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Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
30th September 1876

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th instant in which you apply under the Amalgamation Ordinance for licenses to occupy the lots of land therein specified.

Nos 1 and 2 are quite regular, and I have pleasure in granting the licenses accordingly.

No 3, the latter part of this application admits of a doubt, as to how far my Predecessor promised it to Mr James Felton in the event of the government reserves being thrown open, he has represented to me how his land is shut off from the sea, if this reserve No 12 is granted on your application.

I have requested that he will call upon you on Monday and endeavour to come to some arrangement with you before going into the reference, being aware that you have claims upon the land which as so old a Tenant I am bound to respect.

In your lease a drawback will be allowed for useless mountain land contained in Stations 14 and 16.

With regard to the boundary of run No 5 Pot Louis I can see no objection together with the rectification of the boundaries of run No 16.

I have gone through

through all their various requisitions on the map with Mr. Byng most carefully and he is prepared to grant you the leases accordingly, the only confusion being in the Government Reserve No. 12 which I hope will soon be settled satisfactorily to all parties.

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

To
Captain Tacke
&c &c &c

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
30th September 1870.

Sir,

Mr. Griffiths the Chief Magistrate having represented to me how very inadequate his present staff is, to conduct all the responsible duties of his Court, and at the same time bearing in mind how illegal it is to proceed in the administration of justice without a qualified Clerk vide page 8, 18 para: of the Administration of Justice Ordinance I wish to offer you the appointment formerly held by the late Captain Sibbald R. N. that of Clerk to the Court at £170 a year, and as I am aware there are many questions of moment likely to come before the Magistrate's Court bearing on the future legitimate

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legitimate trade of these Islands, I request you will commence your duties from the 1st proximo.

The valuable gratuitous services you have rendered to this colonial government as a Member of the Legislative Council for several years has induced me to suggest that you accept monetary service under the Crown.

You were considerate enough to forward me your resignation as a Member of Council early in the winter, and if you remember I requested you to withhold it for a season, I think now however the present time is fitting that you favour me with it.

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

The Honble
C. C. Turpin Esqre
Member of the Legislative Council
&c. &c. &c.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands
1st October 1870.

Sir,

You are probably aware that the Captain of the "Calabar" at present at anchor in Port William, has set the Port regulations at defiance, and refuses to come on shore, to answer a charge of cruelty and oppression made by one of his Sailors against him, and

furthermore

furthermore refuses to allow the Pilot and a crew sent from Stanley by Mr Cobb, the Lloyds Agent, to place the vessel in a safer berth, only will he allow the hands to weigh to proceed to sea, and has accompanied all this violence by a display of a revolver.

Under all these circumstances I cannot risk the chance of setting the law at defiance, by sending a single constable on board; a display of force becomes necessary before justice can be enforced.

Will you therefore send a small force of 1 Sergeant and 6 Marines on board of the said vessel "Calabar" to protect the Pilot while he is changing the position of the ship, at present very near the rocks; that duty being completed you will then order the Sergeant to bring on shore the Captain, and the Man who has a complaint to make, who wrote to the Shipping Master, Mr Byrne, three days ago, taking care however to leave a sufficient number of men on board for the Vessel's safety and in command of the Pilot, until this trouble is over.

I am convinced that the moral effect of a show of force will be sufficient to bring the Captain to reason, but in the event of his attempting to use his revolver, the Sergeant will have to repel force by force.

I add to this requisition my warrant for the Sergeant to use if

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

To Lt. Drury R.M.
Commanding Royal Marines.
&c. &c. &c.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
1st October 1870.

My dear Dean.

In reference to my answer to your application last Monday that I would lend you the government Carpenters (Royal Marines) to repair a vessel now in harbour, I am sorry to be compelled to decline doing so, having been given to understand that such consideration will only cause jealousy amongst the local Artizans to such an extent as to cause them to stricke en masse, a calamity it would be wise to avoid; meantime I am advised that except in the case of the "Allen Gardiner" there is no precedent for the loan.

I am quite alive to the necessity of affording every assistance to the Merchant Marine as far as the resources of the Government will enable me to do so, but in this instance I am quite prevented doing so.

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

To
G. M. Dean Esqre
&c. &c. &c.

Government House
Stanley, 11th October 1870

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request that you will furnish him with a copy of the minutes of the evidence taken in matter of the complaint of John Clark held in the Police Court on Monday last the 2nd Instant

I have &c
Jas H. Byng.

C. C. Turpin Esqre
Clerk of the Courts

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
5th October 1870.

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your resignation of the various official positions you have held in this Colony, it becomes my pleasing duty to acknowledge how ably and zealously you have performed them, and to thank you for the support you have invariably rendered to myself and Predecessors during the last seven years.

Furthermore it is very patent to the settlement how you and Mrs Mac Clinton have laboured by your example and kind sympathy to benefit the people, who from their isolated

Member of Council.
Justice of the Peace
Inspectors of Schools

isolated homes so far removed from civilized influences so much required the countenance and advice you so cheerfully gave them.

Personally it has been a source of regret that I have not been able from this inclement spring from being present on the various social occasions when the society of Stanley have endeavoured to testify how much they regret your departure.

Wishing you and your amiable Lady every happiness.

I have the honour to be &c.

Sd. G. D'Arcy.
Governor.

To the
Hon.ble H. T. MacClinton R.N.
Member of the Executive Council.
&c. &c. &c.

Government Office.
Stanley, Falkland Islands
6th. October 1874.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the account of expenses incurred (upon your requisition bearing date 1st. October) in shifting the berth of the "Calabar" from a dangerous to a safe anchorage and I have to request that you will be pleased

pleased to re-imburse this Government for the expense incurred.

I am also directed to acquaint you by the Governor that the Slaughter House drain has been completed on your application.

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

J. E. Cobb Esqre
Manager,
Falkland Islands Company.

Government Office
Stanley, 7th October 1870.

Sir,

I am desired by the Governor to request you will warn a full bench of Magistrates as it may be necessary to-morrow to try an alleged case of cruelty made by the Seamen of the "Calabar" against their Captain, and that you will communicate with them as to the hour they are to assemble when the interests of justice may compel their attendance.

I have to acquaint you that Dr. Watts was sworn in as J.P. by the Governor on the 5th instant.

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

Charles L. Turpin Esqre
Clerk of the Court

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Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
12th October 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 11th instant, I can offer you a piece of unfenced land at the back of the police station as a garden for your men, and the fence shall be made by the Surveyor General when your men come on check, but in the event of your considering this arrangement as running too much into the summer, I propose that your men do rent gardens in the town and I will on the part of the government indemnify them.

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

Lt. Drury.
Commanding Royal Marines.
true copy

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
13th October 1870.

Sir,

I have to apologize for not having answered your letter of the 1st September before, but the delay has arisen from a desire to become well acquainted with all the circumstances connected with the application for the land in question, No. 12, before

arriving

arriving at any decision.

It must be remembered that you applied some years ago for the land, through Mr Turpin, who was then acting as your Agent, but who failed at the time to comply with the conditions of the licence or lease, and the land after some delay reverted to the Government as a reserve, but it is due to you to bear in mind that my Predecessor promised you, that he would not give licenses to kill wild Cattle on No. 12 reserve so very near to your land, yet I find (forgetting probably during your absence in England) that he had done so; I find that not only did the Governor give him a license to kill Cattle, but moreover as an inducement to Mr. Felton to take up the inland section, the Governor promised him that if ever the Reserves were leased, No. 12, should be thrown into his lease as a water frontage!

Under these circumstances I am sure you must see how prejudged the case is by the action of my Predecessor and how impossible it is for me to contravene specific arrangements made by him.

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

Captain Tacke.
&c &c &c
Stanley

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Government House
Stanley, 13th October 1870.

My dear Turpin.

I cannot read the finding in the important case at page 211 of the Police Book, it is so scratched and interlined, I wish you would write it clearly and legibly underneath; on the arrival of the "Southern Cross" further prosecutions will follow I fear and I may have hereafter to frame a Despatch to the Secretary of State on the evidence of the Police Book.

Also do me the favour to get on with the last case of alleged cruelty on board the "Calabar" to-day is the 13th and you have only entered up to the 3rd.

Very faithfully yours.
Alfd. E. D'Arcy.

C. C. Turpin Esqre
Clerk of the Courts.
&c. &c. &c.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands
14th October 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to order you to proceed to sea on Tuesday morning next at day break to convey the Mails to Montevideo and to return to Stanley with every possible dispatch on your receiving not only the October Mail,

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but the Mail expected to arrive by the Pacific Mail on or about the 5th proximo

His Excellency is desirous that you should make it a point to convey to Stanley certain boxes belonging to the Fuegian Mission now lying at the Montevideo Custom House to the direction of the Revd Mr Bridges

Also some boxes to the Governor's address which have been in the Custom House at Montevideo several months and which are very essential for the Governor to receive before the arrival of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh.

Moreover the Governor is anxious you should give freight to a kitchen range which is essential to Government House, the present one being quite unfit for use, Messrs Charles Usher and Co., reported to the Governor this Mails since that it was ready for shipment if room could be found for it.

Mr Cobb having applied for permission to ship some bolts of canvas for the use of one of the vessels in distress in the Port; the Governor has no objection to their shipment, but His Excellency expects that you will make it your business to explain to authorities at Montevideo that there is no trade speculation — no pretext in fact for making the "Joan" pay Port dues, that the Government merely carry these goods to oblige the Merchant Marine making no profit whatsoever on the transaction

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The Governor looks to you on this and all occasions not to allow any Person to embark on board the "Foam" who is not on your way list, received from this office.

I have &c

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H. Byng.
Actg Col Secretary.

To
Captain Smithen
Commanding Schooner "Foam"
In Harbour.

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

Gentlem,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward the 1st and 2nd Bills of Exchange on the Falkland Islands Company for One hundred and seventy three pounds to be placed to the credit of the Colonial Government of the Falkland Islands.

I have &c

Sd H Byng
Actg Col Secretary.

To the
Crown Agents of the Colonies
No. 5 Spring Gardens.
London.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
17th October 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you the accounts of Disbursements made by the Colonial Government on account of distressed British Seamen

The payments made by this Government for the "Blue Jacket," "Moderation," "Balearic" and "Maid of Athens."

The payments made on account of the "Blue Jacket" would have been duly reported before but from the fact of Mr. Griffiths one of the Justices by whom the investigation was held leaving the Colony within a few days of the close of the Inquiry in bad health. It was only on his return to the Colony that the payment was made.

The account of the "Moderation" and "Maid of Athens" could be prepared before in consequence of the pressure of work in the Secretary's office and the change of Governors.

The payments made on account of the Master of the "Maid of Athens" and his Wife were sanctioned by the Governor here in consequence of his being unable to obtain credit or private assistance in the Colony.

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A Bill for Two hundred and thirty nine pounds, fourteen shillings, has this day been drawn on the

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this account in favour of Messrs Henry S. King and Co. 65, Cornhill London.

