No. 125.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
July 7th 1865

Sir.

With reference to my letter of the 19th of December last No. 256 I have the honour to acquaint you that I have duly received your reply, and that I have given my attention to the various enclosures it contained.

2. I do not think it necessary to say more upon the subject than to inform you that I have re-instated you in the Office of Coroner for these Islands. I herewith enclose your appointment

3. With this letter I transmit to your care eight Inquisitions as per margin surrendered ~~to me~~ by Mr. Pyne which have been duly entered into the Coroner's Book. I also return those Inquisitions sent to me in your letter.

I have &c
(sd) Gy Mackenzie
Govr

1. John Rogers Rudd. 21st October 1864.
2. Catherine Phillips 31st December 1864.
3. William Jonas 15th December 1864.
4. John McNeil. 3rd March 1865.
5. Henry Atkins 20th April 1865.
6. William Stewart. 11th April 1865.
7. Felice Lorenzo 11th April 1865.
8. Fitzjames. Deste Jennings. R.C. of 18mos. 12th and 13th June 1865.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.
&c &c.
Stanley.

No. 126.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
July 7th. 1865.

Sir,

I have had before me your letter of the 12th. ultimo applying for a renewal of the Lease under which the Falkland Islds. Company hold the Government Farm, Slaughter House, and Peninsula Farm: or, to purchase the Slaughter House at a fair valuation & I have given my best attention to this subject.

2. On the one hand I am most anxious to do everything in my power to promote the interests of the Company, those interests being so conspicuously involved in the general welfare of the Colony; and, on the other hand, I cannot but feel that serious inconvenience has been occasioned to the Public by the operation of the lease in question, so much so that I am unable to view the experiment in any other light than as a lamentable failure.

3. The lease referred to was entered into on the 1st. December 1858 by my predecessor, and although he felt as strongly as I do how meagerly the anticipated results of the lease had been realized he refrained from taking any steps to annul the lease, leaving it to run its allotted time. I, likewise have abstained from interfering in the matter, though I intimated to you many months ago that I should not be disposed to renew the Term of the Peninsula, after the Expiration of the present lease.

4. With regard to the Government Farm I cannot bring myself to approve of the plan of leasing to any particular person or Company the few Acres of land immediately surrounding

surrounding the Settlement, I am more in favour of setting aside that land for the indiscriminate use of the Colonists. It seems to me very desirable for the mutual benefit of all that a District of "commonage" should be proclaimed in the vicinity of Stanley. In fact the 5th clause of the present lease, proposing to sanction an abatement in the rent of 10/- for every animal allowed to graze on the land, soon proved such an anomaly that it has never once been acted upon; and I must say that the Company have shown their generosity by never having raised a question on the subject.

Viewing all the circumstances however, I am very reluctant to withold from the Company the privilege of retaining the Farm if they consider that they gain any particular advantage by paying to the Government a rent of Ten Pounds per annum for the use of pasturage which they would have an equal right to without such payment.

5. In respect of the Slaughter House I am willing to renew the lease on the plain understanding that the lessees must keep it in decent and wholesome cleanliness, which I am sorry to say has not been the case during the present tenancy. I have received repeated complaints from the Colonists and from Strangers in the Port as to the stench and malaria perennially hovering around the premises, such indeed, as would cause an Epidemic in most other climates.

6. Lastly, I have to allude to the Peninsula Farm, and I regret very much to say that I cannot feel justified in sanctioning a renewal of the lease. I should be too evidently neglecting my duty if I allowed my

my earnest desire to meet the Company's wishes to induce me to burden the Public and the Government by a repetition of the inconveniences and loss which the experience of the past tenancy has shown to be inseparable from the lease of the Peninsula.

7. I remark your allusion to the scanty growth of the Tussac grass on the Peninsula, a fact equally deplored by everyone who has an interest in the Colony, and which is in itself one, among numerous other reasons, which convinces me of the necessity of reserving the Farm for public purposes, otherwise the occupation of Cape Pembroke Light house will become almost impossible since the Light Keeper is obliged to keep one or two horses for the purpose of communicating with Stanley, as you very correctly observe in your letter there is yearly an increasing extent of land covered by drift sand, and thus rendered useless as pasturage.

I have &c

/s/ Ly Mackenzie
for

James Lane Esqre
Agent of the F.I. Company
Stanley.

No. 127.

Government Offices
Falkland Islands.
July 8th 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a Meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at 11 o'clock on Tuesday morning the 18th instant in the Council Chambers, for the purpose of considering certain amendments in the Ordinances Nos 1 and 3 of 1864; Copies of these Ordinances in their amended forms are enclosed

I have &c
(Sd) H Byng.
Clerk to the Council

Charles J. Turpin Esqre
Member of the Legislative Council
&c
Stanley.

No. 128.

Same as above.

Edward R Griffiths Esqre
Member of the Legislative Council
&c
Stanley.

No. 129.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
July 11th 1865.

Sir.

Adverting to my letter No. 103 of the 5th of May last, and your reply enclosing a certificate of the various sums paid into Court by the Falkland Islands Company under the judgment given against them by the Colonial Court on the 26th February 1862; I have to draw your attention to the enclosed document showing that the amount of the fine inflicted and the aggregate costs in the suit were £1091.8.2, whereas the certificate above referred to acknowledges the receipt of various payments into Court by the Company amounting together to £1092.19.8.

To be returned

2. I have the honour to request that you will report to me the cause of this apparent discrepancy. And I should be glad of your reply in the course of this afternoon if possible.

I have &c
(Sd) D. Mackenzie

Edward R. Griffith, Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c
Stanley

No. 130.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
July. 11th 1865.

Sir.

I have duly received your letter of the 29th. of April last, enclosing your claim against the Government in pursuance of the Public Notice No 6. dated 13th March 1865.

2. On checking the various items of this claim I find some slight discrepancy. I therefore take the liberty of returning your statement for alteration; and I enclose a form in which it is desirable that you should submit your claim for compensation.

3. The date of the payment made on your behalf by the Revd C. Bull was the 24th November 1862. The entry in the Government Accounts shows that the two latter payments mentioned by you amounted together to £29.16.0 and not £26.6.0. The date of these payments was April 18th 1864.

4. It would be convenient that you should give your earliest attention to this subject.

I have &c
(s) W.R. Payne
Colonial Secretary.

Mr. John Bonner.
Camp Manager. F. I. Compy.
Darwin Harbour.

No. 131.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
July. 15th. 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of the 18th of April last transmitting a claim of the Falkland Islands Company against the Government in respect of the decision of Her Majesty in Council on the 28th of July 1864.

2. I think it right that I should tell you that I have received several other similar claims, and feeling sure that you will agree with me in the importance to be attached to the strict accuracy, and even to a certain amount of uniformity in matters of this nature, I venture to enclose a draft form in which it would be convenient that every one's claim should be embodied, with such variations of course as are requisite having regard to the different circumstances of each individual claim.

3. I beg to be allowed to return the document enclosed in your letter, and I also forward to you copies of Mr Griffith's replies to letters from me regarding certain apparent inaccuracies in the documents referred to.

4. You will oblige me by giving your attention to an Official Gazette of this days date from which you will see that in order to do away with any difficulty as to making the declaration on oath as required by former Gazette, I have decided that it will be considered sufficient to append to each claim a declaration in pursuance of the act of Parliament passed for the abolition of unnecessary oaths.

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5. With reference to the sum of £ 188.. 16.. 11 inserted in the claim under the heading of "Interest on the several sums "before mentioned from the several dates of "payment up to the 1st of May 1865 at 10 "per cent per annum". I have the honor to request that you will acquaint me on which particular items this rate of interest has been reckoned, because I am utterly unable to comprehend the calculation if the sum above referred to is intended to represent the aggregate interest upon the whole of the items comprised in the former part of the claim from the respective dates

I have &c

(Sd) D. Mackenzie
Lieut Gov.

James Lane Esqre
Manager of the F. I. Company
Stanley.

No 132.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
July 29th 1885.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request you to attend at my Office on the 31st instant at 12 o'clock, in order that you may receive your appointment as Colonial Surgeon of this Colony, and take the usual Oaths of Office.

2. I am authorized by His Excellency to pay you the amount of half pay due from the date of your embarkation at Southampton to the first proximo, on which day you will commence your duties.

3. Doctor MacClinton R.N. has been instructed to hand over to your charge the Colonial Dispensary, and on application at my Office I will provide you with forms for making up the usual Quarterly Returns required by the Commissioners of Audit in England. It is left to you to arrange a convenient time on Monday with Doctor MacClinton.

I have &c

s/ J R Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

Horace Newbegin Watts Esq.
Colonial Surgeon
&c &c
Stanley

No. 133.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
August 3rd 1865

Sir.

In reply to your letter of yesterday's date I have the honour to acquaint you that the date of the licence to Andrez Petaluyce for the occupation of a Station at Fanning's Head was November the 7th 1861.

I have &c.
(s.) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

James Lane Esqre
Colonial Manager
F. I. Company.

No. 134.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 9th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your two letters dated respectively July 12th and August 1st and I beg to express my regret that I have been precluded by a press of business from replying to these communications before.

2. I have given my attention to the draft of a proposed agreement for the lease of the Slaughter House, which was submitted in your first letter; and you will see by the amended form herein enclosed that I have made some slight alterations and additions which seem to me desirable.

In order to save time I have subscribed my name

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James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islands Comps.
Stanley

to the inclosed document, in duplicate: and, should the wording of the lease meet with your concurrence, I would ask you to do likewise, returning the original to me, & retaining the duplicate for yourself.

3. I thoroughly approve of your suggestion as to the mode of extending and repairing the drain running from the premises towards the harbour, and as soon as the workmen on the Public Works can be spared I will communicate with the Surveyor General with a view to carrying your recommendation. You will observe that I propose to reduce the rent of the Slaughter House to £20 per annum in consideration of the stipulation exempting the Government from any liability in respect of repairs.

4. With regard to the last paragraph of your letter of the 12th ultimo I must confine myself to remarking that I do not see that any advantage could arise from my giving you any specific grounds upon which I have formed my decision in respect of the renewal of the lease about to expire. I am of opinion that by doing so I should be simply courting a discussion which could not be otherwise than fruitless, and which I have no desire to provoke. Had the existing lease been summarily annulled I should of course have recognised the right of the lessee to demand some such explanation as that which you now solicit under such very different circumstances: but as the lease in question will be allowed to terminate solely by reason of its complete and uninterrupted operation, I do not understand that I am called upon to say more than that the experience I have gained during the continuance of the lease, makes me decidedly opposed to entering into any future Agreement for leasing the Peninsula Farm - at any rate for some time to come -

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as I contemplate many alterations in respect of that land which are essential to the interests of the Public.

5. Before concluding I can only undertake to assure the Falkland Islands Company that if the land is hereafter, at any time, held open for occupation by the Public I shall consider that an application from the Company should take precedence of any others.

I have &c
(Sd) Ly. Mackenzie
Gov.

8th 135

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
August 9th 1865.

Sir,

I have laid before His Excellency the Governor your letter of the 3rd ultimo, together with its enclosures; and I am instructed to acquaint you that your claim for drawback of Income Tax on premiums of Life Insurance will be allowed, provided that a new declaration & claim is sent in, in duplicate, which is rendered necessary in consequence of some inadvertent inaccuracies in your calculations as will be seen by the enclosed paper. The amount you claim is £4..0..4 whereas it should be £4..0..7.

2. This amount, and likewise a repayment of overcharged Income Tax of 14/7d since the commencement of the present financial year, will be paid to you on personal application at the Government Offices.

I have &c
(Sd) Alfd Pyree.
Colo. Secty.

The
Revd. J. Buik. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley

No. 136.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 9th 1865.

Sir,

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 7th instant I have the honour to enclose a certified copy of the licence granted to Andrez Petaluga to which you allude.

I have &c.
(Sd) Ly MacKenzie
Govr.

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islds Company.
Stanley

No. 137.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 9th 1865.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to thank you for your letter of the 4th instant, and, perhaps it may be quite unnecessary that I should reply to it. — I am, however, anxious that it should be clearly understood that though I am unable to concur with your opinions as to the advisableness of allowing the Bible to be read in the Schoolrooms, I, nevertheless, most fully appreciate your motives in urging your suggestions.

2. I may be wrong; but it seems to me that the fact of reading the Bible generally to a community composed of such various religious persuasions could not possibly be otherwise than offensive to some persons, particularly, if those persons are virtually compulsory attendants

attendants, as they must inevitably be if the Scriptures are read to all those assembled in the schoolrooms.

