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LETTERS FROM
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No. 1.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 31st 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will be so good as to submit to the Board of Directors these few remarks on a subject I have much at heart.

I was a passenger on board the "Oneida" on her last voyage out to Montevideo at Rio Janeiro we found the Yellow fever, but the cases were reported as few, and no danger was apprehended by the Passengers, nevertheless the Admiralty Agent Captain Ballston R. N. and a Mr. Marr of the Merchant Marine were taken ill a day or two after leaving Rio - in all probability the fine bracing climate of Montevideo and Buenos Ayres prevented the spread of the infection in the Ship, and the fever confined itself to the two cases alluded to.

Captain Ballston's cabin on the Main Deck was airy and he recovered before I left the Ship on the 19 of March, for these Islands, but Mr. Marr I fear he will not reach Rio alive - nothing could exceed the kindness and attention displayed by Dr. Woods the Company's Surgeon on board, had the Patient been his own son, he could not have taken greater interest in the case, it was one of long painful anxiety to the Doctor, for Mr. Marr was for days given over, lying in his berth quite in extremis

extreme, the fever had left him, but great prostration of strength followed requiring the application of Stimulants every half hour.

Mr Mars's cabin was on the lower deck, where you are aware, the heat is intense in the tropics, now had it been in the Doctor's power to have removed his Patient on the Main Deck or "Sick Bay" as it is termed in the Navy, the result might have been favourable.

I am quite aware that such an arrangement will be difficult to carry out, where space is so much required, yet when you reflect that the Fever will most likely become endemic in Rio and that Passengers fresh from England are so prone to catch the Poison floating in the air, might such an arrangement not only be the means of saving valuable life, but at the same time secure a feeling of confidence in the minds of your Passengers, that in the sad event of epidemical sickness occurring every possible care will be taken of your passengers on board the Company's Vessels; the removal of Patients to a ward marked "convalescent" is well known to have the best possible effect especially in cases where the nervous system is at so low an ebb.

Having served for many years in the West Coast of Africa where the Yellow fever is so frequent, I have felt

felt it incumbent on me to trouble you with these few suggestions, my experience telling me that so fatal as is this type of disease, yet nevertheless it yields to fresh air and to such treatment and attention as that which Dr. Wood in his philanthropy gave to Mr. Marr.

I have &c

(Signed) G. D'Arcy.
Colonel &
Governor, Falkland Islands

To the Secretary
of the Board of Directors.
R. M. W. I. S. P. C.

No 2.

Government House,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands,
April 15. 1870.

My dear Sir.

This little British Settlement, is much in want of female Servants (in fact of female population). I am very desirous of making a beginning in a system of female Immigration on a small scale at first, and Mr. D'Arcy informs me, there are Girls in the Homes belonging to your Church, who have been carefully brought up, and are willing to take service and likely to meet our colonial requirements, and at the same time benefit them.

In the event of your being able to comply with this earnest requisition I will take it as a great favour and thank you very much.

I propose arranging a Government building in such a way as to provide bedding, rations, and cooking apparatus for a limited period sufficient to make six girls and a Matron or Sister comfortable after their voyage until situations offer, and we will engage to take one Girl as Servant at once and moreover board the Matron during her stay at Stanley.

The Falkland Islands Company have several Ships trading from this Port to that of London - Mr. Coleman is the Secretary and his office is upstairs at No. 39. a. Grace Church Street, The City.

He is a very civil, estimable person, most anxious to benefit the Colony, or in any way doing good to others, and for a correct account of the place, let me refer you to the published account in the Colonial Office List, a book on his table: the passage money will be £ 12. 0 each girl - the

Company

Company indeed send out a few Females in their Vessels, recovering the passage by an agreement of service, or by a gradual discharge of debt, but their arrangements limits the immigration to ~~about~~ about one or two a year only -

I am sorry that, even for so good a purpose the revenues of the Colony are not available but I am given to understand that your Mission is in connection with friends to Emigration from London, who are willing to advance funds for the purpose, provided they see their way clearly that Homes and occupation will be found for the Wanderers on arrival at their journey's end.

The length of voyage is 60 days (average) - the climate resembles the north of Scotland - warm clothing required perhaps each Girl had better be provided with bedding as I do not think it is provided on board. September just before the Falkland Island Summer, is the best Month to arrive

Believe me to be
Very faithfully yours
(s-d) G. Dibbs.

Colonel and Governor

The Revd
L. Rivington M. A.

All Saints Church.
Margaret Street
Regent Street.
London.

No 3.

Government House,
Stanley,
April 8. 1870

Sir,

I have received with much pain the correspondence connected with a misunderstanding between yourself and Mr. Dean in reference to the case of two sailors who were alleged to have a boat the property of Mr. Dean in their possession.

It would have been my duty to have animadverted on the tone of Mr. Dean's letter to you of the 6th instant, it is certainly not a temperate one, to a brother Magistrate, moreover it is severe to you, as the official head of the bench of Justices, requiring as you do so much the support of the honorary Justices, but in the present instance I am quite prevented doing so, Mr. Dean only appearing as Plaintiff in the case, and not in this capacity as Justice of the Peace.

I am sorry I have not the power to request Mr. Dean to apologize to you in the present instance, and I do not see how you can as Stipendiary Magistrate refuse to sit with Mr. Dean on the bench.

I am sure on reflection you will see with me that as Police or Stipendiary Magistrate you are at all times liable to reflections on your decisions, indeed as you are aware the London Police Magistrates are frequently prosecuted by unsatisfied Plaintiffs in Courts of Law for alleged illegal decisions.

At the same time in the event of Mr. Dean appealing to me to convene a full bench of Justices, as appears his intention from his letter to you of the 6th instant: I do not see how

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I can legally grant his application, the Delinquents having been already dealt with by you in banco and the case dismissed. And I cannot read the clauses alluded to in Mr. Dean's letter as at all applicable in the present case.

I have &c.

/Signed/ G. D'Arcy

Colonel and Lieutenant Governor

Arthur Bailey Esqr.

Stipendiary Magistrate

No 4.

Government House
Stanley
April 8th 1870.

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I have &c

/Signed/

G. D'Arcy

Colonel & Lt. Governor.

The Honble

Arthur Bailey Esqre

Stipendiary Magistrate.

Government House,

Stanley

April 5th 1870

My dear Mr. Bailey

I would feel obliged by your giving directions to have the Kitchin in Government House white washed.

The house smokes painfully and the chimneys could be topped with a circular hood, moving on a pivot, it might tend to the comfort of the Inmates. This morning not a room

was fit for a Human Being to live in, Mrs D'Arcy nearly fainted!

I take the occasion to add that the Sergeant of Marines had better make his report of daily Colonial work to you, as Colonial Engineer instead of to me as Governor, and will you do me the favour to acquaint Lieutenant Drury of this change — this arrangement need not interfere, with the Sergeants Colonial pay £30 a year — that can continue, but you are the best judge how the work ought to be performed and the labour expended.

Very faithfully yours.

/signed/ G. D'Arcy
Lt. Governor

The Honble
Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.

Government Office,
Stanley
11th April 1870

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Executive Council to be held at this Office on Wednesday next at noon.

I have &c
/signed/ H. Byng.

To Honble Surgeon
W. F. Mac Clinton R.N.

and to
Honble & Revd C. Ball. M.A.

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Government office
Stanley
11th April 1870

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a Meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at noon to-morrow at this office

I have &c.
/signed/ H. Byng.

The Honble
Arthur Bailey Esqre

Government House,
Stanley
12th April 1870

Sir,

In the event of your being able to furnish me with the necessary information desired by the Lords Commissioners with reference to the currency as far as relates to this Settlement, I would feel obliged by your doing so to enable me to answer this Circular by the next Mail.

I have &c.
/signed/
J. D'Arcy
Colonel & Lt Governor.

The Honble
A. Bailey Esqre
Acting Stipendiary Magistrate

Government Office,
Falkland Islands
12th April 1870

Sir,

In reply to your letter of this date I can only remind you of the Survey held on the "Eagle" in which competent sea faring men are of opinion that unless certain repairs are made, she is not sea worthy, / except to cruize round the Islands / with such a qualified report, the Sailors decline to embark and I cannot enforce them to do so.

If you are dissatisfied with my decision, there is the usual appeal to the Magistrate at your command, in which case it will be my duty to furnish them with all the correspondence.

I am Sir,
your obedient Servant
/signed/
H. Byng

Mr T. Morgan
Master of the Schooner "Eagle."

Government Office,
Falklands

To
Captain Robert Mc Cully.
Government Yacht "Foam".

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to instruct you as follows:

1. That you will proceed forthwith with all reasonable speed to to Staten Island.

2. His Excellency's object in sending you to Staten Island is for the purpose of getting off the three men who have elected to remain there, and I am requested by the Governor to impress upon you the necessity of this important duty.

3. You may provided the weather permits assist Captain Wooldridge, to remove the cargo to this Port, and provided also it is not an explosive, combustible, or too bulky a nature.

4. You will not unavoidably detain the Vessel for this purpose, at the expiration of that time you will return with all possible speed to Stanley, and you will be careful not to allow

any person to board your Vessel between Staten Island and here, unless they are in distress and requiring your assistance.

I have &c.

/signed/ H. Byng.
A.A.G. Col. Sec.

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Government House
Stanley
Wed. 13th April 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th inst. requesting I would furnish you with a copy of Mr. Bailey's covering letter to me, accompanying a correspondence connected with a recent police case, in which you were Plaintiff and two Sailors Dalton and O'Halloran Defendants for being unlawfully in possession of a valuable boat by your property.

I am sorry I am unable to comply with your request for inasmuch as I quite agree with you that a Police Magistrate is liable to criticism, yet in a small settlement like the Falkland Islands the mere question of calling in question his judgement on the Bench would be so serious a matter, that I make it an earnest request you will allow the reference to drop, and I am sure Mr. Bailey will in future be more patient in the bench, and more conciliatory towards yourself as a Brother Magistrate, and a Gentleman possessing so large a stake in the Colony.

I have &c. &c. &c.

(Signed)
G. D'Arcy.
Colonel & Lt. Governor.

To
George. M. Dean. Esqr.
&c. &c. &c. J.P.s

Government House,
Falkland Islands
11th April 1870

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that a meeting of the Legislative Council will be held at this office on Monday next the 18th April at noon, for the purpose of amending and extending those portions of the Administration of Justice Ordinance which relate to Juries. A Bill in the form in which it will be laid before the board is herein enclosed for your consideration.

I have &c.

(signed) H. Pyng.

C. E. Turpin Esqre.
&
Arthur Bailey Esqre.

Government Office
Falkland Islands
16th April 1870

Sir,

Much inconvenience having arisen by your having failed to deposit the articles of the Ship under your command, I have now to inform you that unless you meet me at this Office at 10 A.M. on Monday with the necessary documents it will be my painful duty to enforce the penalty.

2. Several distressed British Subjects will probably have to be shipped on board your Vessel; It was my intention to have acquainted

now

you with this information when you called with your papers at my Office.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant
/signed/ H. Byng.

Government Office
Falkland Islands,
18th April 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency to request your attendance at a meeting of the Executive Council to be held at noon to-morrow at this Office.

I have &c. &c. &c.
/signed/ H. Byng.

To the Honble & Revd
Charles Bull. M. A.
and
Dr Mac Clinton

Government Office,
Falkland Islands
19th April 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a Meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at noon at this Office, on Friday next the 22nd of April.

I have &c.
M. Gallwey Hurst
Clerk of the Council.

Hon'ble C. Turpin & Mr. Bailey

Government House.
Stanley.
April 25th 1870.

Dear Mr. Dean.

I am anxious to make things a little comfortable for the Passengers about to come down in the "Foam" this winter, Mr. Griffiths and others, and I understand you have a stove belonging to her, left among Mr. Payne's effects by mistake - now I have one the property of Mr. Payne in Government House, this I will cheerfully send in exchange for the one you have, which so nicely fits the accomodation of the "Foam"

The Stove now in use is liable to burn the cabin and is insufferable hot. I find on looking into matters that my Predecessor's proclamation imposing a tax on Lessees for killing Wild Cattle in the West Falkland Island is dated two months after the Proclamation, under which they bought their leases, consequently it is unjust to make them pay, and I have decided accordingly, and struck out the clauses in your friend Mr. McClymont's lease, and shall be happy to do the same to others if in the same position of course if leases are dated after the 26th of August 1867, the date of Mr. Robinson's second proclamation I cannot do so.

very sincerely yours.

(Sd) G. D'Arcy.

G. M. Dean Esqre. J.P.

Government Office
Falkland Islands.
29th April 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward to you the Account of this Government with the Board of Trade on account of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse for the Quarter ending 31st March 1870.

I have &c
(signed) G. D'Arcy
Colonel
Lt Governor

The Accountant
The Board of Trade
London S. W.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
29th April 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the account current of this Government with the War Department on account of the payment of Pensioners resident in the Falkland Islands, during the Quarter ending 31st March 1870, showing a balance due the Colony of £ 22 6 " 9 " 6. £ 22 6 " 9

I have &c
(signed) G. D'Arcy
Colonel
Lt Governor.

The Under Secretary of State.
War Department.
London.

Government Office.
Falkland Islands
23rd April 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith Ordinance No. 1 of 1870, which passed the Legislative Council on the 22nd of April that it may be enrolled and recorded in the Magistrate's office.

I have &c.
signed - M. Gallwey Hurst
Clerk of the Council.

The Hon.ble
Arthur Bailey Esq.re
Acting Stipendiary Magistrate

Government House,
Falkland Islands,
23rd April 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at this Office on Monday next the 5th of April at two o'clock.