I have the honour to be &c
sd H. Byng
Acty Col Secretary.

To the Accountant
Board of Trade.
London.

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

Sir,

I have the honour to reply in answer to your letter of yesterdays date, that it gives me great pleasure to comply with your request that you may occupy on lease the land bounded on the North by the River Murrell, on the East by the land sold to the Falkland Islands Company on the Peninsula, which terminates in Navy Point by the wall and the Government Reserve, and on the South by No. 1 Station at Fort Harriet.

You may not be aware however that the acreage you have specified amounts to two sections.

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

To Captain Tacke.
&c &c &c

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
19th October 1870.

My dear Chaplain.

I find that there is no drawback to be given, the Parties who once applied are now satisfied, but I will tell you - in December I shall want to go round the Islands, and the "Irene" is well adapted for the work - moreover she can often bring down the Mails in all 11, thus securing the monthly communication.

Very sincerely yours
Sd. G. D'Arcy.

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

Government office
Stanley, 21th October 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request that you will be good enough to frame an appropriate lease to the Amalgamation Ordinance No. 6 of 1870.

For the convenience of reference I transmit copies of the Leases which have hitherto been adopted.

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

The Honble
E. R. Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate

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Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
21th October 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 14th instant, I have great pleasure in granting you an Occupation license of a lot of 6 000 acres lying to the South of Lot No. 49.

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

To
Captain Tacke
&c. &c. &c.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
26th October 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that he has granted Captain Tacke's application for the Section to the South of 49, he having a prior claim to the land.

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

Mr. James Felton.
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
27th October 1870.

The Governor requests that Mr. Nugent will favour him with the names of the Pilot or Pilots who refused to proceed to Port William to bring his Ship into Stanley Harbour, in order that he or they may be deprived of their licenses, in the event of the charge being proved.

Mr. Richard Nugent.
Master of the Look-out.
Kind care of the Commercial
Agent. United States.

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

Sir,

In reference to a letter I had occasion to send you dated October 13th 1870, granting you 6,000 acres of ground on your application for a license around the River Murrell, and the Peninsula sold to the Falkland Islands Company, I have the honour to inform you that the Surveyor General has proved to me on the chart that this land is suburban, and consequently out of my power to lease on the terms of the Amalgamation Ordinance, will you therefore take the same acreage

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in lieu more to the westward, viz: as your East boundary, let a line be drawn from the summit of Mount William to the head of the Salt Water Creek, where it narrows, for your North and West boundary take the River Murrell, and let your own land No. 1 of Port Harriet be your southern boundary

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

To
Captain Packe
&c &c &c

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
28th October 1870.

Sir,

Referring to previous correspondence and to your letter of the 18th instant, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he is prepared to accede to your request on behalf of Mr. Waldron to occupy the station at Port Howard, late in the occupation of Messrs. Stickney and Baillon, on payment of the required amount.

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

F. L. Cobb Esqre
Colonial Manager
and Agent for W. L. Waldron Esqre

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
28th October 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to
forward you a Bill for Two hundred
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for the money Order Business of this
Bill No 7. Colony for Quarter ending 30th
September.

I have the honour to be &c.

Sd H. Bryn
Postmaster

The Receiver
and Accountant General.
General Post office.

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Government office.
Stanley. 31st October 1876.

Sir,

Pursuant to the Registration Ordinance No. 12 of 1853, I hereby beg to notify to you, that a Crown Grant No. 1756, dated 27th October 1876 was issued to Helen Hunter for that lot or parcel of land situated in the town of Stanley, containing quarter of an acre, and numbered 2. sec: B.

I have &c
J. H. Byng.
Col Secretary.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Registrar.

Government office
Stanley, Falkland Islands
28th October 1870.

Sir,

I am desired by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that in consequence of Mr. Greenfields having applied for and obtained a licence to occupy a station on the Government Reserve lying North of the 2nd Corral, your licence to kill 100 wild Bulls on that land will consequently expire.

I have &c.
sd/ H. Young
Colonial Secretary.

Sr. Dn. José Manasa.
East Falkland Island.

Colonial Secretary's office
Stanley, 31st October 1870.

Sir,

I have to acquaint you that the Governor has been pleased to appoint Thomas Langdale as Assistant Lightkeeper to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, in the place of James McGuire.

The "Irene" leaves to morrow with stores for the Lighthouse and Thomas Langdale is coming down in her, I have therefore to request that you will receive him as such, and take every means that you may deem expedient to instruct him in his future duties.

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

Mr George A. Clarke
Principal Lightkeeper
at Pembroke Lighthouse.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
31st October 1870.

My dear Griffiths.

I have for a long time been desirous of placing the Pilots under some direct supervision, and at the same time benefit the port, without allowing the revenue to suffer.

You will perceive from this rough draft of an Ordinance that on the body being enrolled on pay, a decked vessel will be hired sufficiently large to enable her to go well outside Mangara Point, whereas at present they cannot venture out of Post William at 6d. a ton, I calculate our revenue will be about £400 a year, and our expenses about £25 a year, including the 5£ a month salary to each Pilot.

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Will you do me the favour to draw out for the Council a fair copy of the Ordinance as the enclosed is but in a crude form.

Yours sincerely.
Sd G. D'Arcy.

The Hon.ble C. K. Griffiths Esqre
Chief Magistrate.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
31st October 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will take an early opportunity to proceed to the North of this Island in the vicinity of the Farms held by Messrs Petaluga and Greenshields who are in controversy respecting their boundaries.

The latter Gentleman alleges that the former has built two houses on two sections leased by Mr Greenshields, whereas Mr Petaluga is positive that the land on which the houses are built are quite within his boundary line.

Under these circumstances a rectification of boundaries is requisite, as it is most desirable that the Government Tenants should live on friendly terms with each other.

I enclose you all the correspondence on the subject, and I have to suggest that it will be necessary for you to take copies of the leases as far as they specify the lines of demarkation.

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

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

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
1st November 1870.

Sir,

With reference to your two letters of the 27th October, I directed Mr. Byng to supply you with a notice to say that inasmuch as you had taken out an Occupation License for the Government Reserve, Rincon del Moro, the killing licenses granted to José Ramos a must lapse.

Relative to the other parts of your letters, I have gone through the leases and licenses verbatim from the lease book with the Surveyor General, I have worked out the bearings on the chart, and I have come to the conclusion after deep consideration that the specified bearings on your occupation license do no agree with the bearings laid down in Mr. Petalugas lease found to be quite correct when compared with the Surveyor General's chart, this makes your north boundary one mile to the South of the Salt Lagoon, by a line drawn from the head of the Lorenzo Lagoon to the South West corner of N.1 Section.

I beg of you calmly to remember that an occupation license is but a temporary arrangement between the Government and a Tenant and the Authorities may be excused if in the hurry of business the lines of demarkation are defined somewhat indefinitively, but a lease carries with

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it weight, and the definitions must be laid down by a qualified Surveyor

However if after the receipt of this letter you still consider that you have not received your rights, I will at some expense send out the Surveyor General to survey the ground again.

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

Mr. James Greenshields.
Stanley.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
1st. November 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of this day's date making a requisition for the aid of a Military force to weigh the anchor of the "Queen of Nations", I have the honour to state in reply that I have given orders to Lt. Drury to place a small force at the disposal of the Captain, but at the same time I request that Constable Parry accompanies the force with your warrant to compel the Crew to obey the Captain.

I have &c.
s/d G. D'Arcy
Governor.

The Hon.ble
R. R. Griffiths Esqre
Chief Magistrate.

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Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
1st November 1870.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your of the 28th October, requesting me to reconsider my decision in reference to the section of land lying South of No. 49 Station.

With much regret I can only reiterate that I consider Captain Packe has a prior claime to the land at the hands of the Government.

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

Mr. James Felton.
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
4th November 1870.

My dear Bailey.

The dry weather alarms me if one of those wooden cottages were to catch fire, all the others would go like a pack of cards.

There is no water, the only thing would be to tear a house down, and so cut off the communication.

Will you organize some poles with hooks at the end, two or three

three ladders high and long enough to reach the upstair window - a few ropes with hooks - also some strong hatchets

Those implements might be placed on the dock yard under charge of the Guard, and the Inhabitants advised in case of fire to ring the dock yard bell, when the Marines would run for the things and then on to the fire, where under your direction they might tear down a house.

All expenses of course attending the purchase of these things the Government will defray.

Yours sincerely.
ad.
J. D'Arcy.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
&c &c &c

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
5th November 1870.

My dear Dr.

I have long thought your official and social position such as to warrant honorary notice, consequently I have now great pleasure in offering you a seat in the Executive Council vacant by the departure to England of Dr. Mac Clinton pending of course the sanction of His Lordship the

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the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Very sincerely yours
sd/
G. D'Arcy.

Horace. N. Walls Esqre. M.D.
Colonial Surgeon.
&c &c &c

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
5th November 1875.

Sir,

My dear Griffiths.

I know from sad experience what a ticklish work it is dealing with Mutineers, and that too many precautions cannot be taken to prevent bloodshed, consequently it was just as well to let Parry see that the Government had remarked his apparent dereliction of duty.

Will you do me the favour to inform him that I consider his explanation satisfactory.

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

The Hon.ble
E. H. Griffiths Esqre
Chief Magistrate.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
5th November 1870.

Sir,

If you refer back to your file of letters received, you will find I think one of mine dated 27th of June, in answer to yours of the 10th in reference to the land at White Rock, adjoining Mr. Waldrons Station No. 7.

Mr. Bailey applied for the land before Mr. Waldron, and I am now waiting for Mr. Bailey's final answer, to enable me to answer your letter positively one way or the other. I have directed the Colonial Secretary to apply again to Mr. Bailey in justice to Mr. Waldron.

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

J. E. Cobb Esqre
Colonial Manager.
Falkland Islands Company

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
5th November 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your three letters of the 3rd instant.

It will give me great pleasure to give you a lease of the Kelp Lagoon No. 2 for twenty one years.

The Surveyor
General.

General will be directed to mark off the site of a wharf and a road through N°. 12 en route to the inland station to the South of N°. 29, but as your application makes a precedent, for such reasonable consideration, I must request that you will not take any steps towards enclosing the ground before the exact spot for the wharf is defined, and the route laid down by competent authority.

Relative to the Stations 6 and 7 not (5 and 8 as stated in your letter) being united in one block in your names, it would be convenient to the Government office if Mr. E. Scott, the present Lessee would notify that he desires to transfer the land in question to you, and in that case of course it might be easily be made out as you wish.

I have &c. &c.

sd/

G. D'Arcy

Colonel and Governor.

To

Captain Tucker.

&c. &c. &c.

Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Island
8th November 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the enclosed correspondence for your attentive perusal, and to request that you will be pleased to make it your duty at a convenient season to proceed to the sea board of the Government Reserve known as No. 12, and select a spot on the beach for a wharf, and mark out the bearings of a road so as to lead to Captain Packe's section to the South of No. 29.

