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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 1.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to Mr. Chamberlain's
Circular despatch of the 25th of May, 1897,
I have the honour to transmit herewith a
"Nil" return of floggings in this Colony
during the year 1926.

In duplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 1
of the 1st of JANUARY. 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

ANNUAL RETURN OF FLOGGINGS
1926.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 2.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

In duplicate.

I have the honour to transmit herewith
a return of capital sentences executed in this
Colony during the year 1926, as required by
Colonial Regulation No. 190.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 2
of the 1st of JANUARY, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

RETURN OF CAPITAL SENTENCES EXECUTED IN
THE COLONY DURING THE YEAR 1926.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 3.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

In duplicate.

With reference to Viscount Harcourt's Circular despatch of the 15th of December, 1913, I have the honour to transmit herewith a "Nil" return of barristers and solicitors practising in this Colony during the year 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A.E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 3
of the 1st of January, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

ANNUAL RETURN OF PRACTISING BARRISTERS
AND SOLICITORS 1926.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 4.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

In accordance with Colonial Regulation No. 184, I have the honour to transmit herewith a list of members of the Executive Council of the Colony for the year ended the 31st of December, 1926.

In duplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 4 of the
1st of January, 1927.

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE COLONY
OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS FOR THE YEAR, 1926.

EX-OFFICIO.

Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

- (1) His Excellency Sir John Middleton, K.B.E., C.M.G.

Colonial Secretary.

- (2) Lieut.-Colonel Alexander Elder Beattie, C.B.E., M.
(3) John Medlicott Ellis.

Colonial Treasurer.

- (4) William Austin Thompson.
(5) Montague Cecil Craigie-Halkett.

Colonial Surgeon.

Frederick Gustave Wooding Deane, F.R.C.S. (Edin)
L.R.C.P. (Edin.)

<u>APPOINTED BY WARRANT.</u>	<u>Appointed.</u>	<u>Period of Appointment.</u>
George Bonner.	29th September, 1924.	Three Years.

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- (1) On leave of absence from 9th May, 1926.
(2) Administered Government from 10th May, 1926, to
31st December, 1926.
(3) Appointed Acting Colonial Secretary 18th August,
1926; arrived in Colony 23rd September, 1926.
(4) On leave of absence from 5th May, 1926, to date
of retirement, viz: 5th August, 1926.
(5) Acting Treasurer, during leave of absence of Mr. W.
Thompson; appointed Treasurer as from 5th August,
1926.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 5.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

In duplicate.

In accordance with Colonial Regulation No. 184, I have the honour to transmit herewith a list of members of the Legislative Council of the Colony for the year ended the 31st of December, 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE TO FAULKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 5 of the
1st of January, 1927.

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE
COLONY OF THE FAULKLAND ISLANDS FOR THE YEAR, 1926.

EX-OFFICIO.

Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

- (1) His Excellency Sir John Middleton, K.B.E., C.M.G.

Colonial Secretary.

- (2) Lieut.-Colonel Alexander Elder Beattie, C.B.E., M.C.
(3) John Medlicott Ellis.

Colonial Treasurer.

- (4) William Austin Thompson.
(5) Montague Cecil Craigie-Halkett.

Colonial Surgeon.

Frederick Gustave Wooding Deane, F.R.C.S. (Edin.)
L.R.C.P. (Edin.)

<u>MEMBERS APPOINTED BY WARRANT.</u>	<u>Appointed.</u>	<u>Period of Appointment.</u>
George John Felton.	8th January, 1924.	Five years.
Henry Herbert Russell Gresham.	29th September, 1924.	Five years.

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- (1) On leave of absence from 9th May, 1926.
(2) Administered Government from 10th May, 1926, to
31st December, 1926.
(3) Appointed Acting Colonial Secretary 13th August,
1926: arrived in Colony 23rd September, 1926.
(4) On leave of absence from 5th May, 1926, to date
of retirement viz: 5th August, 1926.
(5) Acting Treasurer, during leave of absence of Mr. W.A.
Thompson: appointed Treasurer as from 5th August,
1926.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 5.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith six copies of Regulations made under Section 7 of the Quarantine Ordinance, 1908, and dated the 22nd of December, 1926, amending the Quarantine Regulations, 1908, as amended by the Quarantine Regulations, 1922.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith
copies of minutes of meetings of the Executive
Council of this Colony held on the dates noted
in the margin.

7th July, 2nd
September, 4th
October, 5th
November, and
22nd December,
1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. MEYER, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 8.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 90 of the 12th of August, 1925, relative to the co-operation of this Colony in the proposed scheme for the exchange of parcels exceeding 11-lbs in weight, I have the honour to transmit for your information six copies of an Order made by me in Executive Council on the 22nd of December, 1926, under the Post Office Ordinance, 1898, which provides for the inauguration of the new service as from the 1st of January, 1927, in accordance with a notification received by the Colonial Postmaster from the Postmaster General.

2. You will observe that the Order is in consolidated form, and I should explain that the only alteration in its terms as compared with those of the previous Order of the 16th of December, 1925, is the provision now added in respect of the new parcels service.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

A. E. Beattie.

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 9.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

1st January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular
despatch of the 21st of November, 1924,
In quadruplicate I have the honour to transmit, for commu-
nication to the League of Nations, a
report on the Traffic in Women and Children
for the year 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 9
of the 1st of January, 1927.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

TRAFFIC IN WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COLONY OF THE FALKLAND
ISLANDS FOR THE YEAR, 1926.

1. Offences Discovered.

No offences were discovered.

2. Central Authorities.

No Central Authority has been appointed in
the Colony.

3. Extradition.

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4. Repatriation and Deportation.

No action has been necessary.

5. Employment Agencies.

No employment agencies exist in the Colony.

6. Protection of Travellers.

No action has been necessary.

7. Emigration and Immigration.

No action has been necessary.

8. Children.

No action has been necessary.

9. Legislative Measures.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 10.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

3rd January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 114 of the 11th of November, 1926, on the subject of an enquiry made by the Zoological Society of London regarding a certain Dr. Walter F. Dale, I have the honour to inform you that it has been ascertained that Dr. Dale served as Medical Officer to the Falkland Islands Company at Darwin from 1887 to 1893 when he returned to the United Kingdom.

2. The local Manager of the Company has suggested that the London Office of the Falkland Islands Company at 61, Gracechurch Street, E.C., could probably supply further information or alternatively Mr. F. E. Cobb, who was local Manager during the period above mentioned and to whom an enquiry might be addressed to the care of the Company's London Office.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

A. E. Beattie.

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 11.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

3rd January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to Sir John Middleton's despatch of the 7th of May, 1926, asking that steps might be taken for the selection of a Farm Manager and a Farm Hand from New Zealand for the Government Experimental Farm, I have the honour to inform you that the persons selected, by name respectively Mr. Arthur John Ashworth and Mr. Walter Faithful, arrived in the Colony direct from New Zealand on the 12th of November, 1926, and to enclose for your information a copy of the agreements which have been concluded with them in regard to their service on the Experimental Farm for a period of three years in the first instance.

2. I also enclose a copy of an extract from a letter received from Messrs. Dalgety and Company, Wellington, New Zealand, who assisted Mr. Hugh Munro in this connection, giving certain particulars concerning Mr. Ashworth and Mr. Faithful. It has now been ascertained that Mr. Faithful was married shortly before leaving New Zealand.

3. I would request that a suitable expression of thanks may be conveyed to Mr. Munro through the /

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L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

the Government of New Zealand for his good
offices in this matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

COPY.

ENCLOSURE NO. 1 TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 11

of the 3rd of January, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

AGREEMENT made the 23rd day of November, One thousand Nine hundred and Twenty-six, BETWEEN JOHN MEDLICOTT ELLIS, ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY, (for and on behalf of the Government of the Falkland Islands) and ARTHUR JOHN ASHWORTH (hereinafter called the person engaged).

1. The person engaged undertakes that he will diligently and faithfully perform the duties of Manager of the Experimental Farm, for the term of his engagement, and will act in all respects according to the instructions or directions given to him by the Government.
2. The salary of the office is at the rate of Four hundred pounds (2400) a year. A free house is provided, furnished on a moderate scale but without linen, blankets, plate and cutlery; a free supply of peat is allowed, and when the farm produces them, mutton, vegetables, and milk. No provision is made for domestic service.
3. The term of the engagement is for three years commencing from the 24th of October, 1926, and may be renewed as follows. Six months prior to the expiration of this agreement the person engaged shall give notice in writing to the Government whether he desires to remain in its employment, and the Government shall thereupon decide whether it will offer him further employment. If the Government offer him further employment the re-engagement will be on such terms and for such period as may be mutually agreed.
4. This agreement is subject to the conditions set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed, and the Schedule shall be read and construed as a part of the agreement.

AS WITNESS our hands the day and year above written.

Signed by)
JOHN MEDLICOTT ELLIS,)
Acting Colonial Secretary, for and)
on behalf of the Government of the)
Falkland Islands, in the presence of)

J. M. Ellis.

A. I. Fleuret.

Signed by)
ARTHUR JOHN ASHWORTH)
In the presence of)

A. J. Ashworth.

G. R. L. Brown.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

S C H E D U L E.

Duties.

1. The duties of the person engaged shall include the general management of the experimental farm and responsibility for the safe custody and proper treatment and use of the Government property and animals thereon, and also any other suitable duties which the Government may call upon him to perform. The person engaged shall not either directly or indirectly engage or be concerned in any other service or business whatsoever or receive commissions or profits of any kind but shall devote the whole of his time and attention to the service of the Government. He shall conform to the General Orders of the Government and to the Colonial Regulations in so far as the same are applicable.

Passages.

2. (i) In this agreement the term passage means passage of the person engaged and of his wife and children not exceeding four persons besides himself.

(ii) The person engaged will be provided with a free passage from New Zealand to the Colony, provided that in the case of his wife and children, if any, they accompany him or follow him within twelve months; and upon the satisfactory termination of his agreement and subject to clause 5 hereof with a free passage back again to New Zealand provided that he claims and avails himself of such return passage within three months.

Ill-health.

3. (i) If the person engaged shall be compelled by reason of ill-health (not caused by his own misconduct) to resign his office or if at any time it shall be certified by a Government Medical Officer that he is incapable on physical grounds of rendering further efficient service in the Colony the Government shall pay him his salary up to the date of such resignation or certificate and shall furnish him with a free return passage to New Zealand provided that he claims and avails himself of such passage within three months but he shall have no further claim on the Government.

(ii) A certificate signed by a Government Medical Officer shall be conclusive evidence on the question whether or not the person engaged was compelled to resign his office by reason of ill-health within the meaning of this clause.

/Dismissal.

Dismissal.

4. If the person engaged shall at any time neglect or refuse or from any cause (excepting ill-health not caused by his own misconduct as provided in clause 3) become unable to perform any of his duties or to comply with any order or shall disclose any information respecting the affairs of the Government or shall in any manner misconduct himself, the Government may dismiss him and on such dismissal all rights and advantages reserved to him by this agreement shall cease, and he shall be liable to repay on demand the amount paid for his passage to the Colony.

Termination of engagement.

5. (1) The Government may at any time determine the engagement of the person engaged on giving him three months' notice in writing or on paying him three months' salary and in either case furnishing him with a free passage to New Zealand, provided that he claims and avails himself of such return passage not later than three months after the expiration of his engagement.
- (2) The person engaged may at any time after the expiration of three months from the commencement of residential service determine his engagement on giving to the Government three months' notice in writing or on paying to the Government three month salary and in either case repaying the cost of his passage to the Colony. In either case he shall not be entitled to a free return passage to New Zealand.
- (3) If the person engaged terminates his engagement otherwise than in accordance with this agreement he shall be liable to pay to the Government as liquidated damages three months' salary and the cost of his passage to the Colony.

Leave.

6. The person engaged shall on the termination of this engagement be eligible for the grant of four and a half months' leave with full salary outside the Colony provided that his service and conduct have been satisfactory in every respect during the period of this engagement.

of the 2rd of January, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

AGREEMENT made the 23rd day of November
One thousand Nine hundred and Twenty-six, BETWEEN
JOHN MEDLICOTT ELLIS, ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY,
(for and on behalf of the Government of the
Falkland Islands) and WATER FAITHFUL (hereinafter
called the person engaged).

1. The person engaged undertakes that he will diligently and faithfully perform the duties of Farm Hand, Experimental Farm, for the term of his engagement, and will act in all respect according to the instructions or directions given to him by the Government.
2. The salary of the office is at the rate of Three hundred pounds (£300) a year. A free house is provided, furnished on a moderate scale but without linen, blankets, plate and cutlery; a free supply of peat is allowed, and when the farm produces them, mutton, vegetables, and milk. No provision is made for domestic service.
3. The term of the engagement is for three years commencing from the 24th of October, 1926, and may be renewed as follows. Six months prior to the expiration of this agreement the person engaged shall give notice in writing to the Government whether he desires to remain in its employment, and the Government shall thereupon decide whether it will offer him further employment. If the Government offer him further employment the re-engagement will be on such terms and for such period as may be mutually agreed.
4. This agreement is subject to the conditions set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed, and the Schedule shall be read and construed as a part of the agreement.

AS WITNESS our hands the day and year above written.

Signed by
JOHN MEDLICOTT ELLIS,
Acting Colonial Secretary, for
and on behalf of the Government
of the Falkland Islands, in the
presence of

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J.M.ELLIS.

A.I.Fleuret.

Signed by
WALTER FAITHFUL
In the presence of

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W.FAITHFUL.