I have &c.
M. Gallwey Hurst.
Clerk of the Council

The Hon.ble
Henry Byng Esq.re

Government House,
Stanley
27th April 1870

Sir,

I am directed by the Lieutenant Governor to express to you his satisfaction at the clean state of the "Foam" Colonial Government Schooner, and the perfect way you handle her gives him every confidence in yourself as her Commander—

Meantime he takes this occasion to request you will do all in your power to keep the "Foam" in her present correct state as a Government Vessel, and His Excellency is of opinion that as the Passengers pay their good money to be conveyed to the Colony from Montevideo a deguate provision ought to be provided for their comfort, it is in this spirit that he has gone to some expense in making a few necessary alterations for their comfort, and he requests you will support him in this essential.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) H. Byng.
Acting Colonial Secretary.

To
Captain Mc. Cully.
Commanding "Foam".

Government House,
Stanley
27th April 1870

Sir,

I wish to express to you in writing what pleasure it gave me to know how well the Government School is conducted in this Colony, I found the Scholars far more advanced than I could have expected — indeed I may with truth place on record and I have had some experience in scholastic training, that their attainments are of a higher order than is to be met with in the village schools at home.

I would suggest that Children of all ages commit to memory pieces of poetry of well known beauty — such as the death of Sir John Moore, the charge of the 300 — the loss of the "Royal George" giving a wholesome exercise to the memory, and at the same time stimulating their knowledge of recent events, the more youthful might in their turn learn simpler verses.

As a matter of discipline and self reliance I would recommend the Boys to do their own fatigue, such as cleaning the School removing broken bottles and old bones from its immediate vicinity — on the coming birthday of the Sovereign it will give Mrs D'Arcy and myself great pleasure to give the children a School treat in the shape of a dinner.

I have the honour to be
Dr Mac Clintock Gentlemen
Inspector of Schools. (Signed) G. D'Arcy.

Government House,
Falkland Islands,
April 28th 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you herewith Ordinance No. 2 of 1870 which passed the Legislative Council on the 25th of April; to be enrolled and engrossed in your office.

I have &c.
signed M Gallwey Shurst
Clerk to the Council

The Honble
Arthur Bailey Esqre
Acting Stipendiary Magistrate

Government Office,
Falkland Islands,
30th April 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the persons named in the margin being a portion of the crew of the Ship "Maid of Athens" of Liverpool, are forwarded to Montevideo per "Foam" as Distressed British Seamen the Ship having been lost by fire off Staten Islands on the 16th February last.

1. James Howard
2 William Farrell
3 Edward Biswell
4. Daniel Lamerhur
5 William Constable
6 John Harvey

I have &c.
(signed)
H. Byng
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Major Pt. J. Munro
H. B. Mts Consul
Montevideo.

Government House,
Stanley
30th April 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to report a distressing case of shipwreck which might have entailed considerable loss of life but for the harbour of refuge the Port of Stanley afforded.

2. The Barque "Maid of Athens" with a general cargo bound from Valparaiso, took fire off Staten Island, (an Island at the Easternmost extremity of Tierra del Fuego) on the 16th February - the Captain run her ashore on the Island, with the fire bursting through her decks, very soon the Vessel was destroyed; with a compass and a small quantity of provisions he ventured to steer for Stanley a distance of 300 miles, in the long boat, with his Wife and six men, and all reached Stanley on the 5th of April, after a 8 days voyage, perfectly exhausted and in a sad estate of destitution.

Three men of the crew having refused to leave Staten Island, considering the boat to small to cross such a tempestuous sea, they elected to remain subsisting on a few provisions saved from the wreck.

I despatched the "Foam" immediately to their assistance she returned in eight days with the rescued men on board.

I am now engaged in sending the crew home as Distressed British Seamen per

per "Foam" via Montevideo to the charge of Her Britannic Majesty's Consul and the accounts in connection with the relief which I have found necessary to afford to these distressed seamen will be duly forwarded by next Mail.

I have &c.

/signed/

G. D'Arcy.

The Assistant Secretary
Marine Department
Board of Trade
London.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
30th April 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Persons named in the make in being the Master and a portion of the crew of the Ship "Maid of Athens" of Liverpool are forwarded to Montevideo per "Foam" as Distressed British Seamen, the Ship having been lost by fire off Staten Island on the 16th February last.

I have &c

(signed) H. Byng.
acty Colonial Secretary.

Major St. John Munro.
H. B. M's Consul.
Montevideo.

Government House.
Stanley.
1st May 1870.

My dear Chaplain.

I have seen your letter to Mrs D'Arcy. Let us I beg be wordly wise, in this Court of Arches matter leave the appropriated pews alone — intact — but make any improvements you like in the unappropriated. After the winter is over perhaps we may do more it will give me time to be firmer in my saddle.

very sincerely yours.
(sd). G. D'Arcy.

The Revd.
Charles Bull M.A.

Government House.
Stanley.
2nd. May 1870.

My dear Major.

The British Merchants of this good town of Stanley have requested me to ask you to be so good as to inform them whether the Mail Bags of this Settlement are detained in Montevideo, waiting the departure of the Royal Mail Packets for Southampton or whether they proceed to the United Kingdom by the first opportunity through France or otherwise?

Very faithfully yours
(signed)
G. D'Arcy
Colonel
Lt. Governor.

Major Munro.
H. B. M. Consul.
Montevideo

Government Office.
Falkland Islands.
May 4th. 1870.

I have the honour to inform you that Mr. E. G. Woldridge Master of the wrecked Barque "Maid of Athens" and his wife proceed this day to Montevideo per "Lotus" instead of the "Fan" by which opportunity the crew were forwarded.

I have &c.

Major Munro.
H. B. M. Consul
at Montevideo.

(Sd)
H. Byng.
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
May 11th 1870.

My dear Bailey.

The house in question belongs to Isaac Smith, and rented by one Frederick King a Carpenter I fancy — do me the favour at leisure to walk up, and see how the soil from his Privy has come out into the Street; and relative to the drains behind the Government Cottages, which are so foul and choked; I think I must really expend some good money at to put them in repair as they are a nuisance to the neighbourhood likely to endanger the health of the community!

If you will employ a Mason under your superintendance I will pay him on your order and voucher — Except a memorandum or notice of 29th November 1848 of Governor Moore's I can find nothing — no law compelling the Inhabitants to clean their immediate drains.

Before the rain comes on the Masons might make one job of it and repair all such drains as Isaac Smith's, so as to prevent the soil spreading over the surface of the ground.

Very sincerely yours.

Lsd/

G. D'Arcy.

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

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
May 4th 1870.

My dear Mac Clinton.

I have received your official let me answer it in this friendly way.

The cards shall be replaced to-morrow they were removed by mistake.

Governor Mackenzie's notice was obliterated by mistake also I will see that it is restored.

Yours sincerely.
signed
Surgeon Mac Clinton R.N. G. D'Arcy.
Stanley.

Government House
5th May 1870.

My dear &c &c

There being many seats lost to the Public by the present distribution in the Colonial Church, I hope you will agree to the alteration made by the names being removed and numbers affixed instead; by these means the public will use those seats left unoccupied. And our Church will I trust be filled by the Inhabitants of Stanley.

By this alteration you will have sittings in No. Pew the same pew as you have always had, and these sittings will be of course retained for you till after the second lesson.

To the Colonial Secretary.
Dr. Watts
Dr. Mac Clinton R.N.
Lt. Dewing R.M.
F. Lobb Esqr.

Very faithfully yours.
/Sd/ G. D'Arcy

Government House.
May 5th 1870.

My dear Sir.

Will you please send the two printer boys to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, they can come to the office.

The Printer's salary is to be settled by you now, as well as the one of the boys, and the Governor will abide by your decision.

I am, my dear Sir
yours truly.
signed. M. Galloway Hurst.

The Honble & Revd.
Charles Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
May 6th 1870.

My dear Bailey.

If you possibly can get the Stove up in the Church to-morrow pray do so, as it is getting cold, and I am anxious to make it as comfortable as possible.

I have the pleasure to send you £1 as my subscription toward the proposed wall round the Cemetery, after you have received all subscriptions - put up tender for the work, and I will pay from Colonial funds

£1. 0. 0.

funds the deficiency – I should like this good work to be concluded before the flying Squadron arrives – nothing in the present day, lends to mark a Christian Community so much, as a well cared for last home.

I have successfully made some deodorizing powder for my W. C, by simply burning peat into a powder – a shovel full of this I throw daily down the valve, and all smell is removed, this simple inexpensive contrivance might with advantage be adopted in Stanley.

Very sincerely yours.
(signed)
G. D'Arcy.

The Hon.ble
Arthur Bailey Esq.re
Surveyor General.

Government House
Falkland Islands
May 7th 1870.

My dear Chaplain.

Except in the case of the Surveyor General it is Nemine contradicente, that they won't have it – they all object to be doubled up. I have seen Lt. Drury and Dr. Watts this morning.

Consequently be good enough to direct the Clerk to act to-morrow as if the old arrangement was in force, and as you say we have done some good in getting rid of the names and Notice!

Very sincerely yours
(sd) G. D'Arcy.

The Revd. Charles Ball. M.A
Colonial Chaplain –

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
11th May 1870.

My dear Captain Tacke.

I find that Mr. Mc Clymont applied for ground in the West Falkland under Mr. Robinson's Proclamation of 21th June 1867 which makes no royalty reservation of wild cattle. Subsequently to this Proclamation on the 21 August 1867, His Excellency publishes a Proclamation claiming the royalties – this document Mr. Mc. Clymont ignores as an arrière pensée, and appealed to me to allow the wild cattle to be feræ naturæ, as ruled they were, by the Sovereign in council as far as the East Falkland was concerned – and Ruled that all farms granted between June and August ought to be unshackled by Government retention of the wild cattle – but, of course subsequent to the 26th August if farms were granted, I could not alter what was made law by a Proclamation, except by an Ordinance annulling it.

Very sincerely yours.
(signed)
C. D'Arcy.

P. S. The date of the lease 5th February 1870, does not affect the subject.

Captain R. Tacke.
Stanley.

Government Office
Falkland Islands
11th " May 1870.

Sir,

Herewith I beg to forward Statements of the Money Order business of this Colony for the Quarters ended 31st December 1869, and 31st March 1870 together with a Bill on the Paymaster General for Four hundred and twenty and twenty nine pounds, seven shillings, and four pence Sterling, being the balance due on the 31st March 1870, as per enclosed account. £ 429 " 7 " 4

I have &c
(signed)
H. Byng.
Colonial Postmaster

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To the
Receiver and Accountant General.
General Post office
London.

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands
20th " May 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your application in favour of Mr " C. H. Williams renting Weddell Island from the Government, I have to inform you that Mr " Smith late of Buenos Ayres reported to me to-day that Mr " Hart has waived all claim of

Weddell

Weddell Island in his favour, and that he has a letter from Mr. Hart to that effect, and is moreover prepared to pay for his occupation.

Now although you must be aware that in default of a lease being concluded, either by a tender of money, or the execution of a lease, the land reverts to the crown, yet in all courtesy I feel bound to pay attention to the wishes of a gentleman who holds my Predecessor's official letter granting him the land and I am naturally loath to come to a decision on this point until I hear further from you to what extent your friend Mr. Williams was led to believe he was Mr. Hart's nominee in succession to the grant in order that I may decide on the rival claims for the Island as soon as possible as Mr. Smith is desirous of returning to Montevideo by the "Foam" on the 7th inst.

I have &c.
signed
G. D'Arcy
Colonel and
Lt. Governor.

J. E. Cobb. Esqre.
Manager for the
Falkland Islands Company.

Stanley.

Government House.
Falkland Islands
23th May 1870.

My dear Mac Clinton.

On the occasion of the birthday commemorated this year at Government House by a treat, I am desirous of expressing how pleased Mrs D'Arcy and myself were at the good behaviour of the children even under the excitement of the games after tea!

Such discipline reflects the truest credit on those who have the duty of inspecting the school, and on the more immediate Teachers the Schoolmaster and his Wife — indeed the children conducted themselves like little gentlefolk.

Yours sincerely.
signed.
G. D'Arcy.

Dr. Mac Clinton R.N.
Inspector of Schools.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 28th 1870.

My dear Bailey.

A wanton cow jumped the fence of the Marine Gardens and has done considerable damage which will come before you next week in your capacity of Magistrate, I am sorry to say causing bad feeling, now can you spare your unskilled marine labour,

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next week to repair the fence here and there? I inspected it this evening and there are only two or three places damaged, and might be soon raised — I see you have made a good job of the drain behind the Government Cottages, better now clear out the large drain which runs from East to West, above the town, to prevent the water from making its own way about the Streets, as I fear it is choked.

Hilton came to me about the Jetty he smashed with a long story, but I told him to make a liberal offer for the wreck and we would say no more about it — from all I can hear the jetty is of no use.

Yours sincerely.
signed
J. D'Arcy.

Arthur Bailey Esq^re
Surveyor General.
Stanley.

Government House.
Stanley.
28th May 1870.

My dear Mac Clinton.

I have requested the Surveyor General to devote the Cemetery fencing to the School ~~play ground~~. In the meantime would you do me the favour to direct the Boys to collect all the stones in one pile together with the rags, bottles, &c and they might also level the centre, so as to form it into a broad cricket ground, and I will send

send home for bats, balls, and wickets. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy". I have relieved the Schoolmaster from his menial laborious duties of Sexton and Church Cleaner, but I cannot raise his pay just yet till I can estimate for it. I think there is grass seed at the Falkland Islands Store for sale — the raised spot will soon be green like the rest.