3. It is a matter of regret to me that it has hitherto been the practice to do so in our Schools in Stanley, it has been done without my knowledge; and I can easily understand the reluctance of those, who may have objected, to make any formal complaint or representation on the subject, as they of course supposed that the custom was carried on with my consent and approval. I strongly object to such a system being continued, as it is utterly at variance with the character of the Schools, and opposed to the Regulations I have issued. I would even go as far as to say that, considering that the only Minister of any religion in the Colony is a Minister of the Established Church, I would prefer rather to err on the side of showing a scrupulous and unreserved respect for the feelings of Members of other religious denominations

4. Adverting to the fourth paragraph of your letter I must say that I am fully alive to the difficulties of assimilating, thoroughly, the "systems" of the English and Irish National Schools in our little Settlement, though I am unable in any way to acquiesce in your judgment that the "principles" of those institutions are different. I can assure you that both "systems" are based upon one and the same "principle", though there is a necessary dissimilitude in ordinary matters of practice.

5. In embodying the Regulations I have issued I did not aspire to any very grand results; I mentioned the National Schools of England and Ireland because I wished them to be the models to be copied by us as far as the circumstances of the Colony would permit

permit; and in endeavouring to effect this I rely with confidence on the expressions of support and co-operation offered in the last paragraph of your letter herein referred to.

6. The guiding principle of the National Schools of England and Ireland is both simple and unmistakeable, namely, to bestow upon children of any and every religion the best attainable Education on secular subjects. The only important difference, even in practice, found in the conduct of the Schools is with reference to reading the Bible. In Ireland it is entirely prohibited, and in England it is only allowed with a precaution in classification of pupils which it would be futile to attempt within the limits of our small schoolrooms. On the other hand I think there are peculiar facilities for combining the practice pursued in the Imperial National Schools in our Colonial School inasmuch as both the Schoolrooms and the Church are under the same roof, and thus every advantage exists for separating those who desire and require religious instruction from those to whom such instruction is distasteful.

7. There is one point which we all seem to agree and that is the conspicuous necessity for a more extended religious instruction to the children even of our own Church, and I have referred to this great want in a former communication to you of the 12th of May last.

8. It is my intention to write shortly to the Colonial Chaplain with a view to arranging that he will give such instruction, in the Church, at fixed hours, in his own person; as I cannot under any circumstances

circumstances, allow the Schoolmaster to do in Schoolhours, for it must be borne in mind that his duties are of a secular nature, and he is clearly neglecting his duty, when he withdraws his pupils to devote himself exclusively to another portion, and that, too, in a manner best calculated to foster the evils that arise from any such invidious distinctions

I. Again thanking you for the interest you take in the welfare of the Schools.

I have &c
(Sd) Lt. Mackenzie
Govr.

Edwd. R. Griffiths Espe
&c &c &
& The Revd. C Bull. M.a
Inspectors of Schools.

No. 138

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
August 15th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to enclose the Certificate you referred to this morning duly signed in accordance with the 8th clause of the Agreement entered into between the Emigration Board and the Falkland Islands Company on the 6th May 1865.

I have &c
(Sd) W. R. Fyne
Colonial Secretary

Julius Foster Espe
Falkland Islds Comps Office
Stanley

No. 139.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 16th 1855.

Sir.

I have the honour to inform you, in reply to your letter of the 16th instant, that there is no record of any such licence having been granted as that to which you allude.

I have &c
(Sd) Ely MacKenzie
Govr.

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islds Company
Stanley.

No. 140.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 17th 1855.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant, returning the lease of the Slaughter House duly executed.

2. In replying to your letter I feel myself somewhat constrained because the only portion of your communication which seems to me to require an answer is your renewed application for a lease of the Peninsula Farm; and on this subject I had hoped that I had sufficiently explained myself. I regret to say that I can see nothing in your letter to cause me to alter the decision I have already conveyed to you. — I have not formed this decision hastily, as you are well aware. It is now more than a year ago since I informed you by letter

(duly

(July 25th 1874. No. 153) that I should not grant a renewal of the lease in question, and it has been open to you during that time to have made any other suitable arrangements for securing your cattle intended for your market, as has hitherto been done by smaller capitalists than the Falkland Islands Company. Your assertion that you cannot do so is altogether unintelligible.

3. You will excuse me for remarking that I have already declined to enter into any discussion as to whether the Company have, or, have not, satisfactorily fulfilled all the conditions of the existing lease; and I must again decline to occupy time by discussing irrelevant matter which can have no ~~sort of~~ connection with the question at issue. Nor am I disposed to prolong this correspondence by vindicating the Government from accusations of having broken the Agreement themselves, which charges I regret you should consider merited. I do not however think they are of a character to render a renewal of the lease any less undesirable.

4. I beg to thank you for the statistics you were kind enough to send me concerning the operations of the Company in Stanley, which were I assure you most gratifying to me, and it will afford me much pleasure to meet the Company's views in any way in my power.

I have &c

(Sd) J. G. Mackenzie
Gov.

James Lane Esq.
Falkland Islds Company
Stanley

No. 141.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 21st 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, and with reference only, to the two last paragraphs of your letter, I desire to show you every possible leniency and consideration in dealing with the matter in hand, because I wish you to understand that I am unwilling to entail upon the Company any loss or inconvenience which can by any possibility be avoided.

2. In the first place I cannot attach the same weight as you do to the imaginary inconvenience that might arise to the Government and to the Colonists even if the Company did resolve not to offer any further competition in the Meat Market; as I think, so far from their withdrawal creating a deficiency in the supply, it would be more calculated to encourage smaller farmers to compete with advantage; and thus the price of beef would be reduced instead of increased, and there would be more probability of obtaining meat of a superior quality.

I do not however propose to dwell upon subjects of this kind as they are, after all, on either side, only matters of conjecture. I am restricted to repeating that under no circumstances do I feel justified in renewing the lease as at present in force.

3. On the other hand I am by no means averse to the occupation of the Peninsula Farm by the Company on a monthly tenancy, determinable by either party, at pleasure, by giving a month's notice in writing, if the Company are prepared to accept the following conditions:

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1st The Stipulations of the new tenancy to be materially the same as those contained in the existing lease (to be settled hereafter).

2nd The Dairy House to be removed by the Government when convenient.

3rd Hookers Point to be reserved and fenced in by the Government when convenient.

4th The Company to provide, at their own expense, the Keeper of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse with one ton weight of Tussac Grass during the first week of every month of the winter half year (1887. in April, May, June, July, August & September.)

5th That only Oxen and Sheep are to be permitted to graze on the isthmus. Horses especially excluded. except those belonging to the Government.

6th The Tenants to keep the outside Fence in proper repair and order at their own expense.

7th Free ingress and egress to be allowed to all persons either on foot or on horseback.

4. In consideration of the Expense to the Company inherent in a bonâ fide fulfilment of the Fifth and Sixth clauses I propose to reduce the rent to 30/. a month.

5. I would now incidentally mention that if the Company accept these conditions, and during their tenancy show a desire to meet the wishes of the Government in the public interest, amidst any Emergencies which may arise, in connection with the Farm. I do not at present anticipate that any necessity will occur for determining the Company's monthly occupation of the land in question - though I cannot undertake to make, or imply any definite promise to that effect, because the future policy of the Government in this respect must be guided by the manner in which the general welfare of the Colony is affected by the proposed arrangement.

I have &c
(Sd) D. Macleay
Gov.

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Sds Company's Agent
Stanley

No. 142.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August. 25th. 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge your letter of the 22nd instant inclosing a second claim of the Falkland Islands Company in connection with the recent decision of the Privy Council, and transmitting declarations of William Rutter, and George Short, two of the Company's servants.

2. These documents will be forwarded in due course to Her Majesty's Government.

I have &c
/s/ Ely Mackenzie
for.

James Lane Esqre
Agent of the F. I. Company.
Stanley.

No. 143.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
August 25th. 1865.

Sir.

It has not been without regret, and surprise, that I have received your letter of the 22nd instant, desiring to be relieved of your duties as one of the Inspectors of Schools.

2. It is a matter of regret, because I cannot fail to trace a disposition to create difficulties and obstacles where none exist; and I had begun to hope, that, from all that has previously passed, I might have met with your cordial assistance and co-operation

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in dealing with particular question; but I find myself again disappointed

3. It is a matter of surprise to me, because in my judgment no adequate reason exists for the step you have taken, nor can I see even the shadow of a ground in the motive you assign for taking that step. You assert "that the "study of the Bible is to be prohibited". I should be glad to know by whose authority it is to be prohibited, certainly, not by mine. You are well aware that, so far from even prohibiting Scriptural teaching, I have on several occasions strongly urged upon Mr Griffiths and yourself the necessity for a more extended religious teaching; as I think such instruction of the highest importance; and I may say here that there can be but few persons in the world who appreciate more thoroughly than I do the efficiency of such teaching.

4. At the same time, however, my public position as Governor of this Colony, compels me to maintain inviolable the strictly secular character of the Government Schools, as being the only means of Education open to the Colonists, who are of such mixed religious persuasions. I am, moreover, bound to show the utmost respect for the feelings of those who do not belong to our Church, otherwise, much umbrage and offence must be given to those who have an Equal right to protection and consideration from any impartial Government.

5. It is impossible that any one can do otherwise than agree with me that our little Schoolrooms are too small for us to venture to adopt the plan in vogue in the denominational Schools in England. And the fact of there being no Minister in the Colony

Colony of any religion except the Colonial Chaplain is in itself sufficient to render the introduction of such a system highly objectionable. I, therefore, directed that religious instruction should be given in the adjoining room now used for Divine Service, as heretofore, and thus the Secular Education of the children whose parents might object to such teaching would not be interfered with. I do not of course object to such instruction being given in the Schoolrooms, as well, provided it is not done in the Regular School hours.

6. You have alluded to an additional Regulation, made by my predecessor, that the Bible might be read in the Schools from ¼ to 12 to ¼ past 12, and that any child whose parents objected to the lesson might be allowed to leave school beforehand. Surely you do not mean to infer from this that my predecessor held different views to mine on this subject. Why! the very Regulation you quote is ample to show that our opinions conspicuously coincide. It must be borne in mind that the Schools separate at 12 o'clock, and the arrangement was tantamount to dispersing the school a quarter of an hour earlier on certain days so that those only need remain for the last ¼ of an hour and the additional quarter after school hours, whose parents wished them to do so. Nothing could be more in unison with my own ideas.

7. In another part of your letter you advert to the debate in the House of Commons, on the 2nd June last, on the subject of National Education in Ireland, and you refer me to the observations made by the Right Honourable Edward Cardwell M.P. Secretary of State for the Colonies. I read that debate some weeks

ago

ago with a great deal of interest, and I need only say that my present efforts are to my mind, eminently calculated to further the views on National Education entertained by the Right Honorable the Secretary of State.

8. In the same debate my attention is called to the speech of Mr Lefroy M.P. in which he states that the Protestant Clergy in Ireland were not able on conscientious grounds to partake of the Government Educational Grant because they were bound to instruct their flocks in the Holy Scriptures. It can hardly be necessary for me to remark that your position here is in no way analogous to theirs, inasmuch as instead of being restrained in giving religious instruction you have been often exhorted to increase the Scriptural teaching, which I am sorry to say has been unhappily very much neglected. I have no wish to dwell upon what has passed more than your communication renders necessary, yet I think it right that I should tell you that I have been by no means satisfied with the manner in which such instruction has hitherto been conducted. I am aware that even in the Sunday Schools your presence has been most rare. It is true that the girls have been left to the kind and able superintendence of Mrs Gradstone, but the boys have had to look principally for their religious teaching to a carpenter named Robson who is a Dissenter.

9. On the 9th instant I acquainted Mr Griffiths and yourself that it was my intention to request you to superintend the Bible Classes in your own person, and it gratified me to learn that you did so on the following Sunday.

10. I cannot spare time to dwell more

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more on this subject before the departure of the Mail on the 30th instant. I, however, accept your resignation, though with reluctance because I fear that the Course you have pursued cannot but have a bad effect in the Colony; and I will furnish you as soon as I possibly can with my wishes for your guidance as regards the times for religious instruction to be given by you as Colonial Chaplain to such Children as may desire to benefit by it.

I have &c

(sd). Ely Mackenzie
Gov.

The
Reverend C. Bulk. M.A
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley.

