it to them, altho he had over a Hundred of
Cattle, his Horses working on the Farm were in a yard
littered up with Straw, only a Hurdle fence between them
& the diseased Cattle & they day men going across the Farm
yard to work without giving the disease or taking it,
would not be so in Sheep the most infectious and most fatal
to them occurred on an adjoining Farm to mine in Wiltshire
by some infected Sheep (but unknown at the time) straying in
a littered yard where other Sheep were daily taken, and
consequently they caught it, the Farm yard gates were sent down
by Government who ordered the Sheep to be killed and burnt
in Lime Kilns when after a hunt through cases it was stopped
on that Farm, at night Farm Cases always to there hand
daily went to their work without conveying the infection or
taking it themselves, all Sheep Fairs were stopped in the
immediate neighbourhood of the outbreak & Sheep were
not allowed to travel the roads for a time,

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during the Cattle plague in England all the Annual Agricultural Shows were held as usual, with the exception of Cattle not being allowed to be shown as usual, as regards Hay conveying disease it is acknowledged in England that it does not do so, unless an infected Animal has been in contact with it or some of the Saliva is on it, when in the River Plate last year one third of the Sheep in the Banda Oriental died, from excess of feed after a drought but from no contagious disease, except in which Major Monroe in the Standard writes the same, also Mr Wells an old resident & Veterinary Surgeon in Buenos Ayres states there is no disease amongst Sheep in the Standard you showed to me on Monday, Horses There has been no case in England known of Cattle having disease by going about from one infected place to another or catching it, hoping your Excellency will excuse my making these few remarks as I see on the notice board that the question to be discussed by your Council today is Cattle, Sheep & other Animals which would include Horses & I wished to bring it to your notice as you informed us yesterday you had no intention to apply it to Horses,

I am

Your obedient Servant

James L Watson

Stanley August 3rd
1870.

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 1st, in which
I am glad to find the Right
Hon.ble Earl Granville intimates
his intention of continuing the
privilege to me of the gratuitous
use of Drugs, & Appliances for
my private practice, & I beg
to thank you, & to say I will do
myself the honor to see his Lordship
tomorrow.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
Horace Mallet Hill
Colonial Surgeon

Jas Service Esquire
&c &c

AGENT FOR LLOYD'S

Corporation of the
Falkland Islands Co.
Stanley. 3rd Aug. 1870

Sir,

For some time past reports have reached me of the inefficiency of the lighthouse. At no hours of the night can it be safely depended on, and I fear that unless some alteration takes place, a terrible calamity may occur. The reports of the masters of the Fairy and Irene render it necessary that the matter should be brought at once before Your Excellency, and I beg that the light keeper may be warned that serious complaints have been made. I should hesitate

His Excellency about
Col. D'Arcy.
Governor,
&c. &c. &c.

about writing anything that might injure the Colony; but I fear that if the present state of things continues, it would become my imperative duty to inform the Committee for managing the affairs of Lloyd's, that the Cape Pembroke lighthouse is utterly untrustworthy, and I need hardly say that the warning would be circulated most extensively.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient humble servant,

Lea. Cobb.

Agent for Lloyd's in the Falkland Islands

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The Govr does not wish this letter to be
or read to Mr Binny or his Evidence - it
is worded too sharply - & might if Mr Binny
should happen to make his case good lead to
an action for loss of professional character
in such case, when the Defendant gains his
case. the Board of Trade invariably pay all
the law charges! In the United kingdom
where there are Lighthouses in hundreds, such
trials constantly take place, & the Issues of
malicious & groundless charges if proven is
always most severely mulcted!

G. N. L. T. L.

Augt 4

1870

Revd Sir

I have the honour to request you will sit as President of a Court of Inquiry ordered by me to assemble for the purpose of investigating charges brought against Mr Binney the Light House Keeper, involving a serious neglect of duty, liable to lead to the inefficiency of the Cape Pembroke Light & consequently an irreparable loss to the maritime world.

The Masters of the "Irene" & "Fairy" reported on arrival last week to the Harbour Master

Revd Charles Bull
"President
&c &c &c
Court of Inquiry

that the lights were not burning on
the night of the 28th July & the 30th Ult.mo
You will be pleased to take Evidence
on this point, taking care that the
witness specify exactly the position
their Vessel was in, at the hour they
did not see the light, & whether within
the radius laid down on the chart

In rebuttal, you will not
fail to give Mr. Berry every
opportunity of producing oral or
written Evidence, that his lights were
burning on the occasions specified. &
take down all he may have to say

You will then favour me with the opinion of the Court, which I will forward to Lloyd's Agent in this Port and to the board of Trade

Various letters which bear on the subject I enclose for the information of the board

I have the honour to be

Dear Sir

Your obed. & humble Sert.