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

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

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
8th November 1870

My dear Drury.

There was a difficulty about timber – none in the Colony except what we had in store for the Jail floors, but I ordered through the Surveyor General the Carpenters to knock off my greenhouse, and to use the timber set aside for the Jail for so good a purpose as your hospital, and they will commence operations

to-morrow

to-morrow.

It appears through some mistake last Sunday, your men were in their fatigue dress without arms at the wharf near the Church, going off as they told me "to assist the crew to weigh."

I fully expected to hear more of this, and true enough Mr. Bull alluded to it in his sermon "the desecration of the Sabbath &c".

Now as the wind was favourable and the crew of the "Queen of Nations" alleged to be in a state of mutiny, I thought it my duty on the Saturday evening, for the sake of the trade, to make a requisition upon you, for aid to coerce the bad sailors on board, but to interfere with the labour market and to use Soldiers on a Sunday is quite another thing and at the time I could not help admitting that the Chaplain was right and I bowed to the reproof.

Can you at all explain how this mistake took place, and have you at hand my letter written on the fly leaf of Mr. Griffiths letter.

Yours sincerely.
Ed. G. D'Arcy.

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

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
10th November 1870.

My dear Chaplain.

Your letter accompanied by a Memorial from the Inhabitants I have to acknowledge and answer. Relative to the organization of an Orphanage in Stanley, I can only say that I will be glad to give you every assistance privately as far as my means will enable me, and my advice is as you know at your service, especially in so good a work, but I do not think you have made out a case sufficiently weighty as to warrant my moving the Government in the matter, from your nominal return I recognize but three or four orphans requiring the fostering care of the benevolent, the rest you must admit are adults, and in the way of earning their livelihood by their little labour, so priceless in this community.

The partially erected new Jail has been built with Imperial Funds, and I cannot venture to divert the building to purposes other than was intended by the Secretary of State without his consent, but as a temporary arrangement I will be happy to place at your disposal the house

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house occupied by Mr. Clarke, which for the present will I am sure be sufficiently commodious.

The Dispensary I cannot part with.

I am much obliged to you for drawing my attention to the inaction respecting the Cemetery wall, and I will move further in this essential, the last report I received from the Surveyor General was to the effect, that Casey the Contractor wanted to finish Degenhardt's house before he undertook the Cemetery.

Very sincerely yours
Edw. G. Dr. Arcy.

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

Government office.
Stanley. 12th Novr. 1870.

Sir, I have the honour to inform you that the following Crown Grant has been issued from this office.

No. 177. dated 8th November 1870, containing quarter of an acre, situate in the Town of Stanley, and numbered 3. sec. B. to Andrew Smith Halliday.

I have &c.
Edw. H. Byng.
Actg Colonel Secy.

A Bailey Esqre
Registrar.

&c &c &c

Port of Stanley
Falkland Islands
12th November 1870

Sir,

The Certificate of Registry of the ship "Irene", official No. 9,939. A. 16. granted at your Port on the 11th day of July 1854, was this day delivered up and cancelled, and the ship registered anew at this Port.

sd H. Byng.
Actg Col. Secy and Registrar.

To the Registrar of
Shipping of the Port of Cowes.
Isle of Wight.

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

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th November suggesting an arrangement to run the "Foam" with the Mails to Montevideo continuously for a fixed rate per annum.

Although your proposal embraces many advantages both to the Government and to the public, yet at the present time it is not convenient to advertize for tenders for such a service, so many requisitions for the "Foam" being on my table of a

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

Mr. W. D. Benney.
Manager for A. E. Goss and Co.
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
15th November 1870.

My dear Baillon.

It appears by some mistake Mr. Robinson only credited you with 500 acres of water in your lease, whereas the Surveyor General in his Memo. gave in 1100 acres.

I have therefore great pleasure in allowing you to score off this amount on your settling day with the Colonial Secretary.

We are about expecting the 'Foam' with two Mails, it will startling news she will bring of the war.

I expect Napoleon will be killed in battle, and a Republic by this time is rampant in France and peace with Prussia victorious.

On Saturday the 12th we had a gale of wind, almost a hurricane from the South!

Mrs. D'Arcy

desires to be kindly remembered.

Yours sincerely.
Sd G. D'Arcy.

L. Baillon Esq re
West Falkland.

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

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a letter from Captain Packe in reference to your projected visit to the Arroyo Mdlo River, Port Salvador, and at the same time to add that I think his suggestion is reasonable and one I wish carried out, if it can be done without injury to the interests of his Neighbours also Tenants of the Crown.

I have re
Sd G. D'Arcy.
Governor.

Arthur Bailey Esq re
Surveyor General
re re

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Government Office.
Stanley, 19th November 1870

Sir,

I beg to call your attention that the monthly Accounts of the Falkland Islands Company with the Colonial Government for the last two months have not yet been sent in, and I have to request that you will give directions that those Accounts are furnished at your earliest convenience.

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

F. E. Cobb Esqre
or other Officer in charge.
Stanley.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
19th November 1870

My dear Bailey.

Agreeable to my letter of the 24th of September (or rather Byng's) will you give him a description of the boundaries of the different Free holds which you surveyed on the last occasion when you went out in the "Foam".

I am desirous that Byng should issue the Crown Grants in order that we may somewhat add to the revenue.

On the completion of

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the road to the flag staff we had better go on with the Gaol as far as the Bricklayers and Carpenters are concerned letting the Labourers under your direction commence the bridle road to the Lighthouse of the three proposed routes the shore the middle the top I think the middle is the best and presents for the Traveller the greatest amount of convenience and comfort.

Yours sincerely
Sd G. A. Hicks.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
&c &c &c

Government office
Stanley 22nd November 1870.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 8th instant, I am directed by the Governor to inform you, that he has much pleasure in granting you a licence for the occupation of a station at Bodie Peak.

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

Mr John Bonner
Stanley

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

My dear Bailey,

If we have not got sufficient poles to make the flying bridge for the Port Louis people Mr. Bridges has some for sale on board the "Allen Gardiner".

I saw the ventilating window you made in the School, they are first rate and I can breath without effort.

Can you tell me aught about the Cemetery, when Casey intends to cut the first sod, I am afraid that if he does not look sharp the winter will be upon us, I should like if possible, to get it done before the Duke of Edinburgh arrives as he is sure to go and see where the Lieutenants are buried.

Would you stir up Casey with a long pole and oblige.

Yours sincerely.
Sd G. D'Arcy.

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

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
22nd November 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant in which you have so clearly pointed out that it would not be just for the Government to lower the price of land in the town or suburbs of Stanley even to meet the requirements of the poorer Inhabitants who cannot afford to purchase land at the present upset price, and I have to thank you for the evident trouble you have taken to arrive at this conclusion and in which I cannot help fully concurring.

It has however occurred to me that the wishes of the Inhabitants might be met by disposing of the suburban land in lots of one acre or even less at the present upset price and I have to request your consideration and advice to this suggestion.

My object is, to induce the single men, Sealers and others, with small means to remain here, and invest their earnings in land, enabling them eventually to marry instead of spending all they have from time to time in riotous improvident living.

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

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

Government Office.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
23rd November 1870.

Sir,

I have to inform you that the bond you entered into with the Government fell due on the 22nd instant,

I have therefore to request that you will make arrangements for the payment of the same at your earliest convenience.

I am &c
M. Galloway Hurst.
Acting Coll of Customs.

Mr. C. Hansen.
Stanley.

Government office.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
24th November 1870.

Sir,

I have to inform you that the bond you entered into with the Government fell due on the 23rd Instant.

I have therefore to request that you will make arrangements for the payment of the same at your earliest convenience.

I am &c
M. Galloway Hurst.
Acting Coll of Customs.

Mr. Thomas H. Wright.
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
24th November 1870

My dear Chaplain.

I think you might gracefully make a concession to Mrs D'Arcy as to hours, which would benefit all Parties and now these long evenings have set in, it really would not be felt.

Why not limber up - as we say in the Artillery as the clock strikes 4 P.M. - collect the books quietly and fall into Church, so taking the Service after instead of before it, for what with boys coming late and limbering up at 3.45 there is really but little time for cutting, fixing, and sewing.

At Christmas two Boys and two Girls might be specially marked for good progress, who have been punctual to School hours, quite independant of Scholastic attainments, so as to encourage punctuality what is here in Stanley so much required.

I hope to send the School a clock, to secure punctuality, and at the same time to let the children read it.

After the departure of the "Allen Gardiner", I have requested Mr Bridges to teach the boys the game of French and Prussians, if you will kindly allow him to drill them and I have sent the Captain some simple rules to go by.

Yours sincerely.
Sd G. Bittoy

The Revd
C. Bull. M.A.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
26th November 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will be pleased to comply with the enclosed requisition from the Master Commanding the Colonial Government Schooner "Foam" — her mainsail and other sails having been split on the last occasion when she conveyed the Mails from Montevideo to this Port.

The Colonial Crown Agents will be requested to reimburse the Admiralty for this expense.

I have &c
Sd C. D'Arcy
Governor

To
Captain Edward Nares R. N.
Commanding H. M. S. "Reindeer."

P. S.

Agreeable to orders only received yesterday from the Colonial Office, I find it is necessary to pay for these articles at once, if the Paymaster will be so good as to make out the account.

Sd C. D'A.

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Government office.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
29th Novr. 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the following Crown Grant has this day been issued from this office.

No. 178, dated 29th November 1870, containing quarter of an acre, situate in the Town of Stanley, and numbered Lot 1. Sec: B. to William Alexander Hilton.

I have &c. &c.
pp H. Byng
Actg Colonist.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Registrar General.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands
28th November 1870.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 25th instant I regret to inform you that it is not the intention of the Government at present to employ Transport for the Mail Service, but have to thank you for the offer of the "Fairy"

I am &c
(sd) G. D'Arcy
Col. Governor.

Mr Alexander Lowe.
Stanley.

Government House
Stanley 29th Nov.r 1870

My dear Captain Scales.

You were good enough to say you would assist me in comparing the "Foam" log with the Meteorological returns from the Lighthouse; the latter as yet I have not received although I wrote for them last Week.

Meantime I observe that the gale or hurricane from the Southward which we had here on Saturday the 12th struck the "Foam" on Monday the 14th, after she had been six days at sea — about half her voyage was completed then I fancy — this would rather prove that the gale was not

not a local one but travelling North!
However you will
be able to pronounce when the returns
come from the Lighthouse, I will
send them up to you.
Some day the
little "Foam" will come to grief if we
do not get a larger vessel, the seas
here are so tremendous.

Yours sincerely.
Ed. L. Troy.

Captain Seales.

Stanley.

Government House.
Stanley 30th November 1870.

My dear Smithen.