No. 144.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
August 25th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant, and, I regret that you seem still disposed to encumber this correspondence by introducing matters which have no direct bearing upon the main question, as to whether, or not, the Company intend to accept the conditions I have offered in respect of their occupation of the Peninsula Farm. It seems to me that your reply might have been a simple yes, or no, as being more to the purpose. I am not inclined, however, to follow you through the various inac=

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inaccuracies with which your letter is filled. I cannot help noting that in your efforts to make it appear that the Company are the only persons who can supply good meat in the market you dispense with all mention of the large Cattle Establishments of Captain Packe and Messrs Deane & Son. And having regard alone to the quality of the meat supplied. I am astonished that you should address such remarks to me, because I have myself seen hanging in the Company's Slaughter House beef in such an advanced state of putrefaction as to be absolutely green instead of its natural colour.

You mention that you have supplied Her Majesty's Ships with meat. I may add that hardly one of those vessels has left the Port, during the three years I have been here, without the Captain Complaining to me of the inferior quality of the meat sold to them.

2. I will now advert to the objections you have raised to the conditions of the proposed monthly tenancy:-
As you quite pass over the first condition, I may as well mention, to avoid future misunderstanding that I should certainly include in the new agreement the stipulation as to the obligation on the part of the Company to offer for sale, weekly, in Stanley a sufficient quantity of wholesome beef at a price not exceeding 3d per pound, as required by the present lease.

There appears to be some difference of opinion as to whether the rent of £25- per annum for the "Dairy" is paid for the house alone, or, whether it carries with it the land upon which it stands and the vicinity, known as the

the "Peninsula Farm". For my own part I always understood that it was paid for both. And the remark in your letter of the 12th instant that you did not apply for a renewal of the term of the "Government Farm", but only for the "Peninsula Farm", would lead one to infer that, until lately, you did not consider the one to be amalgamated in the other. However this is a very immaterial point.

As regards the fourth condition I fully agree with you that its compliance would involve great expense and trouble, but, you must remember that it is hardly fair to suppose that the public funds are to be burthened with this, and other contingent expenses, for no other object than the convenience and profit of the Company; and, in consideration, too, of so trifling a rent as £18 a year.

3. In the 3rd paragraph of your letter you say that you accept the terms offered by me "compulsorily". This expression seems strangely out of place when applied to that which is intended to be a mutual agreement.

It may perhaps avoid further discussion when I tell you that I cannot admit of any alteration whatever in the conditions I have proposed; those conditions having been arranged for the general good of the Colony after careful deliberation. You will, therefore, understand that you either accept the terms offered, or forfeit the occupation of the land on the expiration of the present lease.

4. Your subsequent letter of the 28th instant being, in effect, a cancellation of the latter portion of your communication

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of the previous day, there is no need for me to refer to either beyond inform you that I will direct the Land mentioned to be offered for Sale at Public Auction as soon as it has been surveyed and marked out.

5. I beg you will excuse me for desiring you to defer any further correspondence on this subject until after the departure of the Mail, on next Wednesday, as I am very much pressed for time

I have &c

(Sd) Lt Mackenzie
for

James Lane Esqre
Agent of the Falkland
Islands Compy.

Stanley.

No. 145.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 26th 1865.

Sir,

With reference to the concluding paragraph of my letter to you of yesterday, I find that I shall not have time at present to furnish you with the rules to be observed as regards the full amount of religious instruction to be given by you as Colonial Chaplain to the pupils attending the Government Schools; I, therefore, desire that, until you hear from me again on this subject, you will continue to carry out the 10th Regulation of the Schools, as amended, on the suggestion of the Inspectors, in my letter of the 12th May last. No. 107. And you may confidently rely upon my support as to any more extensive religious instructions you may be desirous of bestowing.

I have &c

(Sd) Ely Mackenzie
Govr

The Revd C. Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain.
Stanley.

No. 146

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
August 26th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a letter, and a small leather pocket book, transmitted to one, inadvertently, by the Master of the Hawaiian Schooner "Oramea", Samuel Miller.

2. I presume that no difficulty will be experienced in ascertaining the address of the relatives of the deceased as I am informed that he was well known in the Settlement.

I have &c
(Sd) W.R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

Edwd R. Griffiths Esqre
Chairman of the Court
&c &c &c

No. 147.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
August 29th 1865.

28th August, 1865

Sir,

With reference to your letter to His Excellency the Governor dated the 27th instant, I enclose, for your information and guidance, a Copy of the Medical Report made by Doctors Watts and Macklinton.

I have &c
(Sd) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

Captain J. P. Smithen
Government Yacht "Foam"
Stanley Harbour.

No. 148.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 30th 1865.

Gentlemen.

I am instructed by the Right Honorable Edward Cardwell M.P. Secretary of State for the Colonies, to make arrangements for the payment in England of the sum of Two hundred Pounds Sterling per annum, being an allotment of the salary of Horace Newbegin Watts Esqr M.D. Colonial Surgeon in this Colony.

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2. I have, therefore the honour to request that you will pay, on application being made by any person duly authorised, the sum of One Hundred Pounds Sterling on the 1st of February and 1st of August in each year until further notice.

3. By the next mail I will send you a remittance for this purpose and I will continue to keep you supplied with adequate funds from time to time

I have &c

Sd/ Lg Macleay
Gov.

The Crown Agents
for the Colonies.
No 5 Spring Gardens S. W.
London.

No. 149

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August 30th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith the Accounts between this Government & the General Post Office for the two Quarters ended respectively on the 31st of December 1864 and the 31st of March 1865.

I have &

/s/ H R Pyne.
Colo. Secy.

Frederic Hill Esqr.
Secretary
General Post Office.
London

No. 150.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
August. 30th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that the Mail from Stanley to Monte Video made up this day contains letters, and one bag marked "Missent to the Falkland Islands"

I have &

/s/ H.R Pyne.
Colo. Secy.

Major Lt. John Munro.
H Bs Vice Consul
&
Monte Video

No. 151.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
August 30th. 1865

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a list of a few articles much needed here for the Public Service, and unprocurable in the Colony. His Excellency the Governor would therefore feel obliged if you could manage to send them down by the "Forres" return trip.

I have &c
(Sd). W. R. Pyne
Colo. Secty.

Richard Wilson Esqre.
Barraca Rompesolas.
Montevideo.

No. 152.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
September 11th. 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th. instant, in the first paragraph of which you thank me for having accepted your resignation as one of the Inspectors of the Government Schools; and, further on, you infer that you resigned under a misapprehension.- I regret that you make it necessary for me to express myself very clearly in this letter.

2. You remark that you are extremely sorry that you have disappointed my expectations; but that you "could not as a Clergyman of the Church of England "consent to connect yourself with any School where less "Biblical Instruction than that permitted by my predecessor

"was enforced."

Considering all things it would be idle for me to regard such a remark as anything but trifling with common sense when compared with my reiterated efforts to induce you to increase the Biblical Instruction, because the deplorable ignorance of the children in the Colony on religious subjects has been, and is at this moment, notorious and painful to think of.

3. I am very unwilling to devote more of my time to this fruitless correspondence, but it may perhaps help to divest the extraordinary mode you adopt of re-presenting matters of some of its ambiguity if I advert to data of the past bearing upon this subject.

You arrived in this Colony at the end of 1859, and, within three months, you were nominated Inspector of Schools, ex officio; and my predecessor issued a code of School Regulations which did not sanction the Bible being read in Schoolhours, and which was in every way materially the same as that now in force.

On the 30th June 1862 (two years and a half afterwards) I find you writing to my predecessor in the following terms. "In compliance with your Excellency's expressed "command I have told Mr. Clarke that the Bible is not "to be read in the Schools till further directions." It is, therefore, evident that for the lengthened period of two years and a half after your arrival you either disobeyed my predecessors rules, as you continually seek to do with directions from me, or, else, strangely, it never occurred to you during that time that you were in that "delicate and embarassing position as a Clergyman "of the Church of England" which you describe in your letter of the 22nd ultimo.

4. The simply technical manner in which you refer to the additional regulation issued by my predecessor renders further comment almost unnecessary though, while adverting to that regulation I must say I think it would have been as well for you to have mentioned that my predecessor recorded in his covering letter, dated July 4th 1862, the following remarkable words "My only object "being to guard against the possibility of giving offence

"to the feelings of Members of any sects or religious
"alien to the Church of England".—

Hence we have another proof that Governor Moores' only object is now my only object. My policy in this matter is essentially the same as that so nobly pursued by any predecessor during six years and a half out of the seven years he administered this Government. It is true that just six months before his departure he was induced upon assurances and representations from you (which subsequently turned out to have been prematurely made) to consent to an innovation at variance with former custom, and one which I have thought proper to disallow.

Vide letter dated 30th June 1862.

5. I am quite unable to take notice of your "objections" to giving even the small amount of religious instructions on Wednesdays and Fridays as required by the School Regulations, because, so long as you are the Colonial Chaplain here, so long will it be your duty to give such instruction, as heretofore; and it is incumbent upon me to insist that you do so.— I should, however, be glad if you would endeavour to perform your duties a little more cheerfully, and with a less evident disposition to make "objections". I would only add that having performed this duty ever since you have been in the Colony it seems somewhat surprising that it is only in your present frame of mind that it has struck you that you can only continue to perform this duty (which you have already done for six years) "with a certain loss of reverence in the minds of the "children for the sacred Edifice," as expressed in your last letter.

I think this a most unhappy "objection"

6. My allusion to your rare attendance at the Sunday School was intended rather as a general admonition than as a charge of neglect in that particular instance; though, there is no reason why I should not tell you that I am seriously dissatisfied with your conduct; with which I am only

&c

too well acquainted, and as regards which, I am grieved to say, I have never received "incorrect information".

7. There are other portions of your letter upon which it would be most painful for me to have to dwell I, therefore, in kindness, pass over them, remarking simply that I cannot conceive what you mean me to understand when you talk about its being a pleasure "to assist your Excellency's government ~~to~~ the utmost of your power &c. &c." It can hardly be requisite for me to explain to you that the only assistance the Governor of a Colony can desire from a subordinate officer on the staff of his government is that he should perform all his duties to the best of his abilities, obey those placed in authority over him, and evince a desire to give satisfaction to his superiors.

8. You are already in possession of my instructions for your guidance, I, therefore, request that this correspondence may now be allowed to end.

I have &c
D. Ly. MacKenzie
Govr.

The Revd. C. Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley.

No. 153.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
September 12th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that I have accepted the resignation of the Colonial Chaplain as one of the Inspectors of the Government Schools, and I consider that it is due to you that you should be placed in full possession of the grounds upon which this circumstance has been brought about; I therefore transmit herewith copies of the correspondence which has taken place between that Gentleman and myself on the subject, from which you will draw your own conclusions.

2. You will not fail to observe that in reality there exists no matter for discussion whatever; but I find myself unable, utterly, to convince the Reverend Mr. Bull that so far from holding opinions antagonistic to his, with regard to the efficacy and propriety of Scriptural teaching, I rather travel beyond him on his own road. I am not at all anxious however that this Gentleman should continue to interest himself in Educational matters because I am inclined to think that an unwilling coadjutor would probably be more troublesome to you than beneficial to the children.

3. I should be glad if you would let me know who you would wish to succeed Mr Bull, in order that the new Inspector may be soon appointed. For my own part I am much in favour of seeking the good services of Doctor MacClinton who on all occasions displays

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre.
Stipendiary Magistrate
& Inspector of Schools.

displays a readiness to do his share in all that tends to the general good of our little community. I shall await your reply before I take any further steps.

I have &c.
(Sd) E. J. MacKenzie
Govr.

No. 154.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
September 18th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated the 25th and 28th of August, and the 6th instant, which a variety of circumstances have precluded me from replying to before.

2. I should be glad to confine myself to the few material points which those letters contain, but I must first refer to your statement that "from one in your Excellency's position I "must submit to be told that my letter was filled "with inaccuracies". I need hardly say that I never for one moment doubted your own conviction of the correctness of your statements. I simply implied that which I intended to imply, namely, that you were sadly misinformed on the subject on which you were writing: and so far from my being able to modify that expression, I am sorry to say that the more you write, the more forcibly strengthened is this impression.

3. I have no intention whatever of carrying on arguments with you on a question which was irrevocably settled more than a year ago,

H.E. the Governor
to Mr Lane. letter
No. 154. dated Sept.
25th 1865

James Lane Esqre
Agent of the Falkland Islds Coy.
Stanley.

ago, when I first acquainted you that I should not grant a renewal of the present lease of the Peninsula Farm: nor, do I see what advantage you expect to derive either here, or in England, by compelling me to tell you the same thing over half a dozen times.

