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LETTERS FROM  
GOVERNMENT  
25 August 1841  
to 25 September  
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Panor United Service Club  
25<sup>th</sup> August 1844.

Sir.

I have the honor of informing you with reference to your letter of the 1<sup>st</sup> July 1844, conveying to me the orders of the Inspector General of Fortifications to hold myself in readiness to embark for the Falkland Islands, and to report myself to the Colonial office, that Lord John Russell the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been pleased to direct me to proceed thither for the purpose of administering the Government, Her Majesty having been pleased to commission me, her Lieutenant Governor of those Islands.

I have &c  
R. Moody  
Lt Col.

To Colonel Ollicombe R.R.  
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Junior United Service Club  
31<sup>st</sup> August 1841.

Sir.

With reference to the detachment of Royal Sappers and Miners ordered to embark with me for the Falkland Islands by the Master General's Minute dated 13<sup>th</sup> Augt 1841. I have to request that you will make a demand for passage to be provided for them on board the Brig "Hebe" now in the London Dock and in which I have taken my passage to sail on the 30<sup>th</sup> of Sept<sup>t</sup>.

The owner of the brig, is William Saith Esq. Lloyds Coffee House, City

I have &c

R. L. Moody

St Goo<sup>t</sup>

Brigade Major Sandham  
Royal Sappers & Miners.

Lieut Moody begs to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Whitington's letter of this day's date and to express his best thanks for his wishes in reference to conveying Lt. Moody and party to the Falkland Islands.

Lt. Moody has made arrangements with another party whose terms are more available than those contained in Mr Whitington's tender and which circumstance Mr Moody mentioned in his note of yesterday.

Mr. Moody writes this note, in case his engagements may prevent his being able to see Mr Whitington when he calls, or in case he may not be at home.

J. United Service Club Tuesday Night.

31<sup>st</sup> Augt 1841.

Junior United Service Club.  
Sept 20<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Sir.

I have the honor to request that the detachment of Royal Sappers & Miners about to proceed with me to the Falkland Islands may be furnished with an addition of Blankets to the 24 already granted in consideration of the severity of the climate and the exposure to weather which they may have to undergo.

I have also to request that 24 sheets and 24 Bolster Cases may be furnished to the party, none of either were included in the demands sanctioned by the Master General and Boards.

I am  
R. Moody at R.R.

Brigade Major Sandham  
Royal S. & M.

"Hebe" off Gravesend  
12<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup>. 1841

Gentlemen.

Before my departure from England I take the liberty of bringing before your notice in the strongest manner my high sense of gratitude to Lieut. Leau R. No for his active kindness and unremitting attention to all points connected with the engagement of the passage, arrangement of the accomodations on board, as well as the provisioning of myself & party and this also in the midst of many pressing engagements.

I am Gentlemen with many thanks for your kindness in affording me Lieut Leau's valuable assistance

Yours most &c  
R. L. Moody  
St. R.R.

S.

The Commissioners  
of Land Emigration.





No 1 A

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Port Louis, Falkland Islands.  
18<sup>th</sup> January 1842.

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that her Majesty has been pleased to appoint me Lieutenant Governor of the Falkland Islands and that I am ready to receive from you all such Government Stores and money as may be at present in your charge for the Service of the Settlement.

I shall also feel greatly obliged by receiving from you at your earliest leisure all such information verbal or documentary that you may be able to afford me concerning these Islands.

I have &c  
R. B. Moody Lt Govt.

Lieut Sykes R.M.  
Commg<sup>ng</sup> Officer  
Falkland Islands.

Port Louis, Falkland Islands  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan'y. 1842

Sir.

*25<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 1841.*  
I have the honor to enclose for your information a copy of a letter which I received from the Right Honors &c. The Secretary of State for the Colonies previous to my leaving England.

Please to request you will be kind enough to inform me whether you have received any instructions from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty with reference to the subject contained in the following paragraphs.

"Take this opportunity to acquaint you further that the Lords Commissioners have instructed the Officer Commanding the small vessel stationed at the Falkland Islands to cooperate with you in the execution of all such measures as you may deem necessary with a view to the Reservation of the Lands, Fisheries, and wild cattle frontiers bass or destruction.

I have &c

Lieut Sykes R.M.  
Commg<sup>ng</sup> Officer Spaniard.

R. B. Moody Lt Govt.

No. 2 A

Port Louis, Falkland Islands  
19<sup>th</sup> January 1842.

Sir.

It is my intention to visit Port William to-morrow for the purpose of inspecting its advantages as a place of call for shipping, and to ascertain whether it is better adapted than Port Louis to be the site of the chief town in this colony.

I take the liberty of requesting your aid in the consideration of this subject, and I propose that we proceed to Port William by land in order that I may have an opportunity of inspecting the nature of the country and quality of the soil in our route.

I have the  
R. J. Moody/  
D. G. S.

Lient Sykes  
Royal Navy  
Comdg. H. M. R. Sparrow.

No 3 A

Government House. Port Louis  
S. Falkland Islands.  
23<sup>rd</sup> Jan'y. 1842.

Sir

I find the "Government Farming Es-  
tablishment" in these Islands to be so much  
greater than I can carry on with the few men  
at my disposal, that I have to request you will  
be kind enough to permit the man who has  
hitherto had charge of the herd of cattle, to  
remain in his present employment should he  
feel inclined to do so, by discharging him from  
the service of the Royal Navy.

It is also advisable for the preservation  
of the cattle belonging to the establishment that  
another lad should be permitted to remain may  
I therefore request that you will permit another  
man to volunteer for the service of the Colonial  
Govt. in addition to the one already referred to.

Yours very  
affectionately  
R. Wood  
R. M. P.

Lieut. Sykes  
officer Commr.  
H. M. R. Spann.

Government House. Port Louis.  
Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> 1842

Sir.

As all articles of what soever description  
though condemned for particular services may  
perhaps be turned to some account in a young  
Settlement I take the liberty of requesting that  
you will be kind enough to leave at my disposal all  
such articles in your charge that you may  
consider to be of no further value to the Naval  
Service.

I have &c  
R. Moody  
St. G. P. A.

Lieut Syfret R.N.  
&c &c &c

Government House. Port Louis  
Feby. 1<sup>st</sup> 1842.

Sir,

In receiving over all the money and bills in the Colonial Chest, together with an account of sums of money still due from different individuals. I find a charge against Mr. J. B. Whitington of 99 dollars for cattle killed on the Islands with a remark that he refuses payment of the same.

I have to request that you will be kind enough to inform me of the circumstances of the case, and of the steps you may have taken in reference thereto.

I have the

R. Moody

Algo.

Lieut Sykes R.W.  
Comdg. H.M.R. "Favorit."

Government House, Port Louis  
Feb<sup>r</sup>y. 5<sup>th</sup> 1842

Sir.

I am desired by His Excellency, The Lieut Governor to enquire whether you are the depited agent of Mr. J. B. Whittington <sup>to</sup> authorized to act for him and on his behalf during his absence from these Islands.

I am. &c

M. R. Robinson.

M. Dean  
Port Louis.

Government Office, Port Louis  
Feb 10<sup>th</sup> 1842

Sir.

Having received from Lieut Tyree the officer lately in charge of the Falkland Islands all money and bills to the credit of the Colonial Government as well as an account of sums due from different individuals I find there is a charge against Mr. J. B. Whitington for beef to the amount of ninety nine dollars for which he refuses payment.

I wrote to Lieut Tyree on the subject and am referred by him to a correspondence between Mr. Whitington and himself bearing date 27<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>. 1841.

I have attentively read that correspondence and I find nothing in it to justify Mr. Whitington in refusing payment of the above mentioned charge.

You state in an answer to a letter from Mr. Roberson to you dated the 5<sup>th</sup> of Feb<sup>r</sup> 1842 that you are fully empowered to act for and on behalf of Mr. J. B. Whitington in any matter connected with his establishment or business during ~~his~~ absence from these Islands.

I have therefore to request you will lose no time in paying the sum of 99 dollars which is owing by Mr. Whitington to the Government for Beef which was killed for men in the service of Mr. J. B. Whitington.

I have &c

R. C. Moody

St Govt.

Mr. Dean,  
Port Louis.

No. 1

Governor's House, Port Louis  
S. Falkland Islands. Feby 10<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir:

Place the honour of informing you that I have this day drawn a bill upon the Right Honorable the Lord Commissioners of Her Majestys Treasury in favour of C. S. Anderson <sup>Esq.</sup> amounting to one hundred and forty pounds. which sum is to pay for sundry articles purchased from him for the general service of the colony and the demurrage arising from my being obliged to detain his vessel beyond the days specified in the contract made with him for the conveyance of myself & party and stores to the Falkland Islands. C. S. Anderson <sup>Esq.</sup> being the master of the said vessel.

Apart of the abovementioned bill amounting to 21. 19. 2 is for dollars in exchange at the rate of  $\frac{3}{4}$  the dollar to be expended in the General Service of the Colony.

The authority for which I draw the abovementioned bill is Lord John Russell's letter of instructions to me dated 23<sup>rd</sup> Augt. 1841.

I am &amp;c

R. Colloody H. G. O. T.

To  
The Paymaster of Civil ServicesH. M. Treasury  
Whitehall.

Government House. Port Louis  
March 7<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir.

I take the liberty of addressing you for the purpose of soliciting your assistance in matters connected with the Government of these Islands as I believe you are the only Government Officer in Rio de Janeiro to whom I can well apply.

I have written to a house in Rio de Janeiro Messrs Watsons and Spence to forward to me with as little delay as possible supplies as Rations for the maintenance of myself and party at the Falkland Islands. These Rations are to be furnished on the part of Government, and the assistance which I take upon myself to seek at your hands is to require from Messrs Watsons and Spence, a certificate from 3 Merchants that the prices charged are those of the Market and that the freight is reasonable.

I also take the liberty of enclosing to you a draft upon the Lord Commissioners of H. M Treasury amounting to £300 and request that you will be kind enough to cause the bill presented by Messrs Watsons and Spence for the supplies above referred to, to be paid \* also

The charge for freight will be paid by me to the Master of the vessel upon her arrival at these Islands.  
\* also that you will be kind enough to forward to me, the receipt in duplicate, and balance of the draft in dollars by the same opportunity, taking a receipt for the dollars from the Master of the Vessel.

I have also to request on the part of Government.

Robert Hesketh Esq<sup>r</sup>  
H. M. Consul  
Rio de Janeiro.

Government that you will afford me your assistance still further in causing the undermentioned bills to be negotiated and the amount transmitted to me in Specie principally dollars.

Any additional assistance in hastening the forwarding of the supplies, suggestions as to a cheaper and better mode of obtaining them in future or any general informations relating to any future trade that may be expected to arise between Rio de Janeiro and these Islands will be of material service and gratefully accepted by me.

I have &c

R. B. Moody  
St. Ipolito

A set of bills upon the Accountant General of the Navy, dated 31<sup>st</sup> March 1842 £ .. s d  
General of the Navy, dated 31<sup>st</sup> March 1842 8 - 17 .. 6

D: D: dated 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1841. 36 - 3 .. 0

D: D: dated 5<sup>th</sup> March 1842 43 - 1 - 5  $\frac{1}{2}$

A set of Bills drawn upon Charles Stroh by Charles Melville 80 - 0 - 0  
19<sup>th</sup> November 1841.

£ 168 - 1 - 11  $\frac{1}{2}$

Government House. Port Louis.  
7<sup>th</sup> March, 1842.

Gentlemen.

I enclose a list of supplies  
the providing and forwarding of which  
to me at the Falkland Islands I offer for  
your acceptance provided you produce <sup>to</sup>  
Robert Hesketh Esquire H. B. M. Consul  
at Rio de Janeiro a certificate from three  
of the most respectable Merchants that  
the prices charged for the supplies are  
those of the Market, and that the freightage  
is reasonable.

Upon presenting your account  
with these certificates and receipts in  
duplicate to Her Majesty's consul you will  
receive immediate payment for the supplies,  
the charge for freightage will be paid by me  
to the Master of the vessel upon his deliv-  
ering the goods with the bill of lading.

I have &c

R. Moody  
Atty. Gen.

Messrs Watson & Spence  
Merchants  
Rio de Janeiro.

Govt. House April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1842

Sir  
I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a tender from you on behalf of Mr John Bull Whiting of the raw hides taken from Callao stamped in the settlement & have to inform you that I have laid it before H.R. the L.G.W. who has directed me to state that if sufficient security can be furnished for the due payment of the amount he does not at present see any objection to your having the said hides at the prices tendered

Yours R  
Signed

M R Watson  
Psd S.

W M. Dean  
Postman

Government House  
Port Louis. Falkland Islands  
March 7<sup>th</sup> 1842

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day drawn a bill upon the Right Honorable the Lord Compt<sup>r</sup> of H. M. Treasury in favour of Messrs Watson & Spence amounting to 360£. which sum is to pay for stores purchased for the service of the Government establishment in this Colony.

The authority by which I draw the above mentioned Bill is Lord John Russell's letter of instructions dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1841

The Paymaster of Civil Services  
H. M. Treasury.

I have &c  
R. C. Moody St Gost<sup>n</sup>



Government House  
April 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir.

In answer to your letter of the 2<sup>nd</sup> instant in which you state that you will be ready to produce your security for the due payment of the contract (which you are desirous of entering into with the Government for the raw hides taken from cattle slaughtered in the Settlement) at any time His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor may choose to appoint.

I have to inform you that it will be necessary that a written security signed by some person who will hold himself responsible for the due payment of the amount should be forwarded to me before your tender can be accepted.

I am &c

M. R. Robinson.

W. J. M. Deans.  
Port Louis.

Government House  
Port Louis, East Falklands.  
May 4<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir

I am desired by His Excellency, The Lieutenant Governor to inform you that if on the expiration of 6 months (for which time the contract you have lately into with the Govt. is made) the cattle still remains in the possession and management of the Government and if the contract is not broken on your part His Excellency does not at present see any objections to your continuing to purchase the raw hides for another 6 months at the prices mentioned in your late contract

I have &c

M. R. Robieford.

W. G. Deane  
Port Louis.

Government House.  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands.  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1842.

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day drawn a bill upon the Right Honorable the Lord's Commissioner of H. M. Treasury in favour of Mess<sup>ts</sup> Fox and Co amounting to the sum of one hundred and twenty Pounds, for cash paid by me into the Colonial Chest to be expended in the general service of the colony; the authority for doing so being Lord John Russell's letter of instructions dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1841.

I have &c

R. B. Moody  
Lt Govt.

The Paymaster of Civil Services  
for Majestys Treasury  
Whitehall.

Government House  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands.  
May 24<sup>th</sup> 1847.

Sir.

I have the honour to inform your Excellency that I have this day addressed a letter to Mr. Griffiths Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at Buenos Ayres requesting his advice and assistance in procuring 8 Quachos and 20 trained horses for the Service of Government in this Colony.

The importance of obtaining the above is so great that I even venture to solicit your Excellency's influence upon those points to which Her Britannic Majesty's Consul may deem it of sufficient importance to draw your Excellency's attention.

Without the aid of the supply of men and horses now written for I shall be much straitened in furnishing assistance in the way of fresh provisions to the shipping which may be induced to call for refreshment upon learning that a regular Government has been established at these Islands.

I am given to understand that great difficulty exists in obtaining any really serviceable horses unless the highest authority in the country is pleased to permit their sale and exportation the influence which your Excellency may deem proper to exert to remove any difficulties which may arise upon this point will be of very material service to the welfare of this infant Colony.

I have & C

R. C. Moody  
Lt Govt.

His Excellency

H. Maudesville Esqre

Her Britannic Majesty's Minister

Esq. Esq. Esq.

Buenos Ayres.

Government Office  
Falkland Islands

26<sup>th</sup> of May 1842

Sir.

It is my anxious wish on the part of Government to obtain from the Provinces of the River La Plata as quickly as it can be arranged, 3 Guachos with an intelligent Capataz over them, also 20 young and well trained Lassoing horses with 2 sets of Horse Gear complete for each man.