G. D'Arcy

Col. Insp.

Monday evening
8th August 1870.

My dear Governor.

I beg to forward you in duplicate the finding and evidence of the Court of Inquiry about Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Would it not be well to have the bearings of the Light more clearly laid down and let the light be seen from all points

by opening out the two compartme
now blank, perhaps, from Detl
Point the light may be seen
This is a unprofessional opinion.

Very faithfully Your
Signed
L. Bull.

M. E.
Col D'Arcy.

Stanley Falkland Islands
August 6th 1870

Sir

The Court in forwarding to your Excellency the Evidence in this case feel that it is needless to call upon Mr. Binney for any evidence to rebut an accusation founded upon no foundation of truth. ~~From the evidence~~ From the evidence of Captain Smithers who has been in and out of this Port for many years. there is no reason to suppose there has been any neglect of any kind during many years on the part of both Light Keepers with respect to the Lights. At the same time the Court while treating the letter of Mr Cobb at your Excellency's request, as a privileged communication cannot but consider grave charges against a person in Mr Binneys position should not have been made without further corroberation from experienced persons

They regret that Mr Cobb has been so hasty in drawing the conclusions he has done in his communication to your Excellency.

They would suggest to your Excellency that the Light House Keepers Assistants being so inexperienced Mr Binney should be cautioned not to absent himself from the Light House

after dark without especial leave

August 6th 1870

Court of Inquiry held at Government Office

Rev'd C Bull President

A Bailey Esq.

Dr Watts

Governor's Instructions read Mr Cobbs letter of August

3rd read

At Governors request Mr Cobb's letter to be considered

a privileged communication.

Captain Parker gave Evidence before the Court I am

Master of the "Iphene" I did not make a report to

the Harbor Master on my arrival in Stanley that

the lights were not burning at Cape Pembroke on

the night of the 30th Ultimo questioned by Mr Byng

I said that the lights was burning brilliantly from

Sun Set till 10 oclock. We do not make use of the

Light after entering the port. I saw the Light from

Volunteers. I do not think there was anything

unusual in not seeing the light. where I was

anchored we could not see the light. There could

not be a better light than when I first saw it

I have no reason to suppose there was no light

Captain Parker added that he has frequently come

in at night at all hours and he has never seen

anything to suppose anything unsatisfactory
in the lights

Official log Book produced, and bears
out Captain Parkers evidence. I have never heard
Captains of Vessels coming into the Port
complain of the lights

Captain Smithers Master of the "Foam" I have
run the Mails. I have run in, and out of the
Harbor, about 200 times and upwards night and
day I have always found the Light very
brilliant making the harbor, and coming up the
Harbour it dims as one bears SE. it loses its brilliancy
and becomes a reflected light I foggy weather I have
approached the light within two to three miles
I have seen a brilliant light when I have been
4 miles north of the Volunteers, and have lost it
coming down in consequence of clouds and thick
weather, and have picked it up again coming into
the harbour. I have seen the light from off the
deck and the man on the lookout in the rigging
could not see it. I have never heard any reports
about a neglect of the lights since I have been
in Stanley, I have always considered it a good
light

Alexander Lang. I am owner of the "Fairy"

I have no Certificate as Master I ha
Navigation at School. I made the land o
Wednesday 27th July, and hove to in sight of th
Light House to the East of Point Harriet Po
6 or 7 miles off it might have been more or
I took no bearings a Brilliant light We d
about On the night of 28th I stood in for the
between 8 and 9 o'clock at 9 lost sight of the light
all at once I took no bearings stood onto th
land till I saw the breakers. I wore ship and st
off to N.E. standing off to S.E. I saw the light
11.15 o'clock: It was clear S.E. wind. There m
have been a fog which lifted. I had no bear
of the light till 11.15 o'clock 7 or 8 miles off
I lost sight of the light about 2 o'clock
drifting but it was equally.

Captain Smithen recalled. Under the
circumstances of the "Fairy". I believe the
light was shut out by fog according to the
Evidence of Alexander Sands.

We have the honor to be
Sir
Your Excellency's Ob. Servants
Thos Bate — President
Wm Bailey
Horace White } Members of
M.D. the Court.