4. In the 6th paragraph of your letter of the 28th ultimo you state your acceptance of the conditions offered by me for the Company's monthly tenancy of the Peninsula Farm; I, therefore, for facility of reference hereafter, enclose, for your signature, a memorandum, in duplicate, of the terms upon which the occupation of the Farm will be allowed. I have signed both these enclosures, and I request that you retain one transcript for yourself, and that you will kindly return the other to me.

5. In your letter of the 25th ult: you ask to be permitted to rent Navy Point. This request I cannot possibly entertain as the land in question is a Crown Reserve applicable for Naval purposes.

6. The Suburban allotments you have desired to have put up for sale, will be offered at Public Auction, as I have before told you, in my letter of the 25th ultimo, as soon as they are properly Surveyed and marked out. And to meet your wishes in this respect I have instructed the Surveyor General to complete the requisite Survey with all convenient speed. That gentleman however informs me that very little can be done during this inclement season.

7. Adverting to your letter of the 6th instant it will be sufficient for me to say it is utterly out of my power to

adopt

adopt your suggestion to advertise the land for sale, though I made add, incidentally, that even now the area of these allotments is very irregularly understood. It is wrongly computed in your letter to me. The aggregate amount is incorrect according to your own figures. It should be 131 acres 38 poles, instead of 131 acres 18 poles. Besides which you state the contents of No. 30 to be 20 acres 30 poles, whereas on the official plan to which you refer it is marked 20 acres 33 poles.

8. I beg you will excuse me for saying that I consider I have now received your unnecessarily prolonged representations with abundant toleration, leniency, & courtesy. I, therefore, peremptorily decline to reply to any further remarks from you upon the subjects to which this letter refers, as I cannot anticipate any good likely to arise by continuing this correspondence, on the contrary, I can only feel that the public interests must suffer when my time and attention is drawn away from more important matters of business.

I have &c

/s/ D. J. MacKenzie

Govr.

No. 155.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
September 18th 1865.

Sir,

With reference to a conversation I had with you a short time ago on the subject of the Government Schools, I have the honour to acquaint you that I have availed myself of your kind offer to undertake the duties of an Inspector of Schools conjointly with Mr. Griffiths the Stipendiary Magistrate; I have therefore this day gazetted your appointment.

2. At the same time that I record my entire confidence in your ability and the interest you will take in the promotion of Education, I beg to thank you for your voluntary services, and to assure you that you will always have my ready support in any matters which you may jointly with Mr. Griffiths bring to my notice.

I have &c

(Sd) D.J. Mackenzie

Gov

Doctor W. F. Macclinton R.N.

&c &c &c

No. 156

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
September 19th 1865.

Sir

I am directed to request that you will meet His Excellency the Governor at the Schoolrooms on Thursday next the 21st instant at half past 10. a.m. – provided the weather is tolerably fine, and that it is not inconvenient to you. – If it is, I am desired to say that any other time will suit His Excellency equally well.

I have &c
(Sd.) W.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary

Edwd. R. Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
& Inspector of Schools
&c &c &c.

No. 157.

The same as above.

To

Doctor. W. F. Mac Clinton R.N.
& Inspector of Schools
&c &c &c

No. 159.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
September 26th 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acquaint you that the Colonial Government will not require the Falkland Islands Company to supply provisions to the Detachment of Royal Marines after the 30th instant which day ends the current quarter.

I have &c
(S) W. R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islds Company
Stanley.

No. 158.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
September 26th 1865.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that from the expiration of the current quarter viz. the 30th instant, Messrs Dean & Son will supply the Detachment of Royal Marines under your command with provisions, instead of the Falkland Islands Company, and I am directed to request that you will instruct Sergeant Butler accordingly, at the same time His Excellency is anxious that you will exercise such supervision over the Commissariat arrangements as will ensure to a certainty that the sanctioned rations is in no way exceeded.

I have &c
(S) W. R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary.

Lieut: Lyst Elliot RMLI.
Comdg Detach:

No. 160.

Government Offices
Falkland Islands.
September 3rd 1865.

Sir.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at the Government Dock Yard, in conjunction with Mr. Bailey, Captain Smithett, and Mr. Melville at 11 o'clock precisely tomorrow morning, for the purpose of holding a board of Survey on the state of the copper of the Yacht "Foam". You are also requested to furnish His Excellency with a written report of this Survey.

I have &c
H. Byng.

Captain J. Sibbald R.N.
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No. 161.

Same as above.

To

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.
Stanley.

No. 162.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
October 5th 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by H.E. the Governor to inquire whether Mr. Gaoler Hocking is still under professional treatment, and, if so, whether his malady is of a nature to preclude his attending to his duties.

2. I am also to request that you will report to His Excellency every case in which you deem it proper that any Officer or Servant of the Colonial Government should be excused from his duties

I have &c—
/s/ W.R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

Horace R. Watts Esqre M.D.
Colonial Surgeon
&— &— &.

No. 163.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
October 5th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that I have shipped on board the Barque "Ocean Spite" Stabb Master bound direct to London. Two hundred and Twenty six empty oil cans sent out from time to time for the service of the Cape Pembroke Lighthouse 226
Freight has been paid in Stanley to Messrs Dean & Son the Charterers of the vessel

vessel at the rate of sixpence each can. I inclose a bill of lading for the same.

2. I would incidentally mention here that Mr. Bonney the new Light Keeper arrived here safely in the "Julia Tatham" and has commenced his duties at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Mr Creed, the former Light Keeper, returns to England with his family in the "Ocean Sprite".

I have &c
(s.d) H. R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary

J. H. Farrer Esqre
Secretary, Marine Department.
Board of Trade.

No. 164.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
October 5th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo, and I will avail myself of your offer by sending 226 empty oil cans by the Barque "Ocean Sprite", addressed to the Secretary of the Marine Department of the Board of Trade. The usual rate of freight is sixpence for each can, which will be paid either here or in England as you may desire. I would ask you to be kind enough to furnish me with a bill of lading in duplicate.

2. With respect to the latter portion of your letter I think it better that I should confine myself to saying that not only do I consider your apology perfectly satisfactory, but I can assure you it gives me much pleasure to accept it.

I have &c
L. J. MacKenzie
Govr

George. M. Dean Esqre
Stanley. Falkland Islands.

No. 165.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
October 10th 1865.

Sir,

In reply to your letter to His Excellency of the 7th instant, I am desired to acquaint you that it is considered immaterial whether you make the required reports in writing, or personally, you with therefore do whichever you find most convenient.

2. With regard to the last paragraph of your letter it is perhaps well that I should remind you that no land can be sold in this Colony except by Public Auction, after one months public advertisement of the intended sale; or, else, in virtue of Land Orders issued by the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners in England

3. It will not be possible to gazette the usual advertisement until the plot of land you desire to acquire has been duly surveyed and marked out; it, is, therefore, necessary that you should communicate with the Surveyor General in the first instance.

I have &c
(Sgd) W R Ryne.
Colonial Secretary

Horace N. Watts Esqr. M.D.
Colonial Surgeon.

No 166.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
October. 10th. 1865.

Sir,

I have recently received a letter from Lieutenant Elliot. R.N. setting forth the inconveniences and irregularities occasioned in his detachment in consequence of the detention in Gaol of one of his privates named Mallen.

2. Our Garrison of Royal Marines has never since its organization been equal to its duties, owing to the smallness of its numbers. Since then two men have been sent home, and with the additional loss of the one now under confinement, allowing also for illness and other contingencies, the detachment is at this moment very nearly useless.

3. I can fully appreciate the difficulties of Lieutenant Elliots position, and I bear in mind also the repeated representations from the Surveyor General that the Public Works are retarded for want of Marine artificers

4. I will now allude more immediately to the object of this letter. On the one hand I cannot help feeling that in so peculiar a Settlement as this it is sometimes wise to act a little at variance with the strict practices in force elsewhere, and I am thus disposed to show such leniency in this prisoners case as can be done without encouraging a belief that the punishment of crime is uncertain. On the other hand I do not consider any amount of loss or detriment to the public service a sufficient reason for pardoning a criminal unless coupled with such favourable reports from the Gaoler as to conduct which would justify an exemption in

Edward R. Griffiths Esqr.
Stipendiary Magistrate

in his favour.

5. However I do not at present know anything of the case in point I have alluded more to my general opinions in such cases. I must therefore ask you to furnish me with a copy of the mans trial and also of the evidence upon which he was convicted. I have also the honour to request that you will accompany these documents with a report from yourself, & that you will favour me with your opinion as to whether you think it might be expedient in the course of a few months to commute the sentence on the condition of good conduct while under sentence provided the Gaoler can testify to the same.

I have &c—

(o/) D. Lyon Mackenzie
Gov.

No. 167.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Stanley. Falklands Islands.
October 11th 1865.

Sir.

It is with regret that I have to announce to you the death of your Son William. S. Taylor who died in this Settlement on the 23rd of April last. I inclose a copy of the Register of his death

Also certificate of "Discharge from the "Alice Walton".

2. By the account of wages sent herewith you will perceive that the deceased had a balance of wages due to him of £2.3.4 at the time he left the Barque "Alice Walton."

Wages for 4 mos 22 days — 4.15.4
Deductions — 2.12.0
£2.3.4

The Master of the vessel very liberally provided for his board and lodging on shore

&c

up to the time of his death; and he was attended throughout his short illness by the Colonial Government Surgeon Dr. Macclinton. R.N. without charge.

I have the honour therefore to enclose the full amount of balance due to the deceased viz: £2. 3. 4 as above stated.

I would ask the favour of an acknowledgment of the receipt of this money.

I have &c
W.R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

Mr. Taylor
Butcher.
Longside. Aberdeenshire.

No. 168.

Colonial Secretarys Office.
Falkland Islands.
October 12th 1865.

Sir,

I beg to acquaint you that the rent of your Station at Port San Carlos, No. 20, was due on the 9th ultimo; and as much delay always exists as to the due payments of your rents, owing to your absence from the Settlement, I would venture to recommend that you should authorize some person resident in Stanley to act as your in this behalf.

2. I enclose a copy of the Proclamation, No. 8. dated April 4th 1861, & I would call your attention to the 9th clause.

I have &c
(Sd) W.R. Pyne
Colo. Sectry

Mr. John Bonner
Darwin Harbour.

No. 169.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
October 12th 1865.

Sir,

I have to acquaint you that the Stone Cottage formerly in the occupation of Mr. Harbourmaster Melville is now vacant and ready for you. If, therefore, you will let me know what day would be convenient to you to move I will direct the Government Cart and Carter to be placed at your disposal in accordance with your request. I will likewise submit to His Excellency the propriety of giving both Schools a Holiday on that day in order that you may be enabled to make the most of the time.

You will be allowed a section of garden ground in the Enclosure at the back of the Cottage, and it is of course understood that Mr. Watts will compensate you for any crops or seeds, or labour expended in the garden adjoining your present house.

I have &c.

(Sd) W. R Pyne
Colo: Secty.

Mr. G. A Clarke.
Schoolmaster.
Stanley.

No. 170.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
October 20th 1865

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith the Key of the rooms, lately inhabited by Mr. Clarke, adjoining the dispensary; which rooms His Excellency has, at your solicitation, set apart for your occupation on the following terms:-

Enclosed

1st That the Easternmost room must be vacated at a moments notice, if required for any public purpose.

2nd That the Government only undertake to do such repairs as are absolutely necessary.

3rd That the occupation of the building will be simply a monthly tenancy, the rent is fixed at Twelve Pounds per annum, and will be paid monthly in advance.

(£1. a month)
To commence on the 1st November 1865.

4th The Garden at the back will be at your disposal included in the above rent.

5th That nothing must be allowed to interfere in any way with the portion of the building now appropriated for medical use and convenience, nor must any part thereof be used for private purposes.

I have &c
(Sigd) W.R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

W.N. Watts. Esqre M.D.
Colonial Surgeon
&c &c

No 171.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
October 26th 1865.

Sir

I am directed by H.E. the Governor to transmit to you the enclosed Circular with its enclosure, and to request that you will be good enough to furnish copies of every Oath of any description required to be taken in your department.

To be returned

I have &c
(Sd) W.R. Pyne.
Colo: Sec.y

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c

No 172.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
October 27th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit to you a letter I have just received from Wm. G. M. Dean, enclosing, among other papers, a document signed by Wm. W. A Smyley the United States Commercial Agent, purporting to appoint him to act during his absence in the capacity of Actg. Com: Agent.

To be returned

2. Mr Dean requests that I will gazette his appointment; but before complying with his request I wish to have the benefit of your opinion as to whether the document herein

herein before mentioned is in Law a valid delegation of authority.