G.R.L.Brown.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

S C H E D U L E. ---

- Duties. 1. The Duties of the person engaged shall include the performance of general farm duties on the experimental farm under the instructions or directions of the Manager of the Experimental Farm or other duly authorized officers of the Government, and also any other suitable duties which the Government may call upon him to perform. The person engaged shall not either directly or indirectly engage or be concerned in any other service or business whatsoever or receive commissions or profits of any kind but shall devote the whole of his time and attention to the service of the Government. He shall conform to the General Orders of the Government and to the Colonial Regulations in so far as the same are applicable.
- Passages. 2. (i) In this agreement the term passage means passage of the person engaged and of his wife and children not exceeding four persons besides himself.
- (ii) The person engaged will be provided with a free passage from New Zealand to the Colony, provided that in the case of his wife and children, if any, they accompany him or follow him within twelve months; and upon the satisfactory termination of his agreement and subject to clause 5 hereof with a free passage back again to New Zealand provided that he claims and avails himself of such return passage within three months.
- Ill-health. 3. (i) If the person engaged shall be compelled by reason of ill-health (not caused by his own misconduct) to resign his office or if at any time it shall be certified by a Government Medical Officer that he is incapable on physical grounds of rendering further efficient service in the Colony the Government shall pay him his salary up to the date of such resignation or certificate and shall furnish him with a free return passage to New Zealand provided that he claims and avails himself of such passage within three months but he shall have no further claim on the Government.
- (ii) A certificate signed by a Government Medical Officer shall be conclusive evidence on the question whether or not the person engaged was compelled to resign his office by reason of ill-health within the meaning of this clause.

/Dismissal.

Dismissal.

4. If the person engaged shall at any time neglect or refuse or from any cause (excepting ill-health not caused by his own misconduct as provided in clause 5) become unable to perform any of his duties or to comply with any order or shall disclose any information respecting the affairs of the Government or shall in any manner misconduct himself, the Government may dismiss him and on such dismissal all rights and advantages reserved to him by this agreement shall cease, and he shall be liable to repay on demand the amount paid for his passage to the Colony.

Determination of engagement.

5. (1) The Government may at any time determine the engagement of the person engaged on giving him three months' notice in writing or on paying him three months' salary and in either case furnishing him with a free passage to New Zealand, provided that he claims and avails himself of such return passage not later than three months after the expiration of his engagement.
- (2) The person engaged may at any time after the expiration of three months from the commencement of residential service determine his engagement on giving to the Government three months' notice in writing or on paying to the Government three months' salary and in either case repaying the cost of his passage to the Colony. In either case he shall not be entitled to a free return passage to New Zealand.
- (3) If the person engaged terminates his engagement otherwise than in accordance with this agreement he shall be liable to pay to the Government as liquidated damages three months' salary and the cost of his passage to the Colony.

Leave.

6. The person engaged shall on the termination of this engagement be eligible for the grant of four and a half months' leave with full salary outside the Colony provided that his service and conduct have been satisfactory in every respect during the period of this engagement.

ENCLOSURE No. III TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 11
of the 3rd of January, 1927.

EXTRACT FROM LETTER RECEIVED FROM MESSRS DAIGETY
& COMPANY LIMITED, WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND.

22nd October, 1926.

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At the request of Mr. Munro, we assisted in the selection of the farm manager and farm hand, and advertised for applications in some of our daily papers. We might state that in all 498 applications were received, and after sorting out what we considered to be the most desirable applicants Mr. Munro visited Wellington and interviewed those which we considered would prove satisfactory. Eventually a final selection for farm manager fell to Mr. Arthur John Ashworth, and the farm hand to Mr. Walter Faithful. Mr. Ashworth has been known to us for many years as a capable and thoroughly trustworthy man. He has an excellent all round knowledge of sheep and cattle and also is an expert agricultural man. He can really turn his hand to any class of farm work, and we think he should prove in every way satisfactory to fill the position to which he has been appointed. Mr. Walter Faithful, the farm hand, comes from the South Island, and we understand is very competent with horses and thoroughly conversant with the working of all different kinds of farm implements. Mr. Faithful was not known to us, but produced good references from the New Zealand Government, which satisfied Mr. Munro. He was, we understand, working on a Government Experimental Farm in the South Island. Mr. Ashworth is a married man

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with a large family - seven in all. He decided to leave his wife and six children in New Zealand for a year, taking with him his eldest son, a lad of about sixteen years. Probably work might be found for this lad on the Experimental Farm as we understand that he is a really hard working lad and quite capable of driving a team of horses. However, the matter of finding work for the lad is one which can be dealt with on his arrival.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 12.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

4th January, 1927.

Sir,

In duplicate.

I have the honour to transmit for your information a copy of a report by the Magistrate, South Georgia, on the sealing operations in that Dependency during the Season 1926.

2. You will observe that the number of seals captured was 4,782 as against 3,801 in 1925 and that the average production of oil obtained from each seal was 1.69 barrels as against 1.68 during the previous season.

3. I would add with reference to paragraph 6 of Mr. Binnie's report that the matter of the compulsory utilization of the entire carcass will receive consideration on receipt of the desired information as to the market value of oil obtained from seal meat by means of pressure boilers.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 13.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

4th January, 1927.

Sir,

Enclosure I.

I have the honour to transmit to you for your approval before introduction into the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill "To provide for the grant of pensions gratuities and other allowances to persons who have been in the public service of the Colony".

2. I would explain that the Bill has been prepared in consequence of the Report of the Committee on Pensions and Passage Expenses of Colonial Officers of which a copy was enclosed in Mr. Thomas' Circular despatch of the 14th of May, 1924, and with regard to the instructions contained in your Circular despatch of the 4th of September, 1925, and in your despatch No. 47 of the 28th of May, 1926.

3. I would further explain that the provisions of the existing Pensions Ordinance No. 5 of 1906 as amended by subsequent legislation have been left unaltered except where alteration was specifically indicated and that the Bill as drafted is in the form of a consolidated Ordinance embodying/

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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Enclosure II.

ing the existing laws and the amendment additions thereto which it is proposed to make in the circumstances above stated. I enclose for facility of comparison a table setting out the origin or intention of the several sections of the Bill.

4. I am addressing you in a separate despatch in the matter of draft Regulations which have been prepared under section 6 of the Bill in anticipation of its passage into law.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

ENCLOSURE NO. I TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No.13

of the 4th of January, 1927.

A BILL
TO PROVIDE FOR THE GRANT OF PENSIONS
GRATUITIES AND OTHER ALLOWANCES TO PERSONS
WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE
COLONY.

Be it enacted by the Governor of the Colony of the Falkland Islands, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :-

Short Title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Pensions Ordinance, 1927.

Repeal.

2. The Pensions Ordinance, 1906, and all Ordinances enacted in amendment thereof, and the Pensions Increase Ordinance, 1920, are hereby repealed.

Definitions.

3. In this Ordinance and in the Regulations made hereunder

"Pensionable Office" means an office which has been declared to be pensionable under section 7 of this Ordinance.

"Public Service" means service in a civil capacity under the Government of the Colony or the Imperial Government or the Government of India or of a British Colony or Protectorate or a territory under a British mandate, and any such other service as the Secretary of State may determine to be "public service" for the purpose of any provision of this Ordinance or of the Regulations made hereunder.

Service as a Governor or High Commissioner of a British Dominion, Colony or Protectorate or of a territory under a British mandate, or as a Governor in India shall be deemed to be public service for the purpose of computation of pension or gratuity and of Section 11 of this Ordinance.

"Other

"Other Public Service" means public service not under the Government of the Colony.

"Salary" includes personal allowance, house allowance or the estimated value of free quarters and fuel allowance or the estimated value of free fuel:

Provided that the amount to be allowed for house rent or the estimated value of free quarters together with the amount to be allowed for fuel or the estimated value of free fuel shall not exceed one-sixth of the actual salary of the office.

Extent.

4. Nothing in this Ordinance contained shall either diminish the rights acquired by any persons before the enactment of this Ordinance or affect pensions already granted. Otherwise the provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to all public officers now or hereafter serving in the Colony and to those who having so served have been transferred to public service elsewhere.

Pensions to be charged on the revenues of the Colony.

5. There shall be charged on and paid out of the revenues of the Colony all such sums of money as may, with the sanction of the Secretary of State, from time to time be granted by way of pension, gratuity, or other allowance in accordance with this Ordinance and with the Regulations made hereunder to persons who have been in the service of the Colony.

Governor in Council may make Regulations.

6. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State, from time to time to make, and, when made, to vary and revoke, regulations for the granting of pensions, gratuities, and other allowances under this Ordinance.

Offices
when
pensionable.

7. The Governor may, with the sanction of the Secretary of State, by notification in the Gazette declare any office in the public service of the Colony to be pensionable.

Provided that any office so declared to be pensionable may be declared at any time by the Governor, with the sanction of the Secretary of State, by notification in manner aforesaid to be no longer pensionable, due regard being had to existing rights.

Age from which
pension may be
earned.

8. No public officer shall be eligible for the grant of any pension, gratuity, or other allowance in respect of service while under the age of twenty years.

Age at which
pension may be
granted. Certi-
ficates required
as to conduct,
etc., etc.

9. Except in the case of abolition or re-organisation of office no pension, gratuity, or other allowance shall be granted to any public officer who has not attained the age of sixty years unless on medical evidence to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council or the Secretary of State that he is incapable, by reason of some infirmity of mind or body, of discharging the duties of his office, and that such infirmity is likely to be permanent; nor in any case without a certificate from the Governor that he has discharged the duties of his office with such diligence and fidelity as to justify the grant to him of a pension;

Provided that, if a public officer, though not suffering from any particular illness or infirmity of mind or body likely to be permanent, becomes unfit in the opinion of the Governor in Council for the discharge of the duties of the office to which he has been appointed, and such unfitness is not attributable to miscon-

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duct or gross negligence, and when the Governor in Council considers that the special circumstances of the case justify the grant to him of a pension he may be pensioned at the rate not exceeding that for which he would be qualified if he were suffering from an illness or infirmity likely to be permanent:

Provided further that if an officer is transferred to other public service and ultimately retires at an age less than sixty years at which he is permitted by the laws or regulations of that service to retire with a pension, the pension which may be granted to him from the revenues of the Colony under this Ordinance and the Regulations made hereunder shall be payable from the date of retirement of such officer notwithstanding that he shall not be sixty years of age.

Pension payable when officer is retired on grounds of inefficiency.

10. Where an officer is removed from his office on the ground of his inability to discharge efficiently the duties thereof, and a pension, gratuity, or other allowance cannot otherwise be granted to him under the provisions of this Ordinance and of the Regulations made hereunder the Governor in Council with the approval of the Secretary of State may if he considers it justifiable having regard to all the circumstances of the case grant such a pension, gratuity, or other allowance as he thinks just and proper but in no case exceeding in amount that for which the officer would be qualified if he were suffering from some infirmity of mind or body likely to be permanent.

Maximum pension from all public sources.

11. (1) A pension granted to an officer under this Ordinance shall not exceed two-thirds of the highest pensionable emoluments drawn by him at any time in

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the course of his service in the Colony.

(2) Where the officer has been or is granted a pension or pensions in respect of other public service, he may be granted the full pension for which he is eligible in respect of his service in the Colony, but no person may at any time draw from the funds of the Colony an amount of pension which, when added to the amount of any pension or pensions drawn in respect of other public service, exceeds two-thirds of the highest pensionable emoluments drawn by such person at any time in the course of his service in the Colony or in other public service:

Provided that where such a person receives, in respect of some period of public service, both a gratuity and a pension, the amount of such pension shall be deemed, for the purpose of this sub-section, to be four-thirds of its actual amount.

(3) In a case falling under the limitation laid down by sub-section (2) the amount of pension to be drawn from the funds of the Colony shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, in order that it may be determined with due regard to the amount of any pension or pensions similarly to be drawn in respect of other public service.

(4) For the purpose of the preceding sub-sections an annual allowance granted in respect of injury shall not be taken into account; but, where the officer is granted such an annual allowance the amount/

amount of such annual allowance which he may draw shall not exceed one-sixth of his highest pensionable emoluments at any time in the course of his service by more than the sum by which the amount of his pension or pensions, apart from such annual allowance, falls short of two-thirds of such highest pensionable emoluments.

Age for compulsory retirement.

12. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, to require any public officer to retire from the public service of the Colony at any time after he attains the age of sixty years, and retirement shall be compulsory for every officer on attaining the age of sixty-five years except that, in special cases where the Secretary of State is satisfied that the retirement of an officer at sixty-five would be detrimental to the interests of the public service, his employment may be extended for a further specified period.

Increase of Pension in certain cases.

13. The pay and emoluments on which public officers have been pensioned or granted retiring gratuities or on which they would normally be pensioned or granted retiring gratuities may be increased by 25 per cent. if such pay and emoluments do not exceed £300 per annum, and by 20 per cent. if such pay and emoluments exceed £300 per annum subject to the following conditions :-

- (1) that the minimum additional amount on which the supplementary pension or gratuity is calculated shall be £26 per annum
- (2) that no officer with salary and emoluments exceeding £300 per annum shall receive a smaller supplementary pension or gratuity than he would have received if his salary and emoluments had been exactly £300 per annum.

Provided/

Provided that nothing in this section contained shall entitle a person whose salary has been or is increased subsequent to the 1st day of January, 1920, to a pension or a retiring gratuity in excess of that which he would have received if his salary had not been increased or if this section were not in force whichever is greater.

Pensions not of right.

14. No officer shall have an absolute right to compensation for past service or to any pension, gratuity, or other allowance under this Ordinance or the Regulations made hereunder; nor shall anything in this Ordinance or such Regulations contained limit the right of the Crown to dismiss any officer without compensation.

Persons affected by re-employment.

15. If any officer to whom a pension has been granted under the provisions of this Ordinance, and of the regulations made hereunder, is appointed to another office in the service of the Colony, or in any other public service, then during his tenure of such office so much only (if any) of his pension from the funds of the Colony shall be paid to him per annum as together with

- (a) the annual emoluments of such office;
- (b) any annual amounts received on account of pension in respect of other public service; and
- (c) where the officer receives, in respect of some period of public service, both a gratuity and a pension, an annual amount equal to one-third of such pension;

make up an annual amount not greater than the highest pensionable emoluments drawn by such officer at any time in the course of his public service:

Provided that

- (1) Where the officer retired or was transferred from the service of the Colony prior to the 1st January, 1920, the highest pensionable emoluments/

emoluments drawn by such officer in the course of his service in the Colony, shall for the purposes of this section be deemed to be the highest pensionable emoluments actually so drawn by him plus fifty per cent. thereof;

(2) Where an officer in whose case an abatement of pension falls to be made under this section, has been granted a pension or pensions in respect of other public service, the amount of pension to be drawn from the funds of the Colony shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of State in order that it may be determined with due regard to the amount of any pension or pensions similarly to be drawn in respect of other public service;

(3) Any bonus or temporary increase, whether on pension or on the salary of the new office, granted in view of the high cost of living, shall be added to such pension or salary, as the case may be, for the purpose of this section; and

(4) Where the new office is that of Governor or High Commissioner of a British Dominion, Colony or Protectorate, or of a territory under a British mandate, or that of a Governor in India, the amount to be taken as the annual emoluments of such office for the purpose of this section shall be determined by the Secretary of State.