I find that there is a very great difficulty in obtaining either skilful Guachos or serviceable horses, and I therefore venture to solicit your aid and advice.

In consequence of the urgent request of Lieut Syfren the Naval Officer lately in charge of the Falkland Islands, the Admiral commanding upon the stations, directed that some men and horses should be procured from the Provinces of the river La Plata and forwarded to the Colony.

Three men styling themselves Guachos and twenty horses arrived in the Titula in January last, but of the 3 men sent, only one, Audrez Petaluga proved upon trial to know anything of the duties of a Guacho, of the other two (feeling their incapacity) one Thomas Parker requested permission

Charles Griffiths Esq  
H. M. Consul  
Buenos Ayres

to leave and as he was completely useless  
as a Guacho I granted his request, & the  
other Henry Mitchell has given notice of his in-  
tention to quit at the end of his time contracted for,  
of the 20 horses received only two had been trained to  
the Lasso and all turned out to be very indifferent  
and almost unserviceable.

I send a copy of the terms of contract  
entered into with Audrez Petaluga and Henry  
Mitchell but I leave it to yourself to make such  
alterations as you may deem judicious. Flour  
and Sugar can be issued to them as rations in  
addition to beef but I should feel greatly obliged  
by your forwarding a sufficient quantity of Meal  
to serve them during the period of their contract.  
6 months notice should be given by either  
party wishing to terminate the contract after  
the first year.

I venture to suggest that perhaps  
it would be advisable first to secure a superior  
kind of persons as Capataz with sufficient re-  
munerating wages: he would be of great service  
in procuring proper Guachos and he should  
be directed to try every man and horse before  
they were finally approved of for the Service.

I also venture to suggest the propriety of  
branding the horses with the broad Avon (the  
Government mark ↑) as soon after their pur-  
as possible. As the first duties of the Guachos  
will be to capture and break Wild Horses. It  
should be previously ascertained that they  
thoroughly understand breaking in horses,  
and that among the sets of Horse Gear they  
have everything which they can possibly  
require.

I am aware that

I am aware that in thus addressing myself to you, I am asking you to take upon yourself a troublesome office in addition to the many important duties which must fully occupy your time, but I am impelled to request all the assistance you may be able to afford in consequence of the pressing importance of the subject.

In the infancy of the Colony entrusted to my care the first considerations will be to keep up a constant supply of food for the actual maintenance of the Residents and the Immigrants that may be expected to arrive, next to which consideration I am anxious that the ships which will probably call in for refreshment may not be disappointed. The wild cattle and horses are very numerous upon the Islands but the means at present at my disposal are wholly inadequate to capture them and such means can only be obtained by your aid.

I have likewise taken the liberty of addressing myself to Her Britannic Majesty's Minister at Buenos Ayres to solicit his assistance upon any points which you may deem of sufficient importance to draw his attention. Such perhaps will be necessary with regard to the horses as I am given to understand that good ones are very difficult to be obtained and exported except with the acquiescence of the highest authority in the country.

I enclose you a bill of exchange upon H. M<sup>t</sup> Treasury amounting to £400.0.0 drawn in favour of myself to cover the expenses attendant upon the purchase of the horses and horse gear and I shall feel obliged if you will give directions for the receipts to be

made out

out in duplicate and for the balance to  
be forwarded to me in Specie (dollars if  
possible by the same opportunity.

I have etc  
R C Moody  
Albion

Government House  
Falkland Islands  
29<sup>th</sup> May 1842

Sir

Mr. Patzko the bearer of this  
dispatch and owner of the British Brig  
"Alarm" has offered to me to convey three Horses  
and Gauachos to the Falkland Islands for the sum  
of £ 300.-<sup>L 5 - 0</sup> not including hay but inclusive of  
the provisioning of the Gauachos and I am induced  
to accept his offer (unless you should see any  
strong reasons to the contrary) in order that there  
may be no time lost in waiting for an oppor-  
tunity to charter a vessel

I have &c  
R. Colloody  
St. Jno.

Charles Griffiths Esq  
H. B. M. Consul  
Buenos Ayres.

Government House, Port Louis  
Falkland Islands  
27<sup>th</sup> May 1842.

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that I have drawn the following Bills upon the Lord Commissioners of H. M. Treasury.

1<sup>st</sup> dated 24<sup>th</sup> May 1842 amounting to £ 13. 13. 0 drawn in favor of Hobt Ferrier Holt for freight of Goods for Government from Rio de Janeiro.

2<sup>nd</sup> dated 26<sup>th</sup> May 1842 amounting to £ 51. 0. 0 drawn in favour of Robert Ferrier Holt for goods purchased by me from him for the service of the Government.

3<sup>rd</sup> dated 27<sup>th</sup> May 1842 amounting to £ 36. 0. 11 drawn in favor of Edward Patzcker for goods purchased by me from him for the service of Government.

4<sup>th</sup> dated 27<sup>th</sup> May 1842 amounting to £ 96. 0. 0 drawn in favor of Edward Patzcker for the hire of his Kepel to convey self and Surveying Party to Port Williams remaining there 12 days and returning with the same party to Port Louis.

5<sup>th</sup> dated 27<sup>th</sup> May 1842 amounting to £ 400. 0. 0 drawn in favor of Charles Griffiths Esq H. B. M. Consul at Buenos Ayres and forwarded to him for the purchase of trained horses, and balance in Specie for the service of the Government of this Colony.

The authority by which I draw the above mentioned bills is Lord John Russell's letter of instructions dated 23<sup>rd</sup> Augt 1841

I have the

R. C. Moody

L. Goot

The Paymaster of Civil Services  
H. M. Treasury  
Whitehall.

Government House.  
May 31<sup>st</sup> 1842.

Sir.

I am desired by His Excellency  
The Lieut Governor to inform you that among  
the papers (which were given over by  
Lieut Tytler upon his Excellency assuming  
the Government of these Islands) there was  
a bill against you amounting to ninety  
nine dollars for beef which had been killed  
by persons in your employ.

And I am now desired to request you  
will pay the abovementioned sum at your  
earliest convenience.

I have &c  
W R Robinson.

J. B. Whiting Esq.  
Port Louis.

Government House  
11<sup>th</sup> June 1842.

Dear Sir.

I would be glad to know from you whether you would compute a degree of latitude at 69.<sup>116</sup><sub>miles</sub> the length given by Mudge for England Latitude 51.<sup>29.54</sup><sub>miles</sub> or at the average given by Airy 69.<sup>048</sup>. The measurement of the arc from Dunmore in the Isle of Wight to Cliffton in Yorkshire (on the Ordnance Survey) gave the degree 69.<sup>117</sup> Miles Airy expresses the length of the minute = 60/6,2777 feet and as it is derived from the average of many good sources I suppose it is orthodox, but as you must have devoted much attention to the subject and I have not, I would be very glad to hear your opinion, and also what is considered usually as the standard lengths of the minute expressed in feet by the Naval Hydrographer Captain Beaufort; that is if there is any standard adopted in the Naval Service.

Yours, Dear Sir

Yours sincerely  
R.C. Moody.

Captain J. L. Ross. R.N.

H. M. S. Beagle.

Port Louis.

Government House.

1st June 1842.

Sir.

I beg leave to lay before you the following extract from a despatch which I had the honor to receive from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies previous to my leaving England,

"I have to acquaint you that having consulted the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty in regard to the selections which it might be proper to make of a port in the Falkland Islands for the resort of Her Majesty's Ships. Their Lordships have apprised me, that Port William is as safe and more convenient harbour than Port Berkeley sound but that as long as the settlement remains in the latter, Her Majesty's Ships will most probably resort there. If however a new settlement is to be made you will with the aid of a judicious Naval Officer report upon the most eligible places.

I am aware how much your attention must necessarily be absorbed by the important duties in which you are engaged, but should you be enabled to devote a portion of your time to the consideration of the relative advantages of Port Louis and Port Williams as the site of the chief Port in this colony and confer with me thereon it would meet the desires of the Secretary of State and materially ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~greatly~~ <sup>great</sup> influence ~~upon~~ <sup>the</sup> future welfare of this colony.

You will perceive that in answer to the enquiry as to which Port would be best adapted for the resort of Her Majesty's Ships the lords commissioners are of

Captain Ross, R.N.  
Commanding the  
Antarctic Expedition.

are of opinion that Port William is a safer and more convenient harbour than Berkeley Sound" but there is nothing directly expressed upon the point on which I am anxious to have your opinion namely whether Port Louis or Port William is the best adapted to be the chief Port in this Colony, in a Naval and commercial point of view combined.

To aid your consideration of this question I beg leave to enclose a copy of a Report which has been drawn up at my request by Lt. Robinson R.N. an officer whose opinions upon the relative advantages and disadvantages of the two ports are entitled to great weight in consequence of his having been engaged for the last 3 years in prosecuting the Nautical Survey of these Islands. In his report He appears to consider that Port William is a more exposed harbour than Port Louis and within the points of security less confined to be of great commercial or Naval importance.

I beg further to request that you will be pleased to point out to me those portions of ground, in either harbours, which it would be proper to reserve for Naval purposes.

I have &c  
R.C. Moody  
Mysr.

Government House.

October 12<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir.

I have to inform you that I have received a letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Watson, Brothers & Co of Liverpool conveyed to me through the City of Lloyds, respecting the recovery of a quantity of goods from the wreck of the Galathos, a vessel belonging to that firm, the said recovery having been made by a vessel called the Sultan from the Falkland Islands & which vessels I understand belonged to you.

I shall feel obliged by your answering the following queries.

1<sup>st</sup> Whether any goods were recovered from the wrecks by the Sultan and if so what became of them?

2<sup>d</sup> The quantity description and state of goods.

3<sup>rd</sup> Whether the goods were landed at the Falkland Islands and if they were taken elsewhere.

4<sup>th</sup> By whom were the goods sold.

5<sup>th</sup> What was the amount of the proceeds of the sale, and what was done with the said amount.

6<sup>th</sup> Who are the parties appearing as owner or owners on the register of the Sultan.

7<sup>th</sup> Finally whether you can afford me any documentary proofs to your answers to the foregoing queries, and if so to request that you will furnish me with the said documentary proofs, or copies thereof to be certified as correct by me.

Yours &c

John Bull Whiting Esq.  
Falkland House.  
Port Louis.

R. Moody  
Lt Governor.

Government House.  
Anson, Falkland Island S.  
Oct 26<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir,

I am desired by His Excellency, the Lieutenant Governor to request you will be good enough to put on board the Monte Vidore Schooner Sociedad Rosai Espino Master the provisions which are enumerated in the enclosed list. I have considered it necessary to make some remarks against certain articles which perhaps you will be good enough to have rectified this time.

By order of the Lieutenant Governor I also send a list of miscellaneous articles required for the service of the Colonial Government of this Colony and His Excellency will feel obliged if you will be kind enough to have them also put on board the same vessel.

Yours &c  
M. R. Robinson.

Charles Trost Esquire  
Merchant  
Rio de Janeiro.

Description of Provisions.	Quantity required.	Remarks.
Flour.	11, 200 lbs	"
Biscuit	7, 200	"
Coffee	400	"
Cocoa	400	"
Tea Mixed	50	"
Sugar	1820	"
Rums	252 Gallons.	"
Rice	2400 lbs	"
Candles	520 "	Not good last time.
Raisins	1200 "	"
Soaps	500 "	"
Salt	" "	"
Sarkinas	20 Bushels	"
Calavances (white)	36 do	"
Tobacco	450 lbs	Negro head.
Pearls	"	"
Vinegar.	"	"
Scotch Barley	112 "	"
Oatmeal.	" "	"
Mustard	25 "	much of this last time was bad.
Pepper.	" "	"
Butter.	"	"

M. R. Robinson.

Miscellaneous articles required for the use of the Colonial Government of the Falkland Islands.

Description	Quantity required.	Remarks.
Shot	12 Bags different sizes	"
Lead (Pig.)	3 bush.	"
Indian corn.	20 Bushels	"
oats.	12 D°	"
Barley.	12 D°	"

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Government House.  
Anson. Falkland Islands.  
October 29<sup>th</sup> 1842..

Sir.

I am desired by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to inform you that the public road in the North Front of your allotment will be, at the eastern end  $5\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>in</sup> above high water marks and at the western end  $10\frac{1}{8}$ <sup>in</sup> and if you should build your house so near to the edge of your allotment as to endanger its safety hereafter His Excellency after this notice, will not consider the Government or any towns corporations that may hereafter be formed called upon to indemnify you for any damage that may arise to your property by lowering the road to the intended level; and he hereby counsels either to sink your excavations to that level or place your house at a safe distance from the edge of your allotment.

I have &c  
M. R. Robinson.

John Buley Esqire  
Anson.

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Birch Brooms		
Hair D°	6 Dozen.	"
Carpet D°	1 D°	"
Cards	1 D°	"
Soldiers Paper.	10 Tons.	"
Letter D°	1 Reams.	"
Note D°	6 Quins.	"
6 D°	6 D°	"
Footscap Envelopes.	"	"
Letter D°	500	"
Note D°	500	"
Shingles. enough to cover 4000 superficial feet.		
Lime. Slacked	10 Tons	3 bushels of course less price
Spades very Strong.	24	"
Shovels.	24	"
Excavators Wheelbarrows.	12.	"
Small candles for tapers.	36	"
Pitch.	2 Barrels.	"
Window Glass.	100 Panes	are about 9 in by 12 in
Scu.	"	"
Old Irons.	3 Bush.	"
Sheet Irons.	5 Bush.	inch "
De Yokes	2	"
Halters for Horses	12	"
Ghee	50 lbs	"
Sets of Shoemakers Tools	3 Sets	"
Mud Boots.	"	"
Bells, wire & brackets.	6 Bells, 100 yards wire 36 brackets	"
Smart gig (4 oared) with sail, oars and everything complete.		
12 bushels of the best description.		
Boat Nails.		
Scupper D°		
Sacks		

Government House.  
Anson. Falkland Islands.  
October 26<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir.

I have directed my Secretary, Mr. Robinson to forward to you a list of provisions and miscellaneous articles required for the use of this Government and shall feel obliged if you will have them shipped on board the Schooner Sociedad Rosae Espino Master and forwarded to the Falkland Islands with all possible dispatch.

On the arrival of the said goods at the Falkland Islands I will pay the amount of your accounts by bills on the Lord's Commissioners of H. M. Treasury and forward them to Rio de Janeiro by the first opportunity.

With a view to prevent any unnecessary delay &c &c in Rio de Janeiro I beg leave to forward you a copy of the agreement entered into by me <sup>with</sup> Captain Espino.

I have &c

P. J. Moody,

Colonel Governor.

It will be necessary that respectable Merchants at Rio de Janeiro certify that the price charged for the various articles is fair and reasonable.

Charles Trost bsgine.  
Merchant  
Rio de Janeiro.

Government House.  
Anton. Falkland Islands.  
October 27<sup>th</sup> 1842.

It is this day mutually agreed between Josai Espino Master and part owner of the good Schooner called the Sociedad de Monte Video. of 95 tons on the road and now lying in the carenage at Port Louis, Falkland Islands and Richard Clement Moody Lieut Governor of the Falkland Islands.

That the said Schooner Sociedad being light, staunch and strong, and in every way fitted for the voyage, shall on this day the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 1842 wind and weather permitting proceed with all possible dispatch to Rio de Janeiro on the Coast of South America and there and there deliver certain letters to Mr. Charles Tross Merchant in that Port who will proceed immediately to load the said vessel Sociedad which vessel is to remain in that Port for that purpose 12 working days after the aforesaid letters have been delivered to the said Charles Tross. Immediately after that period the said vessel is to return direct to the Falkland Islands with all convenient dispatch.