3. The subject is not one which could ever affect this Government, because I fully recognise Mr. Dean as ipso facto Commercial Agent in any matters of a diplomatic nature, until Mr. Smyley's return, or until, some other person is properly nominated in his stead; and as to any citizens of the United States they are of course at liberty to please themselves on their own responsibility.

4. I must ask you to favour me with your reply to this letter, as well as that to a letter from the Colonial Secretary of yesterday's date, if possible, in the course of this afternoon.

I have &c

(S.) D. MacKenzie
Gov.

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre.
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c.

No. 173.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
October 28th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date, enclosing certain documents purporting to appoint you Acting Commercial Agent for the United States of America during the absence of W. W. H. Smyley, and desiring that I will advertise your appointment.

2. For my own part I fully recognise you in that capacity as regards any diplomatic or Commercial matters connected with this Government, and I have issued a notice to that effect in the Gazette; but I do not feel called upon to give an opinion as to whether in law your appointment is a valid delegation of authority, nor, can I in any way control the acts of citizens of the United States who will of course please themselves on their own responsibility.

3. I beg to return herewith the papers accompanying your letter and likewise the Seal of the Commercial Agency.

I have &c
(sd) D. J. Mackenzie
Gov.

George. W. Dean Esq.
Act. Com: Agent of the
United States of America.

No 174.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
October 28th 1865

Sir

I have the honour to report that I have drawn the two undermentioned bills on Her Majesty's Paymaster General in repayment of Advances made for Army Services from the Treasury –

£ – s – d. Number Twenty two, dated this day
240. 0. 0 drawn in favour of Messrs Stilwells & Co. the sum of Two hundred and forty Pounds Sterling Exchange at par.

Number Twenty three dated this day, in favour of Messrs Stilwells & Co. the
15. 0. 0 sum of Fifteen Pounds Sterling. Exchange at par.

£ 255. 0. 0.

I have &c
(s/) Ilymackenzie
Govr.

The Right Honorable
Her Majesty's Paymaster General.
Whitehall.
London.

No 175.

Same as the above.

To
The Right Honorable
Her Majesty's Under Secretary of State
War Office
Pall Mall
London.

No 176.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
October 28th 1865

My Lords.

I have the honour to acquaint Your Lordships that I have drawn the two undermentioned bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury on the credit of the Parliamentary Vote for the support of this Government for the financial year ended on the 31st March 1865; in Exchange for cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony.

	£	s	d
Number Eighty six dated October 27th 1865. The Sum of One hundred and sixty seven Pounds sixteen Shillings and sevenpence Sterling, drawn in favour of the Receiver General of Inland Revenue being the amount of Income tax due from the Colony. Exchange at par.	167.	16.	7
Number Eighty seven; dated October 27th 1865. The sum of Seven hundred and fifty two Pounds, three Shillings and fivepence Sterling, drawn in favour of the Crown Agents of the Colonies. Exchange at par.	752.	3.	5
	£ 920.	0.	0

I have &c
(Sd) D. MacKenzie
Govr.

The Right Honorable
The Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.
Whitehall
London.

No. 177.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
October 28th 1865.

Sir

I have the honour to transmit herewith the first of Exchange of a bill on Her Majesty's Treasury for the sum of One hundred and sixty seven pounds sixteen shillings and sevenpence Sterling, drawn in your favour, being the amount of Income Tax collected in this Colony from the Salaries to the Government Officers since the 31st of March 1863 up to the 1st of April 1865.

£ — s — d
167 .. 16 .. 7

2. The Accounts in respect of the above will be sent to you by the next Mail.

I have &c
(Sd) W.R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary.

James Brotherton Esqre
Receiver General of Inland Revenue
Somerset House. W.C.
London.

No. 178.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands
October 28th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith the first of Exchange of a bill on Her Majesty's Treasury for Seven hundred and fifty two pounds three shillings and five pence Sterling, which amount I am directed to request you to be good enough to receive for the general service of this Colony.

£ s d
752 3 5

I have &c
(Sd) W.R. Pyne.
Col. Sec.

W. C. Sargeant Esqre
Crown Agent for the Colonies
&c. &c. &c.

No. 179.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands
October 28th 1865.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th ultimo, and in reply I have to acquaint you that at present Mr Wilson has given no notice of his intention to relinquish the Agency business of this Government.

I have &c
(S°) W.R Pyne.
Colo: Sec:

Messrs Newman & Co
Monte Video

No. 180.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
November 3rd 1865.

Sir,

The importunate prevalence of the disease known as "Scab" amongst the sheep in this island, has for some time past called my attention to the necessity of proposing to the Colonial Legislature some measure for regulating the management of infected animals and for restraining them within such limits as will protect neighbouring Sheepowners from the ruinious consequences of this frightful malady.

2. I have obtained copies of the various Sheep Ordinances passed in the province of Canterbury which I enclose herewith; and I have the honour

Session X No. 9.
Session X. No. 10.
Session XI. No. 11
Session XVII No. VI.

Edward R. Griffiths
Stipendiary Magistrate

honour to request that you will furnish me with the draft of an Enactment applicable to the circumstances of this Colony.

3. I need hardly ask you to give your earliest possible attention to this, because I am sure you will agree with me as to the importance of protecting and encouraging sheep farming as the most important and lucrative enterprise pursued in the Islands.

I have &c

(Sd) E.J. Mackenzie.
Gov.

No. 181.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
November 4th 1865.

Sir.

In reply to your letter dated the 2nd instant, received on the afternoon of the 3rd, I have to acquaint you that I have no objection to your leaving on Monday next for Darwin Harbour to be present at the funeral of Mr. Smith; but I must require you to return to Stanley as soon as this ceremony is over, as I cannot sanction your being away anything like the time you propose, until an opportunity offers by which your duties can be performed by some other Chaplain.

2. I have reason to hope that such an opportunity will arise in the course of two or three weeks, within which period I

The Revered C. Bull. M.A
Colonial Chaplain.
&c &c &c

I expect the arrival of H.M.S. Narcissus the Chaplain of which vessel will be requested to act as Colonial Chaplain during your absence. As soon as the Narcissus arrives it is my intention to make arrangements for sending you into the interior in order that the inhabitants of the principal outstations may have the benefit of your ministerial services. I will then provide you with horses and guide for the purpose.

3. As to your application to be permitted to visit Keppel and Pebble Islands, I need only say that it is not yet decided whether the "Foam" will visit the Mission Station at all. Even if she does do so it will not be until about the time the Reverend Wm. Stirling is expected to return there from England, consequently there will be no use in sending you there.

I have &c.

(Sd) E.H. Mackenzie

for Sec.

No. 182.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
November 4th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to enclose herewith an Order for the conveyance to London of a distressed British Seaman as specified therein, in pursuance of the Act 17 & 18 Vict: Cap: CIV. Sec CCXII.

David Roberts

I have &c
(sd) W. R. Pryne
Colonial Secretary.

Captain Joseph Cundy.
Barque "Julie Tatham"
Stanley Harbour.

C 16.
CC. 14.
"UU"

(See printed Form)

Order to Convey Distressed British Seamen.

Name of Seaman.	State Capacity whether "Master" "Seaman" or "Apprentice"	Names and Official Nos of Ships from which Landed and Ports of Registry.	Date when Landed.	Cause why Landed. Illness &c. to particulars.	If wages were received state the amounts; if not so disposed of &c.	If no wages were received, this &c.
David Roberts. Age. 26. Born at Carnarvon.	Seaman & Second Mate.	"Jessie Brown" Liverpool.	1865. Nov.r 3.rd	Examined by Dr. MacClinton R.N. and pronounced that he is ill & continued this voyage suffering from consumption	~~£1 Expended &c~~ £2 11. 10 by note on Owners. Subject to deduction in respect of his allotment of wages. & his wife at home	Nil

(sd) W. R. Pryne
Colonial Secretary.

Dated Port Stanley this 4th day of Nov.r 1865.

No. 183.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
November 4th 1865.

Sir.

On the 8th ultimo a man named Hogan, alias Haugen, alias Howe, alias Hurgens, died in this town of rupture of the heart: he was a native of Rotterdam and I understand his relations reside in the Province of Gelderland in Holland.

2. I am in possession of the sum of £3.. 10. 0 belonging to the deceased deposited with me in pursuance of the Alien Ordinance for his passage to Monte Video. I am, therefore, most anxious to gain information whether any intention has appeared to sue for the probate, or, whether, of the deceased died intestate, any letters of Administration have been granted and committed.

3. I shall be glad if you will kindly let me know to whom the money in my charge is to be paid.

I have &c
(s/) W.R. Pyne
Colo: Sect.

Edward R. Griffith Esqr
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c.

No. 184.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
November 6th 1865.

Sir,

In pursuance of your letter of the 13th ultimo I have the honour to send herewith such of the required articles of Stationery for use in the Schools as are procurable, accompanied by a receipt to be signed by the Schoolmaster and returned.

I have &c
(Sd) H.R. Pyne
Colo. Secy.

Edwd Griffith Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
& Inspector of Schools
&c &c
Falkland Islands.

No. 185.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
November 7th 1865.

Sir,

I am directed to acquaint you, in reply to your letter of the 1st instant, that His Excellency has given his attention to the complaint urged against Wr Pilot Rutter: and has thought proper, under the circumstances, to issue some additional clauses to the Pilot & Harbour Regulations, in the shape of a Memorandum to the Pilots, of which a copy is enclosed for your information. His Excellency trusts that the plan now adopted will obviate any difficulty for the future.

I have &c
(Sd) H.R. Pyne.
Colo. Secy.

Circular 185.A

Wr Pilot MacLauchlan
Port Stanley.

Circular.
185. A

Memorandum
To the Pilots of Port Stanley.

Under the Pilot and Harbour Ordinance No. 8. 1853 clause I. there have been appointed three Pilots for the Port of Stanley.

These Pilots, although controlled to a great extent by the "Pilot and Harbour Regulations", have nevertheless been allowed to make their own arrangements in all minor points.

His Excellency the Governor is unwilling to enforce too strictly a code of Regulations in matters of detail as he considers that it must be more convenient to the Pilots themselves that they should exercise their own discretion in acting up to a system voluntarily accepted.

It is found, however, that the present practice is not altogether satisfactory: therefore, His Excellency the Governor has issued the following additional Regulations.

That the Harbourmaster, with the consent of the other Pilots, shall prepare a set of supplementary rules for their general guidance as to rotation of duty &c &c, and when once the sanction of His Excellency has been obtained to these Rules any Pilot who infringes them will have his Licence revoked or suspended as the Governor may determine.

That in the event of any dispute amongst the Pilots the Harbourmaster will be arbitrator between them: and any Pilot who in the first instance, refuses to be guided by his decision will have his Licence revoked. Though it must be understood that it is not intended to prevent any Pilot who

may

may feel himself aggrieved from representing his case for the consideration of the Governor.

By command
s/ W.R.Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
November 7th 1865.

The above Circular was also forwarded

To
Mr Pilot Rutter
Port Stanley

and

Mr Harbourmaster Melville.
Port Stanley.

No. 186.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
November 7th 1865.

Sir

I have to call your attention that the Quarterly bills of the Colonial Government with the Falkland Islands Company for the three months ended on the 30th September last have not yet been sent in; and I have the honour to request that you will give directions that those accounts are furnished at your earliest convenience.

I have &c
s/ W.R.Pyne
Colo. Secy.

James Lane Esqre
Stanley.

No. 187.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
November. 9th 1865.

Sir,

In Reply to your letter of this days date I am desired in the first place to instruct you to address your communications to H.E. the Governor in future through me and not to His Excellency direct.

2. Secondly, I am desired to correct a wrong interpretation you seem to have taken of the 1st Additional Regulation as enclosed to you in my letter No 185.

This Regulation expressly states that the Harbourmaster is to draw up the proposed rules "with the consent of the other Pilots". His Excell. therefore does not understand your objection on this point.

3. Thirdly, I am to acquaint you that it is only intended that the Harbourmaster should act as arbitrator in the event of disputes between the other Pilots as it is not supposed that any Pilot will venture to dispute with Mr Melville who is Chief Pilot as well as Harbourmaster, and the junior pilots must submit to his authority or forfeit their Licences

I have &c
(sd) H.K. Pyne.
Colo: Sect

Mr. Pilot MacLauchlan
Stanley

No. 188.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
November 13th 1865.

Sir,

With reference to His Excellency's letter of the 4th instant, No. 181, I am directed to instruct you to report your return to Stanley officially, by letter, to His Excellency. I am also desired to request that you will always report yourself in such manner on similar occasions

I have &c
(Sd) W.R. Pyne.
Colo. Secy.