Gratuity to
estate where
officer dies
in the service
of the Colony.

16. When an officer holding a pensionable office who is not serving on probation or agreement dies while in the service of the Colony it shall be lawful for the

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Governor in Council to grant to his legal personal representative a gratuity not exceeding one year's pensionable emoluments.

Pensions not to be assignable.

17. No pension granted under this Ordinance or under the Regulations made hereunder shall be assignable or transferable, or liable to be attached, sequestered, or levied upon, for or in respect of any debt or claim whatsoever.

Pensions to cease on conviction.

18. If any person to whom a pension has been granted under this Ordinance, or under the Regulations made hereunder, is convicted before any Court in His Majesty's Dominions of any crime or offence for which he is sentenced to death or penal servitude or transportation, or any term of imprisonment with hard labour or exceeding twelve months, and does not within two months after such conviction receive His Majesty's free pardon, then in every such case such pension shall forthwith cease;

Provided always, that the Governor in Council, with the consent of the Secretary of State, may, if he thinks fit, restore the pension in the case of a person who, after conviction as above described, receives His Majesty's free pardon at any time.

Pensions to cease on bankruptcy.

19. If any person to whom a pension has been granted under this Ordinance, or under the Regulations made hereunder, becomes a bankrupt, then such pension shall forthwith cease;

Provided always, that in any case where a pension ceases by reason of the bankruptcy of the pensioner it shall be lawful for the Secretary of State, or, if such pensioner is resident in the Colony, then for the Governor in Council, from time to time during the/

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the remainder of such pensioner's life, or during such shorter period or periods, either continuous or discontinuous, as the Secretary of State or the Governor in Council shall think fit, to pay all or any part of the moneys to which such pensioner would have been entitled by way of pension had he not become a bankrupt to, or apply the same for the maintenance and personal support or benefit, of, all or any, exclusive of the other or others, of the following persons, namely, such pensioner and any wife, child or children of his, in such proportions and manner as the Secretary of State or the Governor in Council thinks proper.

Conditions on which a retired officer may accept the directorship, etc., of a Company operating in the Colony.

20. If any person to whom a pension has been granted under this Ordinance or under the Regulations made hereunder, becomes, on his final retirement from the service of the Colony, either a Director of any Company the principal part of whose business is in any way directly concerned with the Colony, or an officer or a servant employed in the Colony by any such Company, without in every such case the permission of the Governor in writing first had and obtained, then in every case it shall be lawful for the Governor, with the approval of the Secretary of State, to direct that such pension shall forthwith cease:

Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Secretary of State, on being satisfied that/

that the person in respect of whose pension any such direction shall have been given has ceased to be a Director of such Company or to be employed as an officer or servant of such Company in the Colony, as the case may be, to give directions for the restoration of such pension, with retrospective effect, if he shall see fit, to such a date as he shall specify.

Application to
Dependencies.

21. This Ordinance shall be in force in the Dependencies as well as in the Colony.

Date of Operation.

22. This Ordinance shall come into operation on a date to be signified by notification in the Gazette.

ENCLOSURE NO. II TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO.13 ⁴¹
of the 4th of January, 1927.

THE PENSIONS ORDINANCE, 1927.

COMPARATIVE TABLE.

Enacting Clause.		In usual form.
Section 1.	Short Title.	Consolidated Ordinance, 1927.
Section 2.	Repeal.	All previous Ordinances repealed.
Section 3.	Definitions.	Based on Appendix 3.A., of Pensions Report on page 17, and on Schedule to Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 4.	Extent.	Based on Section 2 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 5.	Pensions to be charged on the revenues of the Colony.	Based on Section 3 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 6.	Governor in Council may make Regulations.	Based on Section 4 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 7.	Offices when pensionable.	New section; based on definition contained in Section 1 of Schedule to Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 8.	Age from which pension may be earned.	Based on Section 5 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 9.	Age at which pension may be granted. Certificates required as to conduct, etc.	Based on section 6 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 10.	Pension payable when officer is retired on grounds of inefficiency.	New section; based on instructions contained in S. of S. Confidential despatch of 21.10.25 "B".
Section 11.	Maximum pension from all public sources.	Replaces Sections 7 and 8 of Ordinance 5 of 1906; based on Appendix 3.B, of Pensions Report on page 17.
Section 12.	Age for compulsory retirement.	Based on Section 9 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 13.	Increase of Pension in certain cases.	Embodies the provisions of Ordinance 2 of 1920.

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Section 14.	Pensions not of right.	Based on Section 10 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 15.	Persons affected by re-employment.	Replaces provisions previously contained in Regulations: based on Appendix 3.C, of Pensions Report on page 17.
Section 16.	Gratuity to estate where officer dies in the service of the Colony.	New section: based on Appendix 3.D, of Pensions Report on page 18.
Section 17.	Pensions not to be assignable.	Based on Section 11 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 18.	Pensions to cease on conviction.	Based on Section 12 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 19.	Pensions to cease on bankruptcy.	Based on Section 13 of Ordinance 5 of 1906.
Section 20.	Conditions under which a retired officer may accept the directorship etc. of a Company operating in the Colony.	Based on Section 14 of Ordinance 5 of 1906 as amended by Ordinance 8 of 1914.
Section 21.	Application to Dependencies.	Ordinance applies to Dependencies as well as to Colony.
Section 22.	Date of Operation.	Suspends enforcement.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 14.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

4th January, 1927.

Sir,

Enclosure I.

With reference to my despatch No. 13 of the 4th of January, 1927, transmitting the draft of a Bill to declare the law relating to Pensions, I have the honour to forward for your sanction under section 6 of the Bill, in anticipation of its passage into law, the draft of Regulations which have been considered and approved in Executive Council. I attach a comparative table in explanation of the origin or intention of each section of the draft Regulations.

Enclosure II.

2. You will observe that in drafting the Regulations due regard has been had to the recommendations made by the Committee on Pensions and Passage Expenses of Colonial Officers in the Report of which a copy was enclosed in Mr. Thomas' Circular despatch of the 14th of May, 1924, as well as to the instructions conveyed by your Circular despatch of the 19th of March, 1925, relative to the system of basing pension for service under more than one Government on an officer's final salary and total service, and by your despatch No. 47 of the 28th of May, 1926, relative to the provision/

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vision to be made for the payment to a pensionable officer of a gratuity at a reduced pension. The draft Regulations also embody in consolidated form the Schedule to the Pensions Ordinance, 1906, with subsequent amendments and additions.

3. I would refer in connection with the Schedule to the draft Regulations to the list enclosed in Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 99 of the 31st of August, 1925, of other Governments to which reciprocity in the matter of continuous pension for mixed service has already been extended under the existing law, and I would explain that it is proposed to adopt this same list for the present as being that of the "Scheduled Governments" under section 23 of the draft Regulations.

4. At the same time I would enquire what other Governments should be included in the Schedule and even at the risk of appearing unduly interested I would request that the Governments of Gibraltar and Cyprus may be specially approached with this object.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

ENCLOSURE NO. I TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 14
of the 4th of January, 1927.

REGULATIONS UNDER THE PENSIONS
ORDINANCE, 1927.

In pursuance of the powers vested in him by section 6 of the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, the Governor is pleased, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, and with the sanction of the Secretary of State, to make the following regulations :-

Short Title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the "Pensions Regulations, 1927."

Repeal of
Schedule to Law 5
of 1906, and of
Amending Regula-
tions thereto.

2. The Schedule to the Pensions Ordinance, 1906, and all regulations made in amendment thereof under section 4 of the Pensions Ordinance, 1906, are hereby repealed.

PART I.

General Regulations.

Pensions to whom
and at what rates
to be granted.

3. Subject to the provisions of the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, and of these regulations, every public officer holding a pensionable office in the Colony, who has been in the service of the Colony for ten years or upwards, may be granted on his retirement a pension at the rate of ten-sixtieths of his salary, with an addition of one-sixtieth in respect of each complete year of such service in excess of ten until forty years' service is reached, when a pension of two-thirds of such salary may be granted.

Gratuities.

4. Every officer, otherwise qualified for a pension, who has not completed the minimum period
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of service qualifying for a pension may be granted a gratuity, which will be at the rate of half a month's salary for each complete six months of service.

**Gratuity and
Reduced Pension.**

5. (i) An officer to whom a pension is granted under the provisions of the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, and of these regulations may, at his option exercisable as hereinafter provided, be paid, in lieu of such pension, a pension at the rate of three-fourths of such pension together with a gratuity equal to ten times the annual value of the reduction so made in the pension.

(ii) The option referred to in sub-section (i) shall be exercisable :-

(a) In the case of an officer who, if he had been retired on grounds of ill-health at the date of the publication of these regulations in the Gazette, might have been granted a pension under the provisions of the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, and of these regulations, not later than six months after the said date of publication.

(b) In the case of any other officer; within one month after the earliest date on which, if retired on the grounds of ill-health, he might be awarded a pension under the provisions of the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, and of these regulations or not later than six months after the publication of these regulations in the Gazette, whichever shall be the later date for exercising the option.

Provided always -

(1) That an officer who has previously had the opportunity of exercising the option but has not done so, and who is still in the service of the Colony or in any other public service, may apply within one month of his subsequent marriage for permission to exercise the option,

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which permission may be granted at the discretion of the Governor after examination of the officer by a Government Medical Board;

(2) That the date of the exercise of the option shall be deemed to be the date of the receipt of his written notification addressed either to the Colonial Secretary in the Colony or to the Crown Agents for the Colonies; or, in any case falling under the preceding proviso, the date on which the Governor grants permission to exercise the option; and

(3) That, if an officer has exercised the option, his decision shall be irrevocable so far as concerns any pension ultimately to be granted to him under the provisions of the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, and of these regulations.

**Abolition
of Office.**

6. If any person holding a pensionable office retire or be removed from the public service in consequence of the abolition of his office, or for the purpose of facilitating improvements in the organisation of the department to which he belongs, by which greater efficiency and economy can be effected, he may be granted a temporary pension, subject to the condition that he shall hold himself ready to be recalled to service:

Provided that if such person is not qualified for other employment, or if there is no reason, in the opinion of the Governor, to expect that he can be shortly re-employed, a pension may be granted to him free from the above-mentioned condition.

**Rates of
pension when
offices are
abolished.**

7. In the case of an officer whose office is abolished, his pension may be increased by the addition of a certain number of sixtieths of his salary, that is to say :-

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- (a) In the case of an officer who has served twenty years 7
- (b) In the case of an officer who has served less than twenty years, but not less than fifteen years 5
- (c) In the case of an officer who has served less than fifteen years, but not less than ten years ... 3

No addition shall be made under this section so as to render an officer eligible for a higher pension than the maximum of two-thirds, or for a higher pension than that for which he would have been eligible by reason of length of service on reaching the age of sixty years.

Rate of gratuity on abolition when service less than 10 years.

8. In the case of an officer whose office is abolished and whose length of service is not such as to render him eligible for a pension, a special gratuity not exceeding one and a half month's salary for every year of service may be granted.

Officers retiring on account of injuries.

9. Where a public officer, whether holding a pensionable or a non-pensionable office, has been permanently injured -

- (a) In the actual discharge of his duty, and
- (b) Without his own default, and
- (c) By some injury specifically attributable to the nature of his duty,

and his retirement is thereby necessitated or materially accelerated, he may receive, in addition to the pension, if any, granted to him under these regulations, an annual allowance in proportion to the extent of his injury, as follows :-

When his capacity to contribute to his support is -

Slightly impaired ...	...	Five-sixtieths.
Impaired ...	...	Ten-sixtieths.
Materially impaired..	...	Fifteen-sixtieths.
Totally destroyed ...	...	Twenty-sixtieths.

Provided/

Provided that in the case of a pensionable officer no such allowance shall, together with the pension, exceed fifty-sixtieths of his salary at the date of the injury. The allowance shall be less than the above-mentioned maximum by such amount as the Governor in Council shall think reasonable in the following cases:-

- (a) Where the injured man has continued to serve for not less than one year after the injury in respect of which he retires;
- (b) Where the injured man is fifty years of age and upwards at the date of the injury;
- (c) Where the injury is not the sole cause of retirement, i.e., the retirement is caused partly by age and infirmity.

When pensionable officer retiring on account of injuries has less than 10 years' service.

10. When the public officer so injured is a pensionable officer, but has less than ten years' service and he is not eligible for an ordinary pension, he may receive in lieu of a gratuity an annual allowance of so many sixtieths as the years he has actually served, in addition to the number of sixtieths that may be awarded to him under Section 9.

How salary to be computed for pension purposes.

11. For the purpose of computing pensions and gratuities, the salary of the permanent office held by the officer at the date of retirement will be taken if he has held such office, or an office with the same salary, for a period of three years immediately preceding such date; otherwise the average amount of the salary of the permanent offices held by the officer during the three years immediately preceding his retirement will be taken.

Service to be
unbroken.

12. The service in respect of which pensions or gratuities will be granted must be unbroken, except in cases where the service has been interrupted by abolition of office or other temporary suspension of employment not arising from misconduct or voluntary resignation.

Non-pensionable
service followed
by pensionable
service.

13. No service other than service in a pensionable office, on full or half salary, will be taken into account in computing pensions or gratuities, except that where the service in a pensionable office has been immediately preceded by an unbroken period of service in an appointment other than a pensionable office, or of service paid for out of an open vote, or of both such services, such period or any part of such period may be taken into account:

Provided always that of the period of service paid for out of an open vote, only two-thirds shall be counted for the purposes of these regulations.

Leave of absence
with half salary.

14. The periods during which an officer shall hereafter be absent on leave with half salary shall, for the purpose of computing the amount of his pension, be counted at the rate of one month for every two months of such absence, but the period during which an officer has been absent on leave with full salary shall, under all circumstances, be counted at the full rate.