That the said Richard Clement Moody Lieut Governor of the Falkland Islands does hereby agree promise and bind himself to load and hire the said vessel and also shall and will pay freight unto the said Josai Espino or to his heirs or assigns a sum of One Thousand and Dollars. The above One Thousand Dollars to be paid to the said Josai Espino his heirs or assigns by the aforesaid Richard Clement Moody within 48 hours after the safe delivery of all goods put on board his vessel at Rio de Janeiro or elsewhere. The register of all such goods to appear on his Bills of Lading.

Upon the return of the said Schooner Sociedad  
to the Falkland Islands, she is to be moored in  
any convenient place inside the inner basin at  
Port Louis, called the Carrage and from the  
time she arrived there and reported by the  
Master as ready to discharge her cargo Richard  
Clement Moody is to be allowed 6 working  
days to remove the goods and chattels  
from alongside the said vessel.

And for the true performance  
of every article, matter and thing, hereunto  
<sup>ablonging</sup> do hereby bind and oblige themselves, espec-  
ially the said Josai Espino. the said vessel her  
freight and appurtenances, and the said  
Richard Clement Moody, each unto the other  
in the penal sum of Three Hundred Pounds.  
British Sterling to be forfeited and paid  
by the party delinquent to the party observant  
in the true and punctual performance of  
these presents.

In witness whereof, the said parties  
to these presents have hereunto set their hands  
at Government House, Port Louis, Falkland  
Islands, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 1842.

Signed in the presence of {  
M. R. Robinson.

Signed

R. Moody U. S. Cons.  
Josai Espino to

Government House.  
Port Louis Falkland Islands  
26<sup>th</sup> October 1842.

Sir.

I take the earliest opportunity of informing you that I have drawn the following bills upon the Lord Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

Date 29<sup>th</sup> July 1842 for 20£ in favour of James Biggs.

29<sup>th</sup> July 1842 for 30£ in favour of William Richardson.

29<sup>th</sup> July 1842 for 30£ in favour of Robert Hearnhead.

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1842 for 150£ in favour of Messrs Cox & Co.

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1842 for 20£ in favour of James Biggs.

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1842 for 25£ in favour of William Richardson.

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1842 for 14£ in favour of Christopher McRae.

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1842 for 12£ in favour of William Watts.

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1842 for 15£ in favour of Thomas Hearnhead.

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1842 for 20£ in favour of William Livett.

In my letter dated 27<sup>th</sup> May 1842 I had the honor of informing you that among other Bills I had drawn one on that day in favour of Edward Patseeker for the sum of 361..0..11 £ s d & such was the amount.

The Paymaster  
of Civil Services  
Whitehall.

amount I intended it to be, but I have received a letter from Mr. Patecker at Monte Video and another from Mr. John Galt Smiths a Merchant in that place with whom he negotiated the bill, both informing me that I had made the error in the bill of writing in words in the body of it only the sum of 300<sup>L</sup><sub>s</sub><sup>d</sup> instead of 361<sup>L</sup><sub>s</sub><sup>d</sup> It seems incomprehensible to me how such a mistake could have passed unnoticed by me when I made a copy of it in my note book, by my Secretary when he compared it and by Mr. Patecker when he received it from me.

The Consul at Monte Video has certified to the mistake and I have to request that when the bill is presented it may be cashed at 361<sup>L</sup><sub>s</sub><sup>d</sup>

I hope that this error on my part will not cause any further inconvenience to Mr. Patecker or to his agent Edward Baskettman Esquire Wimborne Minster Dorsetshire (to whom I have written stating that I was about to make this explanation.) and that the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury will be pleased to sanction the payment of the Bill although erroneously drawn up.

Yours & C  
R B Moody

Governor.

Government House.  
Port Louis. Falkland Islands.  
October 29<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir:

I have the honour to request your kind assistance in directing that the enclosed bills enumerated below be negotiated in the market at Rio de Janeiro.

The Specie chiefly in dollars to be forwarded to me by the first safe opportunity probably one of H. M. Vessels of War if on her passage round Cape Horn would bring them, but if there is no prospect of such an opportunity taking place soon perhaps you will take upon yourself to decide how they may best be forwarded, either in the M. V. Schooner <sup>La</sup> Sociedad bringing down stores for me or otherwise.

Dates  
3<sup>rd</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 1842

	1 <sup>st</sup> A set of Bills upon the Lord Commissioners of H. M. Treasury in favour of W <sup>m</sup> Leitch, for	£ 1 0
	2 <sup>nd</sup> D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> drawn in favour of Christopher	20 0 0
	W <sup>e</sup> Rae, for	14 0 0
	3 <sup>rd</sup> D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> drawn in favour of William Richardson, for	25 0 0
	4 <sup>th</sup> D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> drawn in favour of William Watts for	12 0 0
29 <sup>th</sup> July 1842.	5 <sup>th</sup> D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> drawn in favour of William Richardson for	30 0 0
2 <sup>nd</sup> May 1842.	6 <sup>th</sup> A set of Navy Bills drawn in favour of William Watts for	13 15 1/2
30 <sup>th</sup> June 1842	7 <sup>th</sup> A set of Navy Bills drawn in favour of R. C. Moody Esquire, Lt Governor &c for	70 8 9
2 <sup>nd</sup> August 1842	8 <sup>th</sup> A set of Navy Bills drawn in favour of Mr. R. Robinson Esquire upon box & Co. London for	22 17 8
3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct <sup>r</sup> 1842	9 <sup>th</sup> D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Mr. John Scully for	22 0 0
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept 1842	10 <sup>th</sup> D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Mr. John Scully for	22 17 8
1 <sup>st</sup> July 1842	11 <sup>th</sup> D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Mr. R. Robinson Esq. for	50 7 8
		<u>£ 318,6,10 1/2</u>

Robert Heske the 29<sup>th</sup>  
R. B. McConnel  
Rio de Janeiro.

I have the  
R. C. Moody  
Lt Govt.

Government House  
Port Louis. Falkland Islands  
Octr. 1842

Sir.

I am desired by his Excellency, the  
Lieut Governor to thank you most sincerely  
for your various communications and other  
kindnesses, but I am at the same time de-  
sired to say that his Excellency's position precludes  
him from allowing you to make use of his  
name as a reference, and he requests you  
will no account do so publicly or privately  
verbally or by writing.

Yours &c

M. R. Robinson.

Samuel R. Bewes Esqre.  
London.

Government House  
Anson. Saturday Novt 5<sup>th</sup> 1842

My dear Sir.

I understand from Bachelor  
that you have dismissed him and his wife  
before he asked to leave or stated any deter-  
mination not to abide by his agreement.

Is this really the case? I am unwilling  
to believe that you would really turn a man  
his wife and two children out of your house  
so abruptly without his having first stated,  
that it was his decided wish to leave you,  
although he may have expressed the strong-  
est dissatisfaction with the terms of the  
agreement he had made and was desirous  
of bettering.

Yrs very truly  
R. Moody.

J. B. Whiting Esq  
Salisbury House.

Government House.  
Port Louis. Falkland Islands  
November 28<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Sir.

I have the honour of informing you that on the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst I drew a bill upon the Lord Commissioners of H. M. Treasury amounting to £ 39.. 0.. 6 in favour of John Sculley in exchange for cash to be expended in the general service of the colony and I have this day drawn another bill amounting to 100£ in favour of C. J. Anderson in payment for Timber. Lime - stone & Bricks.

The authority by which I have drawn the above bills is Lord John Russell's Letter of Instructions dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1841.

I have the  
R. C. Moody  
Lt Governor.

To

The Paymaster  
of Civil Services  
Whitehall

Government House,  
Port Louis Falkland Islands.  
January 18<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Sir.

I understand that there are two medical officers doing duty on board Her Majesty's Ship Philomel under your command on service at these Islands. The Colony is wholly destitute of medical assistance and deeming it of the highest importance to secure such aid if possible by the constant residence of a Surgeon at the Settlement, I am induced to solicit your permission for one of these gentlemen to remain on shore as Colonial Surgeon should either feel inclined to volunteer his services for a temporary period in that capacity.

In the present state of the Colony it will not be an easy matter to obtain very comfortable quarters for such officer but I trust you will join with me in endeavoring every aid to remove the difficulties which may arise upon this point.

I am Sir

Commander-in-Chief  
A.M.S. Philomel

Yr Obedt Servt

W. Moody  
T. G. Port

Government House.  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands  
2<sup>nd</sup> January 1843.

Sir,

I have the honour of informing you  
that I have this day drawn the undermentioned Bills upon  
the Lord's Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

The sum of One hundred Pounds in part pay-  
ment of my Salary drawn in favour of Capt<sup>t</sup>. Con Gt.

The sum of Forty five Pounds in Exchange  
for each to be expended in the general service of the Army  
drawn in favour of James Briggs.

The sum of Twenty nine Pounds for the  
working pay of the Detachment of Royal Sappers and  
Miners for the quarter ending December 1842 drawn in  
favour of Augustus Arista.

The authority by which I have drawn  
the above bills is Lord John Russell's Letter of Instructions  
dated 23<sup>rd</sup> of Aug<sup>t</sup> 1841.-

Yours &c &c

To the Paymaster of Civil Services  
Her Majesty's Treasury  
Whitchett.

M. Greeley  
I. D. Scott.

Government House Port Louis  
Falkland Islands March 21<sup>st</sup> 1813.

Sir,

It is my painful duty to inform you that the British Schooner Ann has not yet reached the Port.

Upon consulting with Mr. Melville I was the only individual in the Colony I could consider in the light of an agent to you. I deemed it right to open certain letters addressed to Mr. Edwards to ascertain whence they were from. I did not deliver them to Mr. Melville but after glancing at their contents I informed him of certain matters concerning himself and handed him some bills of lading contained therein.

In performing this delicate duty I considered I was acting towards you in the manner you would have wished could I have received instructions from you.

I immediately sealed the letters in Melville's presence and am at present literally unaware of their contents; except that there was nothing of importance contained therein and nothing requiring further agency than to see that the goods for the Officers of the Personnel are duly delivered.

I may mention that Captain Reino of the Schooner La Soledad was wholly unaware that he had goods on board for any person but myself and there would have been some confusion if I had not found the bills of lading.

I am wholly unable how to offer any hope for the safety of the vessel and can only console with you upon what I fear must be conjectured.

Such a loss is greatly felt by the Colony as I learn from Captain Salvan that you had filled her full of goods for this place but what I much regret to learn is that Mr. Edwards was so near a connection of your own.

It is my duty to ask you to send as soon as your earliest convenience a memorandum of such dispatches, letters, <sup>goods</sup> as you may be aware of having been on board for me and other persons in the Colony.

Lambert & Co

A. J. Worthy Jr. M. J. G. Jr.

Ch. J. D. S.  
J. Marshall R. W. Janiss

Government House.  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands.  
January 7<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

You will proceed to-morrow morning aboard "The Princess Royal" Parker Master to the town of Barreca on the Rio Negro, and during your stay make yourself thoroughly acquainted with the subjects enumerated in the accompanying memorandums in order fully to report to me thereon upon your return.

Among these memorandums those of the most immediate importance are the means of obtaining good horses and experienced Quachers for the service of the Government of this colony.

Any arrangements you may see fit to enter into to secure a due supply of both by the 31<sup>st</sup> of March next will be acceded to by me, but in making them you will take care that the strictest regard to economy compatible with efficiency is constantly borne in mind.

I am &c  
R. B. Moody Lt. Govt.

Murphy Robinson Robinson Esq.  
Private Secretary  
He He He

Government House, Port Louis.  
Falkland Islands 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1883.

Sir,

I have the honour of informing you that I have this day drawn the undemanded bill upon the Lord Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

The sum of Sixty Six Pounds,  
Six Shillings and Ten Pence drawn in favour of John  
Pownell Dale Esq<sup>r</sup> & H. B. M. Consul at Monte Video, being  
the Balance of expenses in procuring and forwarding  
Guachos and Horses from Monte Video to the Falkland Islands.

The authority by which I have drawn the above  
bill is Lord John Russell's letter of Instructions dated  
23<sup>rd</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 1874.

Paymaster of Civil Services  
Her Majesty's Treasury  
Whitehall.

I have R. C. Moody

R. C. Moody  
Lt. Govt.

Government House  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands. 21<sup>st</sup> March 1843.

Sir.

I have the honour to inform you that five men named as follows, John Rogers Mr. Daskrill (English) James Young Capt. Carter (American) Louis Riney Cuba, I found from this boat to Rio de Janeiro on board the brig Henry of Scotland U.S. as passengers by their own will.

The case of these men is a peculiar one and as the two English ones Rogers and Daskrill may probably appear before you I deem it right to forward for your information the following statement of some circumstances which have lately transpired.

These men were part of the crew of the sealing schooner La Soledad & Capins & Master and were to be paid in shares of the profit the usual night make upon arrival at the Falkland Islands in consequence of my informing the master that no permission would be granted to seal at the Falkland Islands unless rocks were rented from God. and also in consequence of the information received by them it was agreed by the crew that certain rocks should be rented some remaining upon the said rocks during the sealing season while the Schooner made a trading voyage in the intermediate time the whole being for their mutual benefit. A paper was subscribed to this effect and submitted to me before I would permit the men to remain.

After the return of the schooner from Rio de Janeiro I had many interviews with Master and crew in consequence of mutual complaints appeals being made to me in the absence of any Master's been authority. I found that the grievances of the men were upon every occasion groundless and it was very evident from some collected circumstances that a system had been commenced by designing persons to create a disturbance on board the vessel for the injury of the Master and willing instruments were found in the dispositions of these 5 men.

I frequently cautioned them upon this particular point and in answer to the request of both master and men I positively refused permission for the men to be left at the Falkland Islands. I had the strongest proofs of the evil disposition and dangerous character

fall except the black men about him and felt afraid that the presence of such men would cause constant disturbance in the community.

Their conduct to their Captain had always an air of defiance and was in the highest degree disrespectful even in my presence. I promised them in the last interview that I would draw up a scale of provisions which should be regularly weighed out to them and to this the Captain agreed, also in order that they should obtain the earliest attention to what they considered their wrongs from the authorities of the country under whose flag they were serving I obtained a promise from Captain Spino that he would return immediately to Monte Video of his I found him in his presence; but their arrangement apparently did not suit the designs of those who I am now strongly inclined to believe had been tampering with the men. On the following morning the mutinous spirit which had been so long growing at last broke out. These five men promptly refused the duties assigned to them. The Captain came on shore and appealed to me ~~for~~ for advice and assistance. I went on board with a gentleman of the colony as a witness and knowing the character of the men and the state the ship was in I thought it advisable to take with me 3 soldiers under arms. The men were denying on deck and showing other signs of defiance and disrespect when I left the shore. This was noticed by every one on the beach. I found the men sitting aft. I asked the Captain in their presence the state of the case and then each man separately. They all one said it was all true that they would not do as he had ordered them (the duties assigned were of a trifling description) adding many insulting words of them threatening expressions with reference to Captain Spino. I went below and upon further inquiry found that the bad example of these men was rapidly producing a very dangerous effect upon the remainder of the crew, and as a proper punishment to these men and a warning to the others I did not hesitate to recommend Capt<sup>r</sup> Spino to inflict corporal punishment upon them. I ensure that no opposition should be made and to see that moderation in its infliction was observed I remained as a witness but I also deemed it right for Capt<sup>r</sup> Spino <sup>immediately</sup> to have a guard on board and recommended him to keep the men in confinement. As I had not on shore proper means of security for that number I could not take charge of them. Capt<sup>r</sup> Spino commanded this changing his cargo and was getting ready for sea to return to Monte Video with these men on board. When this present opportunity occurred Span American brig <sup>of</sup> sailing for Rio de Janeiro to release them from confine-

much and with my permission he offered to pay their passage  
to that Port and to settle all that might be due. To which arrangement  
they readily assented.

It is my opinion that had not such prompt measures  
been taken and authority exercised by the example made of those  
men with the vessel nor Captain Defino's life would have been  
safe after leaving the Port.