The Revd C. Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain.
Stanley.

No. 189.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
November 13th 1865.

Sir,

I beg to enclose a copy of a letter addressed to me this morning by the Surveyor General setting forth the inconvenience to his department caused by the irregular attendance of the men of your detachment. I request that you will report to me the cause of their non attendance on the Public Works in order that I may direct you accordingly

I have &c
(Sd) Lt. MacKenzie
Gov.

Lieut. G.F. Elliot R.M.L.I.
Comm. Detachment
&c &c

No. 190.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
November 24th. 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that application has been made to me for a British Registry Certificate of the Ship St. Lawrence now riding at anchor in Port William, and among the preliminary Evidences required before the registration can be effected is a Certificate of Survey from the Surveyor of Tonnage for this Port.

2. I have, therefore the honour to request that you will supply me with a certificate required by the Merchant Shipping Act 17th & 18th Victoria. Chap: 104. of which I enclose you a blank form in case you should not be in possession of one.

3. I have likewise to inform you that the Master of the St. Lawrence is anxious if possible to obtain his Register and proceed to Sea this night.

I have &c
(Sd) W.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary &
Registrar of Shipping

Captain John Tibbald R.N.
Surveyor of Tonnage
for the Port of Stanley

No. 191.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
November 30th 1865

Sir

His Excellency the Governor has received by the last Mail from England a communication from the Controller General of the Army enclosing a letter addressed to him by Serjeant James Wilstead, of which the enclosed are copies.

2. I am directed to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with the requisite explanation for transmission home.

I have &c

(sd) W R Pyne
Colo. Sec.

The Revd C. Bull. M.a.
Colonial Chaplain.
Stanley.

No. 192.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
November 30th 1865

Sir

I have the honour to enclose a Volume of Public General Acts 28 & 29 Victoria which arrived by the last Mail.

I have &c

(sd) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

Edward R Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate.

Nº 193.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
November 30th 1865.

Sir

In reply to your letter to His Excellency the Governor of the 28th instant I am to acquaint you that it is not thought desirable that any penguins should be destroyed in the locality between Cape Carysfort and Cape Dolphin, at any rate for the present. His Excellency cannot therefore comply with your request.

I am Sir
Your Obt Servant
W. Pyne
Colonial Secretary

Lieut. John Phillips
Stanley

Nº 194.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 4th 1865.

Sir.

In reply to your two letters dated respectively the 14th ultimo and the 1st instant, having reference to the lands sold at Public Auction on the 13th of November last, I have to acquaint you that I have come to the following decisions in respect of the several points you have brought to my notice

2. I cannot but think that the explanations

explanations given by the Surveyor General at the time of the sale regarding the Reserve in allotment No. 39 were clear and sufficient; and that you knew perfectly well what you were about when you purchased the land, as offered, for the upset price.

I at once dismiss from my mind the conflicting opinions entertained by the Surveyor General and yourself, on the subject of the absence or presence of water on these Lands. I am influenced alone by the serious importance to the Company's undertaking you seem to attach to the ac= =quisition of the small spot of land in question. I have therefore included the 1 rood 28 perches (Value seventeen shillings) in the Crown Grant No. 164, in compliance with your request.

3. I regret that I cannot assent to offer for sale Allotment No. 40 which has been advertised on the Gazette Board for a month as a Government Reserve and it is of the utmost consequence to the Public welfare that this land should never be allowed to pass into the possession of private individuals. It is my intention also to reserve Allotment No 41 as soon as these plots have been properly surveyed and marked out. but I shall be ready at any time to offer at Public Auction any of the lands lying to the Westward of these Reserves.

4. The Crown Grants as numbered in the Margin, granting the Lands recently purchased by the Company, may be had on application at the Colonial Secretary's Office tomorrow at 12 o'clock. The whole amount due to the Government in respect thereof is £279. 17. 0.

I have &c

(Sd) J. G. MacKenzie
Govr.

Number. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164

Allotment No. 28	£ 52. 17. 0
Allotment No. 29	£ 45. 7. 3
Allotment No. 30	£ 41. 13. 6
Allotment No. 31	£ 55. 0. 0
Allotment No. 38	£ 44. 3. 0
Allotment No. 39.	£ 40. 17. 0

James Lane Esqre
Agent of the F. I. Company
Stanley.

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Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 4th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to return the Queries on my Accounts for the year 1863, transmitted in your letter dated 7th February last, and I trust that the Explanations afforded may be deemed satisfactory.

Enclosures 1 to 12 inclusive

I have &c
(sd) D.G. Mackenzie
Gov.

C. Macaulay Esqre
Secretary to the Commissioners
of Audit
Somerset House.

Copy of Letter from the Audit Office. Somerset House
to H.E. Governor Mackenzie.

Audit Office. Somerset House.
London 7th February 1865.

Sir

I am directed by the Commissioners for Auditing the Public Accounts to transmit to you the following

Nos of Query 1 to 13.

Queries or Observations on the Account rendered by you, as

Governor of the Falkland Islands
for the year 1863.

to which you are requested to write separate Answers hereon in the blank space left for that purpose, and to sign your name with the date at the conclusion of your Answers, and to return this Paper to "The Commissioners for Auditing the Public Accounts, Somerset House, London", within a month after the date of their receipt in the Colony.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Sd) C. Macaulay.
Secretary

To
James G. McKenzie Esqre
&c &c &c
Governor Falkland Islands.

Description of Voucher.	Query or Observation	No. of the Query.
Receipts Vou: 3. March. 1863. Draft No. 9. in respect of Parliamentary Grant £42. 4. 5.	Explanation is requested why this draft altho' drawn on the 24th January was not brought to account until 6th March.	1.
Payments. Vou: 25 January 1863. Repairing Engine Hose & Watering Hose. £1. 0. 6	A Certificate of the Service having been performed is wanting.	2
—"— Vou: 26. January 1863. Repayment of Expenses incurred by the Master of the Barque "Pauline" in procuring the Colonial Mails at Monte Video for conveyance to the Colony £ 0. 12. 6	The particulars of the Expenses are not given — The amount will be provisionally disallowed.	3.
Payments Vou: 45 February. 1863. Hire of Horses for the Surveyor General to proceed into the interior. £ 6. 5. 0	A certificate that these Services were performed is wanting	4
—"— Vou. 46 Guides pay £2. 0. 0		

Answer or Explanation of the Accountants.

1. Draft No 9. on H.Ms Treasury was drawn on the 24th of January but the bill was not taken up nor the money paid until afterwards therefore it could not have been previously brought to account.

(Sd) D.J. MacKenzie
Govr.

2. I hereby certify that the watering hose was repaired as paid for in Voucher 25 referred to.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands
December 5th 1865

(Sd) W.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

3. The Master of the "Pauline", a Bremen Barque, very obligingly offered to convey the Colonial Mails to Stanley from Monte Video (a service for which the Government usually paid £50 or £100) without any charge as he was bound to this Port. When he landed the Mails he however explained to my satisfaction that he had been put to the expense of 12/6 to pay a man to carry the Mails from the British Consulate to his boat — and this amount I at once paid to him.

(Sd) D.J. MacKenzie
Govr.

Surveyor Generals Office.

4. I hereby certify that the horses specified in Voucher 45 were actually employed by me.

(Sd) Arthur Bailey
Surveyor General.

Also that John Peck was employed as guide on that occasion

(Sd) Arthur Bailey
Sur. Genl

Description of the Voucher	Query or Observation	No. of the Query
Payments. Vou 67- March. 1863 Coroners Inquest £4.4	The Certificate on the Voucher is not signed.	5.
Payments Vou: 83 April. 1863. Expenses incurred in Survey of Land. £31. 18. 9	A Certificate from the Surveyor General that the several services were performed, & that the Articles were supplied is wanting. The amount will be provisionally disallowed.	6.
Payments Vou: 95 – May. 1863. Works and Buildings Soldiers Wages. £3. 17. 3.	A Certificate of the employment of the men is requested The amount will be provisionally disallowed	7.
Payments: Vou: 98. May. 1863. Civil Store Department. £12.. 13.. 6. —.. — Vou: 99 Educational — £3. 0. 6 Vou: 101. Works & Buildings £2.. 16. 0 Vou: 121. June 1863. 200 yards of Stacked Peat Fuel £13. 0 —	There is not any Certificate that the Stores in respect of these charges have been received into Store, & as the Store Accounts have not been received later than 31st March 1863 these sums will have to be disallowed — In order to facilitate Examination in this Office it is requested that the date in the Store Accounts where the Stores are credited may be noted upon the Cash Vouchers.	8 & *

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant.

5. The Certificate upon Voucher 67 purported to certify that Mr. Payne was at that time the duly appointed Coroner of the Falkland Islands, and I hereby certify that he was appointed in that capacity

/s/ Ely. MacKenzie
Govr.

6. I hereby certify that the services paid for in Voucher 83 were actually performed under my superintendance, and that the provisions were used.

/s/ Arthur Bailey.
Colonial Secretary.

7. Copy Passport Leave.

8. On enquiry I find that all these Stores were properly accounted for in the Store Accounts for the Quarter ended on the 31st of March 1863 with the one exception of the peat which was from its bulk and nature not received into the Store at all, but stacked in the Dockyard for the use of the Garrison. There has therefore been some oversight in this query.

* This request shall be carefully attended to for the future.

/s/ Ely. MacKenzie
Govr.

Description of the Voucher.	Query or Observation	No of the Query
Payments Vou: 104. May. Administration of Justice. Hire of Horses — £2. 5 .. 10	The Certificate that the men & Horses were employed is not signed — The amount will be provisionally disallowed.	9.
Statement of Military Advances during 1863. Do: on Account of Cape Pembroke. Lighthouse. Do:	It is requested that these Statements may be transmitted.	10.
Statement of Assets & Liabilities. Military Advances. £487 .. 1 .. 4	It appears by the Statement to 31st December 1862 that the amount outstanding on that date was. £ 109 .. 14 .. 2. advanced in 1863 — 1954 .. 15 .. 9 £ 2064 .. 9 .. 11 Repaid during the year 1863 £ 1573 . 8 . 7 apparently outstanding — £ 491 .. 1 .. 4 Shewing a difference of £. 3. 10/. Explanation is requested.	11.

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant.

9. I hereby certify that the men and horses were employed by my orders in the manner specified in Voucher 164.

/s/ Arthur Bailey.
Deputy Chairman of the Courts.

10. The required Statements are appended hereto as required (see page 196.).

/s/ L. J. MacKenzie
for

11. This apparent discrepancy is as follows:
The difference as pointed out on the preceding page is £4.
The discount on Draft No. 1. on the Paymaster General in favour of Ebenezer F. Nye. drawn on the 27th Nov. 1862. was not brought to credit in the Cash Book until the 19th of January 1863. whereas it was accounted for in the Account kept with the War Department on the day the bill was negotiated. Hence it would appear that the War Office were indebted to the Colony for the sum of £4. as above stated - while in reality they had acquitted themselves by accounting for the amount before the expiration of the previous year. Great care will be taken in future to avoid these inconsistent entries.

/s/ L. J. MacKenzie
for

Description of Voucher	Query or Observation	Nr° of the Query
Payments Vou: 13. January 1863. Balance due to the Chaplain for Prizes at the School Examinations in December 1862 £. 2. 6. 0	It is requested that an Account shewing how the Balance in question became due may be sent; and if the amount is not paid as an Allowance the Voucher which may have been taken should be also sent. It is to be observed that this payment has not been included in the Schedule of Special Payments for March Quarter 1863, as was done in the case of the Payment of £ 3.. 13/. for the same Service in the year 1862.	12.

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant.

12. I have the honour to append an Extract from a letter addressed to me by the Colonial Chaplain in which he states the amount he charged for the books supplied by him for distribution as Prizes in the Schools, whereon I paid his bill in the ordinary way.

This transaction was not reported to the Secretary of State for the Colonies because it is very doubtful whether there is any necessity for doing so, inasmuch as the Expense is not strictly speaking a "Special Payment" as contemplated in the Colonial Regulations, since it is duly estimated for in the Estimates laid before, & sanctioned by, Parliament as one of the Contingent disbursements of the Educational Department. If, however, it is thought desirable I shall of course include it in the Quarterly Return of Special Payments.

(Sd) J. G. MacKenzie
Govr.

Extract of a Letter from the Revd C. Bude. M.A to H.E. the Governor. dated 24th Decr 1862

Paragraph. 6.