Yours sincerely.
signed.
G. D'Arcy.

Dr. Mac Clinton. R. N.
Inspector of Schools.
Stanley.

Government Office.
Falkland Islands
1st June 1870.

Sir,

I beg leave to acquaint you that I have received a letter from the Manager of the Falkland Islands Company complaining that a letter addressed to the "Advertisement Department of the Times, Printing House Square London" had failed to reach its destination.

I shall feel obliged if you will cause inquiry to be made on the subject and acquaint me with the result.

I have &c.
signed
H. Byng.

W. J. Page Esqre.
General Post Office. London.

Government House.
Stanley.
1st June 1871.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, acquainting me that a letter forwarded by the Mail at the end of last December addressed to the "Advertisement Department of the Times, Printing House Square: London, has never been received and in reply I have to state that the necessary inquiries shall be made and the result forwarded to you.

I have &c.
Signed.
H. Byng.
Postmaster.

J. C. Cobb. Esqre.
Manager for the
Falkland Islands Company.
Stanley.

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
1st June 1870.

Your Excellency.

I have the honour to receive Your Excellency's Despatch of the 7th April 1870 addressed to my Predecessor in the Government of these Islands, Mr. Robinson, asking for information upon the fate of the brothers Jean Louis Leau alleged to have arrived

arrived in the Falklands from Buenos Ayres.

I am sorry to have to communicate that one poor man of that name was murdered on the 24th of February 1854, by one Hilario Córdova, a Chilian, at the door of a tavern in this town; it appears that Hilario Córdova suffered the extreme penalty of the law for having quarrelled with Jean Constau in a tavern and then displayed malice aforethought by proceeding to his own house for the purpose of procuring a knife with which weapon he stabbed Constau to the heart, on stepping out of the tavern!

If Your Excellency requires it I will forward the voluminous minutes connected with the Coroner's Inquest and the Judge's notes on Cordova's trial meantime I have the honour to forward the Registrar's certificate of death.

It does not appear that another of the name (a Brother) ever arrived in the Falklands.

I have &c.
signed
G. D'Arcy.
Colonel and
Lt. Governor.

To
Monsieur
I. I. Fleury.
Consul General
for France
London.

Government House.
Stanley.
June 1st 1870.

Revered Sir,

I take occasion to suggest for your

your consideration the necessity of curtailing somewhat the Morning Service having remarked how impossible it is for the School Children to remain quiet for so long a time.

Subject of course to your superior knowledge on such subjects, I throw out this sketch of Divine Services for your adaption or otherwise.

The Holy Communion might be celebrated every Sunday Morning: at 8 o'clock Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11 o'clock with the Litany at 3 —

This change need not interfere with your Monthly mid-day celebration but will I hope give the Inhabitants more opportunities of attending Divine worship.

I have the honour to be
Reverend Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
signed
G. D'Arey
Colonel and
Lt. Governor.

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

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
1st June 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose for your information, copies of a despatch with an enclosure I have received from Earl Granville to the effect that Captain His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh is expected to honour this Settlement with a visit in the "Galatea" about the last week of February 1871, and I have to request that you will be so good as to make the contents of this despatch known to Major Munro our Consul at Monte Video.

I have &c.
signed.
C. D'Arcy.
Colonel and
Governor.

To
Captain Buckley R.N.=V.C.
Commanding H.M.S. Ship "Pylades".
Senior Naval Officer.
South America.

Government House.
Stanley.
June 2nd 1870.

My dear Gentlemen.

It appears to me in reference to our School, that the organization admits of improvement as far as the scholastic superintendence is concerned.

It is impossible for two persons however zealous to do justice to 90

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odd, little minds, I am aware that the monitorial system is difficult to establish with our limited means, but I think something might be done in this line, the Government paying for the superintendance by enlisting grown up Persons in the good work who would not be above receiving consideration for their time.

Such assistance might be found amongst the Royal Marines — or from young married women such as Mrs Degenhart.

These are but suggestions thrown out for your considerations. If you will give this matter attention I will take it as a great favour.

Yours sincerely.
Signed. G. D'Arcy.

E. R. Griffiths Esqre
and Surgeon Mac Clinton R.N.
Inspectors of Schools.
Stanley.

The Governor is disappointed at the way the log of the "Foam" has latterly been kept, the log ought to be entered day by day, in the columns devoted for that purpose, otherwise it is not fit to be taken before a Magistrate as an evidence in alibi.

Moreover this book is liable to be called for at any day by the Board of Trade. The Governor requests that the

Log

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Log may be sent to him after each voyage — as there is not a book in the Colony of more consequence than this same log.

The Officer in command of
the Schooner "Foam."

Government House
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
June 4th 1870.

Sir

Mr. Smith has failed to procure any proof that Mr. Hart has transferred his right to Weddell Island in his Mr. Smiths' favour, this Gentleman has however requested I would grant him time, to communicate with Mr. Hart at Montevideo — in answer I have informed Mr. Smith that I have no objection to let the license for Weddell Island remain in abeyance for a reasonable time, but that in default of a document of transfer being forthcoming I feel bound to grant the Island to Mr. Williams for his Brother having on the 4th of April given him the refusal of the Island in the proviso of Mr. Harts waiving his claim.

I have &c
signed.
G. D'Arcy.
Colonel and
Governor.

To
Frederick. C. Cobb Esqre
Manager for the
Falkland Islands Company.
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley
June 11th 1870.

Sir,

I have no objection to keep the licence for the occupation of Weddell Island in abeyance for a reasonable time till you can communicate with Mr Hart, but in the absence of any document from that gentleman, I feel myself bound to grant it to Mr Williams, having on the 11th of April given to Mr Williams the refusal of the Island in the event of Mr Hart waiving his claim.

In the event of my not being able to grant you Weddell Island, it will afford me great pleasure to offer you one of the Reserves, it being a great object to secure Gentlemen Farmers on the Islands whose influence is so much felt in our community.

I have &c
signed
G. D'Arcy
Colonel and
Governor.

W. Smith Esqre
Stanley.

Government House.
Stanley.
8th June 1870.

Sir,

I am requested by His Excellency the Governor to forward to you herewith, a copy of a letter from the Admiralty intimating that it is proposed, to despatch a Flying Squadron, consisting of the force specified, to visit the places named, including the Falkland Islands.

I have &c.

signed.
H. Byng
Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Revd. T. Bridges.
Keppel Island.

Government House.
Stanley.
8th June 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to transmit to you a copy of a letter which he has received through the Secretary of State from Professor Huxley, suggesting that photographs might be collected from the various colonies having much Ethnological value as illustrating the peculiarity of the various races within the British Possessions.

His Excellency would be glad if it should be in your power to further this design and to receive any suggestions or assistance you may be able to give.

I have &c.
H. Byng.
Colonial Secretary.

The
Revd. T. Bridges.
Keppel Island

Government House
Stanley.
8th June 1870.

Sir,

In reference to your letter of the 28th May 1870 I have now the honour to inform you that on your tendering £ 117 „ 11 „ 8 to the Colonial Secretary, I am prepared to sign a lease recognizing him Mr. Williams as Lessee of No. 9 Station with an understanding that the amount for Weddell Island is to stand over until next August.

£ 117 „ 11 „ 8.

I have &c
signed
G. R. Otley
Colonel and
Governor

J. C. Bobt Esqre.
Manager for the
Falkland Islands Company
Stanley.

Government Office
Stanley.
9th July 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a Meeting of the Executive Council to be held at this Office on Saturday next the 11th of June, at two o'clock.

I have &c
signed
M. Gallwey Hurst
Clerk to the Council.

The Honble
C. R. Griffiths
W. Byng & Dr. MacClinton.

Government House.
Stanley.
June 10th 1870.

My dear Bailey.

I omitted to mention that I yesterday made a direct requisition on your Aid-de-camp Kelway to make a green baize double door to the bed room, as my Wife complained last night of the draught now that the wind has come southerly, some red baize cloth I purchased at Dean's for the purpose will do - hereafter perhaps I may be able to squeeze the amount into a public charge, as it is a fixture.

Lt. Drury has pointed out to me that his office stove wants repair, I think it is past repairing and a new one had better be purchased as Barrack property, moreover you have no Smith. Had we not better write to the Admiralty for one.

Yours sincerely.
signed.
G. D'Arcy.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.
Stanley.

P. S. I am so pleased that you have managed so well with the drains that is a right good job done — an oblique cutting from the proper left of the Marine Cottages to the reservoir might carry off the accumulation of water that is just above Parry's house — making all the ground there a sponge.

I have sent two old Government-

Government lamps to Montevideo to be repaired and to purchase one, when they arrive I want you to be good enough to erect three wooden posts about three feet high with a hold fast for the lamps — to prevent if possible a repetition of the calamity that took place on the 28th ultimo — oil we have in store and will be well applied.

Government Office.
Stanley.
13th June 1870

Sir,

£285. 4. 0 I beg leave to inform you that the sum of £285. 4. 0 being the rent of the lease of your district on the West Falkland became payable on the 21st April last, and I have to request therefore that you will make the necessary arrangement for the payment of the same.

I have &c.
signed.
H. Byng.
Acting Colonial Secretary.

W. H. Bertrand Esqre.
Darwin Harbour.

Government House.
Stanley.
11th June 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th instant in which you apply in the name of Mr Williams for the Reserve at Fort Albermarle.

I have taken into consideration the fact that Mr Kean posesses considerable more land than Mr. Williams, nevertheless as the priority of application rests with the former Gentleman I feel bound to abide by it.

I have &c
signed.
G. W. Grey.
Colonel and
Governor.

To
J. C. Cobb Esqre
Manager for the
Falkland Islands Company.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
11th June 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Executive Council to be held at this office to-day the 11th of June.

I have &c
sd. M. Galloway Hurst.
Clerk of Council.

The Hon'ble
C. R. Griffiths
H. Byng and
W. F. MacClinton.

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Government House. Stanley
Falkland Islands
11th June 1870.

My dear Bailey.

Mr. Griffiths has waived his right to the pew next to ours, preferring one near to the door, will you take his as it is vacant.

It appears that the pew you now hold by the last arrangement in conjection with Lieutenant Drury is too small for two families.

Mr. Bull quite agrees with me in this arrangement.

Will you do me the favour to tell Hilton that the wood of the jetty is required for government purposes, but that all things considered he is not to be troubled for having carried away the jetty on the occasion of the regatta.

Very sincerely yours.
sd. G. D'Arcy.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
15th June 1870.

My dear Turpin.

I have requested the Clerk to send out a notice for a Legislative Council on Saturday at 2 o'clock and I have also made arrangements that you will be provided with

with a draft of the proposed ordinance. I find it quite impossible to carry on the government without more money, the Parliamentary Grant being reduced from £5,800 to £3,800 in three years is alarming consequently I have proposed and the Executive Council have agreed to the necessity of the measure) an indirect tax on the community by placing an impost on all spirituous liquors, wines &c. to a reasonable amount and I request for your support on this occasion.

Very sincerely yours.

sd. G. D'Arcy.

C. C. Turpin Esq^re.

Government House
Stanley.
16th June 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at this office on Saturday the 18th of June at two o'clock.

I have &c.

sd. M. Gallwey Hurst.
Clerk to the Council.

The Hon^bles
E. R. Griffiths Esq^re
and C. C. Turpin Esq^re.

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Government House, Stanley
17th June 1870.

My dear Bailey.

Drury has asked me for the loan of a cell in the jail, for a military Defaulter his own guard room lock being broken, I pointed out that this was illegal and that I would get the guard room repaired without loss of time.

He has 6 shillings to hand over to you a stoppage from the man who kicked through the wood, this money might be extended in the purchase of timber to make the necessary repairs.

Perhaps you would be good enough to let the man repair it the first thing to-morrow and oblige

Yours sincerely.

sd. G. D'Arcy.

Arthur Bailey Esqre.
Surveyor General.

Government House, Stanley,
Falkland Islands.
18th June 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a letter I have received from Dr. Wells the Colonial Surgeon of these settlements in which he sets forth a claim to a fee of 10 Guineas for having attended one of your establishment on an occasion of moment.

It having been ruled by the Secretary of State that 3 shillings a mile is a fair charge, I wish to press the liquidation of this

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this debt on your consideration for the sake of the principle it involves, which if any way ignored might be productive of a line of conduct on the part of Colonial Surgeons injurious to suffering humanity.

I have
sd G. D'Arcy.
Colonel and
Governor.

W. L. Waldron Esqre
West Falkland.

Government House, Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
23rd June 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have drawn the undermentioned Bill on Her Majesty's Paymaster General in repayment of sums expended by me in the payment of Pensioners resident in the Colony.

No. 5 dated 23rd June 1870 in favour of Henry J. King & Co. for the sum of One hundred Pounds Sterling = exchange at par.

This Bill is drawn against the balance due the Colony by the War office on the 31st March 1870, as per account rendered to that Department.

I have
sd G. D'Arcy.
Governor.

The Right Honble
The Under Secretary of State.
War Department
Pall Mall. London

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Government House.
Falkland Islands.
23rd June 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that I have drawn the following Bill on the Accountant of the Board of Trade in repayment of sums advanced for the support of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Date of Bill.	In whose favour drawn	For what service	Rate of exchange	Amount.
23rd June 1870	Robert Sittlejohn	Lighthouse abroad.	At par	30 " 0 " 0.

The Accountant
Board of Trade.