I have the honour to be

Sir - &

M. Goode  
P. G.

P. P. H. H. E.  
A. M. Consul.  
the Janiss. -

Government House Port Louis  
Falkland Islands 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1843.

Sir,

I have the pleasure of informing you of the safe arrival of the Barque Elizabeth having on board the Gaucho and horses procured and forwarded through your kind agency for the service of the Govt. of this Colony.

I will no doubt be gratifying to you to know that through your excellent arrangements the horses were landed in perfect condition and with the much care as yet proved to be every thing which could be desired.

I beg leave to enclose a bill for the balance of the account and the advance to various Bathers amounting together to £8. 1. 10

Should 4 more good Gauchos present themselves to you for employment about the time of H.M.S. Chelone's return to the Falkland Islands in the ensuing spring and if Commander Sullivan is disposed to afford them a passage I take the liberty of soliciting your further assistance in securing their services upon the same terms as those lately arrived.

I am Sir  
C. & C.

*H. J. de la P.*  
H. J. W. Political Agent.  
In. P. D. C.

*H. Moody*  
H. Moody  
I. Govt.

Government House Port Louis  
Falkland Islands 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1843.

Sir.

I have the honour to inform you that a person by the name of Patzke at Mount Stiles had sent to me by the Brig Henry Lammert Master some Hardwood Plank & with a bill for the same and directing the Master of the vessel to seek payment for the freight from me. As I am not aware of having ordered any wood from the above named person, I caused the said Hardwood to be sold by public auction and the freight to be paid from the proceeds. The Memorandum concerning the sale the receipt for the freight and the balance amounting to 37 dollars equal to 8..0..9 at 52 pence the dollar. I take the liberty of forwarding to you an soliciting your kind help in giving directions that they be delivered into the hands of the said W. Patzke receiving a receipt for the same.

I am Sir &c &c

J. P. Dale Esq.  
A. M. Consul Genl.

M. Moody  
Gov.

Government House Port Louis  
Falkland Islands 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1843.

Sir,

I have received two letters from you dated 10<sup>th</sup>. Feb<sup>r</sup>. 1843 treating upon different subjects and stating that you have sent some wood to me and enclosing a bill for the same. I am not aware of having ordered any from you and I consequently objected to receive any from the master of the brig Albany. As he sought for the payment of his freight I desired the wood to be sold by public auction and I have requested A.B.C. Consul General to cause the documents to you the receipt for the freight the memorandum of the sale and the balance amounting to 37 dollars equal to 8<sup>o</sup> 0<sup>d</sup>.

I have also to inform you that I have received a letter from a Mr. Brinckhauf a Merchant at Monk's Island by which it appears you have imposed upon that gentleman by leading him to believe I had entered into certain contracts with you for the supply of different articles for the service of Government. I must caution you of the dangerous position such reprehensible conduct will probably bring you into and I desire that you will upon no account take such liberties with my name in future.

When you left the Falkland Islands you within 3 months you received at your own request a list of such articles as in the course of conversation I mentioned would be serviceable to the Government and when this list was brought immediately and offered at reasonable prices by retail through the services of an Agent as in so small a place no ship master could expect to take a cargo at once. But this was no contract I did not think proper to make a contract with you and I particularly cautioned you against offering it to do such at the time. Instead of three months 11 months have now elapsed and the Colony has suffered through my having countenanced the offer of your agent to bring down horses and shot.

A.B.C. Consul at Monk's Island does not appear to have received a certain letter entrusted to your care (a receipt for which you have signed) in which the terms of yr. offer were specified. I have consequently requested an enquiry to be made concerning this circumstance.

I am Sir & C.

W<sup>t</sup> D<sup>r</sup> Patzschke  
Govt. Agent.

R. Moody D<sup>r</sup> Govt.

Government House Port Louis  
S. Falkland Islands.  
23<sup>rd</sup> March 1843.

Irr.

I take the liberty of requesting your  
kind assistance in giving a passage to — Bayfield a  
disputed British subject from hence to Monte Video.—

I am Sir &

Capt. Sullivan R.M.  
R.M.S. Philomel.

M. Woolly  
S. Gov.

Government House Port Louis Falkland Islands  
31<sup>st</sup> March 1843.

Sir,

I have the honour of informing you that I have drawn the undermentioned bills upon the Lord Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury;

The sum of Sixty six Pounds, six shillings and ten pence drawn in favour of John Townall Dale Esq dated 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1843; in payment of balance of expenses incurred in procuring and forwarding gauchos and horses from Montevideo.

The sum of twenty five Pounds drawn in favour of Andres Pitaya in part payment for services as a Gaucho dated 27<sup>th</sup> March 1843.

The sum of Seven Pounds eighteen shillings and nine pence in favour of W<sup>m</sup> Scott in exchange for cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony dated 31<sup>st</sup> March 1843.-

The above bills conclude the whole of the Parliamentary grant for the year ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 1843. The authority by which I have drawn the above bills is D.P.R.C. Letter of Instruction I have &c.  
dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1841.

The Paymaster of His Service  
H.M. Treasury -

M. Broome S.G.V.

Government House Port Louis  
Falkland Islands. 8<sup>th</sup> April 1843.

Sir.

I have the honour of informing you that I have drawn the undermentioned bills upon the Comptroller of Her Majesty's Treasury.

The sum of one hundred Pounds drawn in favour of J. C. Neilson in part payment for conveyance of horses from his negro dated 5<sup>th</sup> April 1843. -

The sum of two hundred Pounds drawn in favour of J. C. Neilson in part payment for conveyance of horses from his negro dated 8<sup>th</sup> April 1843. -

The sum of one hundred and seventeen Pounds drawn in favour of J. C. Neilson in part payment for conveyance of horses from his negro and for balance in cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony dated 8<sup>th</sup> April 1843. -

The sum of sixteen Pounds, five shillings drawn in favour of Simon de Brice in part payment for building a Canal dated 8<sup>th</sup> April 1843. -

The sum of two hundred Pounds drawn in favour of A. S. Hallatt in part payment for conveyance of gueats and horses from Mouth Vado dated 8<sup>th</sup> April 1843. -

The sum of six hundred and twenty eight Pounds thirteen shillings and seven pence in favour of A. S. Hallatt in part payment for conveyance of gueats and horses from Mouth Vado and for lime Shingles and wood dated 8<sup>th</sup> April 1843.

The sum of thirty eight Pounds drawn in favour of R. Mitchell in exchange for cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony dated 8<sup>th</sup> April 1843. -

The authority by which I have drawn the above bills is Lord John Russell's letter of instructions taken 23<sup>rd</sup> Augt. 1841.

The Paymaster of Civil Service

H. M. Treasury

have been

H. Moody  
D. G. Govt.

Government House.  
April 6<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Sir.

I am desired by His Excellency, the Lieutenant Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated February 22<sup>nd</sup> 1843 and to thank you for the information contained in it, therein.

His Excellency also desires me to state that he shall be happy to see you at any time you may visit the Falkland Islands to converse with you on the subjects contained in your letter and to inform you that the Rio Negro sheep and a few horses appear to be much required in the Colony and would probably find an immediate sale. At present His Excellency is not desirous of engaging the services of any more Guachos some having lately arrived from Montevideo.

I have the

M. R. Robinson.

W<sup>t</sup> Single  
Master of U. S. Schooner the  
Rio Negro.

Government House.  
April 8<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

I have the honour to inform you that Mr. Patricker has again forwarded to me some Hardwood Planks by the Barque Elizabeth expecting that I should purchase them and pay the freight to the Master.

I have adopted the same course as I did upon the last occasion when he took this liberty and again I venture to solicit your kindness in directing that the enclosed memorandum of the sale receipt for the freight and balance in dollars be handed over to Mr. Patricker upon his signing a receipt for the same.

I also take the liberty of enclosing for your information a copy of a letter I have caused to be written to Mr. Patricker upon this occasion.

I am &c.

P. B. Moody

Lient Governor.

J. P. Daley  
H. M. Consul General.

Government Office  
April 8<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

I am directed by his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to inform you that Mr R. S. Hallett Master of the Barque Elizabeth brought some hardwood plank to Port Louis informing H. & C. that you had directed it to be consigned to him.

As Mr. Hallett sought payment for the freight his crew gave directions for the wood to be sold by auction the freight amounting to 15 dollars to be paid from the proceeds and the balance amounting to 11½ dollars to be forwarded to you. I am desired to say that this sum together with the accompanying memorandum of the sale and the receipt of the Master of the vessel for the freight has been forwarded to A. B. M. Consul at Monte Video for delivery to you.

I have the

M. R. Robinsons.

Mr Edward Paticker  
Monte Video.

Government Office.

Port Louis. Falkland Islands.

April 8<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

I am directed by His Excellency. The Lieut Gov.  
or to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated  
18<sup>th</sup> Feby 1843 and in reply to state. He regrets exceedingly  
to find that you appear to have been deceived by the erroneous  
statements of Mr. Patzcker.

His Excellency made no contract whatever with Mr.  
Patzcker. when that person left these Islands he asked  
the Lieut Governor if he would be good enough to let  
him know that if in case he should return to these Islands  
what were the articles which would most probably be re-  
quired in this colony and by H. B. himself I drew up  
a list of things which might probably meet with a sale  
if offered at fair prices and H. B. accepted the offer of  
Mr. Patzcker's vessel for the conveyance of Guachos and  
horses from Buenos Ayres.

The Lieut Governor also stated he was in need  
of and would take a certain quantity of lime wood &c  
but at the same time warned him that it would be ad-  
vised bringing even the "Alarm" / a much smaller vessel  
than the "Elizabeth" full of these goods until an  
agent was left in the place to sell them for although  
these goods are decidedly much required yet the  
small size of the place and its few inhabitants  
will for a time render doubtful the immediate  
sale of any large quantity of goods and if Mr. Patz-  
cker had only had the honesty to communicate this  
fact to you it would have saved you much expense  
and H. B. much trouble and annoyance.

The Lieut Governor has deemed it proper to ful-  
fill the representations which H. B. M. Consul at  
Montevideo has been induced to make to you in his  
letter

Sincerely yours  
John W. Burroughs Esq.  
Montevideo.

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Government House  
Lisbon. Porthorus

June 24<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

I am desirously to apprise you of the deaths of two individuals. Sir Thomas Aggott and George Pike the former of whom is supposed by his friends in this colony to belong to the Parish of Torquay and has two sisters residing there. I believe both his mother and father are dead. The other man also came from Devonshire his parish is unknown but I have ascertained he worked with the former in Torquay and at a farm somewhere in the interior of the County and that his relations are probably known by the two sisters of Thomas Aggott.

The above persons were accidentally drowned by their setting of a small boat whilst crossing the harbour on the evening of the 18<sup>th</sup> of May last and regret to add their bodies have not yet been found.

The two men entered the service of the Government of this colony from H.M. S. Sparrow to which vessel they belonged in February 1842 and at the time of the unfortunate accident were employed Thomas Aggott as Government Woodsman and the other in the establishment of the Lieutenant Governor.

After their demise it was ascertained they were possessed of some property in money and clothes. The whole of the latter have been sold by public auction by order of the Lieutenant Governor and I beg leave to forward a copy of the list of things sold. The money they produced with an account of their debts and credits at the time of their death for the information of their friends if they can be found.

The object

Sir.

The Rector of  
the Parish of  
Torquay Devonshire.

The object of this letter is to solicit your kind assistance in procuring any information which may tend to discover the nearest kin of the deceased persons so that the monies enumerated in the enclosed list may be forwarded to them with all possible despatch.

It may be a source of melancholy satisfaction to the friends of the deceased to know that they both bore an excellent character in the colony, and at the time of their demise were in a fair way (especially Thomas Foggott) of advancing rapidly. The Local Governor will feel obliged by your sending any communication respecting these individuals to the British Consul at Rio de Janeiro to be forwarded to these Islands by the earliest opportunity.

I have &c  
M R Robinson.

Government House, Port Louis.  
Sail and Islands June 24<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

I have the honour to inform you that I have drawn  
the undermentioned bills upon the Lord Commissioners  
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

The sum of Two hundred and Sixtye  
Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and four pence drawn  
in favour of Jose Espino in payment for freight  
of goods from Rio de Janeiro dated 10<sup>th</sup> April  
1843.

The sum of Eighty Nine Pounds twelve shillings  
and ten pence drawn in favour of John Buckley in  
part payment for services dated 19<sup>th</sup> April 1843

The sum of Fifty two Pounds drawn in favour  
of J. B. Whitington in payment for small and various  
other articles purchased for the service of the Colonial Co  
Government dated 28<sup>th</sup> April 1843.

~~The sum of~~ <sup>and</sup> One hundred and forty eight  
pounds two shillings and six pence drawn in  
favour of Wm Faith in payment for limestone  
Bricks, and wood and balance in specie to be  
expended in the general service of the colony  
dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 1843

The sum of <sup>One</sup> hundred Pounds drawn in favour of Wm Faith in exchange  
for cash paid into the Colonial Chest by the Lt Governor to be expended in  
the general service of the colony.

The sum of Sixty Five Pounds drawn in favour of James Bigg in exchange  
for cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony dated  
25<sup>th</sup> June 1843. The sum of Thirty Pounds drawn in favour  
of Robt Heron in exchange for cash to be expended  
in the general service of the Colony dated 30<sup>th</sup> June 1843

The authority by which I have drawn the above bills  
is Lord John Russell's letter of Instructions dated 28<sup>th</sup>

August 1843. I have the

The Paymaster of Civil Services

R. G. Moody. Mys.

To Mr. Treasury.

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letter dated 13<sup>th</sup> January 1843 and has taken 100 tons  
offine all the shingles and a few other things from the  
"Elizabth" excepting the scantling which from being  
crooked was not serviceable to the Government at present.

With regard to the quantity and price of the lime  
A. S. has to remark that his experience as a surveyor  
leads him to believe you must have been somewhat de-  
ceived as to the quantity. It has not been sufficiently  
burnt and will not bear more than two parts sand  
and does it then form a good mortar. With regard to  
its keeping qualities all lime is affected consid-  
erably by exposure to air and will not keep for building  
purposes beyond a certain time except buried or other-  
wise hermetically sealed.

As to the price the Lieut Governor took the superior lime  
shipped from Rio de Janeiro as a sample and offered  
Captain Hallet a larger sum (10<sup>s</sup> per ton) than  
he payed for that lime if he took 1000 Sanegas and 9<sup>s</sup>/d  
per Sanega if he took 1122 Sanegas or 100 tons. Capt A. S.  
Hallett acceded to the latter arrangement.

In reply to that part of your letter respecting  
the amount of freight to be paid by the Lieut Governor  
for the horses Guachos &c I am directed to refer you  
to a letter written by him to Mr Griffiths H. B. M.  
Consul at Buenos Ayres a copy of which was sent  
to Mr Dale by H. B. M. B. Philomet, and in which  
he mentions the amount he had offered to Mr.  
Patrick and requesting that his vessel might  
be employed unless Mr Griffiths should see  
any reason to the contrary.

I have the  
M. R. Robinson.

Government House  
Port Louis Falkland Islands  
1st July 1843

Sir.

The Stores enumerated in your  
Letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> October 1842 were transferred  
to me by Lieut Tyssen R. N

I am &c

R. C. Moody

Lt Governor.

Ias. Mullis  
Storekeepers Department  
Admiralty

Government House,  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands.  
August 14<sup>th</sup> 1843.

This is to certify that the undermentioned stores  
in list A have been received into the Government  
Storehouse at these Islands from the United  
States Schooner "Sarah Anne" William Smylie Master  
who informs me that they were shipped on board  
his vessel from the Botras Store at Rio de Janeiro  
to be delivered to me. He has also shown me an  
invoice of the goods (signed by W. C. Tomlinson  
Clerk in Charge) by which it appears that the  
stores were sent to these Islands for the use of  
Her Majesty but for what service does not appear.

In the invoice it is mentioned that I am to pay  
the Master the sum of 3 £ sterling per ton  
for the freight of these provisions.