"There is a balance due to me
"for Prizes issued on Monday last
of Two pounds six shillings

£2..6..0

(Sd) C. Bude. MA.
Colo: Chaplain
& Inspector of Schools

I certify the above Extract to be correct

H Byng

December 1862

No. 196.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
December 4th 1865.

Sir,

I should be glad if you would be good enough to send in the Voucher for the Salary paid on the 1st instant to yourself and the Dispensary Keeper. Strictly speaking your Salary should not have been paid without the production of the usual Pay-lists, but an exception was made for your convenience.

I have &c

(Sd) W.R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary.

Straee N. Watts Esqre M.D
Colonial Surgeon
Stanley.

No. 197.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
December 4th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that His Excellency the Governor has decided to dispense with the services of the men of your detachment upon the Public Works after the expiration of the current week until the end of the year, in order to give them additional time for cutting their peat fuel.

2. They will of course return to the usual duties under the Surveyor General on the 1st of January 1866. And His Excellency instructs me to say that he wishes you fully to explain to your men that this indulgence is not to be understood as a precedent for the future inasmuch as it may not always be practicable to sanction their absence from the works.

I have &c

(Sd) W.R. Pyne
Colo Sec'y

Lieut: G.A. Ellis R.M.L.I.
Comd. Detach.
Stanley

No. 198

Government Offices
Falkland Islands.
December 4th 1865.

Sir.

I am directed to draw your attention to the fact that the last Quarterly Return of the Medical Stores in your charge for the three months Ended on the 30th September last, has not yet been received, and to request that in future you will be good enough to have these Accounts punctually sent in at the Expiration of Each Quarter

2. I also have to desire that the enclosed pay-lists may be properly dated and the declaration signed by you likewise that the date of the Dispensary Keeper may be correctly altered.

I have &c.
[s] St Byng.
Govt. Clerk.

H. N. Walton Lopez M.D.
Colonial Surgeon
Stanley.

No. 199.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 5th 1865

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that I have received your letter of this days date suggesting that it would be desirable to comply with the application of the Master of the "Fairy" as regards the release from prison of John Martin now in Gaol in order that he might ship on board the "Fairy"

2. Your communication contains two important points which forbid my giving an immediate decision

In the first place the prisoner Martin is an Alien, and, therefore, I could not consent to liberate him from custody unless the Master of the "Fairy" is made to understand thoroughly that when he returns to this Port he will not be allowed to permit him to land in the Colony without subjecting himself to the penalties imposed by the Alien Ordinance No. 7. 1853.

Secondly, in respect of his being shipped on board the "Fairy", I am anxious for your professional opinion, as legal adviser to my Government, as to the extent to which the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act 17° & 18° Vict: Cap: 104, apply to this case.

3. I enclose for facility of reference a copy of an Ordinance passed to provide for the application of the Merchant Shipping Act to the Falkland Islands.

4. The "149" Section of this Act runs as follows: "The Master of every Ship, "except ships of less than 80 tons registered tonnage "exclusively Employed in trading between

"different

Edwd R Griffith Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate

&c &c &c

"different ports on the coast of the United Kingdom,
"shall enter into an Agreement with every Seaman
"whom he carries to Sea from any Port in the
"United Kingdom as one of his crew in the
"manner hereinafter mentioned &c &c &c"

5. The 150th Section States. "In the
"case of all Foreign-going Ships, in whatever
"part of Her Majesty's dominions the same
"are registered the following rules shall be
"observed with respect to Agreements: &c &c"

6. The 157th Section imposes a fine not
exceeding Five Pounds upon the Master whenever
the required agreement is not entered into.

7. The 159th Section provides that all
Seamen engaged in Ships registered either in
the United Kingdom or in any British Pos-
session shall be shipped before the proper
authorities.

8. I shall be glad to have the
benefit of your opinion as to whether, or, not,
such Vessels as the "Foam", 71 tons burthen, the
"Fairy", 70 tons, & other similar crafts, are
bound by Law to Enter in Agreements with
their crews in the manner specified in the Act.
Both these Vessels are British Registered Vessels,
their Official numbers being respectively 40.502,
and 26.899. They are evidently under tonnage;
but they cannot be said to be "exclusively em-
"ployed in trading between different ports on the
"coast &c & &c inasmuch they are both
Foreign-going "ships."—

I beg to solicit your early attention to
this subject as seriously affecting the property
and lives of Masters and Crews both clearing
from and entering this Port, because it is no
light matter that a small but privileged class
of Traders should be exempted from the provisions of
an Act passed to check the lawless depredations
& Crimes which hitherto disgraced our Mercantile
Marine.

I have &c
(Sd) D. J. MacKenzie
Collr

No. 200

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
December 6th 1865.

Sir,

I consider it to be my duty as ex officio Shipping Master and Officer of Customs for this Port, to bring to your notice the following provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act 17° & 18° Vict Cap: 104

2. In the first place I enclose a copy of an Ordinance passed to provide for the application of this Act to the Falkland Islands

3. The Schooner "Fairy" is a British registered Vessel of the Port of London, her official number being 26.899.

4. The 46th section of the Merchant Shipping Act authorises "the Officer "of Customs at any Port situate within Her "Majesty's Dominions to refuse to admit any "person to do any Act at such Port as Master "of any British Ship unless his name is inserted "in or indorsed upon the Certificate of Registry "of such Ship as the last appointed Master "thereof"

5. The 19th Section of the Act provides that any Officer of Customs may detain any British Ship until a Certificate of Registry is produced if it is required that such should be done; and I hereby require you to produce to me such certificate before you proceed to Sea.

6. Now, in respect of the Ships Articles of Agreement with the Crew. The 149th Section runs as follows: "The "Master of Every Ship, unless ships of 80 tons registered tonnage exclusively employed in trading

"trading between ports on the coast of the United
"Kingdom, shall enter into an Agreement with
"every Seaman whom he carries to sea from
"any port in the United Kingdom as one of
"his crew in the manner hereinafter mentioned
"&c &c &c"

The 150th Section states. "In the case of all
"Foreign-going ships in whatever part of Her
"Majesty's dominions the same are registered
"the following rule shall be observed with
respect to Agreements &c &c &c"

The 157th Section imposes a fine upon the
Master whenever the required agreement is
not entered into.

The 159th Section provides that all Seamen
engaged in Ships registered either in the United
Kingdom or in any British Possession shall be
shipped before the proper authorities.

7. The "Fairy" is 70 tons burthen;
but she cannot be said to be "exclusively
"employed in trading between different ports
"on the coast &c &c &c. She is, therefore,
not exempted within the scope of the 149th Section
and you are hereby cautioned that should
the "Fairy" while under your command go to
any port or place which shall render her
amenable as a Foreign-going ship to any of
the penalties Inforced by the Merchant Shipping
Act, as herein Referred to, you will be held
responsible for the same.

I have &c

(Sd) W R Pyne
Colo: Sect.

Wm H. Pain
Schooner "Fairy"
Stanley Harbour.

No. 207.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
December 8th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to thank you for your letter of yesterday's date favouring me with your opinions on certain parts of the Merchant Shipping Act.

2. I do not of course presume to assert that my interpretation of the Law is the correct one nor am I in any way accountable for what you inform me has hitherto been the popular opinion here on the subject. I can only say that I have acted upon what I believe to be right, and that I could not do otherwise without feeling that I was wilfully conniving at what I knew to be wrong, and as regards the "serious personal responsibility" to which you allude it seems to me that that should always be a very secondary consideration in the discharge of a Public duty.

3. I regret that I am wholly unable to acquiesce in your arguments, indeed, it is almost impossible to understand what connection there is in your mind between a "Ships' clearance" and a "Free Port."

4. I cannot do wrong in letting you that consistently with the view I hold I should, without the smallest hesitation, have detained the "Fairy" in this Port until the Certificate of Registry had been produced had the Master taken the ill-advised step of declining to produce it.

I have &c

James Lane Esqre
Agent of the Falkland Islds Coys
&c &c

Moreover any disregard of the cautions I have given to him will not be attempted with impunity.

With respect to the unhappy circumstances of the intended cruise of the "Fairy" as depicted in your letter - namely that on board even on the high seas no one "is amenable to "the authority of another, & there is consequently "no Master in the Shipping, or ordinary "sense of the word" - I can only remark that to the best of my belief the Merchant Shipping Act was passed expressly to check & if possible to prevent such lawless irresponsible and disorganized traffic.

6. Lastly you infer that you think it would be advisable to extend the Law of England to the cases in question. I take the liberty of enclosing a printed copy of a Colonial Ordinance No 3. 1857 entitled "An Ordinance to provide for "the Application of the Merchant Shipping "Act of 1854 within the Colony" by which you will see that the Law has been in force here many years. And while I am resolved to compel obedience to its provisions within the sphere of my duty, I confidently rely upon the good sense of all persons concerned to cooperate with me.

I have &c

(Sgd) W. T. Pyne

Colo: Sec: & Shipping Master

No 202.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
December 8th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to favour me with a reply to my letter to you of the 5th instant, at your earliest convenience

I have &c
(s) D. J. Mackenzie
Govr.

Edwd Rigsiffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c

No 203.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
December 12th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date, and while I feel that my public position places me quite above the necessity for noticing the personalities in which you have been pleased to indulge: I, nevertheless, think that I am called upon to point out to you again the erroneous light in which you interpret the 19th section of the Merchant Shipping Act.

2. Ships 'Clearances' are required, legally, in every free port in the world - in Gibralta, I belive, in Hong Kong, and they have been given continually in the Falkland Islands for the last 18 years - If Masters of Vessels neglect to take the precaution of

James Lane Esqre
Agent of the Falkland Islds Compy.
&c &c &c

of obtaining Clearances they do so on their own responsibility entirely.

3. With reference to the concluding paragraph of your letter you will excuse my remarking that the acquiescence of individuals is by no means essential to the operation of a law it is sufficient that they conform to it.

4. My public duties will not allow me to devote more of my time to this fruitless correspondence I would therefore in concluding it observe that I am quite prepared to act upon my own views the correctness of which is too palpable to be open to sound argument

I have &c

(Sd) W R Pyne

Colonial Secretary

See page 183. Query. 10

Falkland

Military

Statement showing

1. The balance due to the Government of the
2. The amount advanced during the year
3. The amount recovered during the year
4. The balance due to the Colonial Government

Advances.

Date.	No. of Voucher on Cash Account	To whom paid and for what Service	Amount £	s.	d.
January. 1st		Balance in favour of Colonial Government as per Account rendered —	109	14	2
" 1st	11	To Cash paid to Captain Molony for Troops.	40	0	0
" 3rd	14	By Staff No 2. " " " Commissariat	97	19	0
" 3rd	15	" " No 3 " " " "	135	0	7
" 7th	17.	By Cash paid " " " Troops	40	0	0
" 19th	18	" " " " " " "	70	0	0
" 31st	27	" " " " " " "	48	0	0
" 31st	28.	" " " " " Commissariat	12	0	0
February. 6th	43	" " " Sundry Persons for hire of Soldiers Cottages	34	0	0
" 7th	44	" " " Captain Molony for Army Services.	35	0	0
March. 30th	65	" " " " " " "	80	0	0
" 30	66	" " " " " Commissariat	20	0	0
April. 2nd	80	" " " Sundry Persons for hire of Soldiers Cottages	16	0	0
June. 19th	120	" " " " " " "	24	0	0
" 19th	122	" " " Captain Molony for Army Services.	55	0	0
" 19th	123	" " " " " Commissariat	9	10	0
July. 1st	134	" " " " " for Army Services.	40	0	0
" 4th	137	" " " " " Commissariat.	133	9	8
" 4th	138	" " " " " "	336	19	4
" 10th	139.	" " " " " Army Services	50	0	0
" 31st	141.	" " " " " " "	80	0	0
August.					
September 1st	169	" " " " " " "	80	0	0
" 26	174	" " " " " " "	70	0	0
" 26	175.	" " " " " Commissariat	18	10	0
		Carried forward — £	16.35	8	9

Islands.

Advances.

Falkland Islands on the 1st January. 1863.
1863.
1863.
on the 31st December 1863.

Repayments.