Leave of absence
without salary.

15. Any periods during which an officer has been absent on leave without salary shall not be counted as service, unless such leave has been granted on grounds of public policy, in which case a period not exceeding one year may be counted, for the purpose of these regulations, as service on full salary.

Commencement of pensionable service.

16. Subject to the provisions of Section 8 of the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, service will be deemed to commence, for pension purposes, at the date on which an officer commences to draw salary or half salary.

Acting service.

17. Acting service in a pensionable office will, when continuous with permanent employment, be allowed to reckon as service for pension, provided that the period of such acting service has not been taken into account as part of the service of the previous holder of the office or as part of the officer's other public service.

Service on probation.

18. Every officer who has been appointed provisionally and subject to probation to a pensionable office, and whose appointment shall be afterwards confirmed, shall be eligible to have counted as service for the purpose of computing his pension the period during which he served provisionally and subject to probation.

Professional officers who are allowed private practice not eligible.

19. Except in cases where a claim to pension is sanctioned by the Secretary of State, officers whose whole time is not given to the public service, and professional officers who are allowed the private practice of their profession, shall not be eligible for pensions under these regulations.

Grant of pension to re-employed pensioner.

20. If any officer to whom a pension has been granted under the provisions of the Pensions Ordinance 1927, and of these regulations, is appointed to another office in the service of the Colony, and subsequently retires/

retires in circumstances in which he may be granted a pension, he may be granted, in lieu of his previous pension, a pension computed as if the periods of his service had been continuous, and such pension may be based on his pensionable emoluments on his previous or final retirement from the service of the Colony, whichever are the greater:

Provided that if, on his previous retirement, he was paid a gratuity and reduced pension, the gratuity to be paid to him on final retirement shall be reduced by the amount of the gratuity already paid.

Good conduct
required.

21. (i) Pensions, gratuities and allowances, computed at the rates before mentioned, shall only be granted in cases of decidedly faithful and meritorious service.

(ii) Where the fidelity and diligence of the officer fall short of the first degree of merit, the computation may be made at lower rates.

(iii) Where the officer has been guilty of gross negligence, irregularity or misconduct, the grant of pension, gratuity or other allowance may be altogether withheld.

Regulations
as to ill-
health.

22. Every pension granted under these regulations on the ground of ill-health shall be subject to the condition that, should the officer's health be re-established, he will be bound to accept, in lieu of his pension, any office, not inferior in value to that from which he retired, which the Secretary of State may think proper to confer on him, due regard being had to circumstances of climate, and if a pensioner so

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called upon declines to accept the office for which he may have been selected, the payment of his pension may be suspended until he has attained the age of sixty years.

PART 2.

Special Regulations for Officers with other Public Service.

Definitions.

23. For the purpose of these Regulations "Scheduled Government" means any Government included in the Schedule to these Regulations.
"Service in the Group" means public service under the Government of the Colony and under a Scheduled Government or Governments.

Application of Regulations in Part 1.

24. Subject to the succeeding sections, the provisions of sections 5, 9, 13 and 20, of these regulations shall apply to the case of an officer who has been transferred to or from the service of the Colony from or to other public service, and the provisions of sections 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18, shall apply to the case of an officer so transferred as if his whole service had been in the Colony.

Provided that in the application of section 5 to cases falling under the limitation of section 11 of the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, the words "such pension" in that section shall be taken to mean the amount of pension which he might have drawn from the funds of the Colony if he had not elected for a gratuity and reduced pension.

Pension for Service wholly within the group.

25. (1) Where the other public service of an officer has been wholly under one or more of the scheduled Governments, and he has held a pensionable

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office in the Colony for a period of at least twelve months, and his aggregate service would have rendered him eligible, had it been wholly in the Colony, for a pension under the Pensions Ordinance, 1927, he may, on his ultimate retirement from the public service in circumstances in which he is permitted by the Law or Regulations of the service in which he is last employed to retire on pension or gratuity, be granted a pension from the funds of the Colony of such amount as shall bear the same proportion to the amount of pension for which he would have been eligible had his service been wholly in the Colony, as the aggregate amount of his pensionable emoluments during his service in the Colony shall bear to the total amount made up of such aggregate amount together with the aggregate amount of his pensionable emoluments from any of the Scheduled Governments:

Provided that in determining the pension for which he would have been eligible if his service had been wholly in the Colony.-

- (a) The final pensionable emoluments shall be taken to be those of his last period of service in the group;
- (b) No regard shall be had to sections 7 and 9;
- (c) Regard shall be had to the condition that pension may not exceed two-thirds of the highest pensionable emoluments.

Provided further that any period of other public service in respect of which pension is not granted by the Scheduled Government concerned shall not be taken into account either in determining the amount of the pension for which he would have been eligible if his service had been entirely in the Colony or in calculating the aggregate amount of his pensionable emoluments.

(2) The aggregate amount of his pensionable emoluments shall be taken as the total amount of salary which the officer would have drawn, and the total amount of the other pensionable emoluments which he would have enjoyed, had he been on duty on full pay in his substantive post throughout his period of service.

Pension where
other Service
not within the
group.

26. Where the other public service of an officer has not included service under any of the Scheduled Governments, and he has held a pensionable office in the Colony for a period of at least twelve months, and his aggregate service would have rendered him eligible, had it been wholly in the Colony, for a pension under these Regulations, he may, on his ultimate retirement from the public service in circumstances in which he is permitted by the Law or Regulations of the service in which he is last employed to retire on a pension or gratuity be granted, in respect of his service in the Colony :-

(a) If such retirement is from other public service, a pension at the rate of one seven-hundred-and-twentieth of the amount of his pensionable emoluments at the date of his transfer from the service of the Colony for each calendar month of his pensionable service in the Colony;

(b) If such retirement is from the service of the Colony, a pension at the rate of one seven-hundred-and-twentieth of the amount of his pensionable emoluments at the date of such retirement for each month of his pensionable service in the Colony; and in every such case there may be added, at the discretion of the Governor in Council, in computing the period of the retiring officers pensionable service in the Colony, a number of months not exceeding :-

(i) One-third of the number of months of his pensionable service in other public service; nor

(ii) Two-thirds of the number of months of his pensionable service in the Colony; nor

(iii) In any case sixty months.

Pension
where other
service both
within and
not within
the group.

27. Where a part only of the other public service of an officer has been under one or more of the Scheduled Governments the provisions of section 25 shall apply; but in calculating the amount of pension regard shall be had only to service in the group.

Additional
pension in
respect of
abolition
or re-
organisation
of office.

28. Where an officer who has been transferred from other public service and whose aggregate service would have rendered him eligible, had it been wholly in the Colony for a pension under these Regulations, is compulsorily retired from the public service in circumstances mentioned in section 6 he may, if at the time he is in the service of the Colony, be granted from the funds of the Colony, in addition to the pension granted to him under section 25, 26, or 27, as the case may be, an additional pension equal to the additional pension which might have been granted to him if his total pensionable service had been in the Colony.

Annual allowance
to officers re-
tiring on account
of injury.

29. Where an officer who has been transferred from other public service and whose aggregate service would have rendered him eligible, had it been wholly in the Colony, for a pension under these Regulations, is compulsorily retired from the public service in circumstances mentioned in section 9, he may, if at the time he is in the service of the Colony, be granted from the funds of the Colony the annual allowance allowed by that section, as well as the pension granted under section 25, 26, or 27, as the case may be.

Pension/

Pension in respect of abolition of office, and annual allowance in respect of injury after less than twelve months' service in Colony.

30. Where, by reason of the fact that an officer whose case falls under section 28 and 29 has held a pensionable office in the Colony for less than twelve months, he is not eligible for a pension under section 25, 26 or 27, as the case may be, he may, nevertheless, if at the time of his retirement he is in the service of the Colony, be granted from the funds of the Colony a pension of the same amount as the additional pension or annual allowance allowed by section 28 or 29, as the case may be.

Gratuities where length of service does not qualify for pension.

21. (1) Where an officer who has been transferred to or from the service of the Colony from or to other public service retires from the public service in circumstances in which he is permitted by the Law or Regulations of the service in which he is last employed to retire on pension or gratuity, but has not completed in the aggregate the minimum period of service qualifying him for a pension, he may be granted from the funds of the Colony a gratuity not exceeding five times the annual amount of the pension which, if there had been no qualifying period, might have been granted to him if his case had fallen under section 26.

Abolition or re-organisation of office.

(2) Where such officer is compulsorily retired from the public service in circumstances mentioned in section 6 he may, if at the time he is in the service of the Colony, be granted a special gratuity equal to one-half of the gratuity which might have been granted to him if his total pensionable service had been in the Colony together with the gratuity, if any, which may be granted to him under sub-section (1) of this section.

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Injury.

(5) Where such an officer is compulsorily retired from the public service in circumstances mentioned in section 9, he may, if at the time he is in the service of the Colony, be treated as if he had no other public service, but he shall not be granted the gratuity for which he is eligible under sub-section (1) of this section.

Officers transferred to

other public service and retiring after less than twelve months' employment in last service.

52. Where an officer who is transferred to other public service is not granted a pension or gratuity in respect of his employment in the service in which he is last employed, solely by reason of the fact that he has not completed twelve months' service therein, he shall not, on that account, be disqualified from receiving a pension or gratuity from the funds of the Colony, if otherwise eligible therefor.

SCHEDULE.

British Honduras.
Ceylon.
Fiji.
Grenada.
Jamaica.
Leeward Islands.

Mauritius.
St. Lucia.
St. Vincent.
Seychelles.
Trinidad.
Turks and Caicos Islands.

of the 4th of January, 1927.

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COMPARATIVE TABLE.

1.	Short Title.	Consolidated Regulations.
2.	Repeal.	All Regulations made under Ordinance 5 of 1906 repealed.
<u>GENERAL.</u>		
3.	Pensions to whom and at what rates to be granted.	Based on section 2 of Schedule to Ordinance 5 of 1906.
4.	Gratuities.	Based on section 3 of Schedule.
5.	Gratuity at Reduced Pension.	Based on Appendix 4 of Pensions Report on page 19.
6.	Abolition of office.	Based on section 4 of Schedule.
7.	Rates of pension when offices are abolished.	Based on section 5 of Schedule as amended by Regulations published on page 61 of 1907 Gazette.
8.	Rates of gratuity on abolition when service less than 10 years.	Based on section 6 of Schedule.
9.	Officers retiring on account of injury.	Based on section 7 of Schedule.
10.	When pensionable officer retiring on account of injury has less than 10 years' service.	Based on section 8 of Schedule.
11.	How salary to be computed for pension purposes.	Based on section 9 of Schedule.
12.	Service to be unbroken.	Based on section 10 of Schedule.
13.	Non-pensionable service followed by pensionable service.	Based on section 11 of Schedule as amended by Regulations published on page 61 of Gazette, 1907.
14.	Leave of absence with half salary.	Based on section 12 of Schedule.
15.	Leave of absence without salary.	Based on section 13 of Schedule.
16.	Commencement of pensionable service.	Based on section 14 of Schedule.
17.	Acting service.	Based on section 15 of Schedule.
18.	Service on probation.	Based on section 16 of Schedule.
19.	Professional officers who are allowed private practice not eligible.	Based on section 17 of Schedule.

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| 20. | Grant of pension to re-employed pensioner. | Based on note to Appendix 4 of Pensions Report on pages 19 and 20. |
| 21. | Good conduct required. | Based on section 21 of Schedule. |
| 22. | Regulations as to ill-health. | Based on section 22 of Schedule. |

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| 23. | Definitions. | Based on section 1 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 20. |
| 24. | Application of Regulations in Part 1. | Based on section 2 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 20. |
| 25. | Pension for service wholly within the Group. | Based on section 3 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 20. |
| 26. | Pension where other service not within the Group. | Based on section 4 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 21. |
| 27. | Pension where other service both within and not within the Group. | Based on section 5 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 22. |
| 28. | Additional pension in respect of abolition or re-organisation of office. | Based on section 7 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 22. |
| 29. | Annual allowance to officers retiring on account of injury. | Based on section 8 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 22. |
| 30. | Pension in respect of abolition of office and annual allowance in respect of injury after less than twelve months' service in the Colony. | Based on section 9 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 22. |
| 31. | Gratuities where length of service does not qualify for pension.
Abolition or re-organisation of office.
Injury. | Based on section 10 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 22. |
| 32. | Officers transferred to other public service and retiring after less than twelve months' employment in last service. | Based on section 11 of Appendix 5 of Pensions Report on page 22. |

Schedule.

Includes all Colonies heretofore scheduled - see enclosure in Governor's despatch No. 99 of 31.8.25 (M.P.658/24).

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 15.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

4th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to my despatch No. 13 of the 4th of January, 1927, transmitting the draft of a Bill to declare the law relating to Pensions, I have the honour to forward for your sanction under section 7 of the Bill, in anticipation of its passage into law, a list of the offices in the public service of the Colony which I propose to declare pensionable by notification in the Gazette.

2. You will observe that the list of such offices is identical with that contained in notification No. 81 of the 10th of December, 1925, which was published in the Gazette of the 1st of January, 1926, in accordance with the approval conveyed by your despatch No. 76 of the 9th of June, 1925.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. G. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 15 of the
4th of January, 1927.

PENSIONABLE OFFICES.

SCHEDULE A.

Offices pensionable irrespective of holders.

COLONY.

COLONIAL SECRETARY ...	...	Colonial Secretary. Chief Clerk and Clerk of Councils. Second Clerk. Record Clerk. Head Printer.
TREASURY AND CUSTOMS..	...	Treasurer and Collector. First Clerk. Second Clerk. Customs Officer. Assistant Customs Officer.
POST OFFICE ...	...	Postmaster. Senior Clerk.
TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES...		Stanley Wireless Station. Senior Operator.
PORT AND MARINE ...	....	Harbour Master and Government Pilot.
LEGAL DEPARTMENT ...	...	Magistrate, West Falkland.
POLICE AND PRISONS...	...	Chief Constable and Gaoler. Gaol Matron.
MEDICAL ...	...	Colonial Surgeon.
EDUCATION..	...	Schoolmaster.
SCIENTIFIC DEPARTMENT	...	Naturalist.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT	...	Colonial Engineer. Clerk and Storekeeper. Foreman of Works and Timekeeper.