I have declined doing so until I am informed  
by whose authority I am directed to make the  
payment and for what branch of Her Majesty's  
service the goods are intended, so that I may  
charge the expense of the freight to the proper  
department.

I further certify that the undermentioned portion  
of the stores (list marked B) enumerated in W.C.  
Tomlinson's list as shown home by the Master of the  
Schooner are missing.

I cannot attribute the damage the goods have  
received to any of the unavoidable accidents of  
the sea, but, on the contrary to the circumstance of  
the vessels not being properly water tight and  
am at present inclined to be of opinion that the  
Master of the said vessel should be held answer-  
able for the condition in which the goods have  
been delivered.

R. B. Moody  
Lieut Governor

*W. S. Newell*

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### List A

Description of Provision	Total quantity received	Condition they were received in at the Government Store
Flour	36 Barrels 106 lbs each.	28 Barrels in good condition 8 do damaged
"	"	8 Bags in good condition
Biscuit	27 Bags.	11 do about $\frac{1}{4}$ damaged 8 unfit for service.
"	"	3 Bags not damaged
"	"	1 do entirely spoilt.
Salavances	10 Bags	12 Barrels in good condition
Pork Salt	12 Barrels	2 Puncheons in do do
Spirits	2 Puncheons	1 do in do do
Vinegar	1 do	2 Barrels in do do
Sugar	2 Barrels	2 Puncheons in do do
Salt.	2 Puncheons	1 do
1 Puncheon marked as containing 4 bases Candles, Rice and Coffee received in good condition.		
1 Puncheon marked as containing oil base Candles Saffron Pepper and Mustard received in good condition		
1 Puncheon marked as containing Rice received in good condition.		
1 Case marked as containing 2 base Candles & 4 cases of Soap received in good condition.		

### B.X

Description of Provision.	Quantity missing as per invoice
Bread.	27 Bags
Salavances.	6 do

R. B. Moody

Lead Govt

\* Quantity received was afterwards found to be correct and similar to invoice.

Copy of

Mollie V

12  
Lobras Store      { Laden on board the Sarah Ann  
Rio de Janeiro      { Provisions and Stores unmentioned  
14<sup>th</sup> June 1843.      } Falkland Islands.

The Master engages to proceed immediately  
and to make the best of his way thither on the  
freight Bill in case of any neglect or delay on his  
His Excellency the Lieut Governor he is to receive  
on the Shipment of the same at this place.

Expiration of Bartertry.		Quantity.						
February 1843 14 <sup>th</sup>	Bread.			3024	lbs			
1843	Spirits			144	Gallons			
November 16 <sup>th</sup>	Pork			588	4lb Pieces			
February 1843 14 <sup>th</sup>	Flour.			7056	lbs			
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sugar.			733	do			
	Vinegar.			71	Gallons			
	Salt			19	Bushels			
September 1843 14 <sup>th</sup>	Salavances			17	do			
	Rice			672	lbs			
	Fishmeat				8 Bushels			
	Coffee 1 Bag.			154	lbs			
	Pepper			14	do			in
	Mustard 14 Bottles			14	do			
	Candles 7 Cased			224	do			
	Soaps 4 do			140	do			
Nos.	No.	bottles	Wt	bottles	Wt	bottles	Wt	Total
Bread	27	49	58	196	69	196	80	Salavance
	28	49	59	196	70	196	81	=
3024 lbs in 54 Bags	29	49	60	196	71	do	82	Sugar
Spirits 60 do	30	49	61	196	72	do	83	373
10.	72	31	49	62	196	73	do	17. 360
124	72		588	63	196	74	do	in 16 Bag
Pork	144			64	196	75	do	Rice
20	49	54	196	65	196	76	do	Fishmeat
21	49					do	17. 71	Coffee
22	49	55	196	66	196	77	do	Pepper
23	49					do	2. 9½	Mustard
24	49	56	196	67	196	78	do	Candles
25	49					do	19	Soaps
26	49	57	196	68	196	79	do	
	343						7056 lbs	

Schooner W. Smylie Master; for the use of Her Majesty, the  
to be delivered to His Excellency, The Lieutenant Governor of the  
with the said Provisions and Stores binned and weather permitting  
Penalty of having four pence per hour a day abated from his  
part and on his delivering the said Provisions and Stores to  
at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling per person as per agreement

English		American Barrels	Foreign Barrels	Iron Hoops	Bread Bags	Cases	Solid Contents.		
Parchments	Barrels						Tons	feet	in
"	"	"	"	"	54	"	4	20	"
2	"	"	"	16	"	"	"	34	2
"	"	"	12	24	"	"	2	22	0
"	"	36	"	"	"	"	7	18	0
"	2	"	4	14	"	"	"	18	"
1	"	"	9	8	"	"	"	17	1
2	"	"	9	15	"	"	"	34	2
"	"	"	4	"	16	"	1	13	4
3	"	"	"	23	1	1	1	20	3
8	2	36	12	100	71	1	19	37	0

Signed by W. G. Tomlinson, Clerk in Charge

11.12.00  
10.12.00  
11.12.00  
30.12.00  
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1.1.01  
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1.1.01

Government House.  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands  
August 5<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

I am directed by His Excellency the  
Lieut Governor to offer for your acceptance  
the situation of a Captain in this Colony.

Your pay will be at the rate of 35  
Patacons per month to commence upon  
your arrival.

Your Passage with that of your  
wife will be paid by the Lieut Governor.

I am Sir &c

M. R. Robinson.

Senor Pedro Buena  
barman Rio Negro.

Government House  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands.  
August 5<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

I am desired by His Excellency, The Lieut  
Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter  
dated 14<sup>th</sup> June / and of some stones / sent for the  
Lieut Governor / by the United States Schooner  
"Sarah Ann" William Smylie Master.

I am further directed to inform you that the  
amount of the various bills owing to you shall be  
forwarded by the earliest opportunity. The Lieut  
Governor not considering the "Sarah Ann" (at present)  
a safe means of conveyance even if she were bound  
direct to Rio de Janeiro. Her present destination  
being the Rio Negro, Patagonia.

I am &c

M. R. Robinson.

Charles Trost Esqre  
Merchant  
Rio de Janeiro.

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Government Office.  
August 7<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Sir

If the goods received into the Government Store from the Sarah Anne of which vessel you are Master the following are totally damaged.

1. Barrel of flour.
- 10  $\frac{3}{4}$  Bags of Biscuit
- 1 do of balances.

According to the invoice delivered to you and signed by <sup>Mr</sup> W. G. Tomlinson, Clerk in Charge at Bobras Store Rio de Janeiro the following goods are missing.

Bread 24 Bags  
balances 6 do

I am directed by the Agent Governor to desire that you will account for the above circumstances

I am Sir

Your Obedient Servt

M R. Robinson.

Mr. Smylie  
U.S. Schooner Sarah Anne  
Port Louis.

Government Office  
Port Louis, Falkland Islands  
August 1<sup>st</sup> 1843

Sir.

The explanation contained in your letter of this morning's date respecting the quantity of goods missing proves upon examination to be perfectly satisfactory.

My question respecting the damaged state in which the goods were delivered remains still unanswered.

I am &c

M R Robinson.

W. Smylie

U.S. Schooner. Sarah Ann  
Port Louis.

Government House, Anson.  
Falkland Islands. 19<sup>th</sup> August 1843.

Sir.

It is with the sincerest pleasure I have the honour to inform you that the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been pleased to appoint you to the situation of Chief Surveyor for this colony.

I am &c

R. B. Moody

Lt Governor.

Murphy Robinson Roberts  
Chief Surveyor.

*Not sent.  
An opportunity occurring*

Government House  
Stanley. Falkland Islands.  
August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1843

Sir

Since my communication to you of the 5<sup>th</sup> instant His Excellency has received dispatches from England the contents of which have induced him to direct me to inform you that he shall at present have no need for your services in the capacity of Captain in this colony as he had intended.

It would not be advisable therefore to come to this colony with the hopes of procuring any permanent employment in the capacity from the Colonial Government.

I am &c.

M.R. Robinson.

P.S.

Senor Pedro Buena.  
Barneu  
Río Negro.

Not sent.  
No opportunity occurring

Government House  
Stanley. Falkland Islands.  
August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1843.

Sir.

I am desired by H. S. The Lieut Governor to inform you that at present he shall have no occasion for the services of Senor Pedro Buena as bapitalas, and therefore will not be authorised in paying for his passage and that of his wife as intended.

The Lieut Governor also desires me to say that unless you have purchased the two horses he desired you to bring to these Islands for him he would prefer you purchasing sheep, of which he will take 100 instead of 50 for himself at 3 dollars each.

Yours &c  
M. A. Robinson  
P. Self.

Captain Smylie  
U.S. Schooner Sarah Anne  
Ras Negro.

Government House  
Port Louis. Falkland Islands.  
August 1<sup>st</sup> 1843.

Sir.

I am directed by His Excellency. The Lieut Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 1<sup>st</sup> February 1843 by which you introduce Mr. J. O'Neill and a Mr. A. Le Bhauff to the Lieut Governor's notice and protection.

I am further directed to say that Mr. O'Neill's character conduct and ability in the performance of the duty he has undertaken has given H. E. great satisfaction. Mr. A. Le Bhauff as you are probably aware has not yet arrived.

With respect to that portion of your letter in which you mention your wish to form a "Saladero" and request answers to certain queries relative thereto I am ordered to lay before you the following information.

It is out of H. E.'s power to grant to any person an exclusive right to kill cattle on the Falkland Islands and it is not his intention at present to sell cattle in any great quantity to individuals except they purchase largely of land and make other satisfactory demonstrations that their object is not immediate reimbursement by slaughter for hides except in the case of old Bulls.

The price of cattle at this moment in these Islands averages from 3 to 4 English Pounds each.

The present high price arises from the expense of the "Quachos establishment" but it is expected that Mr. O'Neill and his party will be enabled trap these many animals during the ensuing summer and the price of cattle will then be reduced to sum that will

Fredrick de Brosses Esq  
Montevideo

privately I am anxious to recommend that you consider

that will be considered moderate by all persons.

The following are the prices at which land may appear  
for sale - agreeable to the instructions of H.M. Secy of State  
for the Colonies.

	L s d
Good allotments containing 1 acre	50. 0. 0
Bad lands do	20. 0. 0
Country do	30. 0. 0

\$ per acre.

Public lands are surveyed and ready for delivery to Purchasers  
who has bought property for the present to grant licenses to graze  
at a payment of £10 per annum.

It is supposed that there are upwards of 3000 horses - wild  
upon the Island but for many years they will be too valuable  
to slaughter for their hides.

No salt has at present been found upon the Islands.

With regard to the seal fisheries I am directed to inform  
you that seals were in within the last few years plentiful  
upon the Falkland Islands but the indiscriminate slaughter  
which was made by the crews of the different vessels has reduced  
them considerably. During the last five years traps have  
been taken to prevent trespassers disturbing the workings  
and they are consequently on the increase.

The Rock of Rocks on which they are known to congregate  
will in future be put up to public auction and let  
for a period of many years to the highest bidder. pro-  
vided he can offer satisfactory securities.

With regard to sheep farming there is little doubt  
but that sheep would thrive exceedingly well. It is  
conceivable that persons bringing that animal here  
would land them between the months of September and  
January to enable them to become thoroughly climatised  
on the approach of winter. A particular care  
should be taken that they are not in the slightest  
degree infected with any description of disease.

Two settlers in these Islands having lost nearly  
their whole flocks from neglecting this precaution  
regarding the sheep leaving South America, while  
others who have purchased flocks from the same  
places have scarcely lost an animal.

Government House, Buenos  
Aires,  
S. Falkland Islands. Augt. 18<sup>th</sup> 1843

Mr.

Since I directed my Secretary to write to you concerning the matters treated in the letter which I had the honour to receive from you dated 1<sup>st</sup> Feby. I have received dispatches from the Secretary of State for the Colonies which have altered some of my views. The price of the Country land is now reduced to 8 shillings per acre and I am prepared to sell battle to any purchasers who shall at the same time invest capital in land. The price of the battle will vary very considerably according to the number taken and the conditions of the sale. But to give you some idea of the arrangements I am at present inclined to make I suppose a thousand head be purchased to be delivered on the land of the Settler and that the land is in the neighbourhood of the battle districts, I should fix the price at 5 dollars a head, but should a smaller number be required or the distance to be driven increased I should increase the price also, perhaps to 7 or 8 dollars or even more according to circumstances.

My numerous engagements must be my excuse for entering more at large into details but Mr. Neill is possessed of all my views and I have directed him to communicate with you. I also enclose for your information a copy of barracks from despatches concerning these Islands ordered to be printed by Parliament. Perhaps you will be good enough to let Captain Sulivan H.M.B. Philomel see the printed paper as I have not another copy by me. I regret sincerely that from unavoidable causes the first letter had not yet reached you indeed I had concluded you were in France by this time.

Assuring you that it is my wish to afford you every information you may desire consistent with the station I hold. I am &c

S. Francisco de  
Montevideo.

R. C. Moody Lt. Govt.

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Government House  
Auston Falkland Island S.  
Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1843

Gentlemen.

I have directed every enquiry to be made as to what became of the goods wrecked in the Brig Galston and I cannot obtain any satisfactory information beyond the enclosed letter which I received from Mr. G. B. Whitington in answer to one I addressed to him concerning the part taken by the Master and Crews of his vessels in obtaining goods from the wrecks.

It is a common report that several persons of the lower class in the Colony benefitted themselves by visiting the wreck in sealing Schooners but no persons are inclined to come forward to give direct evidence upon the subject.

I am &c  
R. Moody  
Shpt.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Watson & Brothers  
Liverpool.

(Copy)

Auston East Falklands  
13<sup>th</sup> October 1842.

Sir.

In reply to your letter of yesterday, stating that in consequence of a communication received from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Watson Brothers & Co of Liverpool, you desire information respecting the recovery of some goods by the Brig Susan from the wreck of the "Galston" belonging to the above firms.

I beg to inform you, that a small quantity

His Excellency  
Lieut Governor Moody  
Auston.

quantity of goods much damaged were obtained from the wreck of the "Galston" in Sierra del Fuego by the Brig Susan belonging solely to my brother G. J. Whittington Esq of 20 Admire Street Adelphi London which goods were landed at the Falkland Islands washed in fresh water dried and packed in casks by my orders. The whole of them were afterwards sent to Rio and there sold at public auction by my agents Messrs Le Bouton & C<sup>o</sup> according to my instructions the proceeds of which were placed to my credit.

All documents and accounts in reference to this transaction have been forwarded to my Brother as above for settlement with Messrs Watton Bros & C<sup>o</sup> who will obtain from him every particular which doubtless they have done ere this as the "Susan" left Rio for London in April last.

The goods obtained from the same wreck by our other vessel the "Mary Anne" have had so much publicity in England that any comment thereon will here be useless.

I have etc  
Tho. B. Whittington.

Government House.  
Auston. Falkland Islands  
5th October 1843.

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date.

I am not aware of any agreement of the kind you mention having been entered into. Therefore I cannot accede to the request you make.

Please in mind that in the course of a conversation during the months you mention previous to your purchasing the land I informed you it was my intention to recommend that the price of rural land be reduced to £5 per acre - you asked me if you bought land at that time whether the surplus money would be returned if my recommendation was approved of. I said certainly not but in answer to your further enquiries I stated I should have no objection nor have I any at this moment to forward a proper application from you for a proportionable increase in the quantity of lands provided no other purchases were made in the meantime so that your case would be an isolated one in which alterations might be made without affecting other parties.

I am &c

R. B. Moody

Its Governor.

J. B. Whittington Esq.  
Falkland Islands  
Auston.

The Lieut Governor has received Mr J. B. Whittington's communication of the 6<sup>th</sup> Inst.  
Government House  
Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 1843

Government House, Port Louis  
Salkland Islands 5<sup>th</sup> Oct 1843.

My Lords.