I send you this
note quite confidentially to point out
one or two omissions on your part; which
although trifles in themselves no bigger
than a Man's hand at present, may
eventually cause trouble
The Passengers
going to Montevideo spoke very highly
of yourself and the comfort on board
the "Foam" but on your return voyage
(it is true it was a long one) they alleged
that for the last three days they were
starved! now you are not limited
by the Government, why not lay in
a surplus supply for a voyage of
25 days in cases of accident and

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then you will be on the right side.

As a Government officer your first duty ought to be to attend to the little requisitions of the Government officers, Mr. Griffiths uniforms were left behind in the Custom House, which he has been ordered to wear on the occasion of His Royal Highness' visit to Stanley, although I believe he requested you to clear it for him.

I would suggest that on your arrival at Monte Video you will at once without a day's delay clear all parcels at the Custom House, so as to avoid doing things to the last moment, it is very painful to me to hear complaints against the "Foam" so do now consider it your duty to attend to the requirements of the Departmental officers, (as you command a Government not a merchant vessel) before the public.

Very faithfully yours
Sd. G. D'Arcy.

Captain Smellie.
Commanding Schooner "Foam".
In Harbour.

Government House
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
2nd December 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch of the 5th October informing me of your having relieved Captain Buckley V. C. of H. M. S. "Pylades" as Senior Naval officer of Her Majestys Squadron on the South East Coast of America.

2. I beg to convey to you my acknowledgements for the expression of your desire to receive any requisitions I may have occasion to submit to you for the benefit of Her Majestys Service.

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

Captain Bedingfield R. N.
Senior officer of H. M.'s
Squadron.
South East Coast of America.

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
2nd December 1870.

Sir,

For reasons needless to detail, it has become incumbent on this Government to allow Messrs Goss & Co., to ship their cargo, now at Monte Video on board the "Foam"

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for transmission to Stanley, I am consequently requested by the Governor to direct you will be pleased to present the enclosed letter to Messrs. Robert Littlejohn & Co. Montevideo, on the day of your arrival and make all the necessary arrangements with him for shipping the cargo some time previous to the day of your sailing in order not to drive things to the last.

The enclosed letter to Major Munro explains the circumstances connected with this unusual accommodation and this Government is prepared to pay Port charges if necessary for this one voyage, you will therefore be guided by the Consul in reference to any charges made by the Custom House in Montevideo.

His Excellency is quite aware that this transaction may be the cause of your detention in Montevideo even after you receive the Mails, yet the exigencies of the requisition are of so pressing a nature that he is prepared for the necessary delay.

I have &c. &c.
s.d H. Byrne.
Actg Colonial Secretary.

To Captain Smithen
Commanding Schooner "Foam".
In Harbour.

Government Office.
Stanley 5th December 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 to-morrow the 6th of December at two o'clock.

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

To the Hon.ble
C. R. Griffiths Esq.re
Chief Magistrate.
&c &c &c

(Same as above).

To the Hon.ble
H. Byng Esq.re
Colonial Secretary.
&c &c &c.

(Same as above,

To the Hon.ble
H. N. Wells Esq.re M.D.
&c &c &c

Government House
Stanley Falkland Islands.
5th December 1870.

Sergeant Smith.

Before I leave for a tour round the Islands, I wish to detail to you in writing, what I require during my absence completed by the poor convicted under your command.

1st. The Government House paddock made as civilized as you can, all stones that are loose removed in order to encourage beautiful grass, and the wood in the stable broken up with hatchets, and stacked in the wood store for house purposes.

2nd. Then the work can be removed at the Quintus Curtius chasm opposite to Lieutenant Drury's quarters.

3rd. Shingle at intervals had better be carried up to the Flag-staff road, ready for scientific distribution by the Surveyor General.

4th. And a grand crusade made every Saturday upon the chronic slovenly state of the Colony, all dirty trash is tumbled into the streets, Gardiner a Marine — his house is a beacon to the Settlement for such a small matter I am averse to direct proceedings to be taken at law, rather let us heap coals of fire on the heads of the community by burying their superfluity as the wild Cat does.

On the proper right of the new Jail, you will find it is a regular Golgotha, old bones, rags, broken bottles, tins of sardines, tins of soup, and along the fence of the Marine's Garden such an accumulation of trash abounds, ruthlessly

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cart all this away from the face of the earth and shunt it into the chasm in front of Lt. Drury's quarters

If we go bang at this crying evil at once by the time H. M. S "Galatea" arrives we shall be tolerably clean.

A naval officer remarked to me to day

"If an epidemic ever visited Stanley then the people would see the necessity of cleanliness."

I would specially fix your attention on the broken bottles, they are very dangerous, and all ought to be buried inasmuch as if a poor drunken Man was to fall some night amongst them he might bleed to death.

Razors might as well be distributed broad cast through the settlement

Let us all think of the lines "Evil is wrought, by want of thought as well as by want of heart.

Do me the favour to conform rigidly to bell hours – otherwise remarks are sure to follow.

I have to express my gratification at your zealous superintendance heretofore.

G. D'Arcy.
Governor.

To

Sergeant Smith. R. M.
Acting Gaoler.
Stanley.

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Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
15th Dec.r 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to request you will be pleased to receive this my requisition to be conveyed in Her Majesty's Ship under your command, round the Islands, on a tour of inspection to the several settlements under my Government, namely. Darwin Harbour, Fox Bay, Port Howard and the Mission station of Keppel Island.

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

To Captain J. P. Jones Parry.
Commanding H.M.S. "Spectacle"

Government office.
Stanley. 14th December 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 Friday next the 16th of December at 2 o'clock P.M.

I am &c
M. Galloway Hurst.
Clerk to the Council.

The Hon.ble
C. R. Griffiths Esq.re
Government House and G. M. Dean Esq.re
Stanley. Falkland Islands Members of Legislative Council.
15th Dec.r 1870. &c &c &c

Government House.
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
16th December 1870.

My dear Cobb.

It would be very remiss of me if I was to allow another day to pass without thanking you for all your kindness and attention during my visit to Darwin.

I am now able to form a judgment of our pastoral resources and of our requirements.

I hope to proceed on Monday to Fox Bay and thence up the Sound to Keppel, and home by Port Salvador, if possible before Christmas day.

Not having a book, I

I am afraid to ask you to dinner to meet Mrs Lewin who is now staying here, but if you do not mind a walk after dinner we shall be very glad to see you and perhaps Mrs Lewin will favour us with a little music.

Very sincerely yours
&c
G. D'Arcy.

J. L. Lobb Esqre
Manager for the
Falkland Islands Co
&c &c &c

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands
22nd December 1870.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Council to take place at this office on Saturday next the 24th December at 2 o'clock. P. M.

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

The Hon^bles
E. R. Griffiths Esqre
and G. M. Dean Esqre
Members of Legislative Council
&c &c &c

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

Sir,

In reference to your letter of the 10th June applying on the part of Mr. Waldron for license to occupy the land at White Rock adjacent to his station No. 7; I have much pleasure in granting the application.

I have &c
C. S. Ditcy
Governor.

To
Frederick. E. Cobb Esq.
Manager of the
Falkland Islands Company.

Governor's Speech to the School children on Christmas day. 1870.
26th December 1870.

Yesterday I endeavoured to impress upon your minds the great necessity of your seizing the present golden season of your youth for the acquirement of knowledge; if you remember nine months ago when I first addressed you I quoted a passage from the writings of Addison, that the mind of a young person is like soft wax easy to receive impressions, whereas in after life the wax hardens, and is like marble difficult to engrave upon, if that was my wish and desire

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with regard to your secular studies how much more is it necessary to be greedy after biblical knowledge – this little book I hold in my hand is a library in itself – it contains history – poetry of the highest order – indeed it is supposed that Plato the great Philosopher had access to a copy of the old Testament before he composed his philosophical writings. An eminent Divine on his death bed, one of our Bishops, said if the Almighty would only grant him a fortnights longer life he would devote the time to the study of the Psalms of David, now my dear little people, I trust you have many fortnights in store for you, not only to read over the Psalms, but the Gospels, the life on earth of our Lord, and the preaching of his Apostles, remember the past is not yours, it is gone, nor is the future, you may not live to enjoy it, but the present is your own.

Now one word of commendation, before we break up, I am much pleased at your improved reverence, silence, and good behaviour in Church, in the Churches of England – in the great Cathedral – you might hear a pin drop; you had an example this morning in the crew of the "Speedwell", I observed their behaviour, these brave simple minded Men probably felt in whose presence they were! and remembered the words "where two or

three

three are gathered together, there will I be in the midst of them".

You are asked to be quiet and respectful in your bearing - doubly so then if you were summoned to the presence of an earthly Potentate, how subdued any one of you would be in the presence of the Queen or Prince of Wales - how much the more ought you to be quiet and orderly and respectful then in the House of God.

Government House.
Stanley Falkland Islands
28th Decr 1870.

My dear Bailey

I was glad to see you out again to-day, although it is not quite a day for you.

As soon as Smith has finished the Government Garden fence, I have directed him to clean the Cemetery and move back the north face of the fence by the wheel of the quarter circle back on the right and left - this is as far as he can go, then perhaps you will step in and complete the arrangement by making a new north side with fencing from the Peninsula, then I think it is possible we may be tolerably ship shape before His Royal Highness's arrival. In the event

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of 6 street lamps coming out in Mr. Dean's vessel during my absence, I would like you to make an effort to get them up along the street - say from Goss' buildings to Fisher's house, it will give the place a civilized air, they had better be placed near the houses on the right hand as you go to the East; also I hope there will be on board some railing for the Church like what Dean has before his house.

All the Colonies have been allowed to spend a little public money on the occasion of the Prince's visit, so I do not think they will object at home to my doing so thus infinitesimally.

Yours sincerely.
Arthur Bailey Esqre. Ed. F. D'Arcy.
Surveyor General.
T. T. T.

Government Office.
Stanley. 30th Decr. 1870.

Sir,

I have to draw your attention to the fact that the purchase money for Lot No. 1 has not been paid into my office.

I have to request that as so long a period has elapsed since the auction you will pay the money to-morrow morning

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Government office.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
31st December 1870

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that I have this day drawn on Her Majesty's Paymaster General Two hundred and thirty three pounds, nineteen shillings, and one penny on account of repayments of sums advanced for payment of Military Pensioners resident in this Colony.

£ 233 " 19 . 1.

The Bill No. 6 is made payable to the Receiver and Accountant General, General Postoffice.

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

The Under Secretary
at War.
War Department.
Pall Mall.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
31st December 1870

Sir, I have the honour to foward the Accounts current of the War Department with this Government, with the vouchers attached for payments made for Pensioners resident in the Falkland Islands for the quarters ending 30th June, 30th "

30th. September, and this day.

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

The Under Secretary
of State.
War office
Pall Mall.

Government office.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
31st. December 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have this day drawn upon you for Two hundred and thirty three pounds, nineteen shillings; and one penny, in favour of the Receiver and Accountant General, General Postoffice, London, on account of sums advanced for payment of Military Pensioners resident in this Colony. £ s d £233. 19. 1

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

Her Majesty's
Paymaster General.
London.

morning being the last day of the quarter.