Present Jas.
James L. Wal

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Admiralty

5 August 1870.-

Sir,

I beg to acquaint you that their Lordships have decided on discontinuing the use of Charter Parties for vessels engaged for the conveyance of Government Stores, and that they have been pleased to direct that a new form of Tender (a supply of which is forwarded herewith) shall be substituted for that now in use, agreements for quantities not exceeding 50 tons being made on the form for "Small Freight" No. 334, hitherto applicable to quantities not exceeding 20 tons only.-

This arrangement does not apply to vessels engaged by the Admiralty Shipping Agents in London, who will adopt the commercial form of Charter Party whenever it may be deemed necessary.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

W. M. Meeds.
Director of Transports.

Henry
Governor of the
Falkland Isles

(Form No. 333.)

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TENDER.—FREIGHT SHIP.—STORES. (For Quantities over 50 Tons.)

SHIP'S NAME	Steam or Sailing	Tons by Register, New Measurement: Vessel, exclusive of Engine Room	Tons by Register, New Measurement: Engine Room	Tons by Register, New Measurement: Whole or Gross Tonnage	Horse Power	Class in Lloyd's Register or Liter Veritas	Master's Name	Material of which built	Whether the Ship has made one long Voyage—and, if so, between what Ports	Depth of Hold per Register: Feet	Depth of Hold per Register: Inches	Where lying	Number of Decks	If intended to touch at any or what intermediate Port	Nature of the last Cargo conveyed	If cleared of homeward Cargo	Whether the Ship has been "salted"	On what date will be ready: To be surveyed	On what date will be ready: To load	On what date will be ready: To sail	When built	Where built	National Flag sailing under

N.B.—The Tender must specify in words, as well as in figures, the rate per Ton.

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Sir,

We hereby offer to **The Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,** the above Ship, to convey about

* Here insert dock or other place where Ship will load.

from*

to at the Rate of £ „ „

per Ton for the quantity actually delivered at that place, subject to the several Conditions, Rules, and Regulations specified in the Regulations for Her Majesty's Transport Service, and which we have inspected, **and to the several Conditions specified on the second and third pages of this Tender.**

In the event of this Tender being accepted, we engage that the Ship shall be ready to be surveyed and to load, and to sail on or before the respective days above-mentioned, complete on the Owner's Part, in every respect; and that she shall receive on board the full quantity of Public Stores above-mentioned, for which sufficient stowage shall be reserved. And the said Commissioners are, on any breach of any or either of the said engagements respectively, to have the option of rejecting the Ship altogether.

} *Brokers.*

} *Address.*

And further, do hereby authorize to agree with the said Commissioners, for the Freight of the said Stores, on the Terms and conditions aforesaid.

} *Managing Owner.*

} *Address.*

The Secretary of the Admiralty.

N.B.—All Tenders must be enclosed in closed Envelopes, and addressed to the Secretary of the Admiralty, and are to be delivered at the Transport Department, Admiralty, and no Tender will be received unless it be made precisely according to this printed Form. Any conditions or Alterations which the Parties tendering may wish to suggest, must be *separately stated on the fourth side of this sheet, in order to avoid interlineations, and reference to such Conditions must be made at the foot hereof.* If a Ship is offered on the same day to convey Stores to more than one Station, a *separate* Tender must be made for each Station.

(*For Conditions see overleaf.*)

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CONDITIONS

SUBJECT TO WHICH THIS TENDER IS MADE.

Clause I. The Ship is to be strong, firm, tight, staunch, and substantial, both above water and beneath, and in every respect seaworthy, and properly equipped and found, during the time she shall be employed under this Tender. — Ship to be seaworthy, &c.

Clause II. The Ship, at all times during the service, is to be provided with a proper and sufficient crew of officers, seamen, and other persons, agreeably to the practice of the Merchant Service. — Officers and crew.

Clause III. The Ship, at all times during the service, is to carry the British national ensign, and to be properly fitted and furnished with masts, yards, sails, boats, anchors, cables, cordage, and all other stores fit and needful for such a Ship for the service, and is to be furnished with such guns and small arms, powder and shot, as may be required by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or their agents, all of which are to be provided and done at the proper cost and charge of the owners. — Stores, &c.

Clause IV. When the lading shall have been stowed, and the master shall have signed receipts or bills of lading for the same, and received his final orders from the said Commissioners, or their agents, the Ship is, without any delay, to proceed, at the date specified on the first page hereof, to the place or places to which the lading is consigned, and there, immediately on her arrival, to make a right and true delivery of the cargo, agreeably to such receipts or bills of lading, and so far as shall depend on the Ship, her master, and crew, in as good state and condition as when shipped; in the performance of all which services the said master and his crew, with his boats, are to be aiding and assisting to the utmost of their power. — Loading. Discharge. Master and crew to assist with boats.