Government Office.
Falkland Islands.
23rd June 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward to you the enclosed requisition for stationery books and garden seeds for the services of this government, and to request that you will be so good as to cause them to be transmitted if possible, by the Mail Steamers leaving Southampton about the 10th of October and addressed to Her Majesty's Consul at Montevideo.

I have &c
sd H. Byng
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Office of the Agents
General for Crown Colonies.
London.

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Requisition for Stationery.

1 Ream demy.
5 " extra thick blue laid. f.c.p. 1 Ream to be Stamped
3 " " " cream.
1 " " " vellum.
1 " ruled f.c.p. white.
2 " scribbling paper.
4 " letter " 2 reams to be stamped.
4 " note " 2 " " " "
1 " extra thick blotting paper.
4 Despatch boxes (2 large and 2 small size).
4 boxes elastic bands.
1 Gross magnum bonum steel pens. M. and F.
1 gross (vellum labels for despatch bags on Her Majesty's service printed.
3 " paper fastener.
1 Seal for Magistrates Court.
6 Bottles of black ink (quart)
800 foolscap official (camee stamped)
800 letter, 300 of which to have Governor printed in left hand corner (camee stamped)
1000 note 300 of which to have Governor printed in left hand corner.
4 Packets quill pens.
6 Memorandum books.
6 bottles liquid glue.
1 dozen lead pencils. ½ of each Red and blue (of each)
½ 2 "

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands
June 24th 1870.

Colonel D'Arcy the Governor of the Falkland Islands, presents his compliments to Mr. Jones and regrets extremely to hear that vessels fitted out and trading to the Falkland Islands should have so far forgot themselves as to appropriate property belonging to the Welsh colony of Chupat.

Colonel D'Arcy has consulted with Mr. Griffiths the Chief Magistrate of these Islands on the subject and a prosecution against the offenders will at once be undertaken if Mr. Jones will specify the names of the parties who are supposed to have committed the outrage or furnish the Governor with the names of the vessels in fact give any clue whereby the Guilty may be punished.

Mr. Jones.
Chupat Settlement.

Government House, Stanley
Falkland Islands.
27th June 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 10th of June applying that the reserve called White Rock might be granted to Mr. Waldron I have the honour to reply that it was promised some time ago to the Surveyor General.

I have &c
sd. G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor.

J. E. Cobb Esqre
Stanley.

Stanley
June 28, 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a Meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at this office on Thursday next the 30th of June at two o'clock.

I have &c
Sd. M. Galloway Hurst
Clerk to Council.

The Hon'bles
C. R. Griffiths and
C. C. Turpin.

Government House, Stanley
Falkland Islands.
28th June 1870.

Sir,

To enable me to answer a letter I have received from Mr. Powell, Commercial Agent for the United States in reference to the estate of the late William H. Smiley, I have the honour to request that you will inform me if I am correct, when I state that the Court of Administration ruled that the debts due to this estate in question were to be paid in the first instance to Messrs. Dean and Co. as the then Consular Agent of America, but it now appears from Mr. Powell's letter that the Revd. Mr. Bull as Administrator for the estate of Messrs. Goss & Co. has paid their liabilities direct to Mr. Powell which step without the sanction of your Court seems to me irregular.

Furthermore, am I correct in

in stating that your Court is about to meet to take into consideration further steps in the adjudication of the estate?

I take this opportunity to request your Honour will on the occasion of the investigation extend the courtesy of a seat on the bench to Mr. Powell, it may be the simple means of conciliating this old Functionary and perhaps of retaining kindly feelings between this little British Settlement and our powerful Neighbour.

I have &c
sd. G. D'Arcy.
Colonel and Governor.

The Honble
E. K. Griffiths Esqre
Chief Magistrate.

Government House.
July 1st 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a Meeting of the Executive Council to be held at this office to-morrow the 2nd of July at two o'clock.

I have &c
sd M: Gallwey Hurst.

The Hon'bles
E. K. Griffiths.
H. Byng and D. MacClinton.

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Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
1st July 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of June 28th in reference to the estate of the late William H. Smiley an American Citizen late a resident of these Islands.

I find on inquiry that on the 5th of March 1868, Mr. Bailey and Mr. Dean were appointed administrators and Trustees under the Court of Ordinary to look after and collect the estate of the late William H. Smiley with the consent of Mr. Gibson on the part of Admiral Davis the then Acting Consul General of the United States - consequently as the law at present stands it is for these Gentlemen to receive all debts due to the estate; but as the Government of the United States of America is now represented in this British Settlement by yourself, I would suggest that you apply for power from the Court to call in all funds and papers relating to the intestate estate of this American Citizen and I have no doubt but that you will receive the power you require.

I am grieved to hear that you complain of a want of courtesy during the exercise of your official duty, and I trust it may prove to have arisen from some misconception and not from any insular arrogance. I beg of you to rest assured that

that at all times you will receive from me the prompt courtesy and attention which is your due not only from the high social status you hold in the settlement, but from your exalted official position.

I have &c
sd G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor.

Joseph Powell Esqre
Commercial Agent
for the United States.

Falkland Islands
11th July 1870.

Sir,

I beg to furnish you with a statement of the Money Order transactions of this Colony with the United Kingdom, for the quarter ended 30th June 1870.

I have &c
sd H. Byng
Postmaster

The Receiver and
Accountant General.
General Post Office
London.

Falkland Islands.
11th July 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward to you herewith a Bill on the Paymaster-General for the sum of three hundred and thirty three pounds

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pounds, two shillings, and six pence Sterling which includes the per centage on all orders payable in the United Kingdom for the quarter ended 30th June 1870.

You will perceive that I have omitted to deduct Seven pounds, ten shillings, the sum paid on an order issued in England, but this deduction will be duly accounted for in my next account. £ 7 . 10 „ 0.

I have &c
s/d H. Byng.

To the Receiver
and Accountant General
General Post Office
London.

Stanley.
July 8th 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at this office on Saturday the 9th of July at two o'clock.

I have &c
s/d M. Galloway Hurst.
Acting Clerk to the Council.

The Honbles
E. R. Griffiths
Chief Magistrate.
and C. C. Turpin.

Cape Pembroke Lighthouse
8th July 1870.

Sir,

The only instruments by which all my observations have been made, since my arrival in the Colony from October 1865 are those which I have specified above, and I am sorry to say that the Thermometers now in use at the Lighthouse are difficult to read, and the Thermometer screen is also in a sad state, and I think it would be well if these could be replaced by new ones.

I am, Sir,
your obedient Servant
Sd H. R. Penney

W. H. Scott Esqre
Director.

Meteorological Office.
116 Victoria Street.
London. S. W.
22nd November 1869

Sir,

According to our Returns, the Instruments mentioned in the following List were supplied to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, Falkland Islands, and received by the Colonial Secretary 31st March 1869. No information having been received with respect to them, since that period — and being desirous of ascertaining their present place and condition —

I request that you will be good enough to state on the other side —

Whether these Instruments are still in use at the Lighthouse and whether the observations sent to this office from the Lighthouse, have been made continuously with them, or whether they have been transferred or returned — with such particulars as you may be able to give.

I am, Sir,
your obedient Servant
Sd Robert H. Scott. Dr

To H.E. W.L.J. Robinson, Governor of the Falkland Islands.

List:

Instruments.	Remarks.
1 Marine Barometer. Adie. B. S. 231.	1 Marine Barometer. Adie. B. S. 231.
6 Thermometers.	and Thermometers.
Casella # 61	—
" " 62	—
" " 63	63.
" " 64	64. is all I have at
" " 65	" the Lighthouse.
" " 66	" sd William H. Bonney.
1 Thermometer screen.	Principal Lightkeeper.

Sir

The only Instruments by which all my observations have been made since my arrival in the Colony, from October 65 are those which I have specified above, & I am sorry to say that the Thermometer now in use at the Lighthouse are difficult to read, and the Thermometer screen is also in a sad state, & I think it would be well if new could be replaced by new ones

I am, Sir
Your Ob. Sv.
H. D. Bonney
R. St. Scott Esqr.
Director

Government House Stanley
Falkland Islands
2th July 1870

Sir,

In answer to your letter of this days date, I wish you would be good enough to specify the proof, you are prepared with, that His Excellency Governor Robinson promised you the reserve known as Rincon del Moro.

In the meantime until I can procure more information on the subject, I have prohibited Mr. Petaluga from exercising any right of proprietorship over the debatable ground in question.

I have &c
sd G. D'Arcy.
Colonel and Governor.

Mr. Robert Greenshields
care of the Revd E. Bull.

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Government Office
Falkland Islands
27th October 1870

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward you answers and Observations to certain Queries, ~~heretofore~~ respecting the Board of Trade Account with this Government.

I have &c
A Byng
Colonel

The Accountant
Board of Trade

No 8309.
No 51 to 55.

No Finance Department
Board of Trade
16th Feb. 1871.

Cape Pembroke LightHouse.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Trade to transmit to you the within Queries and Observations that have arisen on your account with this department for the Quarter ending 30th June 1869, to which I am to request that separate answers and explanations may be given with the least possible delay.

I am, Sir,
your obedient Servant
sd R. C. C. Hamilton.
Accountant.

2 Sets of Bills enclosed.

sd A. G. C. Hamilton

To
The Governor
Falkland Islands.

Description of Voucher.	Query or Observation.	No.
Voucher 117		1.
Wages of Lightkeepers £52 „ 10 „ 0 includes H. R. Benney £5 „ 10 „ 0	It is observed that no Income tax has been deducted from this salary. It is requested that the necessary corrections and deductions may be made, and the amounts brought to account as early as possible.	This deduction has already been made.
Voucher A.		
Colonial Government For Coals supplied from 1st July 1869 to 30th June 1869, 21 Tons @ 55/ per ton. £57 „ 15 „ 0.	This consumption of Coal is stated by the Governor to extend over 25 months at an average of one ton per month, and that in future the Coal will be charged for as supplied. It is requested that this large consumption of Coal may be explained, as in answer to a Query on the accounts to 31st March 1858 the Governor informed the Board of Trade that he had fixed the Fuel allowance at 6½ Tons per year, the quantity now charged for being nearly double that allowance.	2. Since the alteration in the Lightkeepers dwelling there have been additional fire Places, and it has been observed that since the increased allowance of coal the Light Keepers has never found it necessary to send back their oil & in fact it is found impracticable efficiently to carry on the duties of the Light House with this additional supply of fuel. It is to be remembered that in our severe climate fires at such a place as Cape Bonavista have

Description of Voucher	Query or Observation	Answer or Explanation of the Accountant
ther 188 A.E.Foss & Co nveyance of Oil d Stores to Ex Store Receipt signed C Bush dministrator to Estate of A.E.Foss.	(3) The payment appears to have been due to A.E. Foss & Co. It should be explained why it was to the Administrator of J.N. Foss	(3) The Wife of J.N.Foss requires the business to be carried on and this is done under the designation of A.E.Foss & Co.
alance from t Account £ 295 .. 9 .. 11. uld be £ 295. 19. 11 alance to next count £ 80. 1 .. 1 ould be £ 80 . 11 . 1	(4) The clerical error giving rise to this mis-statement was pointed out in the Queries in the March Account. The account current has been amended.	(4) This error has already been amended in this office.
rinted forms or drawing the Accountant in repayment advances.	(5) In accordance with the request in the Governor's letter, a supply of forms (24) of Drafts, 1st and 2nd of Exchange on the Accountant is forwarded herewith.	(5) These forms have been received. N. Dyne. July 2nd 1870.

kept up all night

Government House.
12th July 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a Meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at this office on Wednesday the 13th of July at two o'clock.

I have &c
sd
M. Gallwey Hurst
Clerk to the Council.

To the Hon^bles
E. K. Griffiths Esq^re
and C. C. Fairpin Esq^re.

Government House
Falkland Islands
13th July 1870.

Sir,

Pending the sanction of his Lordship the Secretary of State, I have great pleasure in appointing you Acting Collector of Customs in these Her Majesty's settlements on a salary of One hundred pounds a year to commence from the date of the passing of the "Spirit Duties Ordinance".

I have &c
sd G. D'Arcy
Colonel and
Governor.

M. Gallwey Hurst Esq^re
Clerk of Councils.

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Government Office
Falkland Islands.
27th December 1870.

Sir

Verbatim vide page 66.

The Accountant
Board of Trade

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Finance Department
Board of Trade.
18th March 1870.

Nos 5 to 8.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Trade to transmit to you the within Queries and Observations that have arisen on your Account with this Department for the Quarter ending 30th September 18 , to which I am to request that separate answer and explanation may be given with the least possible delay.

I am.
Sir,
your obedient Servant.

To William Robinson Esqre
Governor &
Falkland Islands.

Accountant.

Description of Voucher.	Query or Observation	No.
- Cavoline of the "Golden Empire" deceased seaman.	It is requested that the account rendered by the Master of the "Golden Empire" of this deceased seamans wages may be transmitted to this Department.	5.
Cash realized by sale of certain articles found in a boat of "Blue Jacket"	A similar amount was credited in the June Quarter's Account as proceeds of a sword &c. found in the boat of the Blue Jacket. The Governor is requested to report whether the sum of £2/ credited in this Account was received in addition to the £2/ previously accounted for.	6.
Medical attendance on Jacito Chesery £6.6.0.	"Medical afsitance" is charged for this seaman from the 10th June to 4th July 1869, but it would appear from the Voucher for subsistence that the seaman left the Falkland Islands on the 1st July. Explanation is requested.	7.

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant

5 With the accounts in respects of distressed Seamen ending 30th Sept. 1869 there was a covering Despatch dated Nov. 1st 1869 explaining the reason why the usual account was not forwarded.