I am &c
sd H. Byng.
Actg Colsecy.

Mr. W. A. Hillson.
Stanley.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
30th December 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the cash accounts of this Government for the months of December 1869, January, February and March 1870.

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

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

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

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No. 1

Government Office
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
13th January 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward for the information of the Emigration Commissioners corrected sheets of the Colonization Circular as far as this Colony is concerned.

2. I regret that your circular letter of the 31st August 1870 did not reach me sufficiently early to enable me to reply in time for the corrected Sheets to reach England not later than next month.

I have the honour to be &c.

sd H. Byng
Colonial Secretary

The Assistant Secretary
Government Emigration Board.

No. 2.

Government Office
Stanley. Falkland Islands
13th January 1871.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 25th August 1870. E. 2. 155 - I have the honour to inform you that the Seal required for the Magistrate's Court should be an embossing seal with a press, and 4" complete; size

size and device as per margin
with the words "Magistrates Court
Falkland Islands."

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
H. Byng
Colonial Secretary.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies
5. St Spring Gardens.
London.

No. 3.

Government office
Stanley Falkland Islands
13th January 1871.

Sir,

In reference to your letter
of the 30th September 1870, I am
directed by His Excellency the
Governor to request that you will
be good enough to order six
flags of the larger size, and six
of a smaller size, together with
if possible, a dozen Badges
which may be fixed in flags
already in use when required.

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

The Crown Agents
for the Colonies.
5a Spring Gardens. S.W.
London.

No 4.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
13th January 1871.

Sir,

With reference to your letter
No 27. 0841, I have the honour to
inform you that the system of
the Pattern post introduced between
the United Kingdom and the
Falklands, has been of use to
several correspondents in England,
and His Excellency the Governor
had directed the system to be
carried into execution from
this side.

I have &c.

sd. H. Byng.
Colonial Secretary.

W. L. Page Esqre.
General Post office.
London.

No 5.

Government House
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
13th January 1871.

Sir, I am directed by His Excellency
the Governor to forward the enclosed
explanation or abstract of amounts
disallowed for the payment of Pensioners

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Falkland Islands
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Pensioners during the quarter ending December 31st 1869. I have to inform you that these amounts have been duly credited to the account of the War Department with this Government.

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

The
Under Secretary of State
for War.
War office.
Pall Mall. London.

No 16.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
11th January 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you the accounts of the money Order business of this Colony for October, November and December 1870

2. I beg to enclose Bills for the balance due to the United Kingdom on the last quarter, namely £580 . 14 . 6

	£	s	d
	580	11	6

naming Bill on	£	s	d
Paymaster General	346	15	5
Ditto.	233	19	1
	£580	14	6

The Receiver and
Accountant General.
General Post office.
London.

No 7.

Government office.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
17th January 1871.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your communication of July 27th 1870, relating to Casualty Wreck Returns, & I have the honour to forward Wreck Return of the "Vampyr", of 11th December last.

I have &c
sd/ H. Byng.
Colt. Secretary.

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

No 8.

Government office.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
18th January 1871.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge your letter of 20th June 1870, as well as previous ones on the same subject, & now have the honour to forward you acknowledgements of all Mails, received from England to the Mail bearing date 9th November.

2. The very heavy press of work in this office has alone caused the unavoidable delay to which you refer

refer.

3. In future the necessary acknowledgements will be promptly made; but to do this it is necessary that this office should be furnished with the printed forms of acknowledgements now in use.

I am &c
Sd/ H. Byrne
Postmaster.

To
W. J. Page Esq^re
General Post Office.

No. 9.

Government office.
Stanley. Falkland Islands
19th January 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you the certificate of Thomas Broad Talleman No. 35,988, who died in this Port on the 8th December 1870 while Master of the "Vicar of Bray" of London.

2 I have appointed the Mate Neil Robert Duncan, Master, he holding a Master's Certificate No. 23,951.

I have &c
Sd/ H. Byrne
Colonial Secretary.

The
Registrar General of Seamen.
London.

10.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
20th January 1871.

Sir,

I take the occasion of the return of Her Majesty's Ship "Speedwell" to the Squadron under your command to express my acknowledgements for the service rendered to this Colonial Government by Captain Parry having conveyed me round to the new farming settlements in the West Falkland.

I have the honour to suggest, how important it would be, if in the course of your duty, you are enabled to spare a vessel to visit the Missionary settlement of Ushuwia situated on the south shore of Tierra del Fuego; only six years ago it was the scene of a terrible massacre of all the Europeans by the ignorant natives, and although the Clergymen of the Mission in their devotion to the cause do not apprehend any danger, yet, many impartial persons of this settlement who are well acquainted with the foot natives, think otherwise, and that the sight of the flag in those waters would be productive of incalculable good to our Countrymen, who are residing amongst so numerous Natives at Ushuwia, perfectly at the mercy and caprice of Natives of the lowest type.

I/

I have the honour to be &c
Sd. G. D'Arcy.
Colonel & Governor.

Captain
Norman. B. Bedingfeld. R.N.
Senior officer of H.M.S
Squadron.
South East Coast of America.

11.

Government office.
Stanley. 21st. January 1871.

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 Tuesday next the 24th. of January at two o'clock P.M.

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

The Hon.ble
L. K. Griffiths. Esq.re
&c. &c. &c.

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12. (same as above.)

The Hon.ble H. Byng Esq.re
&c. &c. &c.

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13. (same as above)
The Hon.ble K. R. Wallis Esq.re M.D.
&c. &c. &c.

Government office
21st January 1871.

My dear Bailey.

On Monday will you send up one or two sharp Marines to put the paper up on the staircase and the carpets down, so that we may be all ship shape the first week in February the period officially named for His Royal Highness' arrival.

The garden fence above Stacey's requires repair, I fear if we do not get a few nails put in battle may damage the men's gardens.

From what Dr. Walls tells me, it becomes necessary to have an Inquest on the Sailor's body of the "Foam" as it appears he has met his death from a blow given perhaps at Montevideo, before he took the Colonial Government service.

Will you give out the necessary orders to have it on Monday forenoon, so that the body may be buried on Monday afternoon instead of Sunday as before arranged, better warn Captain Smithett and some of the crew to be in waiting.

The Inquest may do moral good.

From the log of the "Foam" you will be pleased to observe that the Deceased joined the "Foam" on the 21st December 1870, and took sick

sick on the 31st December, seven days after leaving from Montevideo. The "Foam" cast anchor in Stanley on Monday January 9th 1871 — the Man was landed very ill, unconscious on Dr Wallis requisition he was received into a Government Cottage on Saturday the 11th January, and was carefully treated, but died on the 20th January — Friday morning.

Yours sincerely.
s/d G. D'Arcy.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.

No. 14.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
21st January 1871.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to transmit to you the formal receipts of return relative to Income tax, together with a copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State on the subject.

2. These receipts are accompanied by a certificate of the identity of the persons signing them.

I have &c
s/d H. Byng
for Colonial Secretary

The Crown Agents
for the Colonies.

No. 15.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
21st January 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request that you will by the earliest opportunity that may offer forward for the use of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse the stores required for that service for the year.

2. It would be as well to send eighteen months supply to guard against the exhaustion of the stock. The cylinders last forwarded have not given satisfaction, many of them have been broken.

3. In the event of no ship being advertised either by the Falkland Islands Company, Messrs. Dean and Son, or Messrs. Henry S. King & Co. 65 Cornhill, I beg to suggest that the stores should be forwarded viâ Montevideo for transmission to the Falklands.

4. The Governor considers that the amount and kind of stores required for this Lighthouse had much better be left to your discretion as you can refer to previous requisitions.

I/

The Secretary
Marine Department
Board of Trade
London.

I have the honour to be
Sir &c &c
Ld H. Byng
Colonial Secretary.

Government House
24th January 1871.

My dear Chaplain,

The bath I will send for, it is required for a possible hospital, or Infirmary but useless in an Asylum!

Mrs D'Arcy, told you I believe how part of the indiscretion attributed to Dr Walls is not true, but he is open to animadversion for holding a post mortem on such slender authority, his practice must suffer.

Let me advise you, do not open the Orphanage with a ceremony, it is so feebly supported that it might be a failure, rather let the working of the thing be its best advertizement

I have not been very zealous with you in the matter of the Orphanage, because I considered that so many other things were required in Stanley more needful, which I knew were looming in the distance

distance, take for instance the subject of to-day's Executive Council, how are we to support the indigent Poor, and Lunatics of the Colony?

Yours Sincerely.

Ld. G. D'Arcy.

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

No 16.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands
25th January 1871.

Gentlemen,

I have had the honour to receive your Memorial in complaint that the Colonial Surgeon held a post mortem examination without authority at the same time forcing the door of the deceased.

2. I have called upon Dr. Watts for an explanation of this alleged indiscretion, and I have the honour to enclose it for your information.

3. I am much grieved at the circumstance, but from a conversation I have had with Dr. Watts, I find that he is extremely sorry at having allowed his professional

professional zeal to outstrip his consideration for the feeling of others, you will I am sure be good enough to accept his apology, and his assurance that except under the orders of superior authority he will not venture to repeat a post mortem examination.

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

The Hon.ble
G. M. Dean Esq.re
and others.

No. 17.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
25 th. January 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose you a copy of the finding of a Coroner's Inquest, I ordered to be held on the body of a seaman named Charles Mc. Carron, who took service in board the Colonial Government Schooner "Foam" in good health on the 21st. December 1870; he took ill on the 31st. December, and died in the Colonial Hospital in this town on the 21st. January of what was supposed at the time to be

be inflamation of the lungs, but in the course of a post mortem examination held by the Colonial Surgeon a bruise on the head was discovered, and on further investigation it was found that the cause of death proceeded from

"An effusion of blood on the brain, caused by a blow on the back of the head, how, when, and where received there is no evidence to shew".

He served on board the "Nemesis" before taking service on board the "Foam".

It becomes my duty to acquaint you with all the particulars of this poor young Man's sudden death in the event of his Friends at Londonderry writing to you, and if you require further information I will forward you a certified copy of the Minutes of Inquest.

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

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

Government House.
Stanley 25th January 1871.

My dear Chaplain,

I am rather surprized that with all your reading, experience, and research, you seem to wish to deal with people as they ought to be, instead of as they are, even the materialistic medical men, treat a case, as D. F. calmly, he tries to save life, he does not make himself a Judge, and refuse to attend the Man; because he has brought the disease upon himself, if these goodless Men are so far anti-pharisaical, how much more ought you, a Minister to be forgiving to all, I tell you frankly that the greater the sinner, the greater is my sympathy for him, and I consider the Lunatics and Indigent poor require the sympathy of a paternal government and the Community, quite as much as Infants do, who ex officio receive the sympathy of all, and are seldom if ever left as poor Clayton was ten days ago, crying, without one friendly hand to lift him out of his filth!