DEPENDENCIES.

SOUTH GEORGIA ...	...	Magistrate. Deputy Magistrate. Customs Officer. Assistant Customs Officer. Naturalist.
SOUTH SHETLANDS..	...	Magistrate.

SCHEDULE B.

Offices pensionable to present holders only.

COLONY.

ECCLESIASTICAL	...	...	...	Sexton (J.F. Summers).
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT...		...		Foreman Carpenter (D. Lees). Carter (D. Lehen).

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 16.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

4th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 123 of the 19th of December, 1923, relative to the engagement of a Blacksmith for the service of the Colony, I have the honour to inform you that Mr. W. Cooper who was engaged through the offices of the Crown Agents for the Colonies in accordance with the instructions conveyed in Sir Gilbert Grindle's letter No. 59326/1923 of the 15th of December, 1923, will complete three years' service on the 7th of February, 1927, and does not desire to renew his engagement for a further period. I have permitted him accordingly to terminate his employment under this Government and to sail for England by the direct mail steamer on the 21st of April, 1927, or thereabouts.

2. In the absence of any suitable local candidate I have to request that the Crown Agents for the Colonies may be instructed to engage a successor to Mr. Cooper. The person selected should sail by any available steamer leaving the

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United Kingdom during the month of April or as
shortly afterwards as possible.

3. I enclose the usual paper of particulars of the vacant office.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

January, 1927.

PARTICULARS of the Office of BLACKSMITH
now vacant in the Colony of THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

1. Duties of Office, and qualifications required for their performance.

To serve under agreement for three years in the general duties of a blacksmith.

Person selected must be a capable tradesman, with some experience of farriery, and should have a character for steadiness and sobriety.

2. Salary and emoluments, and whether secured by a permanent law.

£196 a year. Not secured by permanent law.

3. Other circumstances affecting the value of the Office.

Nil.

4. Nature, number, and amount of securities required and mode of giving them.

Nil.

5. Whether any, and if any, what provision is made from public funds for the passage from this country, or elsewhere, of the person sent out to fill the office.

Free second class passages to Colony provided on engagement and on the satisfactory completion of agreement free second class passages to the United Kingdom, for officer appointed and members of his family travelling with him, not exceeding four persons besides the officer himself.

6. Acts or ordinances, making provision respecting any of the above matters, and especially respecting the permanency of the emoluments and the particulars of the security required, with references to the sections in which such provision is made.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 17.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

4th January, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 20 of the 12th of January, 1926, transmitting an Indent on the Crown Agents for the Colonies for a stallion and cattle required in connection with the establishment of the Government Experimental Farm at Anson, Berkeley Sound, and to inform you that in accordance with instructions given by Sir John Middleton while on leave in the United Kingdom the execution of the Indent was deferred in view of the possible risk of introducing disease and of the difficulty experienced in securing freight at a moderate cost.

2. I would explain that the postponement of the purchase of the stock was further desirable from the local aspect in the absence of a Manager for the Farm. Mr. Ashworth has now arrived and has assumed duty as reported in my despatch No. 11 of the 3rd of January, 1927. He has been consulted in the matter and has expressed the opinion that the light Clydesdale stallion and the two Ayrshire heifers should be procured

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as soon as possible, but that the importation of the remaining cattle specified in the indent should continue to be deferred until such time as it is shewn that the Farm can produce sufficient and suitable fodder for their keep, and is in a more advanced state generally.

3. I have to say that I concur in Mr. Ashworth's view more especially in that representations to this effect have been made by the unofficial members of the Legislative Council.- Moreover I have reason to apprehend opposition in farming circles generally in the Colony to the importation of good quality cattle for the Experimental Farm; this opposition has been slow to materialise and is vague in its expression but I consider it advisable most carefully to investigate all aspects of the question before taking the definite decision to proceed with the purchase of the Aberdeen-Angus bull and heifers originally ordered.

4. In the circumstances I have to request that the Crown Agents for the Colonies may be instructed to arrange through the good offices of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland for the supply and shipment at

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an early date of the light Clydesdale stallion and of the two Ayrshire heifers and to suggest that the purchase of the other animals may rest in abeyance for a further period.

5. I may add that the Romney Marsh sheep ordered from New Zealand for the Experimental Farm were carefully selected by Mr. Hugh Munro, and arrived by the s.s. "Kia Ora" in November.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 18.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

5th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to my telegram of the 6th of January, 1927, and to previous telegraphic correspondence on the subject of the termination of the engagement of Mr. B. H. Gaster, Assistant Steward, "Discovery Expedition, I have the honour to inform you that arrangements have been made at the request of Dr. S. W. Kemp for the temporary employment of Mr. William Hill of Stanley as Assistant Steward at the Marine Station, South Georgia.

Enclosure I.

Enclosure II.

2. I attach a copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Hill in this connection together with a copy of the Government Notice of the 20th of December, 1926, to which reference is made therein. Copies of these papers have been sent to Dr. Kemp.

3. I would add that Mr. Hill sailed from Stanley for South Georgia to assume duty on the 5th of January, 1927.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

A. E. Beattie.

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ENCLOSURE NO. II TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH
No. 18 of the 5th of January, 1927.

N O T I C E.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

20th December, 1926.

The services of a suitable person are required for temporary employment in the post of

ASSISTANT STEWARD "DISCOVERY" EXPEDITION,
MARINE STATION, SOUTH GEORGIA,

until the Station closes for the winter months in April or May of next year.

The salary offered is at the rate of £8 a month, and all found, payable from the date of commencement to the date of termination of duty at South Georgia. Free passages to and from the Dependency will be provided.

The person selected will be required to leave Stanley by the "Fleurus" early in January and to commence duty immediately on arrival at South Georgia. If during the period of his engagement his services prove satisfactory, he will, if he so desires, be considered for employment in the same post during the period the Marine Station is open in the Whaling Season 1927-1928.

Applications for the appointment should be made in writing to the Colonial Secretary and must be received before noon on Friday, the 31st of December.

(Signed) J. M. ELLIS.
Acting Colonial Secretary.

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ENCLOSURE NO. I TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO.
18 of the 5th of January, 1927.

D/102/26.

3rd January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 24th of December, I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to authorize your engagement, temporarily, as Assistant Steward, "Discovery" Expedition, Marine Station, South Georgia, on the terms and conditions published in the Notice dated the 20th December, 1926.

2. I am to add that you will be required to travel to South Georgia by the s.s. "Fleurus" leaving Stanley on or about the 5th inst., and that you should hold yourself in readiness to proceed accordingly.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. M. ELLIS.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Mr. William Hill,
STANLEY.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 19.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

6th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 124 of the 31st of December, 1925, I have the honour to transmit six copies of Regulations, made by me in Executive Council on the 22nd of December, 1926, under Section 4 of the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1925.

The Wireless
Telegraphy
Regulations,
1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 20.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

6th January, 1927.

Sir,

In accordance with Colonial Regulation No. 397, I have the honour to transmit herewith returns of appointments to and changes in public Offices for the quarter ended the 31st of December, 1926.

Returns Nos. 1
& 2 in duplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 21.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

6th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to my despatch No. 126 of the 11th of November, 1926, I have the honour to transmit a certificate in respect of four and a half months' leave on full salary which I have granted to Mr. A. Talbott on the completion of his agreement as Constable, South Georgia.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 22.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

6th January, 1927.

Sir,

in duplicate.

I have the honour to forward herewith a Schedule of all charges of an unusual or special description, or not covered by the Appropriation law, for the year 1926, incurred during the quarter ended the 30th of September, 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.
No. 23.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

7th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 8th of September, 1926, on the subject of the carriage of correspondence and parcels emanating from British troops on active service, I have the honour to inform you that this Government would be prepared to grant free postage to its forces on active service with the British Army and concurs in the proposed amendment to the relative section of Field Service Regulations.

2. I would add that the prospect of the contingency contemplated actually occurring is, in so far as this Colony is concerned, very remote.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 24.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

11th January, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that an application has been received from the Compania Argentina de Pesca for the lease of a plot of land at Grytviken, South Georgia, for the purpose of the erection thereon of a wireless telephony station which is required for communication between the whaling factory maintained by the Company on the shore of Cumberland Bay and the catchers operating at sea.

2. I would refer in this connection to the lease already held in respect of the factory site by the Company the renewal of which was sanctioned up to the 31st of May, 1929, by the letter addressed by Sir Gilbert Crindle to Messrs. William Brandt's Sons & Company No. C.4046/26 of the 14th of July, 1926, and I would state that a licence to establish and maintain a wireless telephony station for the aforesaid purpose has been granted to the Company under the Wireless Telegraphy Regulations of the 22nd of December, 1926.

3. I should further explain that the Company have represented that it is not practicable to erect the wireless telephony station within the boundary /

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boundary of their present lease on account of the interference caused by the electrically operated plant in use at the whaling factory, and that I am advised that this representation is justifiable.

4. In the circumstances I have decided, subject to your sanction under section 4 of the Land Ordinance, No. 9 of 1903, to grant to the Company the lease of a plot of land for the purpose aforesaid in extent about one-half of an acre situated on the foreshore of Gryt-viken Harbour and adjacent to the land at present leased by the Company at the southern extremity thereof. The lease so granted will be granted for the period of one year with subsequent renewals from year to year, and the annual rental to be charged will be £1.

5. I have to ask your covering sanction for the grant of the lease.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 25.GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

11th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 28th of August, 1926, on the subject of the accession of this Government to the International Agreement for the Creation at Paris of an International Office for dealing with Contagious Diseases of Animals which was signed at Paris in January, 1924, I have the honour to request that notice of accession to the Agreement may be given on behalf of this Colony, and to say that having regard to the comparative size and resources of the Falkland Islands this Government desires to be placed for the present at any rate in the 6th category under Article 11 of the Statutes annexed to the Agreement.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 26.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

11th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 9th of February, 1926, on the subject of the proposed scheme on a contributory basis for provision for the dependents of men who die when serving on temporary agreements in the Colonial Service, I have the honour to inform you that this Government is desirous of accepting the scheme in principle, and is prepared also to accept the recommendation of the Temporary Colonial Officials' Dependents Committee that the payment of the insurance premiums should be divided equally between the revenues of the Colony and the officer concerned so far as the compulsory insurance of £300 is concerned. I concur further that it is desirable in cases where officers desire to insure for a larger sum than that amount that the Crown Agents for the Colonies should make arrangements for the deduction of the total premiums.

2. I would add that I consider it desirable that such locally-appointed officials should be included in the scheme as would normally be engaged on temporary agreements with the Crown Agents but
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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

in particular instances engaged in this manner in the Colony. The number involved is unlikely to exceed the present number of four.

3. I have caused the officers at present serving on temporary agreements to be approached in accordance with your instructions but hitherto no officer has expressed his desire to participate in the scheme except two locally-appointed officials. Owing to the difficulty of communications in the Colony one or two replies are outstanding even at this date.

4. With regard to the point raised in the 19th paragraph of the Report of the Committee I am of opinion that as the sum is payable to the Crown Agents on behalf of the Colonial Government concerned it would be preferable that the money should be in turn payable by the Colonial Government to a named person. I shall be glad to learn in due course whether the legal position in this regard has been defined.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 27.GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,

26th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to Sir John Middleton's despatches, No. 100 of the 31st of August, 1925, and No. 109 of the 6th of October, 1925, relative to the disposal by private arrangement of certain building sites in the town of Stanley, I have the honour to inform you that after consultation with the members of the Executive Council I have considered it desirable to authorise the sale by private arrangement of an area of Crown land in extent approximately one quarter of an acre situated in Dairy Paddock with frontage to Moody Street to Mr. A. I. Fleuret, Second Clerk in the Colonial Secretary's Office, for the sum of £25 or thereabouts for the purpose of erecting thereon a dwelling house the specifications of which will be to the satisfaction of the Colonial Engineer.

2. I should explain that in view of the shortage of houses in Stanley it is expedient to encourage in every way private builders and that in the present case Mr. Fleuret is anxious to begin work without delay so that he may be able to complete his house before winter sets in.

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

3. I have to request your covering approval in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of the Land Ordinance, 1903, for the disposal of this land otherwise than by public auction.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 28.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

27th January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular telegram of the 24th of December, 1926, and to your further telegram of the same date, relative to the Conference of Governors or other senior officers of the Colonies and Protectorates which it is proposed to hold in May, 1927, I have the honour to inform you that after consultation with the members of the Executive Council I agree that it is not necessary for the Falkland Islands to be represented at the Conference.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 29.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

31st January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 20th of October, 1926, on the subject of a Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Estonia signed at Reval on the 18th of January, 1926, the ratifications of which were exchanged on the 3rd of May, 1926, I have the honour to request that notice of adhesion to the Treaty may be given on behalf of the Colony of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 30.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

31st January, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your Miscellaneous despatch of the 2nd of November, 1926, on the subject of Bills of Lading, I have the honour to transmit for your approval the draft of a Bill which it is proposed to introduce into the Legislative Council in this connection entitled "A Bill relating to the Carriage of Goods by Sea".

2. The draft Bill follows exactly the provisions of the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924, as adapted to local circumstances, and I should be glad to learn in due course whether it may be proceeded with.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

In duplicate.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 30 of the
31st of January, 1927.

A BILL RELATING TO THE CARRIAGE OF GOODS
BY SEA.

Enacting
Clause.

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the Colony of the Falkland Islands, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :-

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the "Carriage of Goods by Sea Ordinance, 1927".

Application
of Rules in
Schedule.

2. Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance, the Rules contained in the Schedule to this Ordinance, (hereinafter referred to as "the Rules") shall have effect in relation to and in connection with the carriage of goods by sea in ships carrying goods from any port in the Colony to any other port whether in or outside the Colony.

Absolute warranty
of seaworthi-
ness not to be
implied in con-
tracts to which
Rules apply.

3. There shall not be implied in any contract for the carriage of goods by sea to which the Rules apply any absolute undertaking by the carrier of the goods to provide a seaworthy ship.

Statement as to
application of
Rules to be in-
cluded in bills
of lading.