6. Error will be brought again to credit.

7. The seaman Jacito Chesery was put on board the "Foam" on the 1st July but the "Foam" remained in Port several days afterwards during which time Dr. Macclinton R.N. had to attend to this man who continued to be in need of Medical assistance.

Government House
Stanley
16th July 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith Ordinance No 3 of 1870, which passed the Legislative Council on the 13th inst. July 1870 that it may be enrolled and recorded in the Magistrate's office.

I have &c
sd M. Gallwey Hurst
Clerk to the Council

The Hon^ble
E. R. Griffiths
Chief Magistrate.

Government House Stanley
Falkland Islands
17th July 1870.

My dear Dean

The immediate frontage of your private dwelling, I am given to understand you are minded to plant, and otherwise ornate provided the Government allow you to enclose the space - I have great pleasure in giving you a grant of the frontage all provided you allow a clause to be inserted in the lease that in the event of government requiring the ground at any future period you will relinquish it.

I have written to Mr. Waldron to know if he was present on the occasion of Governor Robinson promising the reserve (del Moro) to Mr Greenfields - a promise is sacred. A. Petaluga has been always reported to me

as

as a good subject ; yet as he has one reserve, Jannings Head, given to him willingly owing to the enclosed letter really in all fairness I think he ought to waive the partial right, circumstances have allowed him to claim over del Moro.

your sincerely.
sd G. D'Arcy.

G. M. Dean Esqre:

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
18th July 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to return the query that has arisen on the account rendered by this Government for the quarter ended 31st December 1869, to which the necessary answer has been annexed.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant
sd H. Byrne,
Act Colsecretary.

The Accountant
Board of Trade
London
17th 3747.

Finance department
Board of Trade.
17th May 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Trade, to transmit to you the following Query that has arisen on the Account rendered by the Colonial Government for the Quarter ending 31st December 1869, to which I am to request that an answer and explanation may be given with the least possible delay.

I am &c
sd R. G. C. Hamilton
accountant

To the Governor
Falkland Islands.

Description of Voucher	Query or Observation	No.
Voucher 317. Chas. E. Turpin. Value of a chesnut gelding for use of Lighthouse Keeper at Cape Tembroke. £15. Memo. at foot of Account "The horse purchased on 4th October 1865 (Vou 219) is now worn out and useless"	Before this charge of £15 for a new horse can be admitted, it is requested that an explanation may be given as to the circumstances under which the horse purchased in 1865, became "worn out and useless" in so short a time as four years.	

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant.

It may not be patent to the Home authorities that horses in these Islands are never stabled or fed with Corn, they roam and feed in the Camp and are driven in when required consequently they get unserviceable sooner than horses do in the United Kingdom - The road between the Lighthouse and Stanley is very heavy and rough and the Lighthouse Keeper is obliged to be on the road constantly to get supplies: under these circumstances it may be thought not unlikely that after four years of such work an animal, past his prime when purchased, may have become worn and useless.

Government House
Stanley
Falkland Islands.
18th July 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th May 1870 applying for the renewal of a grazing license on lot No. 1 lying to the south of port Harriet, under the proclamation of 1849 also for a similar renewal of the grazing license on lot No. 11 on the south shore of Berkeley Sound.

I will have great pleasure in extending these leases as you desire

desire, but as I am about to bring forward a legislative enactment amalgamating the laws in reference to leases and the rights of Lessees, I have hitherto deffered answering your application definitively in case the proclamation of 1849, might be abrogated or amended.

I have &c.
sd. G. D'Arcy.
Colonel and Governor.

To Captain Packe.
&c &c &c
Stanley.

Government House Stanley.
Falkland Islands
18th July 1870.

Sir,

I am desired by the Governor to inform you in answer to your application for government aid to reach Darwin harbour where a funeral is waiting for your presence that the "Lotus" has been hired at £3, 10, 0, a day to convey you there and back to Stanley; and this service His Excellency very readily engages in when he takes into consideration that Darwin has not received the benefit of a pastoral visit for the last six months, the Governor considers that it is an unnecessary risk for a public officer to attempt at this inclement season that long journey on horseback, he therefore takes the responsibility of incurring this heavy expense, but he trusts that you will make it a point to use every exertion to curtail the expense by returning directly the duty is performed.

£	s.	d
3	10	0.

To the Revd. Charles Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain.

I have
sd. H. Byng.
Ld Secretary.

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Government Office
Falkland Islands
September 25 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the answers to the Queries & observations on the Accounts of the Falkland Islands for the year 1869.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A Byrne

The Controller
& Auditor Genl.
Somerset House
London

No. of Query
1 to 17.

Exchequer and Audit Department
Somerset House London,
21st May 1870. W.C

Sir,

I am directed by the Comptroller and Auditor General to transmit to you the following Queries and Observations on the account of the Falkland Islands for the year 1869. 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 Comptroller and Auditor General, Somerset House, London," at your earliest convenience.

I have &c
3d/ C. Ryan

To the
Accountant
Falkland Islands

Description of the Voucher	Query or Observation.	No of the Query.
Payments		
February Vr „ 69. Salaries &c „ Includes George Kelway Carpenter 21 days @ 7/ .. £ 7, 7. „ Vr „ 71 Do „ .. „ Includes Do Do 14 days @ 9/8 £ 6 . 15. 11	From these two Vrs it would appear, that G Kelway has been paid for 35 days work, in a month of 28 days – It is noticed that in Vr „ 69 the charge per diem is 7/ and in Vr 71, it is 9/8. Explanation is requested.	1
Vr „ 71 Salaries of Carpenters. £ sd G. Kelway 14 days @ 9/8 6. 15. 11 W. Biggs 10 „ @ 16/8 – 8 „ 6. 8 J. Andrews 14 „ @ 16/8 11. 13 4 J. Phillips 5 days 16/8 £ 4. 3. 11.	The Accountant is requested to explain the cause of so large a variation in the rates of pay	2
Vr „ 110 March. Stores supplied by Dean & Son £67 „ 2 „ 3.	Cash to £ 68 „ 2 „ 3. Explanation as to the difference of £ 1 is requested	3.

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant

1 1. The payment to Shipwrights in this port is 10/8 a day, and sometimes more. Repairs were imperatively required for the "Foam". G. Kelway who is the chief Carpenter, is regularly employed by Government at 7/ a day but it was manifestly unfair when he was foreman of the Works to pay him less than the additional carpenters received, and this account
2 for 9/8 additional being added to his wages when engaged on the "Foam"

3. Error in the addition £1 will be refunded to Mr. Dean.

Description of the Voucher	Query or Observation	No. of the Query
Vr. 136 Allowance for extra prisoners – Includes 1 Female prisoner for 90 days at 6d – £ 3.0.0	It is requested that in future all charges under this head may be made monthly.	1.
V. 139. May. Painting Cape Pembroke Lighthouse. £90.0.0	This sum which is recoverable from the Board of Trade, is not included in the Accountants Statement of Advances made under that head for 2r. ending 30th June Explanation is requested	5.
Vr. 140. May.	It is requested that in future when goods are supplied the purpose for which they are required may be stated – or that a certificate from the Accountant may be attached to the effect that they were supplied for the Public Service.	6

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant.

4. From the 1st January 1871 monthly payments will be made under this Head.

5. Omitted. See corrected copy of Statement herewith forwarded. A. *

6. This will be attended to in future.

Vide Receipt Voucher &c.
V. after Ad. Sum

Description of the Voucher	Query or Observation	No. of the Query.
Vr. 148. May. For services rendered – Includes "J Stephen. Special Constable to Darwin Harbour from 20th March to 2nd April (14 days) £ 1. 1. 0. C. Smith Do Do 30th March to 5th April (7 days) £ 2 . 0 . 0.	The Accountant is requested to explain the Apparent inconsistency in these rates of payment.	7.
Vr. 184. July. Civil Workmen £ 11 . 13 . 6	Casts to £ 11-3-6 only. Explanation is requested	8.
Vr. 185. July. Royal Marine Labourers £ 21 . 11 . 0.	Casts to £ 21. 1 . 0. only. Explanation is requested.	9
Vr. 192. July. Ltc. Drury Advance for the payment of Pensioners. £ 48 . 17 . 6.	This sum which is recoverable from the Military Chest is not included in the Accountants list of Military Advances for the Quarter ending 30th September. Explanation of this omission is requested.	10.

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant:

7. Stephens proceeded by sea doing his own work at the time. C. Smith on a different occasion rode over-land 90 miles

8. This amount was incorrectly over-drawn by the Surveyor General and will be Refunded by him.

9. Duplicate sent, by which £21. 11/ seems to be the correct amount. This Department Keeping a Certified copy of the duplicate B. ※

10. Amended list of Military Advances forwarded. C. ⁂

※ Vide certified copy Voucher 785. Daly

⁂ Vide Receipts Office V. 44

Description of the Voucher.	Query or Observation	No of the Query.
Vr. 199. Messrs Packe and Turpin. Beef supplied to detachment of Royal Marines for the Quarter ending 30th June. 2,317 lbs @ 4d. £38 . 12 . 1	The Accountant is requested to state what the allowance of meat per man is, as from these two Vrs it would appear to be at the rate of 2 2/3 lbs per man, per diem.	11.
Vr. 253. Falkland Islands Company. Mutton supplied H. D. 1,718 lbs @ 11d = £29 . 2 . 8.		
Vr. 218. September. Hire of a scow for 10 days at 8/4 per diem £4 . 3 . 4.	Information is requested as to what service this scow was employed on.	12.
Vr. 201. Allowance to Gaoler for extra prisoners £2 . 3 . 0	The Gaolers Receipt is requested.	13.
Vr. 295. Salaries for Octr: Governor's Department. John Peck. office keeper and messenger from 7th to 18th Octr: 10 days at £60 per an: £1 . 12 . 0	As Peck was Acting office keeper (drawing at the same time the full pay of his own appointment), it would appear that under Art No. 108 of Colonial office rules and regulations, he was only entitled to the half salary viz 16/. Explanation is requested.	14.

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant

11 The allowance per man 1¼ lbs. per day, but there are women and children in the Detachment who also draw rations. That in the beginning of May the Detachment was relieved and for a short period both Detachments received rations.

12 This Scow was employed to convey coals from Ship to the Store.

13. Receipt forwarded accordingly. D.*

14. This small amount was authorized by Governor Robinson.

* a copy of this Receipt will be found appended to Voucher 281.

Description of the Voucher	Query or Observation	No of the Query.
Payment for Stores &c	It is observed that in many instances the rates at which goods are supplied are not given in the Vouchers. It is requested that this may be done in future. It is further requested that when goods are purchased by contract or agreement the fact may be stated on the Voucher and that a certificate may be appended to the effect that the payments are in accordance with the terms of such contract or agreement.	15.
Vouchers for Payment.	It is observed that there is no evidence upon the Vouchers to show that they have been submitted to the Governor for his warrant or approval – It is requested that this may be done in future.	16.

Receipts.

Vr 20 May. J. Turner. Duty on Goods sold by Auction Includes. Spirits £4 " 4 " 0. – 5% 2/1 d	Computes to 4/5d Explanation is requested.	17.

Answer or Explanation of the Accountant.

15. This will be done in future.

16 This will be attended to.

17 Error of computation, $5 brought to credit.

A. Boyce.
Act. Col. Gen.

September 26th 1870.

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Government House.
Stanley.
19th July 1870.

My dear Dr. Watts.

The Governor wishes me to send you this copy of a despatch from Governor Mackenzie to the Secretary of State, respecting the want of a colonial hospital, the Governor requests you will keep this memo. among the papers he hopes to send you from time to time relative to the hospital.

Yours truly.
sd/
M. Gallwey Hurst.

H. N. Watts Esqre
Colonial Surgeon.

Government office.
Stanley.
21st July 1870.

Sir,

Referring to our conversation of this morning, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that the Colonial Chaplain will be ready to embark on board the "Lotus" early to-morrow morning for Darwin Harbour and that His Excellency is willing to engage the "Lotus" at £3 .. 10. 0 per day as agreed upon.

I have &c
sd/ H. Byng

J. C. Cobb Esqre
Colonial Manager.

Government Office.
Stanley.
22nd July 1870

Sir,

I am desired by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that in consequence of the possibility of the Colonial Chaplain being unable to reach Darwin in good time for the funeral or Sunday services, he does not wish him to leave Stanley so late in the week.

I hope that no serious inconvenience has been experienced by the government not now requiring the services of the "Lotus" for this trip.

I have &c
Sd H. Byng.
Actg Col Secretary.

F. E. Cobb Esqre
Falkland Islands Company.
&c. &c. &c.

Government House
Stanley.
22nd July 1870.

My dear Drury.

Mr. Bailey complains that your men are taken off the works, without reference to him. I am sure you will see that this only leads to confusion; in the event of your requiring your men, a message to the Surveyor General through the paid Overseer your own Sergeant will always be attended

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to, and if you refer to the letter you received on arrival from my Predeceſsor you will see how neceſsary it is for the public service that the authority of the Surveyor is upheld over the men during bell Hours.

I am very much obliged to you for carrying out my wishes about the guard, in order that many public works may be commenced previous to the arrival of His Royal Highneſs, but do you not think your arrangement about the guard admits of an amendment inasmuch as the guard is paid now by check money and does no work keep the guard by all means, but do not pay him as he cannot appear in Bailey's vouchers, get over the difficulty by telling the guard or orderly man be mounted daily, in rotation and then the duty will not be thought unequal, I know I agreed in conversation to the plan but I did not give the subject sufficient consideration at the time.