I proposed to the Council that the town should form a municipality rate themselves, and support their own indigent poor and lunatics,

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the Government only to audit the accounts. Dr. Walls has made a public apology, which I sent down at once to Mr. Dean.

Yours sincerely.
J. G. D'Arcy.

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

Government House.
Stanley 26th Janry 1874

My dear Chaplain,

I have often heard you say that no good was possible to extend to Stanley, except through the rising generation, we cannot prevent "poverty and its evils" it is beyond our ken, and the "poor are always with us".

I consider it an act of self denial to extend the hand of protection to Claylon, and Lunatics, and poor sick seamen or stray waifs, who cannot possibly make any return for the kindness shown them, but excuse me when I say that kindness to little Children meets with a return in affection, so much so, that people, good women, are generally to be found

found who will take them.

It is this principle which has prevented your Brother Colonial officers, from supporting you in the Orphanage, they say it is not necessary in Stanley, and I have spoken to all on the subject, but even their nem con opinion, did not prevent me from supporting you, because I knew you were in earnest, and respected the motive.

Your note however chafed me, it displayed no reciprocity, you in a sweeping censure condemned the poor Lunney's and Clayton, in fact, I supported your pet measure whilst you denounced my measure.

There is very much in what you say, that the Importers of labour, ought to bear a larger proportion of the tax, than the mere Householder of Stanley, but for this appeal I would have gladly availed myself of your advice in Council, where it would be so useful at the present crisis.

I beg your pardon about the School Mistress, I had no idea Mrs. Aldridge was a salaried School Mistress, it escaped my memory, I thought she went on amateur as a temporary arrangement.

Certainly, I will pay the Monitors on the part of the

Government

Government, Byng spoke to me about it, and he agreed with me that it was a just and reasonable charge, and one which would not be cavilled at at home).

I have just returned from Port Harriett, where the Marines are encamped making a bridge for the Travellers to Darwin, it will be a nice job.

The "Foam" goes up on the 31st to Montevideo, and returns at once with the Mail, and then to Fox Bay for Mr. Lewin.

Yours sincerely.
L. G. D'Arcy.

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

No.
18.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
27th January 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd January forwarding a report of the Government Schools under your inspection.

I hope to publish it with

with my Blue Book report of next year, so practical do consider your suggestions; the advantages of a travelling Schoolmaster are manifest, and I will endeavour to move the Manager of the Falkland Islands Company to assist the Government in this essential appointment.

The rules of the Government School are very good, and had better be printed and carried out.

Having had a great experience in the management of Regimental Schools, I venture to suggest that the forms be placed close round the room, so that the faces of the Pupils may in leaning over the desk, be thus placed under the eye of the School Master whose position should be central.

The Monitors Observe stand too close to the Pupils, they should form the apex of an equilateral triangle, the Scholars not more than six forming one side, and the Monitors be furnished with a light wand to point with, all these little systematic rules are not too many to ensure the time of study being economized and turned to the advantage of the Scholars, and above all a rigid silence should be enforced, the

Schoolmaster

Schoolmaster himself setting the example

I hope before the winter sets in to procure a stove which will warm the whole room, and I have to express to you, Reverend Sir, my acknowledgements for your zealous, almost daily attendance, since your appointment, so advantageous to the future community of these Islands.

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

The Revd
Charles Budd. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain
and Inspector of Schools.

Government-office
27th January 1871.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to forward you the enclosed correspondence relative to the Government School for your information.

I am &c
M. Galloway Asst.

Dr J. Fisher R.N.
Surgeon to Garrison
&c &c &c

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No. 19.

Government office.
Stanley. 27th January 1871

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you Ordinance No. 7 of 1870, which passed the Legislative Council on the 24th December 1870, that it may be enrolled and recorded in the Magistrate's office.

No. 7.

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

The Hon'ble
C. R. Griffiths Esq.
Chief Magistrate
&c &c &c

No. 20.

Government office.
Falkland Islands.
30th January 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward to you the Accounts of this Government with the Board of Trade on account of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse for the quarter ending 30th June and 30th September last.

I have &c
s-d H. Byng.
Col Secretary.

The Accountant
Board of Trade.
London.

No. 21.

Government office
Stanley. 30th January 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acknowledge your letter of the 30th January.

2. The 15 section of the Spirit-Ordinance No. 9 of 1853 provides that-

> "Nothing in this Ordinance shall apply or be deemed to extend to any person holding a Licence under this Ordinance or transfer thereof, buying any liquor from any person not holding a Licence or to the person selling to him such liquor."

3. It therefore seems that there is no necessity for you to take out a Licence under Ordinance No. 3. of 1869; as long as you confine the sale of the Beer you brew to Dealers holding Licences, and in quantities not considered retail.

4. Whether any alteration in the Law may hereafter be necessary, is a subject for consideration.

I am &c.
Ed. H. Byng.
Colonial Secretary.

Wm. A. W. Voice.
Stanley.

No. 22.

Government office.
Stanley. 1st. February 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency to acquaint you that the house and land for which you have made application will be immediately put up to Public competition, and will be yours at the upset price of £60. should no larger sum be offered. £ 60.

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

Mr. Samuel Timm.
Stanley.

No. 23.

Government office.
Stanley. 1st. February 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he has appointed James McGuire Assistant Lighthouse Keeper for reasons it is not necessary to enter into.

James McGuire was for a considerable period Assistant to Mr. Bennet, consequently there can be no reason, why he should not work comfortably with you.

I am &c &c.
Sd. H. Byng.

Mr. G. A. Clarke.
Principal Lightkeeper.
Cape Pembroke.

No. 24.

Government office.
Falkland Islands. 2nd Feby 1871.

Sir,

I regret to report that complaints are constantly made to this office that letters prepaid in this post office are charged again on delivery.

2. This seems to be particularly the case with letters posted to Scotland, every paid letter that leaves this office is duly and clearly stamped as such.

I am &c.
Jd H. Byrn
Postmaster.

W. I. Page Esqre
General Postoffice.
London.

Government House
Stanley Falkland Islands.
3rd February 1871.

My dear Sir,

I have been very much struck with a little work of yours given as a prize book to the Scholars, in the Government School here called "Our Soldiers".

In the event of your ever continuing the subject in another

another publication, would you let me suggest your inserting the story of Private Hodge, 4th West India Regiment who received a Victoria Cross, for daring bravery on the Gambia River, June 30th 1866, you will find the story detailed at length in Beeton's Boy's own book for 1869, also in Colbourn's Naval and Military Magazine for September 1867, and in the Gazette you will find it at page 336 of the monthly Army List for February 1867, although the poor fellow is dead and gone, yet I can testify to his being a Hero unknown to fame, but worthy of a place in your interesting little volume, in a little Railway Book called Nicholas's notes, you will see some verses on the subject taken from "Fun".

Believe me &c.
J. G. D'Arcy.
Colonel & Govr. Falkland Islands.
late Governor of the Gambia.

To
W. H. G. Kingston Esqre
Author of "Our Soldiers".
care of Messrs Griffith
& Farran.
Corner of St. Paul's Churchyard.
London.

No. 25.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
3rd February 1871.

Sir,

The Master of the "Chiselhurst" having reported that the Pembroke Lighthouse showed no light at 3. A. M. on Thursday the 2nd February, I am directed by the Governor to request your reasons in writing may be at once furnished in order that His Excellency may learn how such an alleged dereliction of duty could possibly have taken place.

I am &c. &c.
A. H. Byng.
Colonial Secretary.

To W. G. A. Clarke.
Principal Lighthouse Keeper.
at Cape Pembroke.

No. 26.

Government House
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
3rd February 1871.

Sir,

In the event of any steps being taken to establish a new Mail Service between this Port and Montevideo, it will give me great pleasure to entertain your proposal as set forth in your letter of the 31st January, with that of others

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I have the honour to be
&c. &c. &c.
Ed. G. D'Arcy
Colt Governor.

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

No. 26.

Government office.
Stanley. 4th Feby 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to forward you the reply of the Light-House Keeper, to the report you made to me respecting the lights not being visible at 3. A. M. on the 2nd instant.

The enclosure being an original document, I must request that you will be good enough to return it to this office.

I am &c.
Ed. H. Byng.
Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Thomas Bryson
Master of the
"Chiselhurst"

No. 27.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
6th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will be pleased to peruse the accompanying correspondence received by my Predecessor from the then Secretary of State, and to favour me with a draft Ordinance accordingly in order that I may be able to bring the proposed Law before the Legislative Council.

The form prescribed appears to me to be scarcely applicable to this Settlement.

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

The Hon.ble
E. N. Griffiths Esqre.
Chief Magistrate.
&c &c &c

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No. 28.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
6th February 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to request your earnest attention to a monetary transaction which took place between His Excellency and yourself last August, when on the part of this Colonial Government, he returned you the amount of your rental for the lands you took out in the West Falkland known as No. 9 Station.

£	s.	d.
117	14	8

You are probably aware that the Home Government have curtailed the Parliamentary Grant to an approximation of the revenue expected to be derived from the land, consequently, it becomes an imperative necessity to realize this deficiency accordingly.

The acreage which has been standing in your name for some time being considerable, the Governor is at a loss to know how to account for the rental in the returns he has to make up at the close of the financial year, especially when it is well known that he has been solicited by other parties to lease the land.

To relieve the Governo from this responsibility, he now suggests that you will accomodate him by repaying the amount into the Colonial Chest, or forego the station.

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

C. H. Williams Esqre
&c. &c.

No. 29.

Government office.
Stanley. 7th February 1871.

Sir,

His Excellency the Governor has desired me to ask you to be good enough to preside over a Court of Inquiry to be held in this office on Monday next at 11,0'clock, to investigate an alleged dereliction of duty by the Acting Lightkeeper at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

2. Should you be enabled to undertake this Inquiry, I will duly warn the other Members, of the Court to meet you at the appointed hour.

I have &c
&c
Wm H. Byng
Colsecretary.

Captain
J. Reeales.
Agent for Lloyds
Salvage Association.
&c &c &c

Government House Falkland Islands
7th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith the Accounts and Vouchers of the Government of the Falkland Islands for the three months ending 30th September 1870, duly supported by remarks, certificates of Receipts and declarations.

I have &c
&c
Wm D'Arcy
Gov.

The Secretary
to the Commissioners
for auditing the Public
Accounts
London

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No. 30.

Government office.
February 8th 1871.

Sir,

His Excellency has directed me to inform you that your services will be required at this office on Monday next at 11 o'clock to investigate a charge brought against the Lighthouse Keeper at Cape Pembroke.

I am &c
W. H. Byng
Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Charles Melville.
Harbour Master

Government House.
8th February 1871.

My dear Chaplain,

On second thoughts, I think you had better fill up the situation of School Mistress at once, and not wait till the end of the Month, and Miss Felton having the best claim for the appointment we had better install her at once, for I cannot help perceiving there is ground for complaint.