4. Every bill of lading or similar document of title, issued in the Colony which contains or is evidence of any contract to which the Rules apply shall contain an express statement that it is to have effect subject to the provisions of the said Rules as applied by this Ordinance.

Modification
of Article VI
of Rules in
relation to
coasting trade.

5. Article VI of the Rules shall, in relation to the carriage of goods by sea in ships carrying goods from any port in the Colony to any other port in the Colony, have effect as though the said Article referred to goods of any class instead of to particular goods and as though the proviso in the second paragraph of the said Article were omitted.

Modification
of Rules 4 and
5 of Article
III in relation
to bulk cargoes.

6. Where under the custom of any trade the weight of any bulk cargo inserted in the bill of lading is a weight ascertained or accepted by a third party other than the carrier or the shipper and the fact that the weight so ascertained or accepted is stated in the bill of lading, then, notwithstanding anything in the Rules, the bill of lading shall not be deemed to be prima facie evidence against the carrier of the receipt of goods of the weight so inserted in the bill of lading, and the accuracy thereof at the time of shipment shall not be deemed to have been guaranteed by the shipper.

Saving Clause.

7. Nothing in this Ordinance shall affect the liability of the owners of seagoing vessels as limited under the provisions of sections four hundred and forty-six to four hundred and fifty, both inclusive, five hundred and two, and five hundred and three of the Imperial Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, as amended by any subsequent enactment, or the liability of the owners of seagoing vessels as limited by any other Imperial enactment in force for the time being.

Application to
Dependencies.

8. This Ordinance shall be in force in the Dependencies as well as in the Colony.

Suspending
Clause.

9. This Ordinance shall come into force on a date to be notified by notification in the Gazette.

SCHEDULE.

Rules relating to Bills of Lading.

As in Schedule to the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 31.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

1st February, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to my telegram of the 27th of January, 1927, and to previous telegraphic correspondence on the subject of the overhaul of H.M.C.S. "AFTERGLOW", I have the honour to seek your covering approval of the expenditure on this service of a sum not exceeding £4,000, inclusive of the sum of £2,600 authorised by your telegram of the 1st of October, 1926, and to state the circumstances in which I have considered it proper to proceed with the work in anticipation of your sanction.

2. I should explain in the first place that the estimate of the expenditure to be incurred in this connection as detailed in my telegram of the 20th of July, 1926, was drawn up during the absence on leave in the United Kingdom of Mr. R. B. Baseley, Colonial Engineer. On his return to the Colony in November last it became evident that further repairs were also required including those set out in the letter addressed by Mr. Baseley to the Colonial Office No. C.F.14468/26 of the 6th of August, 1926,

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

but it soon became equally evident that it was not possible to judge of the full extent of these repairs by reason of the lack of adequate slipping facilities at Stanley.

3. You will recollect that the vessel was originally purchased in a defective condition and that it was found necessary in 1923 to send her to Punta Arenas for overhaul as reported in Mr. Henniker-Heaton's despatch No. 129 of the 4th of October, 1923. The repairs on that occasion were executed by Messrs. Braun and Blanchard and were considered to have been satisfactorily completed. I decided accordingly after consultation with the Colonial Engineer and the Harbour Master to send H.M.C.S. "AFTERGLOW" to Punta Arenas for slipping and examination in the shipyard of Messrs. Braun and Blanchard. The Colonial Engineer accompanied the vessel which was towed and arrived safely - the cable parted during the tow near the eastern entrance of the Magellan Straits - on the 24th of December and was placed on the slip on the 26th of December, 1926.

4. A thorough survey of the vessel showed that Mr. Baseley's fears as to the condition of the rudder and hull were in part justified but I am glad to say that the galvanic action of which he was so apprehensive does not now appear to be the cause of serious corrosion. Considerable work is, however, necessary to make the rudder
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and hull sound throughout and to repair and replace the keel-slip and bolts, and the engine bed, and thrust block bed and bolts; much of this work is additional to that originally contemplated and furthermore the cost of fitting the new boiler together with the requisite adjustment of the present mountings and the annealing of the copper steam pipes has proved to be appreciably in excess of the estimate.

In duplicate.

5. I enclose a summarized statement setting out a revised estimate of the total expenditure as compared with the original estimate of the cost of the work then contemplated. You will see that the figure both for additional repairs as found necessary and for contingencies is high and that it is to be hoped that the work may be completed for a less sum than that of £4,000 for which authority is asked.

6. I would moreover explain that maintenance work on H.M.C.S. "AFTERGLOW" has been allowed to fall into arrear during the last two years. In 1925 the vessel was kept continuously in commission, At one time she was the only mechanically propelled craft in the Colony capable of putting to sea with the result that although she was subjected to unusual strain the sum of £8 represents the total expenditure on maintenance effected to her in that year. During 1926 in the uncertainty as to her ultimate disposal no expenditure was incurred on

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purely maintenance works. In consequence over-haul has now to be made of her decks, steering gear, capstan and capstan engine, tanks etc., etc., while the cable which parted during the tow should be passed through the fire and restudded where necessary.

7. Before arriving at any decision to proceed with the work or otherwise I have consulted fully my technical advisers - the Colonial Engineer and the Harbour Master - who have given it as their considered opinion that the vessel is worth the repairs, that the repairs are all necessary, and that the money required will be spent to the best advantage.

8. The matter was further considered in all its aspects by the Executive Council at a meeting held on the 26th of January, 1927, when the members advised unanimously that the work should be proceeded with and that Messrs. Braun and Blanchard's tender should be accepted. This tender was dated the 3rd of January, 1927, and as the vessel is at present lying in the yard belonging to this firm in order to obviate any additional delay and expense I caused a telegram to be despatched on the 27th of January, 1927, in conclusion of a contract on the terms of the tender.

9. I would add that the Crown Agents for
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the Colonies have been duly apprised of developments in this connection and have been instructed to forward the boiler and other material to be supplied from the United Kingdom direct to Messrs. Braun and Blanchard by the earliest opportunity.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 31 of
the 1st of February, 1927.

OVERHAUL OF H.M.C.S. "AFTERGLOW".

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVISED
COST.

<u>Item.</u>	<u>Original</u> <u>Estimate.</u>	<u>Revised.</u> <u>Estimate.</u>	<u>Increase.</u>	<u>Decrease.</u>
<u>1. Materials from United Kingdom :-</u>				
New boiler	700	706	6	-
New funnel and asbestos covering for boiler	-	88	88	-
New tailshaft and propeller	150	150	-	-
Freight, Insurance, etc. on the above ..	160	160	-	-
Carried Forward..	1010	1104	94	-
<u>2. Work to be performed by Messrs. Braun and Blanchard.</u>				
<u>(a) By specification -</u>				
Fitting boiler, tailshaft & propeller...)	280	278	-	2
Replacement of hull sheathing, and repair to planking, and plank fastenings ...)	205	559	354	-
Repairs to rudder and rudder post	35	91	56	-
Use of slipway	215	289	74	-
Additional repairs to hull and keel	-	41	41	-
Adjustment of engine and thrust block, and renewal of engine bed and thrust block bed bolts	-	72	72	-
Overhaul of boiler mountings and annealing and testing of copper steam pipes	-	139	139	-
Deckwork and construction of port hatch forward	-	87	87	-
Overhaul of cable ..	-	48	48	-
Carried Forward..	735	1604	871	2

<u>Item.</u>	<u>Original Estimate.</u>	<u>Revised Estimate.</u>	<u>Increase.</u>	<u>De- crease.</u>
1. Brought forward	1010	1104	94	-
2.(a) -do-	735	1604	871	2
Overhaul of capstan and capstan engine...	-	22	22	-
Minor repairs	-	78	78	-
(b) Additional work as found necessary:-				
(i) at specified rates	-	100	100	-
(ii) by arrangement ...	-	96	96	-
	735	1900	1167	2
<u>3. Miscellaneous.</u>				
Towage	300	250	-	50
Maintenance of crew, Insurance, Contingen- cies, etc.....	555	-	-	555
Insurance	-	125	125	-
Crew for return	-	300	300	-
Expenses of Col. Engin- eer at Punta Arenas..	-	25	25	-
Agency fee, Punta Arenas	-	25	25	-
Surveyor's fee	-	105	105	-
	855	830	580	605
<u>4. Unforeseen Contingencies.</u>	-	166	166	-
	-	166	166	-
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>£2,600</u>	<u>£4,000</u>	<u>£2,007</u>	<u>£60</u>

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 32.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

2nd February, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch, Miscellaneous of the 22nd of October, 1926, transmitting for consideration a letter from the Postmaster General relative to the rate at present charged for the transmission of deferred telegrams to the Falkland Islands and South Georgia, I have the honour to inform you that arrangements are being made for fixing the rate chargeable locally in connection with the deferred service at one half of the ordinary rate, and will be brought into force at an early date.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

9th February, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 33.

Sir,

With reference to paragraph 6 of your despatch No. 81 of the 3rd of September, 1924, on the subject of the allocation of the expenditure on the erection of various buildings at South Georgia between the General Account of the Dependencies and the Research and Development Fund, I have the honour to inform you that after the most careful consideration of the matter I am of opinion that it is not practicable to allocate all charges in this connection against a definite work and that in the circumstances I have thought fit to use the discretion allowed to me and to direct that such charges as are definitely assignable to a particular building should be so assigned and that the outstanding balance should be allocated on a proportionate basis.

2. I annex a copy of a minute from the Treasurer dated the 27th of January, 1927, together with the relative statements from which it will be seen that the total cost of the buildings equalling £28,929.8.4d has been divided as follows :-

General /

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

In duplicate.

In duplicate.

General Account of the Dependencies.

	£.	s.	d.
Wireless Station ...	17,255.	19.	6.
Magistrate's Bungalow	3,498.	9.	11.
	£ 20,754.	9.	5.

Research and Development Fund.

Marine Station	8,174.	18.	11.
Total ...	£ 28,929.	8.	4.

3. I am satisfied that the approximation thus made is as nearly accurate as possible in all the circumstances and I would say that in any case it is most improbable that the proportion to be borne by the Research and Development Fund is in excess of the true cost of the Marine Station.

4. I trust that the action taken in this connection will meet with your approval and on such assumption I have authorised the Treasurer to effect the consequent adjustment locally by the transference from the Research and Development Fund of the sum of £3,174.18.11d to the credit of the General account of the Dependencies. It is perhaps unnecessary for me to remark that this adjustment will be

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nothing else than a book transaction as in any event all surplus Dependencies' revenue is credited in accordance with your instructions to the Research and Development Fund.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 33 of
the 9th of February, 1927.

Hon. Col. Secretary,

I regret delay in dealing with this matter which has been in the main occasioned by an endeavour to trace to what buildings various items of expenditure refer.

2. After again examining Crown Agents' vouchers for 1924, there appear to be certain items of expenditure which are definitely chargeable to Wireless Station and to Marine Station, vide Statement "A" attached. I do not consider it would be any advantage to ask for the return of the Crown Agents' vouchers for the year 1925. If they had been available it is possible that some items of expenditure could have been traced but as the Crown Agents did not apparently keep separate accounts of expenditure chargeable to various buildings, it seems preferable to make the allocation on such information as it has been possible to obtain.

3. In the absence of full details it is clearly a difficult matter to arrive at the accurate cost of each building. The overhead charges in each instance are extraordinarily high, for instance the cost of the Wireless Station complete is shown at £17,132.14.5., which is probably in excess of its true cost.

4. The Expenditure incurred on all the buildings in question has already been charged and brought to account in the years 1924, 1925 and 1926,

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and I consider that all that is now required is to show how the total Expenditure to the 31st December, 1926, has been allocated between the various buildings. The allocation of the total expenditure could be shown as a note against Dependencies Expenditure, Public Works Extraordinary, item "Government Buildings and Wireless Station", in the Financial Statements for the year 1926.

5. Of the cost of the Marine Station (£3,174.18.11) a sum of £5000 was paid from the Research Fund in 1924 and the difference £3,174.18.11 paid from Dependencies Funds. The difference mentioned would require therefore to be transferred from the Research Fund to the General account.

(Signed) M. CRAIGIE-HALKETT.

Treasurer.

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STATEMENT "A".

COST OF BUILDINGS, SOUTH GEORGIA.

Wireless Station.

Definite charges against Wireless Station
as shown by Crown Agents' accounts :-

December 1924.	E.F. Turner.	Inspection.	£105.16. 8.
Sept. 1924.	Marconi Co.	Plant, etc.	4421.12. 0.
October 1924.	Preece &c.	Inspection.	7. 7. 0.
October 1924.	Marconi Co.	Apparatus.	212.11. 0.
November 1924.	Preece &c.	Inspection.	253. 8. 0.
December 1924.	Crown Agents.	Freight.	441.19. 5.
May 1925.	Marconi Co.	Professional charges.	655. 6. 0.
October 1925.	-do-	10% on Contract price.	555.14. 0.
May 1926.	-do-	-do-	555.14. 0.
Engineer Operator's salary during period of erection			<u>123. 5. 1.</u>
Total....£			7332.13. 2.
Less amount of contract			£ <u>5527. 0. 0.</u>
Definite charges in excess of contract price			<u>£ 1805.13. 2.</u>

Wireless Station Buildings.

January 1925.	Crown Agents.	Buildings.	£ 801.16. 0.
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Marine Station.

Nov. 1924.	Baird & Co.	Laboratory fittings.	308. 7. 0.
Nov. 1924.	Rose.	Inspection.	7.18. 4.
			<u>£ 316. 5. 4.</u>

STATEMENT 'B'.

ALLOCATION OF COST OF BUILDINGS, &c.,
SOUTH GEORGIA.

(a)	Total of Contract prices in respect of all buildings	£14,326.18. 0.
(b)	Expenditure definitely chargeable to the undermentioned buildings, &c:-	
	<u>Wireless Station</u> (Plant, &c.) ...	£1,682. 8. 1.
	<u>Wireless Station</u> (Buildings) ...	801.16. 0.
	<u>Marine Station</u> ...	<u>316. 5. 4.</u> 2,800. 9. 5.
(c)	Other Expenditure common to all buildings	<u>11,678.15.10.</u>
	Total ...	<u>£28,806. 3. 3.</u>

Wireless Station (Plant, &c.)