Very sincerely yours.
sd/ G. D'Arcy

To
Lt. Drury.
Commanding Royal Marines.

Government Office
Stanley
22nd July 1870.

Sir,

I transmit to you, herewith, by direction of His Excellency the Governor a communication from the local Agent of the Falkland Islands Company complaining of the inefficient state of the drain leading from the Government Slaughter House to the beach.

In order to enable the Governor to decide what course to pursue, I am directed to request that you will be good enough carefully to inspect and to furnish His Excellency with a report on the condition of the drain, together with an estimated value for effectually executing its repair.

I have &c.
sd/ H. Berry.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.

Government House
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
25th July 1870.

My dear Bailey.

At the Carpenters leisure I wish you would make me a dummy clock with movable hands, together with a dummy compass. I find the big boys in the school know the date of the death of Nero's second wife, but cannot read the clock or tell me which is the North! practical knowledge being forgot – omitted to be

taught

taught! a mistake I am desirous of quickly rectifying.

I have written a letter to Drury pointing out that there cannot be two kings of Brentford as far as the public works are concerned - directly Mrs D'Arcy's path is done put all the Labourers on the flag staff hill, this will be a practical work of utility which all will benefit by.

The Colonial office have ordered me to abrogate the Old Alien Act, but we have anticipated their wishes by our modified law - the Despatch crossed on the road - rather a legislative triumph for me, as "my pillar of the law", thought the old law was a necessary safe guard and legislation on the subject unwise.

Yours sincerely.
Sd. F. D'Arcy.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.

Government House
Stanley.
27th July 1871

My dear Drury.

We must leave the Guard Non commission Orderly as you have arranged it - I see it cannot be improved upon and I must pay the Man as miscellaneous labour

The cart I have also enquired about and the labour ~~of the Lab~~ to drag it and cannot be altered, labour is labour whether drawing stones, or digging a

trench

a trench, and is done by the Royal Sappers and Miners.

The horse and cart is doing other work, nor can our funds buy another, the one we have costs us more than one hundred a year! I find on referring to the old instructions that except for military purposes, you have no power to retain the men from the check list, but I have directed that your requisitions are attended to at once in future — a first claim on the government, but do oblige me by asking the Surveyor General's leave, when you want to give the men leave for an Auction &c. &c. for really during Bell hours he is the immediate authority and responsible to me that for a fair day's wages the government gets a fair day's work. I am most anxious for you and Bailey to be friendly, so many beneficial works being in prospect, which must all fall through without your joint co-operation and support.

Believe me
Very sincerely yours
s/d L. D'Acy

Lt. Drewry
Commanding Royal Marines.

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Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands
27th July 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your letter of yesterday, acquainting me that you have appointed Mr. James Turner, the Vice Commercial Agent of your consulate.

As far as this government is concerned, I am not prepared to recognize Mr. Turner as Vice Commercial Agent for the United States of America, his social status although highly respectable is at the same time not of sufficient weight to warrant such a dignity being conferred upon him.

I have &c.
Sd G. D'Arcy.
Colonel and Governor.

Joseph Powell Esqre
United States Commercial
Agent &c. &c.
Stanley.

Government House, Stanley
Falkland Islands
28th July 1870.

Sir,

Having understood that the late Captain Parry, Master of the Steamer "Rinniglia" died intestate at Montevideo.

I have the honour to request that you will be pleased to deduct from the estate the one third share due to Mrs Parry, the Mother of the deceased, now alive in Stanley and at present supported by this Government.

I have &c
Sd C. D'Arcy.
Colonel and Governor.

Major St. John Munro.
H. B. Ms Consul.
Montevideo.

Government House
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
28th July 1870.

My dear Griffiths.

The newspapers from the River Plate speak of the Rinderpest as an existing calamity, but on the wane.

It seems however to be the wish of many here that the government would take the initiative at once by passing an Ordinance prohibiting the importation of all Cattle from the River Plate for one year. In the event of any

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any Cattle now being in course of transit they might be rigorously inspected by a qualified person, I say Mr. Thurston, whom I might make government Inspector for the nonce, I would therefore feel obliged by your drawing up a short Ordinance for this necessity.

Believe me to be
yours sincerely.
Sd. G. D'Arcy.

The Hon.ble
E. R. Griffiths Esq.re
Chief Magistrate

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
29th July 1870.

My dear Bailey:

That is a good job done at the "Brigg of Turk", and places the government in loco parentis.

I have introduced the darkey of a Prisoner to the Golgothas around the jail to collect broken bottles, and old bones, unfortunately a requisition has come for his service to clean the school to-morrow being Saturday, otherwise he would have done a good heap of work.

I was up at the hill this evening, the work there is progressing favourably, the men seem to take an interest in it, the top, on the level

near

near the flag staff, I am minded to suggest to you the idea of a flat levelled terrace sufficiently large to turn a pony carriage upon, and to promenade and enjoy the view, peradventure a cigar!

On the beach opposite the cemetery I am told there is plenty of fine shingle which Sauce might gradually collect in dépôt and stock opposite the public house on the hill to cover our ascent road, already the settlement looks more civilized bereft of broken bottles.

The perusal of Captain Ross book has given me great pleasure.

Perhaps on Friday next you will come with me to Sparrow Cove in the "Tourn", returning the same day, I have a little labour of love to do there and you can take your gun, I want the services of the Sergeant and two hands to carry a cross to erect on the rocks, with the horizon as a back ground just above the small cross I have placed to the memory of poor young Jernyngham

Yours sincerely.
Sd. G. D'Arcy.

The Surveyor General
&c &c &c

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Government Office
1st August 1870

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at this office on the 2nd of August, at two o'clock.

I have &c
Sd M. Galloway Hurst
Clerk to Council.

The Hon.ble
E. R. Griffiths Esqre
and C. C. Fairfax Esqre
Members of the Legislative Council.

Government House
Stanley.
Falkland Islands
1st August 1870

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from the Merchants, Landholders, and other Inhabitants of the Falkland Islands in which it is stated that the Ordinance lately passed, nemine contradicente, in both Councils, taxing spirituous liquors, wines, and beer is oppressive!

I cannot help seeing that the course you have taken is strictly constitutional, and I will forward your letter by this Mail with the Ordinance to his Lordship the Secretary of State for the Colonies, but I am only sorry that you did not favour me with your

opinions

opinions before, as the meetings of Council were expressly extended over a period of a month and every publicity given to the measure for the purpose of receiving any expression of opinion from the Inhabitants of the Colony.

I have &c
sd G. D'Arcy.
Governor.

To
Frederick E. Cobb Esqre.
and George Dean Esqre
and other Inhabitants of Stanley
and the Falkland Islands.

Government Office.
Stanley
2nd August 1870.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that His Excellency quite agrees with you as to the necessity of holding a Court of Inquiry, you are therefore requested to attend at this office on Thursday next 4th Instant, for the purpose of giving such information as will tend to elucidate the matter.

I am &c
sd H. Byng.
Actg. Colonial Secretary.

Mr W. D. Benney.
Principal Lighthousekeeper.
Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Stanley.
3rd August 1870.

Sir,

It having been found inconvenient to hold the Court of Inquiry on Thursday as originally intended, I am directed to acquaint you therefore that it has been summoned to assemble on Friday next the 5th instant at 11 o'clock precisely on which day you are requested to attend.

I am &c
Sd H. Byng.
Act'g Col Secretary.

Mr W. D. Benney.
Principal Lighthouse keeper.
Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Government Office.
Stanley.
3rd August 1870

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance in conjunction with Mr Bull and Dr Watts at 11 o'clock precisely on Friday next 5th instant, for the purpose of holding an Inquiry into the reported inefficient lighting at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

You are also requested to furnish His Excellency with a written report of this Inquiry.

I have &c
Sd H. Byng
Act'g Col Secretary.

Revd C. Bull M. A.
Arthur Bailey Esqre
and Dr Watts. M. D.

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Government House
Falkland Islands
3rd August 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt per "Foam" on the 23rd ultimo of five packages of Public Treasure said to contain specie Two thousand Pounds (£2,000) and marked and numbered as noted in the margin.

↑
V. R
1/5 = 5 boxes.

I have
&c &c &c. G. D'Arcy.
Governor.

Major St. John Munro.
H.B. Mc Consul.
Montevideo.

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands
11th August 1870.

Reverend Sir,

I have the honour to request you will sit as President of a Court of Inquiry ordered by me to assemble for the purpose of investigating charges brought against Mr. Berry the Lighthouse keeper, involving a serious neglect of duty, liable to lead to the inefficiency of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, and consequently an irreparable loss to the Maritime world.

The Masters of the "Irene" and "Fairy" reported on arrival last week to the Harbour Master that the Lights were not burning on the night 31st instant and 29th ultimo.

You

You will be pleased to take evidence on this point, taking care that the Witnesses specify exactly the position their vessel was in, at the hour they could not see the light and whether laid down on the chart.

In rebutter, you will not fail to give Mr. Penney every opportunity of producing oral or written evidence, that his lights were burning on the occasions specified and take down all he may have to say — you will then favour me with the opinion of the Court, which I will forward to Lloyd's Agent in this Port and to the Board of Trade.

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

I have &c
Sd. G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor

To the Reverend
Charles Bull. M. A.
President of the Court of Inquiry

Government House
Stanley.
Falkland Islands
4th August 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant in which you officially animadvert as Agent for Lloyd's on the alleged inefficiency of the

the Light House

Some days ago I ordered a Court of Inquiry to investigate the reports made by the Masters of the "Fairy" and "Iris" when evidence will be taken and the report transmitted to the Board of Trade. Your letter I will place on the table.

I have &c
(sd) G. D'Aoust
Governor

To
F. E. Cobb Esq.re
Agent for Lloyds.

Government House
Stanley, Falklands Islands
6th August 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 3rd inst. of August, I have only to say that I consider your application reasonable, and I have directed the Colonial Secretary to pay you the drawback on your receipt.

With reference to the other parts of your letter, I think it only fair that as you have been prevented stocking your farm owing to the alleged Rinderpest in Montevideo, I will hold your land in your name, as you still have in your possession your occupation license and this consideration I have great pleasure

pleasure in extending to Weddell Island

I have
&c. &c. G. D'Arcy

C. H. Williams Esqre
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
6th August 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to report that I have this day drawn upon the Accountant of the Board of Trade the undermentioned Bill.

Dated 6th August 1870 the sum of one hundred and eighty pounds sterling, in favour of J. M. Dean in repayment of advances made from the Colonial Treasury for the support of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, at par.

£ 180.

I have
&c. &c. G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor

The Accountant
Board of Trade
London.

Government House
Stanley 6th August 1870.

My dear Dean.

Will you do me the favour to peruse the enclosed.

Now a promise is sacred. I have only one thing to do, to tender Mr. Petaluga his money, and to grant Mr. Greenshields the Reserve.

Very sincerely yours
Sd. G. D'Arcy

To
George. M. Dean Esqre. J.P.
Stanley.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands
August 9th 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward you an extract of the finding of the Court of Inquiry he ordered to investigate reports made by certain parties on the inefficiency of the Lighthouse, and he congratulates you on the finding of the Court which he will have great pleasure in forwarding to the Board of Trade in your justification.

I have &c
Sd. H. Byng.
Actg Col Secretary

Mr. W. D. Benney.
Principal Lightkeeper.
Cape Pembroke.

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Government House
Stanley 9th August 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward a copy of the finding of the finding of the Court of Inquiry, by which you will be glad to see that in the opinion of the Court the efficiency of the Cape Pembroke Lighthouse is intact.

I have
&c. &c. &c.
G. D'Arcy

To
F. L. Cobb Esqre
Agent for Lloyds.

Government office
11th August 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at this office on Monday the 15th of August at two o'clock.

I have &c.
M. Gallocy Hurst.
Acting Clerk to Councils.

The Honble
E. R. Griffiths Esqre
and L. L. Turpin Esqre
members of Council

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
12th August 1870.

Sir,

His Excellency the Governor is of opinion that the present is a fit occasion to impress upon you the necessity of remaining constantly at your responsible post, applying for leave to visit Stanley by signal, moreover the old rule that your Assistant on visiting the town on duty should invariably report himself to the Colonial Secretary must never be deviated from.

These regulations are not too stringent for the interests of the Public Service.

I have &c
Ed H. Byng.
Acting Col Secretary.

Mr Benney.
Principal Lighthouse Keeper
Cape Pembroke.

Colonial Secretary's office
Stanley
13th August 1870.

Sir,

I am to inform you that the Governor could not help seeing on Saturday that yourself and your Assistant were miles away from the Lighthouse in the middle of the day, this should never be.

An Assistant is given

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given you that the service of the
Lighthouse may be continuous and
intact.

I am &c
Ed H. Byng
Actg Col Secretary.

Mr W. D. Benney.
Principal Lighthouse keeper.
Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Government House
Falkland Islands
13th August 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you herewith Ordinance No. 4 of 1870 which passed the Legislative Council on the 9th August, that it may be enrolled and engrossed in your office

I have &c
M. Galloway Hurst.
Acting Clerk to Councils.

The Hon.ble
L. R. Griffiths Esqre
Chief Magistrate
&c &c &c

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Colonial Secretary's Office.
Stanley.
16th August 1870.

Sir,

I beg to enclose a copy of a letter I have received from A. A. Stubberman in which he requests me to send him the sum of £3.7.3, being the balance of what he asserts to be due to him from his son's effects.

As the writer is probably an American citizen, and the money if due I should be paid to him in the regular way according to American Law, may I request that you will be kind enough to inform me whether you will undertake to forward the money to whom it is due and give me a receipt for the same.