The Monitors must be from some other fund paid, but not by the saving of the Mistress's salary as it would be a misappropiation and liable to lead to a serious misrepresentation by any radically inclined.

We had better give up the

the morning class for the Girls as far as the School Mistress is concerned, remember we cannot have every thing our own way — in a settlement where competition is at so low an ebb.

Yours sincerely.
s.d C. D'Arley.

The Revd
Charles Bull M.A.
Colonial Chaplain.
&c &c &c

No. 31.

Government Office.
Stanley 8th February 1871.

Sir,

His Excellency the Governor has requested me to ask you to be good enough to sit as a Member of a Court of Inquiry, to be held at this office on Monday next at 11 o'clock respecting an alleged dereliction of duty on the part of the Light Keeper at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

I trust the day and hour appointed will prove convenient to you.

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

D.r John Fisher R.N.
Surgeon to Garrison.
&c &c

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No. 32.

Government office.
8th February 1871.

Sir,

In consequence of the reiteration of the charge against you respecting the lights not being seen by the Captain of the "Chiselhurst" at 3 o'clock A. M. on Thursday February 2nd, I have been directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that a Court of Inquiry will assemble at this office on Monday morning at 11 o'clock when it will be necessary that you should be in attendance with the evidence you have to disprove the charge; as probably the investigation will not take many hours both the Assistant and you can return to Cape Pembroke in the afternoon.

I am &c.
Jd H. Byng.
Colonial Secretary.

Mr G. A. Clarke.
Principal Lightkeeper.
Cape Pembroke.

No. 33.

Colonial Secretary's office.
Stanley. 9th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith blank schedules of the information required to compile the Blue Book for the year 1870, regarding the progress of the Colony to be laid before Parliament, and I beg to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with the desired information at your earliest convenience, if possible before the expiration of the present month.

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

The Hon^ble
G. M. Dean Esq^re
&c &c &c

(Same as above)

No. 34.

Colonial Secretary's office.
Stanley. 9th February 1871.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq^re
Manager for the
Falkland Islands Company
&c &c

No. 35.

Colonial Secretary's office.
Stanley. 9th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to append several items of expenditure appertaining to the Military of this Colony, upon each of which it is necessary to obtain information in order to complete the Returns of Statistics annually laid before Parliament; and I beg to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with the desired information for the year 1870, having reference only to the disbursements from Imperial Funds.

	£	s.	d
1. Pay of Commissioned officers including allowances other than Commissariat.			
2. Commissariat Allowances.			
3. Allowance to Chaplain.			
4. Do. " Schoolmaster.			
5. Any other allowance.			
6. Pay of non commissioned officers and Privates of the Detachment.			
7. Good conduct pay of above.			
8. Pay of Military Pensioners residing in the Colony.			
9. Miscellaneous expenses of Military Department.			

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

To
Lt. Drury R.M.
Commanding Garrison,
&c &c &c

Government House.
9th February 1871.

My dear Chaplain.

You are the only Gentleman in Stanley who gives his time and talents to the School, therefore I am only too glad to meet your wishes, as far as my authority is necessary in scholastic matters, at the same time it is due to the only Lady in Stanley, who gives her time to the School to study in a measure her wishes.

Now the good Dame we selected to day, Mrs Mason, is not the person Mrs D'Arcy would like to confer with on little matters connected with children, and the discipline necessary to carry out these arrangements, whereas a young person like Miss Felton is amenable to suggestions or even gentle reproof.

I am sure on reflection you will see that it is necessary to meet the wishes of others occasionally, and not always to insist on having exactly one's own way.

Yours sincerely.
Lt. G. D'Arcy.

The Revd
Charles Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain.
&c.

No. 35.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
11th February 1871.

Sir,

On the 2nd instant the day the "Chiselhurst" arrived, the Master said information with the Colonial Secretary (who is the Shipping Master of this Port) that at 3 o'clock in the morning, when off the Lighthouse he was much embarrassed by the light suddenly going out!

So serious a charge against the efficiency of Cape Pembroke Light, compelled me to call Mr. Clarke the Light House Keeper to account!

I have the honour to enclose Mr. Clarke's answer to my letter in which you will perceive he has applied for a Court of Inquiry, in order that the charge so damaging to his character as a public Servant may be fully investigated.

As you kindly consented to preside over this Court, you will be pleased in the first instance to take down the statement of Captain Bryson, requesting him to define exactly on the chart his position, at the time when he conceived the light ceased to show, as this officer may not be aware that the lamps do not extend round the whole disc of the round housed, for at least one fourth is improvided with lamps by the direction of the Board

of

of Trade.

You will then be pleased to record what Mr. Clarke and his Assistant have to state in rebutter to the charge, and favour me with the finding of the Court, in order that I may take steps to prevent a repetition of so serious a dereliction of duty, or be able to continue the confidence the Government have hitherto reposed in the Lighthouse Keeper.

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

To Captain
Jaffray Scales.
Agent for Lloyds
Salvage Association.

No. 37.

Government office.
Stanley. 11th February 1871.

Sir,

I have to request you will be good enough to attend at the Government office on Monday next the 13th instant at 11 o'clock, together with the Man who was at the helm while the "Chiselhurst" was entering Port William, to give such information as may be required of you, respecting the light at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse

I am &c
Sd. H. Byng
Colonial Secretary.

The Chief officer
Barque "Chiselhurst".

Government House.
Stanley. 12th February 1871.

Dear Mrs. Dean.

I have been in Stanley one year nearly, without thanking you for giving the Colony, the great delight of music during divine worship. I now request to do so, and at the same time I venture to suggest how opportune it would be at this sad time, if you could set this 235th Hymn to music for the children and the congregation to sing.

Allow me to be
Yours very sincerely.
A. G. D'Arcy

Mrs. Dean.
Stanley.

No. 38.

Government office.
Stanley. 13th February 1871.

Sir,

I am directed to request your attendance at this office, as soon as you can possibly attend, in order that the Inquiry respecting the lights at Cape Pembroke on the morning of the 2nd instant, being out may be concluded this day.

I am &c.
A. H. Byng.
Colonial Secretary.

Captain Thomas Bryson
Barque "Chiselhurst."

No. 39.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
13th February 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to request that you will be pleased to favour me with a manifest of the wrecked goods saved by the "Solon", in order that this Colonial Government may proceed to take charge of the wrecked property saved from the French barque "Antonia" agreeable to the 17th and 18th Victoriæ, section 445, in order that the Owners can within one year and one day on payment of salvage and expenses recover their property.

I have also the honour to inform you that according to imperial usage, Constables will be detailed to guard the property until the Government can take steps to prepare the store for its reception.

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

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

&c &c &c

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No. 40.

Government office.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
14th February 1871.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to forward you a copy of the finding of the Court of Inquiry, and to congratulate you on your thorough acquittal of the charge preferred against you.

2. His Excellency takes this opportunity of suggesting that your public services are specially required at this juncture; two vessels of some tonnage being expected, together with Her Majesty's Ship "Galatea".

I am &c
Jno. H. Byng
Colonial Secretary.

Mr. G. A. Clarke.
Acting Principal Lightkeeper.
Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

No. 41.

Colonial Secretary's office.
Stanley. 14th February 1871.

Sir,

In reference to the wrecked cargo of the "Antonia", I am requested by the Governor to beg you will excuse his answering your letter of the 13th, as yours of the 14th renders his doing so unnecessary.

I am now in order to reply that if you will give the Governor a guarantee that the wrecked cargo is to be consigned intact to the French Consul at Monte Video, His Excellency agrees to your proposal contained in your letter, but in the meanwhile until you are prepared with freight, it will be necessary for you to land it in the Government stores, and until this arrangement is completed, the Governor feels it incumbent upon him to continue the Guard as the responsibility of its safe keeping clearly rests with the Colonial Government according to law.

I have the honour to be &c
s.d H. Byrne
Colonial Secretary.

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

No. 42

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
16th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant.

Mr. Hurst, the Acting Collector of Customs has been directed to receive and give a receipt for the cargo, saved by the "Lotus" from the "Antonica", when it is lodged in the Government Store.

The Governor feels convinced you will see on reflection, how unusual it would be for this Colonial Government to give a guarantee for the safety of these wrecked goods whilst in the Government Store, not being in any way interested in the cargo, simply as by law directed having become the custodian for its temporary safety, until in due course the Owners can be found, or as, in this case, until it can be forwarded to an Authority duly constituted to receive it.

His Excellency conceives as he reads the law, that it is lodged in the Government Store, at the risk and expense of the Owners and Salvors.

I have &c
Sd H. Byrne
Colonial Secretary

F. E. Cobb Esqre
Manager Falkland Islands Company

No 43.

Government House,
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
16th February 1871.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 15th instant, I have the honour to reply that the Surveyor General will be directed to proceed to Darwin, to survey the freeholds to be purchased on sections 38 and 44, but with regard to the additional freehold you wish to purchase, it will be necessary for you to specify where the land is situated in order that instructions may be given to Mr. Bailey

I conclude you allude to the land the Company is entitled to by the land orders you hold from the Emigration Commissioners.

The lease you require under the Amalgamation Ordinance, section 4, can of course be effected; also I concur in your proposal in reference to the private arrangement between Captain Jacke and yourself, to cede the right of pasturage over a portion of section 17, and I have great pleasure in giving you permission to take down the house on No 17, and recreet it where it will be of use, you are quite correct in your surmise that this Government is not desirous of enforcing the erection of houses away from the Stock, in fact the

the Government is most desirous of fostering the pastoral interests of the Islands, even at the risk of a possible loss to the revenue.

The leases of Navy Point and Swan Inlet you remind me of, are now being of course of completion.

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

Frederick E. Cobb Esqre.
Manager for the
Falkland Islands Company.
&c &c &c

No. 44.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
17th Feby 1871.

Sir,

Under all the circumstances detailed in your letter of the 11th instant, in reference to the land you hold under Government, being taken out in one lease under the terms of the Amalgamation Ordinance, and your receiving the difference or drawback thereon, I have great pleasure in granting your claim, together with Port Albemarle Reserve being included in your lease.

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

The Hon.ble
George M. Dean Esqre
&c &c

No. 45.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands
17th February 1871.

Sir,

I am in order to inform you that in the event of your having any fault to find with your Assistant you will duly report the same in writing to me for the Governor's information, and you are directed on no account to take the law into your own hands!

His Excellency has perused the evidence compiled by the Colonial Surgeon with pain, for he cannot help seeing, that although Mac Guire was remiss in his duty in not proceeding direct to his post with a service letter, yet you seem to have displayed a want of temper, and a levity of conduct unbecoming a public servant of mature age, holing a very responsible position.

The Assistant Light-Keeper Mac Guire having to-day resigned his post, another Assistant will be duly sent to relieve him.

I am &c
Ed H. Bayly
Colonial Secretary.