Clause V. The lading ordered on board by the said Commissioners, or their agents, is not, after the same shall have been received and stowed on board the Ship, to be displaced to give a preference to the stowage of any other goods. — Lading not to be displaced.

Clause VI. The master of the Ship is, for and on behalf of the owners, to obey all orders and instructions which he may receive from the said Commissioners, their agents, or the officer or officers in chief whose command he may be under. — Master to obey orders.

Clause VII. The owners of the Ship are to be responsible to the said Commissioners for the due and proper care and preservation of all public stores or provisions which may be put on board her, for preventing any waste, embezzlement, or misappropriation thereof, and for duly and properly accounting for the disposal of the same. — Owners responsible for waste, embezzlement, &c., of public stores,

Clause VIII. The owners of the Ship are to be responsible to the said Commissioners for any deficiency in quantity, or any loss or damage which shall arise to the said stores or provisions from the state of the ship's stowage, or from any incapacity, want of skill, insobriety, or negligence on the part of the master, officers, or crew of the said Ship, or any of them, according to such valuation as shall be set thereon by the proper officer of the Department to which they shall belong. — Owners responsible for deficiency, loss, or damage of public stores.

Clause IX. When the freight exceeds £30 **Two-thirds of the estimated amount due will be paid, one month after the sailing of the Ship,** after signature of the Bills of Lading, and other necessary documents; and **the balance will be paid after delivery of the Stores** and receipt in office of the Tonnage Certificates and other documents referred to in the Regulations for H.M. Transport Service. When the freight is under £30 the **whole** amount will be paid one month after sailing on similar documents. — Two-thirds advance of freight on sailing.

Clause X. The tonnage of the stores delivered will be certified by the proper officer in the Department of Government to which the lading shall belong, and the freight is to be payable on such tonnage, together with demurrage, if any shall become due. — Payment of freight and demurrage.

*Clause XI. Sixteen [twelve] working days, from the time the Ship is certified by the naval authorities to be in complete readiness on the owner's part, are to be allowed to the said Commissioners for putting on board the lading, and sixteen [twelve] working days are also to be allowed for unloading the Ship, after notice being given by the master to the proper officers of the Ship's arrival, and of her being ready for these purposes. If the said Ship shall be detained by the orders of Government in loading or unloading more than thirty-two [twenty-four] working days altogether, Demurrage, at the rate of TEN [THIRTY] SHILLINGS per ton on the [gross] number of tons specified in the Ship's certificate of registry per calendar month during such detention, is to be paid at the conclusion of the service, and upon the usual accounts being passed. But, in addition to the said thirty-two [twenty-four] working days, there are to be allowed to the said Commissioners, in the case of the Ship proceeding to more than one port or place of loading or of delivery, ten working days for every such additional port or place; and in the case of the Ship carrying more than two hundred tons of Government stores, whether proceeding to one or more places of loading or of delivery, an additional working day for every twenty-five [fifty] tons beyond two hundred tons before any such demurrage shall be allowed. But notwithstanding, if the master shall be guilty of any delay, or if any of the ship's crew shall be absent, or not give every assistance in their power with the ship's boats, in loading and unloading the said stores, no claim is to be in that case allowed for the said Demurrage.

Lay days.

Demurrage.

Additional lay days.

Clause XII. The said Commissioners, however, are not to be liable to demurrage, or chargeable with any loss or expense which may happen to be incurred by or occasioned to the Ship or her owners by detention, delay, or otherwise, in consequence of the carrying into effect any regulations relating to the laws of Quarantine.

Quarantine.

Clause XIII. All the aforesaid payments are to be made, on the passing in office of the requisite accounts, by bills payable by Her Majesty's Paymaster General in three days from and after the respective dates thereof.

Clause XIV. Should it at any time or times be made to appear to the said Commissioners that the Ship shall not have sailed at the date specified on the first page hereof, or immediately after the master has received his final orders from the said Commissioners, or their agents, or that any breach of orders, neglect of duty, or non-compliance with the printed Regulations for Her Majesty's Transport Service, or with the printed Instructions furnished for his or their guidance, by the said owners, master, or other person having charge of the Ship, hath happened during the aforesaid service; or that from any deficiency of officers or men, want of provisions or stores, or any defect or cause whatsoever, the Ship became incapable to proceed to the port or place of her destination, or to perform efficiently the service contracted for, it shall be lawful to the said Commissioners to make such abatement, by way of mulct, out of the freight of the Ship, as they shall adjudge fit and reasonable.

Breach of orders, &c.

Breach of contract.

Abatement from freight.