I have &c.
(Sgd) H. Byng.
Actg Col Secy

Joseph Powell Esqre
Commercial Agent
United States.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
16th August 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he has caused to be shipped on board the barque "Hunsingo" bound for London

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243 empty oil cans which have from time to time been sent out for the use of the Lighthouse at Cape Pembroke, and to forward you the Bill of Lading for the same.

I have &c
Sd H. Byng.
Actg Col Secretary

The Accountant
Board of Trade.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
16th August 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have drawn a bill dated 16th August 1870, on the Accountant of the Board of Trade in favour of Messrs Henry S. King and Co. for the sum of £53 " 10 " 3 being the balance due to this Government for the "relief of Distressed Seamen abroad, as per account rendered for quarter ended 30th September 1870.

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I have &c
Sd G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor.

The Accountant
Board of Trade.
London.

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Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
17th August 1870.

My dear Mac Clinton.

I hope to assemble the Executive Council in a few days to take its sense with regard to my Amalgamation Ordinance.

I have the pleasure to send you a copy — it is the result of three months thought and study on the subject, my desire is to raise up a kindly feeling between the Tenants and the Government, and at the same time by selling the land at a reasonable price to get some money to improve the town and settlement generally.

Very sincerely yours.
Sd G. D'Arcy.

The Honble
W. F. Mac Clinton R.M.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
17th August 1870.

My dear Dean.

In place of the old corrected copy of my proposed Ordinance will you do me the favour to substitute the enclosed.

My object has been to cement a kindly feeling between the Government

Government and the Lessees by a liberal Bill and at the same time to benefit the Colony.

Very sincerely yours.
Sd G. D'Arcy.

George M. Dean Esqre
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
18th August 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 13th instant, applying for the first refusal of the station on Port Howard at present in the occupation of Messrs Baillon and Stickney, I have the honour to state that on receiving the notice from these Gentlemen that they do not require the station I will give the refusal of it to Mr Waldron.

In reference to West Swan Island being granted to Mr Waldron, I am unable to entertain his application, this Island having been promised to Captain Packe.

I have.
Sd G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor

To
F. E. Cobb Esqre
Manager for the Falkland
Islands Company.

Government House
Stanley.
19th August 1870.

My dear Sir,

The Governor is very busy and has requested me to ask you to be so good as to erect the cradles for the lamps on the three jetty's, Cod's, Dean, and Falkland Island company if possible before the arrival of the Flying Squadron, so as to prevent inebriated sailors from falling into our cold harbour, and greatly oblige him

Yours very sincerely.
H. Galloway Hurst

Arthur Bailey Esq^re
Surveyor General.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
20th August 1870.

Sir,

On the return of the "Isam" from Monte Video, I am desirous you should proceed in her round the Islands on a tour of survey, so many Land Holders having applied for a drawback of rent for water. At the same time I am desirous of visiting the Islands.

At a further period, I will send you a list of Applicants for the drawback, when I will take occasion to confer with

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confer with you, as to the best and quickest route under all the circumstances of the joint requisitions for the services of the Team.

I have &c
Sd C. D'Arcy
Governor

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
21st August 1870.

Sir,

I have been instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Executive Council to be held at this office to-morrow the 22nd August at two o'clock.

I have &c
Sd M. Galloway Hurst.

The Hon'bles
C. R. Griffiths Esqre
H. Byng Esqre
and Surgeon MacClinton R. N.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
24th August 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward an application from Mr. Joseph Powell, the Commercial Agent of the United States under clauses 9 and 10 of the Administration of Justice Ordinance appealing to the Governor in Council against the decision in the Stipendiary Court in the case of Goss.

I am quite aware that your duties and engagements are manifold at the present time, consequently I leave it to you to name a day for the Executive Council to be convened.

On the receipt of your answer I will communicate with Mr. Powell.

I have
&c. C. D'Arcy.
Governor

To
E. R. Griffiths Esqre
Chief Magistrate.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
26th August 1870.

Sir,

In compliance with your application that an appeal be made to myself in Council on petition from Anne E. Goss your client under the 9th and 10th clause

clause of the Administration of Justice ordinance, I have the honour to inform you that at 12 o'clock on Friday the 2nd of September in the Government buildings I will make it my duty to hear the case.

I have &c
Sd. G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor

Joseph Powell Esqre
Solicitor
and Commercial Agent
for the United States.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
26th August 1870.

My dear Chaplain.

I have written to Mr. Powell naming Friday at 12 o'clock as the day for the appeal to the Governor in Council, and directed the Clerk to acquaint Members accordingly.

While there is time I wish to make a remark! no man is a judge of his own case, you must admit outsiders often see things which parties interested cannot.

My Uncle left an impoverished inheritance to his son owing to his love of litigation, may not

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all these appeals in banco eat up the inheritance of the Gosse's and Smiley's, would it not be better for the sake of the little people for you to ask the Court of Ordinary for time to pay this liability on the part of Gosse.

I have reason to believe the Court will grant you any time, in return for your zeal and ability in saving for the Gosse's children much wrecked property.

Excuse me when I beg of you not to allow the prospect of a legal triumph to intervene between your right and left hand, Rider as the Germans have it, pause while there is time, and remember what I told you the other day - once let slip the Dogs of War, who can tell when they may be leashed again.

Yours very sincerely.

Sd. G. D'Arcy

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

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
26th August 1870.

Sir,

In compliance with the law, I have the honour to inform you that

Francis Rowlands.
George Willis.

were this day sworn by me as British Subjects agreeable to a short Ordinance passed on the 24th August 1870 making them such.

I have &c
Sd. G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor

To
Arthur Bailey Esqre
Registrar General.

&c. &c. &c.

Government House
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
29th August 1870.

Sir,

In compliance with the law I have to inform you that one Pédro Varela was this day sworn by me as a British subject agreeable to a short Ordinance passed on the 24th August 1870, making him such.

I have &c
Sd. G. D'Arcy.

To A. Bailey Esqre
Registrar General.

Government House
Stanley.
29th August 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you herewith Ordinance No. 5 of 1870 which passed the Legislative Council on the 24th of August that it may be enrolled and engrossed in your office.

I have &c
M. Gallwey Hurst
Clerk to the Council

The Hon.ble
E. R. Griffiths Esq.re
Chief Magistrate.

Government office.
29th August 1870.

Sir,

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Executive Council to be held at this office on Friday the 2nd of September at two o'clock, to hear the appeal of Mrs. Goss from the Court below.

I have &c
M. Gallwey Hurst.

The
Hon.ble
E. R. Griffiths Esq.re
H. Bapp Esq.re
and Dr. W. F. Macklinton.

Government Office
31st August 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that the meeting of the Executive Council has been postponed till Tuesday the 6th September at 12 o'clock.

I am &c
M. Gallwey Hurst.
Clerk to Council

The Hon.ble C.K. Griffiths Esq.re
Chief Magistrate.
Member of Executive Council
&c. &c. &c.

(same as above)

To the Hon.ble
Henry Byng Esq.re
Colonial Secretary
Member of Executive Council.
&c. &c. &c.

(same as above).

To the Hon.ble
W. T. Mac Clinton Esq.re M.D.
Member of the Executive Council.
&c. &c. &c.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
30th August 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the cash accounts of this Government for the months of April, May, and June 1870.

The pressure of work in this office and the change of the Administration of the Government have caused delay in preparing these Accounts; All arrears are however now being rapidly worked up.

I have &c.
&c.

G. D'Arcy
Governor

R. C. Ryan Esqre
Secretary to Commissioners
for Auditing
Public Accounts
London.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
1st September 1870.

My dear Turpin.

I am very desirous of appointing you as Clerk to the Courts, the Situation held by the late Captain Sibbald R.N, as soon as I can do so without laying myself open to the charge of expending the money raised by taxation on appointments

I quite recognize your claims to Government employ, and feel sure that your experience and ability will be an advantage to the service.

For some time past I have intended recommending Mr. Dean for a seat in the Legislative Council, but I do not wish you to resign before I am in a position to give you government stipendiary employment.

I am much better thank you.

Very sincerely yours
Jas. G. D'Arcy.

The Hon.ble
C. C. Turpin Esq.re
&c &c &c.

Government office
2nd September 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at this office on Tuesday the 6th of September at 12 o'clock as Witness in the case of the appeal of A. L. Goss.

I am &c.
M. Callwey Hurst.

The Reverend
C. Bull. M. A.
Administrator for the
Estate of A. L. Goss and Co.

(Same as above)

To
F. L. Cobb Esqre.
Manager for the Falkland
Islands Company.

(Same as above)

To Mr. James Turner
Stanley.

Government office
Falkland Islands.
3rd September 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to request that you will be pleased to proceed on board the barque "Thelma", as soon as convenient, and report for his information whether she is sufficiently sea worthy to proceed on her destination.

I have &c
Sd H. Byng.
Act'g Col. Secretary.

Arthur Bailey Esq re
Captain Jones.
and Captain de Groot.

Government office
8th September 1870.

Sir,

Referring to the letter which was signed by the mate and several of the crew of the barque "Thelma" protesting against proceeding to sea in consequence of her unseaworthiness and requesting that a board of survey may be held to inquire as to her fitness to proceed on her voyage, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward for the information of the Subscribers of the protest a copy of the report of the survey held consequent

consequent on that representation and request.

I am, Sir, &c

"sd" H. Byng.
Actg Colonial Secretary.

Mr Charles. G. Beaglehole
Master of the barque "Skelune".
Stanley.

Government office.
9th September 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at this office on Tuesday the 13th September at two o'clock.

I am, Sir, &c
M. Gallwey Hurst.
Clerk to the Council.

The Honble
R. R. Griffiths Esqre
Chief Magistrate.

(The same as above)

To the Honble
C. C. Fenton Esqre
Member of Legislative Council

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
9th September 1870.

Gentlemen,

The time has arrived when it becomes necessary to acquaint you of certain changes connected with the superintendance of the Government School, heretofore indefinite and uncertain.

I have now the pleasure to inform you that in consequence of the resignation of Mr. Bennett, the Lighthouse keeper, an opportunity presents itself to reward Mr. Clarke, the Schoolmaster, for his long service by the monetary Promotion the vacancy affords pending the sanction of the Board of Trade meanwhile I have directed Mr. Hocking the Gaoler to resume his old duties as Schoolmaster until I can obtain the services of a Deacon Schoolmaster from England this arrangement will commence on the 1st of October, but I am desirous that Mr. Clarke should proceed to the Lighthouse about the 23rd to learn his responsible duties before Mr. Bennett gives over charge on the 1st of October.

With reference to the education of the girls several Ladies of the Community have kindly volunteered to undertake in rotation their superintendance until some permanent arrangement can be made.

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I have the honour to be
Gentlemen
Your obedient and humble Servant

s.d G. D'Arey.
Colonel and Governor.

To E. R. Griffiths Esq.re
and Surgeon W. T. Mac Clinton.
Inspectors of Government Schools
&c. do. do.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
10th September 1870.

My dear Consul.

I thank you for your letter of to day in reference to the Cask of sperm oil., I do not seize it for its value as you well know, but to teach the people here the difference of meum and tuum and the law of Salvage.

Very sincerely yours.
s.d G. D'Arey.

Joseph Fowell Esq.re
United States Commercial Agent.
&c. do. do.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
16th September 1870.

My dear Drury.

Previous to the arrival of the Flying Squadron and the visit of the "Galatea", I am nervously anxious to get our little Settlement ship shape if possible, but to do this I am compelled to lean on the Departmental officers for support, but they will strike if interfered with and all will be at a stand still and nothing will be done.

May I beg of you, during bell hours not to interfere with your own men, briefing as I believe was the order you gave to day to your men with Saucer & cart to bury bottles &c yet it nearly gave poor Bailey a fit of apo-and plexy; he is very touchy on this point, and do bear in mind, he is an old public Servant, and is responsible to me for the services of your men during bell hours.

You may not know it, but every little bit of work is detailed by me over night to the Surveyor General

You have supported and been a great assistance to me since my arrival, and I am from association a sincere friend of the service, so do let me give you this advice as I may have before written to you quite in loco parentis

Believe me to be
Very sincerely yours.
Sd G. D'Arcy.

To Lt. Drury
Commanding Royal Marines.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands
11th September 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge a letter from you of the 13th together with an enclosure from Sergeant Dent of the Royal Marines under your command and Overseer of Colonial works, Mr. Bailey assures me that the words he used to the Sergeant were

"You may get your money from the Government office but I will not put you on my check."

intending by this speech to convey his momentary disapprobation to the Sergeant for not taking orders direct from him.

I would suggest that in future the Sergeant should early in the day take his orders from Mr. Bailey as far as the works are concerned and then no misconception can arise, and the scale of responsibility will be followed out, so essential to the good of the service.

I am very sorry that so serious a misunderstanding should have arisen between yourself and the Surveyor General, and I trust you and your Sergeant will consider this explanation satisfactory.

I have &c.
(Sd) G. D'Arcy
Govr

To Lt Drury
commanding the Garrison

Government House
Stanley Falkland Islands
15th September 1870

My dear Drury

Of course if you wish it, I will order an investigation before the Executive Council, but let me advise you in this friendly way to drop the matter, Bailey is twice your age remember and not in good health.

Will you favour me by a visit at the office at 12 to morrow

Yours sincerely
Edd G. D'Arcy.

Lt. Drury.
Commanding
Royal Marines.
&c &c &c

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
16th September 1870.

Dear Miss Walls.

It gives me great pleasure to comply with your wishes, although I am sorry for the occasion, as your departure will be felt in the Settlement, especially in the Girls' school where the superviseion of a Lady is so much required.