Please the honour to inform your lordships  
that I have drawn the undermentioned bills upon  
Her Majesty's Treasury.

(W. one) The sum of One hundred and Ten pounds  
in favour of John Stanley Incidental Services dated  
30<sup>th</sup> September 1843.

(W. two) The sum of ninety Pounds drawn in favour  
of R. B. Moody "in part payment of his Governor's  
Salary" dated 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1843.

(W. three) The sum of eighty six Pounds Thirteen  
shillings and four pence in favour of John O'Neill  
in redemption of notes to be expended in general  
services dated 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1843.

(W. four) The sum of Fifteen Pounds in favour  
of Robt Kearndea in redemption of notes to be  
expended in general services dated 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 1843

The authority by which I have drawn the  
above mentioned bills is a dispatch from  
Lord Stanley informing me of the amount of the  
Parliamentary Grant for the Falkland Islands  
and the services the expense of which it is  
intended to defray. The said dispatch is dated  
6<sup>th</sup> June 1843.

I have the

R. B. Moody

Lt Governor

The Right Honorable  
The Lord Commissioners of  
H. M. Treasury

This ought to have been inserted previous to  
the foregoing letter dated 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct 1843

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Government House. Port Louis  
Salkland Islands, 10<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 1843.

Sir.

I have the honour of informing you that I have drawn the undermentioned bills upon the lords commissioners of H. M. Treasury.

The sum of exactly Five Pounds, five shillings and four pence drawn in favour of Mr. R. Robinson in redemption of notes issued in payment for general services dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 1843.

The sum of exactly Pounds, six shillings and two pence drawn in favour of Basilio Gilvarac in redemption of notes issued in payment for general services dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 1843.

The sum of Two Hundred and Thirty Pounds drawn in favour of J. B. Whittington in redemption of notes issued in payment for general services dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 1843.

The sum of Twenty Pounds drawn in favour of M. L. French in redemption of notes issued in payment for general services dated 10<sup>th</sup> July 1843.

The sum of Two Hundred and Sixteen Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and four pence drawn in favour of Agustean Aroba in redemption of notes issued in payment for general services dated 8<sup>th</sup> August 1843.

The sum of Five Pounds eight Shillings and four pence drawn in favour Daniel Thompson in redemption of notes issued in payment for general services dated 9<sup>th</sup> August 1843.

The sum of One Hundred and Three Pounds, Seven shillings and six pence drawn in favour of William H. Longley partly in payment for freight of goods from Rio de Janeiro and partly in redemption of notes issued in payment for general services dated 9<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup>. 1843.

The authority by which I have drawn the above bills is Lord P. Russell's letter of Instructions dated 23<sup>rd</sup> of August 1841.

I have &c

R. C. Moody

Lt Governor.

The Paymaster of Civil Services  
H. M. Treasury.

Government House. Buenos  
Tatkland Islands. Octr 24<sup>th</sup> 1843

sir

I venture to take the liberty of requesting  
your assistance in directing the accompanying  
dispatches to the Secretary of State for the Colonies  
to be forwarded to England by the first opportunity  
I have to

R. G. Broady

Governor.

Henry Rossby

H. B. M. Consul

Salparaiso.

Government House Port Louis.  
S. Falkland Islands. 25th Oct 1843

Bryfords.

I have the honour to inform your lordships  
that I have drawn the undesignated bill  
upon Her Majesty's Treasury,

No five / thousand of one hundred and one Pounds  
Three shillings and eight Pence drawn in favour  
of Thomas H. Black dated 25<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1843. Incidental  
Services "by authority of Lord Stanley's dispatch 6<sup>th</sup> June  
1843.

I have &c

R. B. Moody

Lt Governor.

The Right Honble  
The Lord Commissioners of  
Her Majesty's Treasury,

The Lieut Governor desires that Mr. J. B. Whittington will  
avail himself of the Princess Royal being here in removing  
whatever property he may have placed in the Government  
bureau and also to obey the directions contained in the public  
notice sent to him on the 9<sup>th</sup> October 1843.

It will not be necessary to remove the sheds in the boma  
until he has erected shelter for his sheep on his lands at  
San Salvador or Aduan. which the Lieut Governor  
directs may be done with all possible despatch.

Government House. Aduan

4<sup>th</sup> Nov 1843.

J. B. Whittington Esq  
S. Falkland Islands.

Government House. Rason.  
Salkland Islands. 8th November 1843

Sir

It is a matter of the most pressing nature  
that I should be enabled as early as possible to visit  
Port William, Grassy Harbour, Morebeck and the  
Gardens at Darwin's Harbour and back to Rason  
leaving detachments and stores on the route  
of Port William and Grassy harbour.

I am extremely unwilling to make requests  
which may in any way interfere with the impor-  
tant duties upon which you are engaged, but  
as there does not appear to be any probability  
of the arrival of another vessel of war to do duty  
at these Islands and as the duties upon which I  
am anxious to proceed to these points admit of no  
delay I feel myself obliged urgently to request your  
aid.

As my presence on board must necessarily be  
productive of inconvenience in your private ar-  
rangements I take the liberty of soliciting that  
I am desirous of being received on board and conveyed  
in my official capacity in the customary  
manner although at the same time I wish to  
express my grateful sense of your very  
hospitable offers conveyed to me privately

I am &c

R. B. Moody

Govt.

Commander Sullivan  
Royal Navy  
H. M. S. Philomel.

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Government House. Anson.  
Novt 18<sup>th</sup> 1843.

sir.

They have to enclose for your information a copy of letter I have received from Mr. S. Patrick the Master of the British Brigade Venture in order that I may at the same time solicit every aid and assistance which may be in your power to further the wishes herein expressed.

I am &c

R. B. Moody

Stylist

Commander Sulivan  
Royal Navy  
H. M. S. Philomel.

Government House. Anson.

Novt 11<sup>th</sup> 1843.

sir.

I am directed by His Excellency the Lieut Governor to enclose a copy of a letter which has been addressed to him by Mr. S. Parker late Master of the "Prince & Royal" for my remarks you may have to make upon the subject and I am desirous to suggest to you the advisability of your taking some public steps here for the good of the creditors and the protection of your brother's name in this matter.

It is the Lieut Governor's intention to forward your answer and the rest of the correspondence to the official assignee.

I am &c

M R Robinson.

J. B. Whitingtons  
Lakland House  
Anson.

Government House. Aduan.

11<sup>th</sup> November 1843.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of a communication from you respecting the bankruptcy of Mr. G. J. Whittington of London, in which after stating yourself to be one of the creditors you request me to protect the rights of all so concerned in matters having reference to the employment of the "Princess Royal" a vessel belonging to the said G. J. Whittington.

I shall give directions for a copy of your letter to be forwarded to Mr. G. Whittington who has represented himself to me as the agent of Mr. G. J. Whittington his brother for any remarks he may have to make upon this subject and I shall cause a suggestion to be made to him of the advantage of his taking public ships here for the good of the creditors and the protection of his brothers name.

I shall then forward through the proper channel to the official assignee the whole correspondence together with the piece of paper enclosed in your letter as you conceive it may throw some light upon the proceedings to the advantage of the creditors.

I have &c.

R. C. Moody

Lt Governor.

S. Parker by  
Aduan.

Government House.  
Adm. Falkland Islands.  
Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Sir.

I have the honours acknowledge the receipt  
of two letters dated Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1842 and June 1<sup>st</sup> 1843. The first  
arrived on the 29<sup>th</sup> of July 1843 and the second on the 16<sup>th</sup> of Augt. 1843.

I regret exceedingly that I have had no earlier  
opportunity of acknowledging your kind expressions and  
offer of services. I avail myself of them, earnestly to request  
that a small vessel of war may be detached for duty at this  
colony agreeably to the instructions of the Lord Commissioners  
of the Admiralty conveyed to me in a dispatch from the  
Secretary of State and in express words of a similar  
nature to those contained in the second letter I have had  
the honour to receive from you.

I am aware that at present you must be much called upon  
for the services of the ships of war under your command and I had  
hoped that a vessel would have been sent from England  
so as not to necessitate a deduction of your strength.

As to when this may be done with safety you can  
alone judge but I would remark that the need of a small  
vessel for the service of this colony is of a very pressing nature.

You are aware I presume of the loss of Mr. Ross'  
Schooner "Ann" I much regret it as a vessel of that  
description is required in the colony.

I have &c

R. B. Moody

Governor.

Commodore Purvis, R.N.

Comdg South American Squadron

Dr Dr Dr

Government House.

Arsenal, Falkland Islands,  
13<sup>th</sup> November 1843.

sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4<sup>th</sup> Inst and have considered how to adopt the suggestions you have submitted of my returning by land from Marsbuck. ~~I regret to~~  
~~find that circumstances at present cause a great~~  
~~obstruction to that place by its interference with~~  
~~other arrangements. You however willing to~~  
~~postpone my visit to the upper end of~~  
~~the Island and can arrange to return by~~  
~~land from Port William if you will leave me~~  
~~at that point.~~

Yours & etc & that will meet the end ~~of~~  
delaying you longer than is absolutely ~~necess-~~  
~~ary~~

Yours &c  
R. G. Moody  
H. G. Wood

Commander Sullivan  
Royal Navy  
A. M. S. Philpot.

Government House.  
Anson - Falkland Islands.  
November 13<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Sir.

*See account  
of provisions  
received from  
Rio de Janeiro.*

Have the honour to inform you that the stores enumerated in the enclosed list No. I. were received by me from the United States Schooner "Sarah Ann" formerly Master on board which vessel they had been shipped by the Naval Storekeeper at Rio de Janeiro.

Large portions of the provisions were damaged on the voyage owing to the very small description of vessel in which they were sent. An account of the damaged stores is also enclosed.

Have also to inform you that I have received instructions from the Secretary of State in which it is made known to me that arrangements have been made in the Victualling Department of the Admiralty for me to be supplied with provisions upon application through the Commanding Officer at Rio de Janeiro. I have therefore to request that the stores enumerated in the accompanying list No. II may be forwarded to me so as to arrive if possible over about the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1844 but not later than the 1<sup>st</sup> of Feb<sup>r</sup>y. 1844.

They leave to suggest that dictioines should be given for attention to be paid to the period of the expiration of the warranty. As in some of the provisions received from the Naval Store at Rio de Janeiro the period would be completed some time before the consumption.

Yours &c  
R. G. Moody

Governor.

Commodore Parry

Command South American Squadron.  
River Plate.

96.

brown	30 do
yellow	6 do
black	6 do
purple	106 4d.
blue	130 do
green	400 do
grey	200 do
yellow-green	20 do
orange	280 do
black	120 do
purple	120 do
pink	200 do
yellow	200 do
white	600 do
grey	30 do
brown	832 do
black	416 do
yellow	300 do

*Amount both branches funds  
paid out.*

No. II

*Memorandum of stores required by the Agent Governor of the Falkland Islands for 6 months. Executed at. Port M. A. 1845.*

Government House.  
Auson. November 28<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Sir.

I have to inform you that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to appoint Henry Joseph Hamblin Esquire to be Surgeon of Her Majestys Settlements at the Falkland Islands. In consequence whereof your temporary appointment as Acting Colonial Surgeon will cease on the 30<sup>th</sup> of the present month.

I am &  
R. Moody  
Governor.

M. R. French Esq/  
Asst. Surgeon. R.M.  
Auson.

Govt. Ho. Auson. Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> 1843

Sir.

These letters have been destroyed by order of H. S. apologies having been sent to H. S. by M. R. S.

H. S. the Governor desires me to express his surprise that the Medicine chest and other Govt stores given over to you have not yet been returned neither any account of expenditure of Medicinal have been sent in.

H. S. has also not received any list of the sick during your period of duty at these Islands.

I am further desired to say that you must consider yourself responsible for any stores given over to you until proper returns have been received of the expenditure.

Unless these requests are complied with fully. H. S. regrets to say that it will become his duty to report the circumstance to Lord Stanley.

I am &c

M. R. Robinson.

M. R. French Esq.

Asst. Surgeon. R.M.  
H. M. B. Philomel.



Govt. 14<sup>th</sup> Ansor.

Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Sir.

These letters  
have been  
destroyed at  
by order of H. S.  
apologies  
having been sent  
by M. L. &  
to H. S.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he cannot pass unnoticed the letter you have thought proper to address to me for his information and that <sup>he</sup> has enclosed copies of the correspondence to Commander Sullivan to be forwarded for the consideration of the Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty

<sup>Yours</sup>

M. R. Robinson.

P.S.C.

M. C. French Esq.  
Ass't Surgeon R.N.

H. M. S. Philomel.

Government House.  
Isle of Falkland Islands.  
Feb<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 1843.

Sir.

I shall feel obliged if you  
will afford me assistance by conveying  
some stores for the Government to Port William  
in H.M.S. Philomel.

These stores consist chiefly of roughboards  
3 berths the frame work &c of a wooden cottage for  
the Colonial Surgeon & and a few other miscellaneous  
articles of small bulk.

I shall also feel obliged if you will  
permit the carpenters of H.M.S. Philomel to  
cut out prepare and fix if time will admit  
a half deck to the Government Jail now  
lying in the basinage.

I am etc  
R. Moody  
Governor

Commander Silvius  
H.M.S. Philomel  
Port Louis.

Government House, Tucson  
1<sup>st</sup>. January 1844.

Sir.

I am directed by H. S. The Governor  
to inform you that he has received your letter in  
duplicate dated 15<sup>th</sup> March accompanied by  
2 Boxes addressed to Mr. G. B. Whiting  
The boxes have been forwarded, but you are  
not permitted to take a similar step in future.

I am &  
M. R. Robinson.  
R. C. J.

G. S. Whiting  
Great St. Helens  
London.

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Certificate  
Government Office  
Decr 24<sup>th</sup> 1843

This is to certify that Aft. Surgeon (Mr. C. French)  
R. N. volunteered his services as Acting Colonial  
Surgeon at the Falkland Islands from the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
March to the 30<sup>th</sup> of Novt 1843. And whenever his  
Professional skill was required he gave entire  
satisfaction

Signed) R. C. Moody--

Governor

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an Individual  
Information respecting 2 Apprentices to remain on shore as also  
about to embark from this Port, who has signed the articles of our ship Royal.

"Anthon"

Governt. Office Jan<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 1844

To

This Excellency the Governor desires me to state that  
he has been given to understand you have embarked, or are  
about to embark an individual from this Port who has signed  
the "articles" of the Ship. The Princess Royal, but not before a proper  
intrep<sup>t</sup> also that you are about to permit two apprentices to  
leave the ship to remain on shore.

This Excl<sup>r</sup> desires me to remind you should the above  
information be correct, you will be acting illegally by  
so doing and will subject yourself to the usual penal-  
ties.

He also has desired me to say that he considers  
it to be his duty to warn the individuals of the man-  
ner they will make by acting in the above manner.

To

I am -

J. H. Slaughter

W<sup>r</sup> Wilson

Acting Master of the British Schooner  
Princess Royal.

A letter to W. Whiting<sup>3</sup> to prevent his goats trespassing in the  
Church Yard.

"Ansor" Government Office

Jan<sup>ry</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 1855

Sir

I am desired to acquaint you  
in consequence of its having been reported to  
His Excellency the Governor, that Goats belonging to  
you in the Settlement have been trespassing in  
the Church. Yard ...

I am therefore ordered to inform you, that  
you will cause them to be confined to your  
own. Property.

I am

Sir

To.

W. Whiting

I S J. H. Slaughter

Government Office Anson  
Jan<sup>r</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1844

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from you dated 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan<sup>r</sup>.

Respecting the transactions on board the "Princeps Royal" upon which His Excellency had received information. The caution conveyed in my letter to Mr. Wilson the Master of the Vessel was addressed to him, and not to you, and was intended by His Excellency to put that person on his guard to prevent his falling into an error. In all matters relating to a Master of a Vessel and his crew your interference does not appear to His Excellency to be at all necessary.