	Contract price	£5,527. 0. 0.
	Expenditure definitely chargeable to	1,805.13. 2.
38.58%	Overhead charges	<u>4,505.13. 8.</u> £11,838. 6.10.

Wireless Station Buildings.

	Contract price	£2,542.17. 0.
	Expenditure definitely chargeable to	801.16. 0.
17.75%	Overhead charges	<u>2,072.19. 8.</u> 5,417.12. 8.

Magistrate's Bungalow.

	Contract price	£1,927.14. 0.
13.45%	Overhead charges	<u>1,570.15.11.</u> 3,498. 9.11.

Marine Station.

	Contract price	£4,329. 7. 0.
	Expenditure definitely chargeable to	316. 5. 4.
30.22%	Overhead charges	<u>3,529. 6. 7.</u> 8,174.18.11.

£ 28,929. 8. 4

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

11th February, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 34.

Sir,

in duplicate.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 138 of the 24th of December on the subject of the grant to the Tonsberg Whaling Company of a licence to operate off the South Sandwich Islands during next season, and with reference to the enquiry contained in paragraph 2 thereof to transmit for your information a copy of a letter addressed to the Secretary of the "Discovery" Committee by the Director of Research. It will be observed that Dr. Kemp suggests that a member of the scientific staff of the "Discovery" Expedition should be detailed to accompany the expedition to the South Sandwich Islands, and recommends for this duty Mr. J. E. Hamilton, Government Naturalist, at present seconded for service with the "Discovery".

2. I fully concur with Dr. Kemp's suggestion, and trust that it may prove possible to give effect to it.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient,
humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 34
of the 11th of February, 1927.

R.R.S. "Discovery",
Grytviken,
South Georgia.
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Sir,

On December 7 the Magistrate, South Georgia, received the following telegram from the Colonial Secretary, Falkland Is.:-

"Following telegram has been received
"Secretary of State begins: Application
"received from Tonsberg Whaling Company
"for licence to operate one floating
"factory and four catchers off South
"Sandwich Islands during the next season.
"Proposal appears to afford a good oppor-
"tunity of securing exploration of these
"Islands.
"If you see no objection Company will be
"informed a licence will be granted but
"only for three catchers and on certain
"special conditions designed to obtain all
"possible scientific and topographical in-
"formation ends.
"It is proposed reply no objection. Tele-
"graph your observations and those Director
"Research.
Secretary."

The Magistrate after consulting me replied as follows :-

"Your telegram dated 7th December, Kemp and
"I see no objection to licence being granted
"under special conditions. Kemp thinks that
"a scientific officer might accompany the
"expedition and he might also act as whaling
"officer. For scientific work he would re-
"quire occasional facilities for using plank-
"ton nets from one whaler which should be
"fitted with a small hand reel for stowage
"of special warp. Letter follows".

2. The opportunity of securing information from a little known area would seem to be a good one and if the necessary facilities can be obtained investigations which would supplement those of

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the "Discovery" and "William Scoresby" could be undertaken.

3. I suggest that one of my scientific staff be deputed for the work. He should be given powers as a whaling officer and would collect statistics of all whales caught, making on them such observations as circumstances allowed. He might have an opportunity of securing specimens of some of the smaller and rarer species of Cetacea and, if landings were made on any of the islands, could investigate seals. If the necessary facilities were available he could carry out most useful routine work on the plankton. He could make hydrological observations from the factory itself and keep a meteorological log. The officer appointed should consult geological authorities before settling out, so that use may be made of any opportunity of studying the geology of the islands.

4. In hydrographic survey (used in the Admiralty sense) the officer will not be able to give much assistance. The manager of the factory should instruct his gunners to make charts of as much of the area as is practicable, fixing the positions of the islands, determining - when it can be done - their outlines and main topographical features and taking soundings wherever possible. For work of this kind we must rely on the goodwill of the Manager and his gunners but it might be suggested that the factory and each catcher should be supplied with an efficient sounding machine capable of

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sounding to depths of at least 300 fathoms.

5. The facilities and equipment required by the scientific officer should not present any difficulty. For the plankton investigations he will need the occasional use of a catcher but only for some 6 or 8 hours weekly. He will mostly be able to arrange his work to suit the convenience of the gunner, who would, for instance, have little objection to slowing down and shooting nets while he was towing whales to the factory. At other times the officer might require facilities for harpooning dolphins, but this would cause very little delay.

6. The plankton nets will be 1m. and 70cm. in diameter, made to our standard pattern, and in towing the full series a speed of 2 knots will be required for about an hour and a quarter. For handling them it will be necessary to fit one of the catchers with a hand reel holding about 300 metres of wire warp one inch in circumference. This could be placed almost anywhere on the deck of the catcher. If the reel is of stout construction and firmly bolted to the deck the wire can be paid out direct when nets are being shot. In hauling several turns will be taken round the drum end of the winch, the slack wire being reeled up by hand.

7. Hydrological observations from the factory could be easily arranged and will require

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little more than a davit placed forward of any discharges from the ship's side. If the officer is provided with a metre wheel, water-bottles and a hand reel of fine stranded wire - all of which we can supply from our equipment - a series of observations on temperature and salinity can be made at intervals of (say) a week. Surface temperature and water sample would of course be taken more often. Water samples will be stored and titrated in England after the season is over.

8. If the Committee approves of this proposal I suggest that Mr. Hamilton be deputed for the work. He is anxious to go but wishes if possible to take some leave in 1927. This in my opinion should be granted to him, more especially as he was unable to take all that was due to him when he joined the "Discovery" expedition. He will probably be leaving for the South Sandwich in November and must spend some time in making his preparation. Instead, therefore, of returning to England in the "Discovery", he should sail by whaling transport, leaving South Georgia in the last week of April or by the first steamer in May.

9. If these proposals are accepted by the Committee I shall be obliged if you will inform me by telegram addressed to Deception Island.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Intld) S.K.

The Secretary,

"Discovery" Committee.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 35.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

11th February, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 9th of November, 1926, on the subject of the proposed provision of a short course of study in England for those concerned in the administration of prisons in the various territories of the Empire overseas, I have the honour to inform you in answer to your enquiry that there is no senior Prisons Officer on the establishment of this Colony who might be desired to attend the course.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

11th February, 1927.

No. 36.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular (2) despatch of the 20th of November, 1926, enquiring whether this Government desires to conclude with the Government of India a reciprocal arrangement as regards samples and patterns brought by commercial travellers from either contracting State to the other, I have the honour to inform you that there are no firms in the Colony of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies employing commercial travellers to whom the extension of reciprocity offered in this connection by the Government of India might be of benefit.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M.S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 37.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

14th February, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 1 of the 3rd of January, 1927, relative to the grant of facilities for Captain J. K. Nethercoate, Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones, to visit the wireless telegraph stations at Rio de Janeiro and Montevideo, I have the honour to inform you that Captain Nethercoate arrived at Stanley on the 2nd of February, 1927, and reported that he had received every possible assistance in this connection from both the British and the local authorities at either place.

2. Unless you consider such a course unnecessary I would ask that an expression of thanks for their good offices might be conveyed through the usual channels on behalf of this Government to His Majesty's Consul General at Rio de Janeiro and to His Majesty's Minister at Montevideo as well as to the proper officials in the Brazilian and Uruguayan administration.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

18th February, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 38.

Sir,

in duplicate.

With reference to your despatch No. 137 of the 24th of December, 1926, relative to the regulations at present in force in this Colony as to leave and to the grant of assisted passages to officers proceeding on leave, I have the honour to forward a copy of a regulation, revised in accordance with your desire, making provision inter alia for the grant of assisted passages under certain conditions to the members of an officer's family who travel to the United Kingdom independently of the officer himself.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 38
of the 18th of February, 1927.

REGULATION GOVERNING THE GRANT OF ASSISTED
PASSAGES TO OFFICERS PROCEEDING ON LEAVE FROM
THE SERVICE OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS GOVERNMENT.

An officer on the permanent establishment who is granted leave of absence after three years' consecutive service in the Colony is eligible for the grant of half the cost of homeward and outward passages by the direct route for himself and his family, not exceeding four persons besides the officer himself and not including either married daughters or sons over 18 years of age, or alternatively, if he undertakes to defray the full cost of his passages to England by a less expensive route than by mail steamer for the full cost of single passages on his return journey.

Provided that the cost of such passages for the members of an officer's family in the absence of good reason on health or other grounds shall be payable only if they travel with him or shortly in advance of him and that in cases where the members of an officer's family shall so leave before the officer has completed his term of three years' consecutive service payment for their passages shall be made on a basis proportionate to the officer's length of service and the balance be paid when he has completed the full term.

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The above concession is applicable to first class passages in the case of officers on the pensionable establishment, the initial salary of whose offices is not less than £300 a year, and to second class passages in the case of other officers.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

21st February, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 39.

Sir,

In duplicate.

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 3rd of November, 1926, I have the honour to transmit to you, for transmission to the International Bureau of the Telegraph Union, Berne, in accordance with your instructions a form of particulars of the wireless services existing in this Colony, both external and internal, which are open for the general exchange of telegrams.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE.

L. C. M. S. AMERY. P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

21st February, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 40.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 123 of the 23rd of November, 1926, on the subject of the transfer of surplus Dependencies' revenue to the Research and Development Fund, I have the honour to inform you that arrangements have been made in accordance with your instructions in future to transfer the balance standing to the credit of the Dependencies' General Account to the Research and Development Fund as soon as possible after the account for the year has been closed and also similarly to transfer the greater portion of the accumulated balance after duty has been collected on whale oil and brought to account at the end of the whaling season during the month of June or July in each year.

2. I trust that these arrangements will prove to your satisfaction, and I would explain that the bulk of the Dependencies' revenue which, as you are aware is derived from export duty on whale oil, is usually collected in May or June and that the retention is necessary of sufficient

balance/

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balance to cover refunds of duty on whale oil in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 7 of 1924.

3. I would add that on the receipt of your telegram of the 18th of November, 1926, the Crown Agents for the Colonies were duly instructed by the Colonial Secretary's telegram of the 24th of November, 1926, to transfer the sum of £60,000 on the above account to the credit of the Research and Development Fund, as notified to you by my telegram of the same date.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 41.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

21st February, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 128 of the 11th of December, 1926, on the subject of the discrepancy amounting to £296.15.9d, which has been observed in the accounts of the "Discovery" Expedition between the figures given in the Colonial Treasurer's report for the year 1925 and the "Discovery" Committee's records, I have the honour to transmit in accordance with your instructions a copy of a report from the Colonial Treasurer dated the 17th of February, 1927, together with the accompanying detailed statements, which will, I trust, furnish a sufficient explanation of the discrepancy.

In duplicate.In duplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P. C., M. P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE NO. I TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO.
41 of the 21st of February, 1927.

Hon. Col. Sec.,

With reference to the difference of
£296.15.9 to which my attention has been drawn,
I beg to attach the following Statements which
explain the difference in question :-

"A" detailed Statement of Expenditure
during the period 1st January to
the 31st December, 1925, as recorded
in the Treasury accounts.

"B" Monthly Summary of Expenditure.

"C" Covering Statement.

2. Statement "A" gives details of all
items which apparently have not been included in
the "Discovery" Committee accounts.

(Signed) M. CRAIGIE-HALCETT.

Treasurer,

17.2.1927.

ENCLOSURE NO. II TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO.41 of the 21st of February, 1927.STATEMENT "A".RECONCILIATION STATEMENT.

To explain differences between amounts charged by Col. Treasurer to Research Fund and amounts appearing in "Discovery" Committee Statements as expenditure, in respect of the year 1925.

January.

	As per "Discovery" Committee Statement	£2769.17. 2.
1.	Advance repaid by E.E.F. Letts previously charged as salary in D.C.A/cs	7.10. 0.
		£2777. 7. 2.
	Items not included in D.C.A/cs:	
14.	December Insurance premiums (part of £29.1.3.) C.A.Vr.46	28.16. 7.
29.	L. & N.E. Rly. Co. carriage on forging and casting. C.A.Vr.85	6.19.11.
29.	L. & N.E. Rly. Co. carriage on forging. C.A.Vr.86	9.10.
31.	Proportion of C.A.1% charge	1. 6.
		£2813.15. 0.
	Less amount of contribution in respect of N.H.I. Stamps ..	4. 7. £2813.10. 5.

February.

	As per D.C. Statement	6127. 0. 3.
3.	Advances repaid previously charged as salary payments in D.C.A/cs	
	A.J. Clowes - £33.6.8.	
	A. Saunders - £15.0.0.	48. 6. 8.
		6175. 6.11.
	Items not included in D.C.A/cs:	
13.	H. Rees, Ltd. Publications. Charged by C.A. to F.I. General A/c. C.A.Vr.33.	33. 5. 7.
14.	January Insurance premiums (part of £6.5.7.) C.A.Vr.45.	2. 1. 2.
23.	Midland Bank, Ltd., for credit of Andresens og Bergens Kreditbank, Bergen, in respect of Metre Wheels. C.A.Vr.57...	109.11. 3.
28.	Proportion of 1% C.A. Charge	1. 1.11.
		£6321. 6.10.
3.	Less advance repaid by A.J. Clowes previously charged as expenditure in Treasury A/cs £33.6.8.	
	Less amount of contribution in respect of N.H.I. Stamps....	3.8.
		33.10. 4. £6287.16.6.