Both Mrs D'Arcy and myself hope that you will not be long away, and that your brothers

brother's home will be again cheered by your presence, after a change which is so requisite to a resident of these dreary Islands, so long as you have done.

Yours sincerely.

C.d G. D'Arcy

Miss Watts.
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
16th September 187[illegible].

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose two letters from Lt. Drury R.M. together with one from myself to that officer, by which you will perceive he denies having ever interfered with the Workmen during bell hours, and moreover he cannot withdraw his application on behalf of Sergeant Dent who feels hurt at the words, he alleges you used in reference to the Royal Marines:

To enable me to judge in this complaint, you will be pleased to let me have in writing a succint account of the occasions when Lieutenant Drury has interfered with the men on the works, and at the same time I would like to be favoured

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in writing, your rideration that it was not your indention to pass any reflection on the Royal Marines stationed here when you spoke to the Sergeant on matters of duty, on the Dockyard on the 13th Instant.

I have &c
Sd G. R. Drury
Governor

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

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
19th September 1876.

My dear Drury.

I am satisfied that you have never interfered with Bailey in the execution of his duty, and that the Sergeant has always done his duty zealously and well, but as I said before we must all try and bear with Bailey's bad temper arising from ill health and long residence in these storm bound Islands.

You will I am sure also see with me, that it would be hard to let the Sergeant suffer who is a deserving Non commissioned Officer, and one unusually zealous, during his bell hours, I propose that

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that he be placed on Bailey's check list at two shillings the day, so removing all jealousy that he is placed by the Government as a check upon him (the Surveyal General) which all along is the sore point I fear, so let him go back to his duties to - morrow and greatly oblige

Yours sincerely.
sd G. D'Arcy.

To Drury
Commanding Royal Marines
&c &c &c

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
19th September 1870

My dear Bailey.

I propose that Dent be placed more under your command, on your check at two shillings the day to employ as you think fit, without the Sergeant, they will get drunk, and give you trouble, the temptation is too great for that class of men to resist, if not looked after.

Meanwhile Drury will not interfere I am sure and things will go on smooth enough.

Yours sincerely.
sd G. D'Arcy.

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

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
21st September 70

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a letter from Mr. Bailey, the Surveyor General, by which you will perceive this public officer feels himself aggrieved at your alleged interference with the men under his supervision during their hours, and I have to request that you may be pleased to favor me with your replies to the several occasions therein enumerated.

I have &c
Sd. G. D'Arcy.
Colonel and Governor

To Lt. Drury.
Commanding Royal Marines.
Sd. Sd. Sd.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
21st September 1870.

The Governor has directed Mr. Byng to give Mr. Clarke the document he requires.

The printed instructions to Lighthouse Keepers by the Board of Trade now at the Lighthouse, will be quite sufficient instruction for Mr. Clarke in

in his acting appointment.

The Governor can only refer Mr. Clarke to the custom of the service in all acting appointments.

When the Governor has known Mr. Clarke longer he may then with some reason give Mr. Clarke a testimonial meantime it is for Mr. Clarke to apply to Mr. Bull or other Gentlemen who have known him these eleven years for a certificate of good and faithful service.

Mr. C. A. Clarke
Col. Schoolmaster.
Stanley

Government House
Stanley.
21st September 1870.

Gentlemen,

The temporary promotion of Mr. Clarke, makes a vacancy in the office of Schoolmistress, at one time I was hopeful that the kind attendance of the Ladies of the Community would have sufficed for all our requirements, but again it was found that it was too much to expect that this supervision could be regular and continuous, consequently I have found a person named Mrs. Hoskings who is willing for the nonce to undertake the duty of

Schoolmistress

Schoolmistress, although she is not all that is to be desired, for so responsible a situation, yet she is a good Needlewoman and her manners are superior to the generality of the Women of the settlement.

I have &c
sd C. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor.

To the
School Inspectors.

Government Office.
Stanley.
21st September 1870.

Sir,

Mr Benney having resigned his situation of Principal Lightkeeper at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, His Excellency the Governor has great pleasure in offering you the Acting appointment of that office, pending the approval of the Board of Trade; and that in the event of that appointment not being confirmed, you will of course return to your present office of Schoolmaster.

I have &c
sd H. Byng
Actg Col Secretary.

Mr George S. Clarke.
Schoolmaster.

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Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
21st September 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of this days date, I have the honour to forward the proceedings taken before the Executive Council in the matter of appeal of Mrs Lofs against a decision of the Magistrates' Court.

2. You must be aware that the proceedings of an Executive Council are secret, and the board legally meets with closed doors; but if it is manifest that the interests of the public service are advanced by publicity, the same may be resorted to, therefore, I have great pleasure in forwarding the original Minutes of all the proceedings, but as I have no other copy, I would feel obliged by your returning them after you have taken a copy.

To be returned.

I have &c
Sd G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor

George. M. Deane Esqre
&c &c
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
22nd September 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd September in

which

which now allege the representations of the board of Survey were erroneous.

2. In answer I can only reiterate that the board was ordered on the unanimous requisition of your crew who represented that they considered their lives were at stake if they proceeded to sea in the "Ihelum" and I feel bound to respect the finding of the board, but in the event of your making the necessary repairs, and your crew notwithstanding refuse to proceed on board, then I will take legal steps to compel them to do so.

I have &c
G. R. D'Arcy
Governor.

Mr. C. G. Beaglehole
Master of the "Ihelum"
In Harbour.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
23rd September 870

Colonel D'Arcy wishes to inform Mr. Degenhardt that he has been wrongly informed, the land on the westward of the stone cottage is certainly to be sold, but by public auction, and at the usual upset price of town land

Mr. C. Degenhardt
Stanley.

Colonial Secretary's office.
Falkland Islands
23rd September 187

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to instruct you to hold the vessel "Foam" under your command, in readiness to proceed to Sea on Monday next the 26th instant, with Mr. Bailey, calling at Port Salvador, Port Sussex, Port Fitzroy, or any other port at which he may be desirous of calling. You will remain at your destination as long as Mr. Bailey shall consider necessary, and the weather will permit you will return to Stanley with as little delay as possible

I am &c
Sd H. Byng
Actg Col Secretary.

Captain J. P. Smithers.
Yacht "Foam".

Colonial Secretary's office
Falkland Islands.
24th September 870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request that you will make the necessary arrangements to proceed on Monday next the 26th instant to those Stations

stations specified in the margin, for the purpose of surveying the Freeholds that are required to be purchased by the Lessees of those stations under the leases by which they hold their lands.

For this purpose the Governor has placed the "Foam" and Captain Smithen at your disposal, and I am requested by His Excellency to express a hope that in carrying out this matter you will use as much dispatch as it is convenient and possible.

I have &c
H. Byerley
Actg Colonial Secy.

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

Government office
Stanley
21st September 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you herewith Ordinance No 6 of 1870, which passed the Legislative Council on the 20th of September, that it may be enrolled and engrossed in your office.

I have &c
M. Gallwey Hurst.

The Honble
L. K. Griffiths Esqre
Chief Magistrate.
&c &c &c

Government House.
Stanley.
Falkland Islands.
24th September 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant requesting I will delay the recognition of Mr. Dean as Vice Commercial Agent for the United States of America until "the matter can be investigated in the proper quarter", alluding to your law suit with the Administrators of Captain Smiley's estate.

Having perused a Despatch from the Secretary of State of your Government giving Mr. Dean authority to take over charge of your Consulate, I regret very much to inform you that it becomes my duty to recognize him as Vice Commercial Agent; at the same time Mr. Dean does not wish officially to be recognized until after your departure, but I trust you will excuse me if I suggest the necessity of your handing him over the books and papers connected with your Department within a day or two.

I have &c.
R. D'Arcy.
Colonel and Governor

To Joseph Powell Esqre
United States Commercial Agent.
&c. &c. &c.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
24th September 1870

My dear Consul.

It is beyond my province to venture to set aside the decision of your Government.

If you will send me two official lines applying for the Court to resume its sittings in the case of Appeal, I am in duty bound to assemble it and I will let you know the day and hour arranged.

Very sincerely yours
sd G. D'Arcy.

To Joseph Fowell Esqre
United States Commercial Agent.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
24th September 1870.

My dear Griffiths.

I have added your minute to the last Meeting of Council and Hurst will read it, and at the same time, I think it but fair to you to let it accompany my despatch, and the Ordinance, on the next occasion when the Mail leaves.

I take this opportunity to thank

thank you for the great assistance you have given me not only in this Ordinance, but in the one taxing spirituous liquors, so necessary a measure under the lapse of one third of the Parliamentary Grant!

Your difference of opinion with me on the Amalgamation Ordinance I can but respect; and indeed I am somewhat staggered in my own judgment when I find that Byng thinks with you, but the Rubicon is now passed and I must stand or fall on my Bill.

I am very desirous to pass a short game law, and send you a rough draft, Nixon the printer and Pensioner thought it hard because I presented him yesterday shooting in my paddock a brace of Geese a gander and a goose - evidently paired!

Mr. Martin and every true sportsman would have cried shame at home.

Yours sincerely.
Ed. G. D'Arcy.

The Hon.ble
R. R. Griffiths Esq.re
Chief Magistrate
&c. &c. &c.

Government House.
Stanley, 26th September 70.

My dear Consul.

I am sorry to inform you that Mr. Dean has just been here and on second thought, he cannot consent to your retaining your insignia of office till Friday when you have arranged to give over charge.

As Mr. Dean has the law on his side, let me advise you to yield, it will be more dignified, remember nothing is more agreeable to the God than the contemplation of a virtuous man struggling calmly against adversity.

Directly the "Foam" returns with Mr. Bailey, I will hold the Court of Appeal, but as it will take time I would advise your making arrangements to go up in the "Irene" on the 6th of November.

Yours sincerely.
Sd. G. D'Arcy.

Joseph Powell Esqre
Commercial Agent
United States.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
27th September 1870.

My dear Dean.

Mr. Powell having pointed out to me that it would be more satisfactory

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satisfactory to him to let you have the Seals of Office on Friday with the books, I would take it as a personal favour if you would allow this consideration to the old Gentleman who is leaving the settlement in misfortune.

Very sincerely yours.
Sd G. D'Arcy.

George. M. Dean Esq.re
&c. &c. &c.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
27th September 1870

Sir,

Your letter of the 23rd. instant quite exonerates you from the charge brought by the Surveyor General that you were in the habit of employing your men in work other than detailed by him.

Personally I have to regret that you took upon yourself the responsibility of suspending your Sergeant from his civil duties of Overseer, this step at once extended the difference between yourself and Mr. Bailey to the men under your command, who naturally sympathize with the Sergeant, and you have I fear now rendered it impossible for me to place him again in the only position I have at my disposal, whereby the interests of this deserving Non commissioned Officer were improved.

I have &c
Sd G. D'Arcy.
Governor

To Lt. Drury.
Commanding Royal Marines.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands
28th September 87

Sir,

I have received Lieutenant Drury's answer to your letter of the 17th, which contained the following charges against that officer.

1st That he gave liberty to the Royal Marines to work for private individuals in Stanley.

2ndly That he interfered with the Men attached to the Cart on Saturday the 10th instant when I was present.

3rdly That he excuse Men from the public works to attend auctions.

4thly That on one occasion Marine Artificers were employed together with Sergeant Dent for five or six days including a part of Sunday building an Oven for William Russell Baker of Stanley.

5thly That Johnson a Marine has been lately employed building foundations for a porch at the "Rose" public house also that Winter and another Carpenter built a porch for Henry White by permission of Mr. Drury contrary to instruction from the home government and detrimental to the public service.

6thly That the Lieutenant employed the Sergeant on one occasion during bell hours to drive his horse into Stanley from the camp

I will now forward the Lt.

answer

answer to these several charges.

1st It is only when the men came off guard, when the day is their own in fact, that he allowed them to work for private individuals, and this I must admit is only their right.

2ndly That the interference was trifling and incidental on the Carts happening to pass where he stood.

3rdly That he obtained my leave on one occasion, when I made it a request that the permission should not be applied for again.

4thly The Lieutenant enclosed me Governor Robinson's permission that the men might especially be loaned to Rutsell.

5thly Is answered by the first answer, the same holds good in this case.

6thly That he certainly did employ his Sergeant to drive in his horse on two occasions when prest for assistance to entertain the officers of the "Pylades", but that he was only away one hour on each occasion.

Although I have felt it my duty seriously to animadvert on Lieutenant Drury having taken upon himself the responsibility of taking Sergeant Dent off the works, and thereby extending this unfortunate difference to the Detachment under his command, so prejudicial to your authority on the men on the works yet at the same time, I am bound to place on record, that the charges you have brought against the Lieutenant for

interference

interference and misappropriation of the public Artizans and Labourers are groundless, and that unless you are more conciliatory to this officer who is placed in this Colony in a very trying position, it will be impossible for you to conduct the works with advantage to the public service.

I have &c
sd G. D'Arcy
Colonel and Governor

Arthur Bailey Esq re
Surveyor General
&c. &c. &c.

Government Office
Stanley, 29th September 70.

Sir,

I am requested by His Excellency the Governor to instruct you to proceed, as soon as possible to-morrow morning on board the barque "Calabar" now lying in Port William, and direct the Master of the said vessel to allow certain of his crew who are desirous of making a complaint to come ashore; and if practicable that the Master himself also should come, and bring the Ship's Register and Articles with him.

I am &c
sd H. Byng.
Actg Col Secretary.

Mr. C. Melville.
Harbour Master.