Mr George A. Clarke.
Acting Principal Light Keeper
Cape Pembroke.

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No. 46.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
17th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you copies of a correspondence from Mr. Cobb, the Manager of the Falkland Islands Company requesting the aid of your services to survey some land near Darwin taken up by the Falkland Islands Company.

I would suggest that you proceed there for that purpose in the Company's Ship "Chiselhurst" now in lying in harbour.

If you will favour me with a succint report, and a survey of your own, pointing out where the Admiralty chart is incorrect, as reported by Mr. Cobb, I will not fail to bring this grave error to the notice of Her Majesty's Government, but I have always been led to believe that the Admiralty Chart, as far as the coast line is taken into account is very correct, the Surveyors having been professional men of world-wide celebrity.

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

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

No. 47.

Colonial Secretary's office
Stanley. Falkland Islands
17th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your letter of the 16th, and I am directed by the Governor in answer to reiterate that the responsibility of the safe keeping of the cargo for a year and a day, certainly does rest with the Colonial Government; but to give the Salvors a guarantee against fire, or otherwise to insure the goods is no part of its duty.

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

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

No. 48.

Government office
Stanley. 18th Feby 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer you to my letter of the 16th instant, and to request the favour of an official reply for the reasons stated in my letter.

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

C. H. Williams Esqre

Government House
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
18th February 1871.

My dear General,

Let me congratulate you most sincerely on your recent achievements at Lille, alone to you as a General of France has victory at last deigned to bestow her laurel crown.

To have been for eight years, in as many expeditions, victorious against the Moor, is no mean reputation for a Soldier-Governor; but finally to stem the tide of defeat on your native soil, on glorious France, so ruthlessly overrun by the German is a career to be envied by even the Dii immortales themselves.

As a Soldier I have watched this struggle with intense interest, and I have mourned for your nation deeply; my Government sent me to these antipodes, conceiving I was too fond of war at the Gambia, yet I am grateful, and hope to do some good before I leave.

Mrs. D'Arcy joins with me in kindest regards to Madame Faidherbe and Gaston. Permit me my dear General to remain

Your Brother Ex Governor and Friend
C. G. D'Arcy
Colonel & Governor.

To General Faidherbe
K. L. H.
Care of Minister of War
Paris.

No. 48.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands
20th. February 1871.

Sir,

The fact that we have no colonial Ordinance bearing on the landing of wrecked property on these shores leads me seriously to consider the necessity of at once endeavouring to pass one under the Imperial Merchant Shipping Act for 1854 modified somewhat to suit the special circumstances of these Islands as recommended in the enclosed correspondence.

Two of the leading Merchants having officially expressed doubts as to the legality of my late proceedings respecting the cargo of the "Antonia", I am compelled for the sake of law and order to lean upon your prompt assistance to save future disturbing influences abounding in the settlement, as I am sure you will agree with me, how necessary it has become to carry through the reform I have begun under competent advice, in order that wrecking may be legally conducted causing thereby a healthy legitimate trade.

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

The Hon.ble
E. R. Griffiths Esqre.
Stipendiary Magistrate.

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Government House.
Stanley. 20th February 1871.

My dear Chaplain,

Dr. Walls at 5, P.M. yesterday reported Hocking suffering from a drunken bout in the Gaol, where he has special jurisdiction.

Hocking is reported as Gaoler not as Schoolmaster, Sorrell's antecedents have not been vicious, a Stanley Man was appointed Constable, he took the pay, but refused to clear out the cells

Because Hocking is tried, I told Walls that this scene would be forgiven, but that he is dangerously violent when drunk is well known.

With regard to his domestic troubles audi alteram partem, he bided his time, and snatched up the Child from Griffiths' door when Lizzie was busy, cooking the dinner.

I did the best yesterday to avoid a scandal, by your wishing Hocking back to School are not you blazing it to the world thro the little Children?

Do have a little more confidence in my arrangements, and interfere less in the arrangements of your Brother Officers.

Yours hastily.
Ed. L. D'Aley.

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

Government House
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
20th February 1871.

My dear Chaplain,

I will begin by thanking you for taking the School to-day – one anxiety the less – but I cannot agree with you I am sorry to say.

In my opinion when a public officer is incapacitated from duty, either from sickness, accident, or intemperance, the Colonial Surgeon is the proper authority to report his absence from his post, and the cause thereof, and then it is for the Governor to notify to the head of the department that the absentee is suspended or otherwise, the course I adopted – I therefore cannot see you have any grounds for supposing that the order for Hocking remaining in his quarters until he was presentable to his Scholars should come through you

The appointment of Sorrell, as Constable to guard the Lunatics was made at the suggestion and advice of Mr. Bayne and Dr. Watt, in default of Colonists coming forward, and I do not see how this could have been avoided under the peculiar circumstances of our Colony. I cannot understand to what you allude relative to your

your helping Byng in the office, surely this kindness on your part has nothing to say to my request that you interfere less in the interior economy of the improvised Lunatic Asylum.

I am very calm about the Gaol, having no other building for Lunatics or Prisoners, and with no time in the Colony, I cannot finish the new Gaol, so how I can come to grief about the old Gaol as you and Robinson portend I really cannot see.

I trust that after Lent all these disturbing influences will blow over.

Yours sincerely
Ad. G. D'Arcy.

The Revd
Charles Bull M.A.
Colonial Chaplain.
&c. &c. &c.

Government House
Stanley. 20th February 1871.

My dear Griffiths,

I have decided on retaining the cargo of the "Antonia" till the "Foam's" expected arrival on or about the 25th, taking every possible precaution against Spontaneous combustion, and arson by day or night, on her arrival if nothing is heard of Owners I will have a Sale conducted by the Government, to the exclusion of the Manager of the Falkland Islands Company, I propose then to throw the responsibility of the award of Salvage on you as Judge of the Admiralty Court of this settlement, retaining the balance in the chest, until I hear from the Owners, in this course, I have very much taken the advice of Captain Sceales, the Agent for Lloyds Salvage Association, and I confidentially look to you for support in thus placing the inevitable wrecking trade of these Islands on a legitimate basis.

Very sincerely yours.
Sd G. D'Arcy.

The Honble
E. R. Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate.
&c &c

Government House.
Stanley. 20th February 1871.

My dear Cobb.

Under all the circumstances of the case, I do not feel inclined to have a sale of the wrecked goods at present in the Government Store.

On the arrival of the "Foam" a sale will take place in the Store under the Government completely, and the award of Salvage given by the Judge of the Admiralty Court.

Very sincerely yours
A. E. D'Arcy.

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

No. 49.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
21st February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th February together with an enclosure — a certified copy of a board of Survey held on the Wrecked Goods ex "Antonia" at present in the Government Store.

This report agrees verbatim in the opinion of a board of Government

Government officers, I ordered to assemble at the Dock-Yard to report for my information the state of the goods, nevertheless I have thought it my duty to delay the sale, a week at least; and in doing so I have taken the advice of Captain Seeales, an Agent for Lloyd's Salvage Association.

I regret very much to take any steps on the part of the Government, alleged to be prejudicial to the Mercantile interests of the Port; or to differ even officially with a Gentleman, so much respect as yourself, at the same time you must allow me to act in a matter affecting the interests of others as I read the law.

I have &c
Sd J. D'Arcy
Colonel & Governor.

J. E. Cobb Esqre
Manager Falkland
Islands Company
&c. &c. &c.

No. 50.

Government House.
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
22nd February 1871.

Gentlemen,

I have received with much interest your letter containing an answer to my invitation on the notice board, relative to the proposed rate for the maintenance of the indigent poor and lunatics, and I will place it on the Council table when it meets next month.

2. In the meantime I would observe in all friendliness, that the rate will not be levied if not required, in the same way as several Ordinances remain a dead letter in the colonial statute book, no occasion having arisen for their being put in force.

3 The Government is simply desirous of forming a municipality from among yourselves, legally to meet exigencies as they are to likely to occur, now that the settlement has passed its first youth, for it is vain to suppose that a civilized community can always be without bed ridden poor, indeed holy writ tells us "The poor always ye have with you."

4 The Colonial Government did not for a moment contemplate recommending you to support by a rate others than indigent bed ridden poor; able bodied men, deserters from ships, vagrants &c too idle to work will

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as usual be dealt with by the Magistrate

5. With regard to Clayton's case, I doubt very much if he is eligible to be received into the Seaman's Hospital at Monte Video, for he must appear in the Ship's books as a passenger and not as an able seaman, and it is quite hopeless to imagine he will ever recover poor fellow, at his time of life, suffering as he does from paralysis of the limbs!

6. I should be truly sorry to initiate legislation which in any way might destroy the feeling of charity which so happily exists in this Colony, but all experience has proved that eleemosynary aid cannot from a variety of causes, be depended upon for any length of time, and moreover it generally falls upon the charitable few instead of the many, and it is for this reason that every Town in the United Kingdom supports its own indigent poor, quite independant of the Imperial Government, and I am now only asking you to do that which is done by your relations and friends at home, but which has never been done here before, simply because it has not been required.

7. I cannot see how the proposed rate will in any way injure the Benefit Club, but I quite admit the Club will ease down the rate, inasmuch as it will prevent cases coming upon the

rate

rate, almost nullifying the necessity of the levy, except in a rare case such as the one we at present have to deal with.

8. The question of the care of lunatics is a grave one, and considerably extends the question.

9. In Great Britain the proportion of indigent lunatics is two in one thousand, and yet in Stanley we have no less than three in six hundred, but they fortunately are not poor, and this Government has at considerable inconvenience provisionally undertaken their safe custody; yet indigent patients may arise, and it is for this contingency local legislation is required. 1000 - 2 600 - 3

10. The question of the Orphanage, I put aside altogether, it is not entertained by the Government, and is a matter purely of opinion and private charity.

11. I beg to assure you that I am the last man to propose a tax injurious to the Colony, but in suggesting the formation of a municipality, I am only giving you the administration of your own local affairs, all my experience telling me that it behoves a people to maintain their own poor; if I recommended you to evade this responsibility, or failed to bring it before you, I should not be jealous of the good name of this British settlement among surrounding nations.

I have &c
to His Excellency
the Governor

I have to W.m W. A. Hilton.
and W.m F. J. King Junr
& others

No. 51.

Government House
Stanley. Falkland Islands
24th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose for your information a correspondence relative to the danger officers incur shooting in these Islands, two naval officers having unfortunately lost their lives from cold and exposure within the last few years.

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

To Captain
His Royal Highness
the Duke of Edinburgh K.G.

No. 52.

Government House
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
28th February 1871.

Sir,

I have the honour to request your Royal Highness will be pleased to entertain the application of Mr. Beaglehole, the Master of the "Shelun" that a board of survey be formed of the officers of the ship under your command, to report whether the barque is fit to proceed to sea or worth the expence of repairing.

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

To H. R. H.
The Duke of Edinburgh K.G.