Date	In what manner repaid	Amount £ s d
January 3rd	Draft No 2. On H.M.s Paymaster General.	97 19 0
" 3rd	" No 3. " " "	135 0 7
April 23rd	" No 4 " " "	400 0 0
July 1st	" No 5. " " "	180 0 0
" 2nd	" No 6 " " "	52 0 0
" 2nd	No 7. " " "	133 9 8
" 2nd	No 8. " " "	330 19 4
" 7th	No 9 " " "	15 0 0
" 7th	No 10. " " "	100 0 0

Carried forward £ 1448 8 7

Advances

Date	No of Voucher or Cash Account	To whom advanced & for what Service	Amount £	s	d
1863.		Brought forward	1635	8	9
October 1st	188.	Cash advanced Capt. Molony for army Services	50	0	0
" 24th	195	" " " " "	60	0	0
" 31st	198	" " " " "	32	0	0
November 1st	199	" " Sundry Persons for hire of Soldiers Cottages	50	0	0
" 28	221	" " Captain Molony for Army Services.	53	0	0
Dec 2 2nd	223	" " " " " "	50	0	0
" 31	238	" " " " " "	64	5	7
" 31.	239	" " " " " "	8	19	3
" 31.	240	" " " " " "	57	16	4
		Total £	2060	9	11

Repayments.

Date	In what manner repaid.	Amount.		
1853				
	Brought forward	1448	8	7
October 15th	Draft No. 11. On W. Mis Paymaster General.	30	0	0
" 16	" No. 12. " " "	50	0	0
" 16	" No 13. " " "	45	0	0
	£	1573	8	7
	Balance due to Colonial Government carried forward to next years Account	487	1	4
	Total. £	2060	9	11

Falkland.

Cape Pembroke

Statement Showing

1. The Balance due to the Government of the Falk
2. The Amount advanced during the year 1863.
3. The Amount recovered during the year 1863
4. The Balance due to the Colonial Government

Advances.

Date	No of Voucher on Cash Account	To whom paid & for what Service.	Amount £	s	d
1863					
January. 1st		Balance brought forward from last years Account	57	9	5
" 6	16	By Cash paid to W. Creed. Lightkeeper Salary for quarter ended 31st December 1862	36	1	11
" 6th	16	" " " " J. Creed			
6th	16	" " " J. Creed. Assistant. for above Quarter.	6	0	0
23rd	20	" " " Falkland Sd Co (Comps) for one ton of Coal. —	3	0	0
February 2nd	40	" " " C. Melville & others for Conveying Stores to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.	"	18	0
March. 3rd	59	" " " Sundry Persons for 50 00 00 —	2	14	0
" 31st	60	" " " " " " " " " —	1	4	0
April. 1st	79	" " " W. Creed. Lightkeeper. Salary for Quarter ended 31st March. 1863 —	36	1	11
" 1st	79	" " " J. Creed. Assistant for above Quarter.	6	0	0
May. 4th	96	" " " Sundry Persons for conveying Stores to Lighthouse	1	10	0
" 11	97	" " " James Lane for 2 tons of Coal at £3 a ton.	6	0	0
" 14th	106.	" " " Sundry Persons for Conveying Stores to Lighthouse	1	4	0
June 1st	119	" " " " " " " " "	1	10	0
July. 1st	135	" " " W. Creed. Lightkeeper Salary for Quarter ended 30th June 1863. —	36	8	2
" 1	135	" " " J. Creed. Assistant for above Quarter	6	0	0
August 1st	153	" " " Sundry Person for Conveying Stores to Lighthouse	1	11	6
September 1st	170	" " " " " " " " "	1	10	0
October. 1st	190	" " " W. Creed. Lightkeeper. Salary for Quarter ended 31st September 1863	36	8	2
" 1st	190	" " " J. Creed. Assistant. for above Quarter	6	0	0
9th	194	" " " Sundry Persons for conveying Stores to Lighthouse	2	8	0
November. 6th	217	" " " " " " "	1	10	0
			251	9	1

. Islands.

Lighthouse.

land Islands on the 1st January. 1863.

on the 31st December. 1863.

Repayments.

Date	In what manner repaid	Amount £ s d
1863		
July. 1st	Draft No 1 dated 20th June 1863. on the Accountant to the Board of Trade. in Repayment of Lighthouse advances.	140 0 0
October. 16th	Draft No. 2. On the Accountant to the Board of Trade for Lighthouse Services	115 0 0
		£ 255 0 0
December 31st	Balance in favour of the Colonial Government carried forward to next years Account.	6 9 1
		£ 261 9 1

No. 204.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 19th 1865.

Sir,

I have been informed that a notice has been affixed to the door of the Government dispensary to the effect that any Messages for the Colonial Surgeon are to be left with a person named MacLauchlan the Keeper of an Inn at the opposite side of the road. This notice also states that the Colonial Surgeon attends at the dispensary upto 11 A.M. and after 6. p.m.

2. In the first place I must desire that this advertisement is immediately removed; and I am sure, on reflection, that you agree with me that it is not reasonable to suppose that any public Officer requiring your professional services would submit to be referred to a neighbouring public house.

3. I have next to request that you will not in future introduce any similar innovations affecting the discharge of your public duties without any previous consent and approval; and I feel myself constrained to acquaint you that strictly speaking it is your duty to be at all times within reach in case you should be required, although, I have no wish to make your attendance at the dispensary or your own house unnecessarily inconvenient to you.

4. In conclusion I wish you to understand that I quite feel that this oversight on your part is attributable only to the very short time you have been in the service.

I have &c—

J. Y. Watts Hope
Colonial Surgeon
Stanley

pp Lt Col MacLeod
Govr.

No 205.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 19th 1865

Sir,

With reference to our conversation some few days ago I have the honour to acquaint you that I have availed myself of your permission, and I have this day appointed you to be a Justice of the Peace next on the Roll to the Stipendiary Magistrate, such appointment will also make you an ex officio Member of the Legislative Council.

I have &c.
(S) Lg MacKenzie
Govr

R. C. Packe Esqr
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No 206.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 19th 1865.

Sir

I have the honour to acquaint You that I have this day appointed Robert Christopher Packe Esqr to be a Justice of the Peace in the place of Charles Cunynghame Turpin Esqr who has tendered his resignation.

I have &
&c.
(S) Lg Mackenzie
Govr

Edward R Griffith Esqr
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No. 207.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
December 19th 1855.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will furnish me in the course of the current week with a list, in duplicate of any Medicines which you may consider likely to be required for the service of the ensuing year beyond those already at your disposal in the dispensary, in order that I may demand what is necessary from England.

2. I have also to observe that the receipt, given you by Doctor MacIntosh for the "Press" suspended in your Accounts for the past Quarter, has not been appended to the Account as stated in a marginal note. I should be glad if you would forward this document to me at your earliest convenience

I have &c &
by J. D. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary.

H. N. Watts. Esqre
Colonial Surgeon. Md.
&— &c &.

No. 208.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 19th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 725. dated the 7th of September last, calling for the transmission of the Cash and Store Accounts of this Government: which have latterly been thrown into arrear owing to the smallness of the Colonial Staff of Officials who have had to perform an unusually pressing amount of public business.

2. I am much pleased to be enabled to forward the Accounts as noted in the margin. which I trust the Commissioners will find satisfactory. And while I express my regret at the delay which has been occasioned it shall be my endeavour to insure more punctuality in future

I have &c.

(Sd) D. J. MacRedie
Lgov.

Cash Account for the Quarter ended 31st of March 1864. with all the Vouchers of Receipt and Expenditure.
Do Do Do
Quarter ended 30th of June 1864.
Do Do Do
Quarter ended 30th of September 1864
Do Do Do
Quarter ended 31st December 1864.
Rent Roll. 1864.
Deposit account. 1864
Statement of Assets and Liabilities - 1864
Store Accounts various Quarter ended on the 30th June. 1863.

Henry Frekerne Esqre
Actg Secretary.
Audit Office.

No. 209.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 19th 1863.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt by the last mail from England of your letter dated June 28th 1863, inclosing a Statement of the Balance of the Blended account of my predecessor, from the 1st of January 1862, to the 22nd of November 1862, and of myself, from this latter date to the 31st of the ensuing December.

2. By this Statement a difference is recorded of £2.. 17.. 6 between the Auditors' Balance and the Accountants Balance, they being respectively £1547.. 2.. 9 & £1544.. 5.. 3.

3. I am informed that I am responsible for this discrepancy therefore, in order to exonerate myself from this responsibility I must ask to be allowed to offer some explanation on the subject.

4. A reference to my Account shows that on the 3rd of December 1862 Voucher CCLXXI., I paid from the Colonial Treasury to Mr. Harbourmaster Deleville the Sum of £2.. 17.. 6 the Voucher stating the same to be an allowance at the rate of sixpence a ton on all water supplied from the Reservoir during the three months of September, October, and November 1862, which amounted to 115 tons. and this Voucher was transmitted with my Accounts.

5. This payment to Mr. Deleville was duly estimated for in the Estimates for

for the financial year 1862-63. and the sanction of Parliament was previously given for the disbursement.

6. I beg to append hereto a copy of the Pilot and Harbour Ordinance No. 8 1853, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof. Also a copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Melville more than twelve years ago, which will show that the payment in question was no new kind of transaction, but one which had featured in all my predecessor's accounts for the last 12 years, and for that lengthened time had been accepted by the Commissioners as legitimate and authorized.

I have &c.

(Sd) I. G. Mackenzie
Gov.

C. L. Ryan Esqre
Secretary. Audt. Office
Somerset House

No. 210.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
December 28th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith the Second of Exchange of a bill on Her Majesty's Treasury for the sum of One hundred and Sixty seven Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Sevenpence Sterling, drawn in your favour, being the amount of Income Tax collected in this Colony from the Salaries of the Government Officers since the 31st of March 1863 up to the 1st of April 1865. £167. 16. 7

I have &c
(Sd) Jl. Mackenzie
Govr.

James Brotherton Esqre
Receiver General of Inland Revenue
Somerset House. W.C.
London.

No. 211.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands
December 28th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to enclose herewith the Second of Exchange of a bill on Her Majesty's Treasury for Seven hundred and fifty two Pounds. three shillings and five pence Sterling, which amount I am directed to request you to be good enough to receive for the General service of this Colony. £752. 3. 5.

I have &c
(Sd) Jl. Mackenzie
Govr.

W. L. Sargeaunt Esqre
Crown Agent for the Colonies.
&c &c &c

No. 212.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands
December 30th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated June 1st 1865. 4450/55. making reference to some former communication of the 13th of the preceding October and trusting that I will not think it too much trouble to reply to your letter.

I have carefully examined the records of my office but cannot find any such letter as that to which you allude. When however, I am made acquainted with its object I can assure you it will afford me pleasure rather than trouble to devote myself to the subject.

I have &c.
(sd) J R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

J. Stansbury Esq.
Asst. Sec. M.L.R.A.

No. 213.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
December 30th 1865.

Sir.

I have duly received your letter of the 12th August last enclosing a letter addressed to you by Serjeant Wildsmith late of the Falkland Islands Garrison Company, having reference to the deposit in

The Revd. G.R. Glei.
Chaplain General
&c &c

in the hands of the Colonial Chaplain here of a sum of money amounting to £37.

I have directed that inquiry should be made in the matter and I enclose a copy of the Chaplains explanations.

I have &c
(sd) L Mackenzie
Govr.

No 214.

Government House
Falkland Islands
December 31st 1865

Sir.

I have the honour to enclose herewith the accounts between this Government and the Board of Trade for the maintenance of the Cape Pembroke lighthouse for the four quarters as noted in the margin, and I trust they may be found correct and satisfactory.

Quarter ended on the
30th March 1864.
Do 30th June 1864
Do 30th September 1864
31st December 1864
Vouchers.

I have &c
(sd) L Mackenzie
Govr

J. H. Farrer Esqre
Secretary
Marine Department
Board of Trade.

No 215.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
December 30th 1865.

My Lords,

I have the honour to report to your Lordships that I have this day drawn the undermentioned bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury on the credit of the Parliamentary Vote in aid of the support of this Government for the current financial year.

£	s	d	
90	0	0	Number Eighty Eight dated 12th December 1865. The sum of Ninety Pounds Sterling drawn in favour of Ann Waller.
100	0	0	Number Eighty nine dated 30th December 1865. The sum of One hundred Pound Sterling drawn in favour of James Forbes.
40	0	0	Number Ninety dated 30th December 1865. The sum of Forty Pounds Sterling drawn in favour of John Smithen.
25	0	0	Number Ninety one dated 30th December 1865. The Sum of Twenty four Pounds Sterling drawn in favour of Messrs Smith Elder & Co.
£255	0	0	

The above bills are all drawn in Exchange for Cash to be Expended in the General Service of the Colony, and were negotiated at par.

I have &c
(Sd) Ly Mackenzie
Gov.

The Right Hon:
The Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury
Whitehall
London.