With reference to your goats I am commanded to refer you to a Notice which His Excellency directed to be sent to you dated 9<sup>th</sup> of October, and the receipt of which you appear to have acknowledged. You are desired to adhere to those directions and to remove your goats to your land without delay.

In the concluding paragraph which you have thought proper to address to me, you mention that you have been refused interviews for the purpose of transacting business in consequence of which you have been obliged to manage your own affairs without the assistance of Government. I have laid this statement before His Excellency and I am commanded to inform you that he has given directions to forbid your being admitted to any personal interview at the Government office, and to notice you have already been informed more than once that all communications from you must be in writing.

Written communications will be immediately attended to, provided they are addressed in a tone, and manner, proper to lay before His Excellency. It is necessary you should bear in mind otherwise you must blame yourself for any inconvenience you may suffer by your affairs not

To Mr. Whilington.

not meeting with the assistance and attention  
you seem to expect from the Colonial Government.

I am

S. H. Slaughter

C. Colonial Govt

Government Office

Sir,

Anton. Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 44

I am desired by His Excellency the Governor to acquaint you, that your presence will be required at Government office this Day, respecting the information contained in an official letter of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Inst. which has been unanswered.

I am.

Sir

Your obt Servt

J. H. Slaughter

Ch to the Colanl Govt

To

Mr Wilson  
(Acting) Master of the  
British Schooner.

Princess Royal.

Buckley Sound

Government. Office  
Jan<sup>ry</sup>. 5<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir,

I must refer you to the concluding paragraph of my letter of yesterday, and must return the enclosed. Such letters cannot be received at this office.

I am. Sir,

Your. Ob<sup>r</sup>.

J. H. Slaughter  
— Ch<sup>t</sup> to the Colon<sup>y</sup> Govt.

To

M<sup>r</sup>. Whitington

Government House  
Jan'y 8 1844

Sir

I have the honour to inform you in reference to the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> Lord Stanley's dispatch N<sup>o</sup> 3 dated 20<sup>th</sup> July that of his Lordships had given directions for your salary to commence from the date of embarkation which has accordingly been attended to.

I have

& & &

R C Moody

Mr. Slaughter  
C<sup>k</sup> to Colo<sup>r</sup> Govt

Government Office

Jan<sup>ry</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1844

H. C.—The Governor is pleased to appoint  
Sergeant Robt. Macandrew R. I. M. to be acting  
auctioneer for the Town of Ushuaia Port Louis  
Falkland Islands. The said appointment  
being revocable or renewable as the Govt.  
may deem fit.

By order of His Ex<sup>y</sup>  
the Governor

Government House Anson

January 18<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir

In consequence of the injury done to David Beattie Mate on board your vessel the "Venture" by yourself and Mr Bailey the Master of the "Hannah" I have to inform you that it will be necessary for you to provide him with a boat whenever it may be necessary for him to visit the Colonial Surgeon and also to convey him back to his ship.

He must also receive assistance on board the "Venture" in preparing anything that the Colonial Surgeon may direct towards the <sup>cure</sup> of his injuries Any further injuries which the man may receive by disobedience or neglect of these orders you will be answerable for. And if the man is not regularly sent on shore and brought aboard again boats will be hired and you will have to bear the expense.

X Mr. Patrick.

Master of Burque Venture  
Port Louis

I have further to inform you that the Master of the "Hannah" and yourself will be held answerable for all expenses arising from the injury you have done this man and also to pay for his loss of time and other expenses necessarily incurred.

I am Sir  
Your Obedient Servant  
M. R. Robinson  
J. P.

Government House Anson.

January 18<sup>th</sup> 1864.

Sir

I have to inform you that you will be held answerable <sup>in</sup> part with the Master of the "Venture" for all expenses arising from the injury which you have inflicted on the person of David Beattie. as also all expenses which may be incurred by loss of time and wages by him

I am

M. R. Robinson.  
P.P.

W. Bailey  
Master of Brig "Hannah"  
Port Louis.

Government House, Buenos  
January 22<sup>nd</sup> 1874

Sir

I am desired by H. J. to enquire into what arrangement you have entered into respecting the bills of lading for the Copper Ore as he is willing to complete the duty required of him to forward information accordingly in the letter he is now writing to the British Consul at Monte Video.

I am

+ + +  
J. C. Slaughter  
Clerk to Consul Genl.

Mr Buckley,  
Master of the Brig "Hannah"  
Port Louis.

Govt. House February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1852

Dear Sullivan.

I find that it will be detrimental to the stores which are now remaining to be sent to Port William, if they are forwarded before a Storhouse be constructed to receive them I am therefore compelled to defer availing myself of your kind offer of assistance.

Yrs very sincerely

B. B. Moody

Governor

To

Commander Sullivan R. N.

H. M. S. Philomel.

Bukley Sound

Government House, Anson  
Falkland Islands  
1<sup>st</sup> February 1844

My Lords

I have the honour to inform Your Lordships that I have drawn the following bills upon Her Majesty's Treasury.

No Six. - The sum of Fifteen Pounds Three Shillings and four pence in favour of Francois Giaume "Incidental Services" dated 13<sup>th</sup> November 1843

No Seven. - The sum of Twenty-one Pounds Thirteen shillings and four pence in Favour of Richard Gregory "Incidental Services" 13<sup>th</sup> Nov: 1843

No Eight. - The sum of Sixty Pounds in favour of John Bull Whittington "Incidental Services" 13<sup>th</sup> Nov: 1843

No Nine. - The sum of Twenty-one Pounds Thirteen shillings and four pence in favour of Augustea Noba "Incidental Services" 13<sup>th</sup> Nov: 1843

No Ten. - The sum of Eighteen Pounds six Shillings in part payment of salary in favour of C. L. French dated 30<sup>th</sup> November 1843

No Eleven. - The sum of One Hundred Pounds in favour of V. M. Sampson purchase of building Materials dated 16<sup>th</sup> December 1843

No Twelve. - The sum of Eighty Two Pounds fourteen shillings in favour of W. H. Smiley for freight of Government Stores from Rio de Janeiro dated 20<sup>th</sup> December 1843.

No Thirteen. - The sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Sixpence in favour of W H Smiley.

Redemption of notes issued in payment for Miscellaneous  
The Right Honorable  
The Lord Commissioners of  
Her Majesty's Treasury  
Whitehall.

miscellaneous services dated 20<sup>th</sup> Decr: 1843

No Fourteen. The sum of One Hundred and Three Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Six Pence in favour of W H Smylie dated 20<sup>th</sup> December 1843. Redemption of notes issued in payment for Miscellaneous services.

No Fifteen. The sum of Two Hundred and Fifty four Pounds Eight Shillings in favour of V H Sampson for conveyance of Stores to Port William and purchase of Materials dated 30<sup>th</sup> of December 1843

No sixteen. The sum of Fifty Pounds drawn in favour of J H Slaughter Esq in part payment of salary due up to date 30<sup>th</sup> December 1843

No seventeen. The sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds in favour of Agustean Aroba in part payment for building materials 1<sup>st</sup> January 1844

No eighteen. The sum of Seventy Five Pounds in payment of H E Hamblin Esq in part payment of salary up to date dated 1<sup>st</sup> January 1844

No nineteen. The sum of Seventy Four Pounds Fourteen shillings in favour of John Scully in redemption of notes 1<sup>st</sup> January 1844

No twenty. The sum of Thirty Two ten shillings in favour of Malcolm McInnes in redemption of notes 27<sup>th</sup> January 1844

No twenty one. The sum of Thirty Pounds six shillings and Eight pence in favour of Edmund McInnes in redemption of notes 27<sup>th</sup> January 1844

No Twenty Two. The sum of Twenty one Pounds Sixteen shillings and fourpence in favour of Alexander McDonald in Redemption of notes 27<sup>th</sup> January 1844

No Twenty three. The sum of Twenty One Pounds Thirteen

Thirteen shillings and four pence in favour of Archibald  
 Mc Arthur in Redemption of notes January 29<sup>th</sup> 1844  
 No: Twenty Four The sum of One Hundred and Eight  
 Pounds, six shillings and eight pence in favour of John Scruby  
 in Redemption of notes January 29<sup>th</sup> 1844  
 No: Twenty Five. The sum of Thirty Two Pounds and Ten  
 shillings in favour of Agustin Roba in Redemption of notes  
 January 30<sup>th</sup> 1844  
 No: Twenty six. - The sum of Fifty Three Pounds Thir-  
 teen shillings and Four pence in favour of Jean Jaque  
 Baranoule 31<sup>st</sup> January 1844. - In redemption of notes.

I have  
 & & &  
 R. Moody  
 Govt

Government House. Bucaram  
February 1<sup>st</sup> 1854.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a list of  
Provisions required for the Government Establishment  
at these Islands for a period of six months  
and have to request that this supply may arrive  
here on or about the 30<sup>th</sup> of April next.

I have.

S. S.  
L. S.

R. C. Moody

Yours

Commander Purvis

C. M. S. Alfred

Comdg South American Squadron.  
River Plate.

115

Account of Provisions required for the Settlement Standard for 1846 cattle.

300	lunches per day
68+	beef
300 lbs.	flour
300 lbs.	coffee
2080 lbs.	salt
160 lbs.	luncheon
400 lbs.	flour
860 lbs.	bread
1040 lbs.	flour
1200 lbs.	coffee
200 lbs.	flour
1600 lbs.	flour
1600 lbs.	flour
3400 lbs.	coffee
1600 lbs.	flour
2000 lbs.	flour
800 lbs.	coffee
400 lbs.	coffee
1040 lbs.	coffee
1200 lbs.	flour
1600 lbs.	flour
6240 lbs.	coffee

Government House, Buenos  
February 1<sup>st</sup> 1844.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 5<sup>th</sup> December last and to express my extreme regret at learning that this Colony will not receive the aid of a small fleet of vessels until the termination of the protracted war in the provinces of the River La Plata, a period which will necessarily be of an indefinite duration.

I beg leave to offer my thanks for your expression of a desire to afford me aid and

I have

S. S. C.

Lyns

R. C. Moody

Gau<sup>r</sup>

Commodore Purvis

H. M. S. Alfred.

Commanding South American Squadron  
River La Plata.

Government Office  
Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> 1844

Sir)

As John Ford one of the Peons has been dismissed from the Government farming establishment I have been directed by His Excellency the Governor to state, that you will examine, previous to his leaving the Island, the whole of the horse gear which has been in his charge and to report to me accordingly on Monday Morning the state in which it is left.

I am

S. J. S.  
S. J. Slaughter  
Ch. to Col. Govt.

W. O'Neil

Government Office  
February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1844

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor  
now to desire you will inform him of the tonnage of  
your vessel the "Hannah" as also the number of your  
crew.

I am

& & &

J H Slanahan  
Lt Col Port.

To

Mr Bailey,  
Master of  
the British Brig  
"Hannah"

Government House  
Anson. Falkland Islands.  
February 5<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Sir

In answer to your communication of this Day's date I have to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has ordered me to state that he does not at present see any objections to your placing the Hull of the Barque "Venture" in the situation mentioned in your note provided every care is taken by you to prevent her becoming a nuisance.

I am

I. S. M. R. Robertson

J. B. Whiting Esq.

P. G.

Government Office Anson  
February 5<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date and to express to you his surprise that you have not ~~so~~ reported to this office the fact of the condemnation of the Barque "Venture" and the time of the consequent sale. And also the exact period when the men belonging to that vessel would have no apparent means of further support. and would therefore require the usual assistance afforded to distressed seamen by Her Majesty's Government.

I am

Sir

I. H. Glaughter  
Ch. to Colonial Govt.

Mr. Bailey, Patrick  
Baptist Hammett  
Barque Venture

125

Dispatches &c. sent by the Brig "Hannah."  
(Bailey) Master. to England on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 1844.

Avalon Falkland Islands.  
5<sup>th</sup> February 1844.

Received from His Excellency Governor Moody  
Falkland Islands. The undermentioned  
Parcels. and Boxes and engage to deliver them  
to John Pownall Dale Esq. H.B.M. Pro. Consul.  
General Monte Video.

- 1 Large Box of Peat addressed J. P. Dale
- 2 Smaller D. with clay addressed. Do
- 3. Boxes addressed on H. M. S. addressed  
to Lord Stanley Colonial Office Downing  
Street.
- 1 Long box addressed. Secretary to the  
Admiralty London.
- 1 Packet containing dispatches addressed  
to J. P. Dale Esq. H.B.M. Pro. Consul General  
Monte Video.

Master of the Brig  
"Hannah"

This is to certify that Thos Furd  
wife and Family have my permission  
to leave this Island.

R. Moatly  
Gover.

Govt House Adm'r.  
5<sup>th</sup> February 1844

Government Office  
5<sup>th</sup> February 1844

Sir.

I am desired by His Excellency, the Governor to inform you that you will on your return from the camp cause the wild cattle cattle which may be captured to be kept in a separate corral, and distinct from the present number until counted by me.

I am

S. S.  
J. H. Slawner  
C. to C. Gt.

Memorandum,

I am further directed by His Excellency to state that you will make generally known to the Gauchos under your orders, that the length of the servitude must be considered to expire at the end of six months, but this will be regulated according to their energy, good conduct and the number of cattle which will be brought into the settlement. It is also expected by His Excellency the number to be brought in will be 150 -

I am.

O  
To.  
W. O'Neil  
S. S. S.

S. S.  
A/c to Col. Govt.

Government office. Mason  
January 25<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Sir

I am desired by His Excellency,  
the Governor to inform you that a large sum  
of money will be given over to your charge for Mr  
Trotter at Rio de Janeiro

In consequence of Mr. Robinson being  
at Port William, & who will return on Saturday  
evening, and deliver to you on the following  
Monday the Specified sum. Therefore the sailing  
of the vessel will be detained probably until next  
Tuesday.

I am

S. S.  
S. H. Slaughter  
C. to Port Govt.

To

W. Melville  
"Master" of Schooner  
"Montgomery"

Government Office  
Anson. Falkland. Islands.  
February 7<sup>th</sup>. 1844.

Sir

I am commanded to inform you that a draft upon the Lords Commissioners of H. M. Treasury will be forwarded to you by H. M. S. Philomel which will leave this Port for Monte Video on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April -

I am.

S. H. Shapter  
C. C. Government.

Charles. Trost. Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Merchant.  
Rio de Janeiro

Delayed.

Government Office  
February 5<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir,

I am desired by His Excellency  
the Governor to acquaint you that it is  
necessary you should bring to this office  
as soon as possible, the Register of the  
Brig Hannah.

I am.

S. S.  
J. H. Slaughter  
Ch. to Col. Govt.

To /

W<sup>r</sup> Bailey  
Brig "Hannah"  
Post-Suris

Government House "Anson"

February 5<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Sir /

Names of Men

David Butts

Wander Paul

Augustinus

Daniel Ross

Robert Wood

You are hereby directed to convey to England the undermentioned seamen lately belonging to the Barge "Venture" of Dundee. Stewart Patrick, Master, condemned in this Port

You will present this paper as your Certificate in the proper quarter, in order to obtain the usual allowance granted in similar cases for the number above the crew, you are required to carry in proportion to your Tonnage which by your Articles appear to be deficient by four.

I am.

S. S.  
R. C. Moody.

Governor

Mr. Bailey

Master of Barge "Hannah"  
Port. David

Government Office  
February 6th 1844

Sir

You have not answered the letter of yesterday date addressed to you from this office and you are to understand that your communication must be in writing. - You will also be reminded that you have not brought the register of your vessel as desired by His Excell<sup>t</sup> not taken any notice of his request to see it. - The Articles of your Ship are lying at this office you are desired to call and take them away. I am finally commanded to inform you that ~~you~~ that your clearance will be withheld until you conform in a proper manner to these duties above enumerated and you are forbid to leave this Port until the Governor is satisfied in every respect that you have performed all the duties required from you.