Clause XV. In pursuance of the directions contained in a certain Act, made and passed in the twenty-second year of the reign of King George the Third, intituled "An Act for restraining any Person concerned in any Contract, Commission, or Agreement made for the Public Service, from being elected or sitting and voting as a Member of the House of Commons,"—no Member of the House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part of this Contract or Agreement, or to any benefit to arise therefrom.

Members of Parliament.

Clause XVI. And for the due performance and keeping of all and singular the covenants, conditions, and agreements herein contained, the owners of the Ship bind and oblige themselves, their heirs, executors, and administrators, and the Ship, her apparel and furniture, unto Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, in a penalty or sum **not exceeding five hundred pounds** of lawful money of Great Britain.

Penalty.

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*Note to Clause XI.—The words between brackets are applicable only in the case of a steam vessel.

Stanley Falklands
August 6/70.

I have the honor to inform
Your Excellency that one child only,
William White has been successfully
Vaccinated during the past quarter,

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient humble Servant
Horace Watson M.D.
Public Vaccinator for Stanley

Excellency Gov.r Col. D'Arcy

Stanley Falkland Islands
August 6th 1870.

The Court in forwarding to your Excellency the evidence in this case feel that it is needless to call upon Mr. Binney for any evidence to rebut an accusation founded upon no foundation of truth. From the evidence of Captain Smithers who has been in attendance of this Post for many years. there is no reason to suppose there has been any neglect of any kind during many years on the part of both Light Keepers with respect to the Lights. At the same time the Court while treating the letter of Mr Cobb at your Excellency's request as a privileged communication cannot but consider grave charges against a person in Mr Binney's position should not have been made without further corroberation from experienced persons.

They regret that Mr Cobb has been so hasty in drawing his conclusions he has done in his communication to your Excellency.

They would suggest to your Excellency that the Light House Keepers assistants being so inexperienced. Mr Binney should be cautioned not to absent himself from the Light House.

after dark wouthout especial leave.

August 6th 1870

Court of Inquiry held at Government Office.

Revd C Bull President

A Bailey Esqr.

Dr Watts

Governors Instructions read Mr. Cobbs letter of August 3rd. read -

At Governors request Mr. Cobbs letter to be considered a privileged communication.

Captain Parker gave evidence before the Court I am Master of the "Irene" I did not make a report to the Harbor Master on my arrival in Stanley that the Lights were not burning at Cape Pembroke on the night of the 31st. When questioned by Mr Byng. I said that the Light was burning brilliantly from Sun set till 10 oclock. We do not make use of the Light after entering the Port. I saw the Light from Volunteers. I do not think there was anything unusual in not seeing the light. where I was Anchored we could not see the Light. It could not be a better light than colon. I first saw it. I have no reason to suppose there was no light Captain Parker added that he has frequently come in at night at all hours and he has never seen

anything to suppose anything unsatisfactory
in the Lights.

Official Log Book produced and bears
out Captain Parkers evidence. I have never
heard Captains of Vessels coming into this Port
complain of the Lights. 3

Captain Smithen Master of the "Foam" I have
run the mails. I have run in and out of the
Harbor about 200 times and upwards night and
day. I have always found the Light very
brilliant making the harbours and coming up the Harbour it dims as
one bears S.E. it looses its brilliancy and becomes
a reflected Light. In foggy weather I have
approached the light within two to three miles
I have seen a brilliant light when I have been
4 miles north of the Volunteers and have lost it
coming down in consequence of clouds and thick
weather and have picked it up again coming into
the Harbour. I have seen the Light from off the
deck and the man on the lookout in the rigging
could not see it. I have never heard any reports
about a neglect of the lights since I have been
in Stanley. I have always considered it a good
light.

Alexander Davis. I am Owner of the "Fairy"

I have no Certificate, as Master I learned Navigation at School. I made the land on Wednesday 27th July and hove to pr night of the Light House to the East of Point Harriet Point 6 or 7 miles off. it might have been more or less I took no bearings. a Brilliant light. We drifted about. On the night of 28th I stood in for the light between 8 and 9 o'clock at 9 lost sight of the light all at once. I took no bearings stood into the land till I saw the breakers. I wore ship and stood off N.E. standing off to S.E. I saw the light at 11.15 o'clock It was fleet S.E. wind There might have been a fog which lifted! I had no bearing of the light till 11.15 o'clock 7 or 8 miles off.

I lost sight of the light about 2 o'clock drifting but it was squally.

Captain Smithen recalled. Under the circumstances of the "Fairy" I believe the light was shut out by fog according to the evidence of Alexander Lamb.

We Have the honour &c

Sir,

Your Excellency's Most Obedt Servts

Chas Burt President

[illegible] Members of the Court

Proceedings &c