I am  
& & &  
J G Slaughter  
Ch<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>t</sup> Adm<sup>r</sup>

Mr Bailey  
Master of Brig  
"Harriet"  
Port Louis

Post Office Anson

February 7<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir

I herewith enclose the articles  
belonging to Brig "Hannah" which you  
did not take away with you this morning.

I am Sir

S. S.

J. H. Haugler

Mr Bailey

Brig "Hannah"

Berkley Sound

Government Office  
February 7th 1834

Sir

In consequence of what transpired at the Govt. Office this morning I am commanded by His Excellency the Govt. distinctly to inform you by writing as he then did verbally in the presence of witnesses that he will not grant a clearance to your Vessel until you conform to what is laid down in clause 17 - 34 W<sup>m</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> c 59 and otherwise perform the duties required of a Master of a Merchant Vessel what these duties are have been read to you by me by His Excellency's order

I am further desired to caution you should appear at Govt. House in the state you were in this morning and otherwise conduct yourself with disrespect you will be treated in the manner you deserve and must blame yourself for every detention occasioned thereby. —

I am  
J H Slaughter  
Chwlclat Govt.

Mr Bailes  
Master of Brig "Hannah"  
Port Louis.

Government Office, Prison  
Falkland Islands  
February 7<sup>th</sup> 1866

This is to certify that David Beattie late Mate  
of Barque "Venture" of Dundee Stewart Patrick Master  
was unjustifiably beaten and otherwise ill-treated on  
board the said Barque on the day of the 1<sup>st</sup> of January  
1844 by the said Stewart Patrick Master and John  
Barley master of the British Brig "Hannah" (now  
bound for Swansea) <sup>in a most savage & unmerciful manner</sup> so as to break his right arm  
and otherwise incapacitate him from earning a  
livelihood

The said Stewart Patrick and John  
Barley were punished by us for the assault on him.

The prosecution for damages for the  
injuries received by the said David Beattie, etc  
incapacitating him from earning his livelihood  
was left to be tried in England

R. Moody  
*by*  
M. R. Robinson  
*J. P.*

Government Office Anson  
February 8<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency to state  
that unless you immediately forward in writing ~~an answer~~<sup>to my letter dated 6<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>ry</sup> an answer  
on your part to convey to England the dispersed seamen  
whose names are hereunder enumerated.</sup>

I have  
~~for & for~~  
H. Slaughter  
Ch. to Coal Co. Ltd.

Mr Bailey  
Master of  
British Brig  
"Hannah"

Government office (Anson),  
February 8<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir

In answer to your letter of this day's date I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to refer you to his official letter of the 5<sup>th</sup> Inst. which is an order for you to receive on board the Brig Hannah bound for England the distretted seamen of late Barque Venture named in the margin of that letter.

I have again to remind you, that you have not conformed to the instructions laid down in Clause 14 R. & S. C. & S. it therefore becomes necessary for the Govt. to see your Register, in order to ascertain the names of your owners and other particulars to make known in the proper quarter your present conduct, unless you immediately conform to what has been so repeatedly pointed out to you as your duty.

I am

A. Bailey

Master of the British

Brig Hannah  
Port Louis

S. S.  
J. H. Slaughter  
Ch. to Col. Govt.

Government Office, Anno  
February 9<sup>th</sup> 1841

Sir

James Fallon

I have the honour to inform you that I send  
to Rio de Janeiro in the Schooner "Montgomery" Melville  
(Master) the four disengaged British seamen named in the  
margin and I have to solicit your aid in forwarding them

David Beatty to England.

Alexander Paul

Daniel Ross

Robert Wood.

I have not made any remuneration to the mas-  
ter or the "Montgomery" nor entered into any contract  
further than to assure him he will receive what is usual  
in such cases.

I trust it will be in your power to make  
this remuneration if not I shall feel greatly obliged  
by your informing me what the amount would be and  
how it is to be obtained.

I have

Yours truly  
R. Moody  
Govt.

Robt. Hesketh Esq  
H. B. M. Consul  
Rio de Janeiro.

Govt Office Anson Falkland Islands  
9<sup>th</sup> February 1844

Sir

Name of Person You are hereby directed to proceed on board the "Montgomery" and convey to Rio de Janeiro the dishevelled British seamen (named in the Margin) forming part of the crew David Beattie of the barque "Venture" condemned in this Port. - Alexander Paul This paper will be your certificate to enable you to Daniel Ross receive the allowances granted in similar cases Robert Wood

I have  
et cetera  
R C Moody  
Govt

Mr Charles Melville  
Master of Schooner  
"Montgomery"  
Port Louis

(Post Office) February 9<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir.

I am directed to inform you that in consequence of your refusal to receive on board the "Hannah" and convey the distressed British seamen to England named in the order from His Excellency his Excellency's order dated 8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> 1844 and confirmed by letter dated 8<sup>th</sup> Feby<sup>r</sup> He has thought proper to forward them to his de. Janice in the Schooner Montgomery and you will be held liable to all penalties for your refusal to aid British seamen in distress and for your disobedience of His Excellency's orders.

I am.

S. H. Slaughter  
C. S. C. Govt.

W. Bailey

Master of British Brig  
"Hannah"  
Port Louis

Government House Arson  
Falkland Islands. 9<sup>th</sup> February 1844.

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that the British Brig Hannah John. Bailey Master leaves this Port with out a clearance and contrary to my express orders. The clearance is withheld by me and the vessel ordered to remain until the master of the vessel, the said John Bailey performs the duties required of a Master upon leaving a Port by Act of Parliament.

I consider it my duty to acquaint you with the foregoing circumstances as I understand it is the intention of the said John. Bailey to call at Monte. Video on his way to Swartea.

I have

Signed

R. B. Moody  
Govt.

Her Britannic Majesty's  
Consul General  
Monte. Video

Government Office Port  
Falkland Islands  
February 9<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir.

It is my duty to inform you that Mr. John Bailey Master of the British Brig "Hannah" leaves this Port for Swansea I believe with a cargo of Copper ore from the condemned Barque "Venture". The said John. Bailey has not performed the duties required by acts of Parliament from a Master of a vessel, upon entering and leaving a Port, although I have caused reprobated letters to be addressed to him pointing out his duty. I consequently withhold the clearance of the said vessel. By his articles he appears to be deficient in the number of his crew in proportion to the tonnage of the vessel by four.

There appears to be no mate, and only one apprentice. He had the means in this Port of rectifying these deficiencies.

I have.

Signed: R. C. Moody  
Comr<sup>r</sup>

To the  
Collector of Customs  
Swansea.

Government House, Anson  
Falkland Islands December 5<sup>th</sup> 1848

In consequence of certain enactments passed by Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria contained in a Royal Charter under the great seal dated 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1843 also certain instructions under sign manual dated 28<sup>th</sup> June 1843 and also by virtue of a commission under the Great Seal dated 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1843 appointing me Robert Clement Moody to be Her Majestys Governor and Commander-in-Chief over the Falkland Islands and their dependencies I have deemed it advisable to renew the Commission dated 28<sup>th</sup> June 1843 appointing you Muriel Robinson Robinson Esq to be a Justice of the Peace for the Falkland Islands the said Commission being revocable or renewable as I may see fit

R C Moody  
Governor

Muriel Robinson Robinson Esq  
Anson.

Government House Anson  
Falkland Islands 29th June 1843

I hereby commission you Brunill Robinson  
Robinson Esq<sup>r</sup> to be a Justice of the Peace for the Falkland  
Islands and you will enter into your duties immediately  
after taking the usual oaths. You are to understand that  
this Commission is revocable or renewable as I may see  
fit.

R. Moody  
S. Govt.

Brunill Robinson Robinson Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Anson

Government House, Anson  
Falkland Islands 19<sup>th</sup> August 1833

Sir

It is with the sincerest pleasure I have the honor  
to inform you that the Secretary of State for the Colonies has  
been pleased to appoint you to the situation of Chief Surveyor  
for this Colony

I have

+ + + +

R. L. Moodie  
F. R. S.

Franklin Robinson Robinson Esq;  
Chief Surveyor.

Government House, Anson  
Falkland Islands  
Dec<sup>r</sup> 13. 1843

It is this day mutually agreed between R. C. Moody Esquire Governor of the Falkland Islands and Mr. V. M. Sampson Master of the British Schooner "Colombian Packet" that the said R. C. Moody agrees to hire and the said V. M. Sampson agrees to let on hire the vessel called the "Colombian Packet" on the terms and conditions following.

Mr. V. M. Sampson engages that in consideration of the said R. C. Moody purchasing certain stores which he has for sale and which are only to be purchased at Port William, his vessel the "Colombian Packet" shall proceed to Jacksons Harbour Port William with certain Government Stores enumerated in the accompanying list and there discharge the said stores as well as the other stores which he has for sale and which H. E. The Governor has engaged to purchase at prices before agreed upon.

In consideration of which services performed the said R. C. Moody engages to pay unto the said V. M. Sampson the sum of Fifty Pounds.

It is understood that Captain Sampson is to render every assistance both in men and boats in lading and discharging the aforesaid stores and The Governor is also to cause the detachment of Royal Sappers & Miners to assist in the same duty as far as may be in his power and the means at his disposal may admit of. The Royal Sappers & Miners are also if necessary to assist in ballasting the said vessel at "Jacksons Harbour".

The

The aforesaid Mr. Sampson is not to be held answerable for any loss or damage which may occur on the voyage to any of the stores which may have been placed on board the "Colombian Packet" unless it should arise from wilful neglect or carelessness on his part or that of his crew.

It is understood that this agreement is entered in for and behalf of Her Majesty's Government by H. E. the Governor.

Signed this thirteenth day of December One Thousand and Eight Hundred and Forty Three

R C Moody  
Governor

Vasal M. Sampson  
Master "Colombian Packet"

Account of Stores to be sent by the "Colombian Packet".

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Peat House

15000 feet of Hob's Timber

Casks and a few bags of Lime

Provosts House

Governor's Pig

20 pieces of Charts of Magellan Timber (not more than <sup>probable</sup> 4 feet)

2 Casks and Water Barrel

Carpenter's Shop (not likely to go)

Wood up at Government House

A few Provisions

Ash Poles for surveying

Boats

Miscellaneous Ironmongery.

Port William

9<sup>th</sup> March 1843

P.W.

I beg to apply for the aid of Her Majesty's Ship Phlemon in conveying to this Port on the service of Her Majesty a certain quantity of provisions from the Stores at Anson together with various building materials.

I am induced to make this request as I have no means of transport at my disposal.

If you will call at this port you will also afford me the labour of your ship's company for three days it would enable me to complete an important work in masonry before the frost commences and greatly facilitate my immediate occupation of this port as the site of the chief town in accordance with the directions I have had the honour to receive from the Secretary of State.

I am

Very truly yours

R. Murray

Governor

Commander Sullivan RN  
H. M. S. Phlemon  
Anson

Pdt William  
9th March 1844

See

I have to inform you that it is my intention to take up my permanent residence at Port William towards the end of the <sup>present</sup> month and also to cause all persons in the employment of the Government to remove there as early as practicable.

As your duties will of course demand your presence how you will be good enough to make arrangements to remove to Jackson's Harbour Port William with all convenient dispatch

Carrie  
S. V. V.  
R. Moody  
Governor

H. J. Hamblin Esq.  
Colonial Surgeon

Post Office  
March 12<sup>th</sup> 1836

Sir,

Understanding you have Boats at your disposal I have to request you will inform me as early as possible, so as to enable the Colonial Government to contract for her immediate use.

I am Sir

J. H. Glaughton  
C. S. Col. Govt.

I. B. Whiting Esq.

Gov't Office  
March 12<sup>th</sup> 1854

Dr

In reply to your letter which I have just received, I beg leave to state that the Govt. will hire the Long Boat or Launch at the rate of 5 dollars per day during the time she is employed. Either of the Boats will be required immediately.

I am Sir  
J. C. & C  
W. Slaughter  
Bk to hold off.

Jno. B. Whiting Esq  
Falkland House  
Anson.

Govt. Office  
March 1<sup>st</sup> 1844.

Sir

I have to request that you will furnish me  
with a list of every thing belonging to the Guacho's gear as soon as  
possible with one also of expenditure

I am, Sir  
Yrs &c &c  
H. Slaughter  
Chfld. Govt.

P.S.  
Mr O'Neil  
Majordomo.

Govt. office  
March 16<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir

I have to request you will  
acquaint me as soon as possible, the cause of  
all the horses not being assembled in the corral  
according to the orders of yesterday, to undergo the  
usual inspection.

I am

Sir I. S. S.  
J. H. Slaughter  
C. to Col. Govt.

To Mr O'Neil  
Major Omo.

Govt office

March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1854

Sis/

Having been instructed, that all persons  
or person, who might be desirous of having copies of public  
notices issued from this office. I have therefore in compliance  
with the same, forwarded you one recently issued to the  
Inhabitants of Union

I am.

S. S. S.

J. H. Haughton.

C. W. Colby

S. B. Whiting Esq.

Answe

Govt Office March 25<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir

In answer to your letter of this day's date requesting your cattle which are now in the course to be handed. I have in compliance with your application given to the Major General the necessary directions to attend for that purpose in conformity with former directions observed.

I am

S. H. Slaughter

S. H. Slaughter  
C. to C. Govt.

J. B. Whiting Esq.

Govt. Office

March 25<sup>th</sup> 1814,

Sir,

W<sup>r</sup> Whiting having made application at Govt office to have his cattle branded by you according to the usual directions given on similar occasions, should it not be interfering with your other duties. You will therefore in compliance with the above application attend for that purpose, at the same time, I must remind you of my wishes of this morning, to have the cattle re-counted this afternoon.

I am

S. S.

I H. Day

F.

W<sup>r</sup> O'Neil  
Major Dom

Govt. Office  
March 26<sup>th</sup> 1862

Sir

I have to request you will send  
to this office as early as convenient your bill for the use  
of one of your Boats contracted by the Colored Govt. on  
the 27<sup>th</sup> Inst. February

I am

Sc Sc Sc

Hillbough

Ch to Col<sup>d</sup>. Govt.

I B Whitington Esq:

Port of Boston  
March 28th 1855

P.M.

I herewith enclose to you £ 1.1.8 for  
the hire of a Launch on the 12th Inst and have to request you will  
forward as early as possible the duplicate of the original as received  
to this office

I am  
Yrs - Yrs - Yrs  
H. Slaughter  
C. H. Col. Govt.

To

J. B. Whitington Esq

Government Office

March 28<sup>th</sup> 1844

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Govt  
to inform you that in the corral with the rest of the cattle  
there is a cow belonging to you. By applying to the Major  
Domo, the said cow will be given over to the person who  
may be sent for it.

I am

S. H. Slaughter,  
a. to. coll. Govt.

To

S. B. Whistington Esq.  
Falkland House.  
"Hudson" Port Louis —

Govt. House Anson  
March 29<sup>th</sup> 1824

Sir

In reply to your letter of this day I have to inform you that I am unacquainted with the circumstances mentioned in it and recommend you to apply to Mr. Slaughter Clerk to the Colonial Government for any information you may require.

I am  
sc - sc - sc  
Mr. Robinson

J.B. Whittington Esq  
Fonthill House  
Anson

Government House. Port William  
March 15<sup>th</sup> 1814.

Sir.

In answer to your letter of yesterday's date I have to state that at present I do not consider myself authorized to grant an exchange of allotments from Port Louis to Port William.

Anticipating the probability of such applications in consequence of the immediate change of the Seat of Government I addressed a letter to the Secretary of State suggesting for his consideration whether such exchanges might not be permitted under existing circumstances, and I shall communicate to you as early as possible the answer I may have the honour to receive.

I am &c  
R. Moody,  
Govt.

Commander Sullivan R.N.  
H. M. S. Phoenic.

Government House. Port Williams  
16<sup>th</sup> March, 1844.

Sir

I entertain no objection to the arrangement proposed in your letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> addressed to me in answer to mine of the same date.

I am &c  
R. Moody  
Govt.

Commander Sullivan R.N.  
H.M.S. Philomel.