<u>March.</u>		
	As per D.C.Statement	£1995.16. 0.
	Less:-	
30.	Amount charged by C.A. in R.F. A/cs previously charged locally by Adjustment Vr.	£42.15. 6.
5.	Amount of contribu- tion in respect of N.H.I.Stamps	3. 8.
27.	Claim for replacement cost of one burette (D.C.Letter 70 of 20.2.25) R.F.Rec..	1. 7. 3.
		<u>44. 6. 5.</u> 1951. 9. 7

As per D.C.Statement.....	El7270. 4.10.
Items not included in above:-	
23. C.A.Commission at 2% in respect	
of interest credited in March	
C.A.Vr.82	<u>5. 8. 2.</u>
	El7275.13. 0.
Less amount of contribution in	
respect of H.H.I.Stamps.....	<u>4. 7.17275. 8. 5</u>

	As per D.C.Statement	3112. 9. 6.
	Items not included in above:-	
14.	April Insurance premiums C.A.Vr.48.	2. 1.
19.	G.A.Commission on Interest " 70.	24. 3. 3.
		<u>3136.14.10.</u>
4.	Less amount of contribution in respect of N.H.I.Stamps	<u>3. 8. 3136.11. 2</u>

Grants to "Discovery" Committee	15600. 0. 0.
C.A. Commission on Interest credited during May C.A.Vr.53 ...	19. 7. 1.
Other expenses appearing in C.A. Research Fund A/c	1097.14. 5.16717. 1. 6

21.	Grants to "Discovery" Committee	24400. 0. 0.
	C.A. Commission on Interest credited during June. C.A.Vr.3...	21.15. 0.
	Other expenses appearing in C.A. Research Fund A/cs	143. 2. 2
		<u>24564.17. 2</u>

	Grants to "Discovery" Committee	19000.	0.	0.
10.	March and May telegrams C.A.Vr.1.	1.	0.	2.
11.	C.A.Commission on interest credited during July. C.A.Vr.2...	22.	2.	2.19023. 2. 4

* The total of these two amounts (\$1240.16.7.) was transferred to "Discovery" Committee in December. See under "December" overleaf.

Brought forward £91769.17. 1.

September.

22.	Grants to "Discovery" Committee	£1000. 0. 0.	
	C.A. Commission on interest		
	credited during August C.A.		
	Vr.4	19.18. 8.	
		<u>£1019.18. 8.</u>	
23.	Less refund from Bergen Nautik		
	of expenses in connection with		
	incorrect metre wheels supplied		
	Reqn.1885	2. 0. 7.	1017.18. 1

October.

24.	Grants to "Discovery" Committee	18000. 0. 0.	
	C.A. Commission on interest		
	credited in September, C.A.		
	Vr.2	20. 1. 6.	
		<u>18020. 1. 6.</u>	
25.	Less amount refunded by		
	"Discovery" Committee being		
	cost of books supplied under		
	Reqn.1948 previously charged		
	by C.A. to F.I.A/c in February.	33. 5. 7.	17986.15.11

November.

25.	Grants to "Discovery" Committee	5000. 0. 0.	
	C.A. Commission on interest		
	credited during October C.A.		
	Vr.13	34. 3.11.	5034. 3.11

December.

	Grants to "Discovery" Committee	10000. 0. 0.	
	C.A. Commission on interest		
	credited during November ...	4. 5. 1.	
	Amount transferred to "Discovery"		
	Committee in accordance with		
	S. of S. Telegram of 10.4.26	1240.16. 7.	
		<u>11245. 1. 8.</u>	
	Less amount transferred from		
	Research Fund in accordance		
	with S. of S. Telegram of		
	10.4.26	1240.16. 7.	10004. 5. 1

TOTAL AMOUNT CHARGED AGAINST RESEARCH
FUND IN TREASURER'S A/cs for 1925 £ 125813. 0. 1

41 of the 21st of February, 1927.

STATEMENT "B".

RESEARCH FUND EXPENDITURE, 1925.

Showing how charged in Treasurer's Accounts.

Month.	"Discovery" Committee.	Ship "Discovery".	Sundry Expenses.	Whale marking vessel.	TOTAL.
January.	- - -	£ 679.13.11.	£ 2133.11. 6.	- - -	£2813.10. 5.
February.	- - -	4241. 4. 6.	2046.12. 0.	- - -	6287.16. 6.
March.	- - -	383. 6. 3.	1568. 3. 4.	- - -	1951. 9. 7.
April.	- - -	15379.18.10.	1867.14. 7.	27.15. 0.	17275. 8. 5.
May.	- - -	573. 7. 0.	2563. 4. 2.	- - -	3136.11. 2.
June.	£15600. 0. 0.	- - -	1117. 1. 6.	- - -	16717. 1. 6.
July.	24400. 0. 0.	- - -	164.17. 2.	- - -	24564.17. 2.
August.	19000. 0. 0.	- - -	23. 2. 4.	- - -	19023. 2. 4.
September.	1000. 0. 0.	- - -	17.18. 1.	- - -	1017.18. 1.
October.	18000. 0. 0.	- - -	(Cr.) 13. 4. 1.	- - -	17986.15.11.
November.	5000. 0. 0.	- - -	34. 3.11.	- - -	5034. 3.11.
December.	11240.16. 7.	- - -	(Cr.) 1236.11. 6.	- - -	10004. 5. 1.
	£ 94240.16. 7.	£ 21257.15. 6.	£ 10286.13. 0.	£ 27.15. 0.	£ 125813. 0. 1.

ENCLOSURE NO. IV TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO.41 of the 21st of February, 1927.STATEMENT "C".DEPENDENCIES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
FUND EXPENDITURE. YEAR 1925.

Expenditure recorded in Treasury A/cs
for the five months, 1st January,
1925, to the 31st May, 1925,
amounts to£31,464.16.1.

Expenditure recorded in "Discovery"
Statements for the same period£31,275. 7.9.

Difference£ 189. 8.4.

The difference of £189.8.4. is
accounted for as follows :-

Total sums not included in
"Discovery" Statements vide
details in Statement "A"£ 267.17.11.

Less deductions as detailed
in Statement "A"78. 9. 7.
£189.8.4.

Expenditure recorded in Treasury A/cs
for the six months, 1st June, 1925,
to the 31st December, 1925£95,597.19. 7.

Less credits1,249.15. 7.
£94,348. 4. 0.

Payments made to the "Discovery"
Committee during the same period...£94,240.16. 7.

Difference£ 107. 7. 5.

The difference of £107.7.5. is
accounted for as follows :-

Sundry expenses as detailed in
Statement "A"£ 1,357. 3. 0.

Less Credits1,249.15. 7.
£107.7.5

Accounting for the total difference of :- £296.15.9

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 42.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

24th February, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to Mr. Churchill's Circular despatch of the 7th of October, 1922, I have the honour to submit a report for the calendar year 1926, on the traffic in opium and dangerous drugs in this Colony.

In triplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A.E.Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 42 of
the 24th of February, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

ANNUAL REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FALKLAND
ISLANDS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1926 ON THE TRAFFIC
IN OPIUM AND OTHER DANGEROUS DRUGS.

A. - GENERAL.

- (1) The Dangerous Drugs (Amendment) Ordinance, 1926, passed on the 9th November, 1926, amending the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, 1925, in order to provide specifically for the control of drugs in transit through the territorial waters of the Colony but which do not involve transshipment.
- (2) Regulations of Imports and Exports.
 - (a) No certificates were issued during the year in respect of drugs to be exported from the Colony.
 - (b) Seven certificates were issued in respect of drugs to which Chapter III of the Dangerous Drugs Convention, 1925, applies, the drugs being required solely for medicinal purposes. Three of these certificates were issued to cover the requirements of Medical Officers in the Colony and four to cover the requirements of Medical Officers in the service of Whaling Companies at South Georgia.
- (3) Internal Regulation of the Manufacture, Sale, Distribution, Use, etc., etc., of the Drugs.

There was no evidence of the existence of the drug habit locally nor of illicit trade in the drugs and no case occurred requiring the enforcement of the laws regulating the traffic.

B. - PARTICULAR DRUGS.

- (4) Raw Opium.
 - (a) The Colony is not a producing country.
 - (b) Imports - The import of raw opium of any kind is prohibited.

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- (c) The manufacture of morphine, medicinal opium and other medicinal preparations containing opium is prohibited
- (d) The use of drugs containing opium is restricted to medicinal purposes.
- (e) The export of raw opium is prohibited.

(5) Prepared Opium.

The import, manufacture and use of prepared opium is prohibited.

There was no evidence during the year that the practice of opium smoking exists in the Colony.

(6) Morphine.

(a) Imports.

(1) Pure Drug Nil.

(2) Salts:-

Morphinae Muriatica gr.
1/6th 1000 Tabs.
Morphinae Muriatica gr.
1/2 1000 Tabs.

(3) Preparations:-

Dovers Tablets gr.5 .. 1000 Tabs.
Syr.Codein Phos..... 10-lbs &
80 gramme
Morph. Suppositories
gr. 1/2 1/2 gross.
Tr. Chloroform et
Morph. Co..... 6-lbs.
Liq. Morph. Hydrochlor.. 7-lbs &
40 grammes
Syr. Papaverinae 10-lbs.
Papaverinae Sulphas... 1-oz.
Tubunic Roche Omnipon 12 tubes
Hypo. Morph. Hydrochlor
gr. 1/2 6 tubes
Suppositoria chloreti
morphic (0.01) & Ext.
belladon (0.02) butyr
cacao (0.50) 200 grammes
Tabuletti Dionini
(0.20) 40
Cough Pills: Morphii
sulf. 0.01 codeina
phosphat 0.025 const.
q.s. 400
Morphium Muriaticum
0.01 50 pieces
Chloret Cocaic Morphic
steril 1% amp t. 0.1 c.m 40 ampulle
Chloret Morphic Pulv.. 20 gramme

/Manufacture.

- (b) Manufacture. Prohibited.
- (c) Exports. Nil.
- (d) Imported for medicinal purposes only.
- (e) Practitioners registered under the Medical Practitioners, Midwives and Dentists Ordinance, 1914.

(7) Heroin.

- (a) Imports. Nil.
- (b) Manufacture prohibited.
- (c) Exports. Nil.

(8) Medicinal Opium.

- (a) Imports.
 - (1) Pure Drug. Nil.
 - (2) Salts. Nil.
 - (3) Preparations:-
 - Ung. Gallae o Opio.. 2-lbs.
 - Tr. Opii 5-lbs & 4300 grammes.
 - Gran. Dioscorid 3000 ea.
 - Lin. Opii 6-lbs.

- (b) Manufacture prohibited.
- (c) Exports. Nil.
- (d) Imported for medicinal purposes only.
- (e) Practitioners registered under the Medical Practitioners, Midwives and Dentists Ordinance, 1914.

(9) Cocaine.

- (a) The Colony is not a producing country.
- (b) Imports.
 - (1) Crude Cocaine. Nil.
 - (2) Refined Cocaine or its salts:-
 - Troch Kramerii c cocaine .. 5-lbs.
 - Cocaine Hydrochloride
 - gr. $\frac{1}{2}$ 1000
 - Lamellae Cocaine Hydro-
 - chloride 150
 - Cocaine Hydrochloric:..... 40 gramme

/Preparations

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(3) Preparations:-

Menthol & Cocaine Lozenges 1-lb.
 Tab. Novocaine (0.1) -
 Adrenalin (0.00025)..... 50 pieces
 Tabulette novocaine (0.01)
 & Supraren (0.00025) 600 tablets
 Novocaine (20%) Adrenalin 50 pieces
 Chloret Cocaic Pulv..... 15 grammes
 -do- -do- Tabl. @ 0.01 120 Tablets
 -do- Scopolannic
 steril amp $\frac{1}{2}$ A.L. @ 0.0003. 12 ampulle

(c) Manufacture prohibited.

(d) Practitioners registered under the
 Medical Practitioners, Midwives and
 Dentists Ordinance, 1914.

10. Other Drugs. Nil.

C. - MISCELLANEOUS.

Nil.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

STANLEY.

4th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 43.

Sir,

With reference to Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 18 of the 12th of January, 1926, relative to the resignation of Mr. A. E. Smith, Record Clerk in the Colonial Secretary's Office, I have the honour to request that a suitable person may be selected to fill the vacant office and may be instructed to proceed to the Colony to assume duty by the first available opportunity.

2. I would explain that the temporary arrangement for carrying out the duties of the Record Clerk to which reference is made in paragraph 9 of the memorandum enclosed in my despatch No. 120 of the 10th of November, 1926, is shortly being terminated by force of circumstance and that there is no local candidate qualified for the appointment.

3. I enclose the usual paper of particulars of the vacant office and I would state that it is highly desirable that the person selected should be a single man both by reason of the cost of living and of the difficulty in finding accommodation.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,
humble servant,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

A. E. Beattie.

PARTICULARS of the Office of **RECORD CLERK in the COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,**
now vacant in the Colony of **the Falkland Islands.**

1. Duties of Office, and qualifications required for their performance.

The care of records and general clerical duties in the Colonial Secretary's Office. Person selected should be an efficient typist and unmarried; preferably a man of not more than 25 years of age. It is essential that the appointment should be on probation in the first instance.

2. Salary and emoluments, and whether secured by a permanent law.

£200 a year.
(not secured by permanent law).

3. Other circumstances affecting the value of the Office.

Nil.

4. Nature, number, and amount of securities required and mode of giving them.

The office is secured in the amount of £25, the premium of 2/6 being payable by holder.

5. Whether any, and if any, what provision is made from public funds for the passage from this country, or elsewhere, of the person sent out to fill the office.

Free second class passages to and from the Colony under the usual passage agreement.

6. Acts or ordinances, making provision respecting any of the above matters, and especially respecting the permanency of the emoluments and the particulars of the security required, with references to the sections in which such provision is made.

Nil.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

9th March, 1927.

No. 44.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt on the 27th of February, 1927, of your personal telegram of the 24th of February, desiring me to convey to the Legislative Council and to the people of the Falkland Islands the kind message of your satisfaction at the measures taken locally on the occasion of the unveiling of the Falkland Islands Battle Memorial, and of your interest in the welfare of the Colony.

2. As reported in my telegram of the 2nd of March, 1927, I took the earliest opportunity of reading your telegram in public to an assembly of more than six hundred people at a dance held in the Town Hall, Stanley, on Monday, the 28th of February. The announcement was greeted with unanimous and spontaneous enthusiasm and the members of the Legislative Council immediately requested that I should express to you on behalf of the Colony their warm thanks and deep appreciation.

3. The Memorial was unveiled by me on the morning of Saturday, the 26th of February, and was
dedicated/

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

dedicated by His Lordship the Bishop of the Falkland Islands in the presence of a Guard of Honour furnished by H.M.S. "Capetown", of a full parade of the Falkland Islands Defence Force, and of the largest crowd ever gathered together at Stanley including a strong contingent of ex-servicemen and ex-members of the Falkland Islands Volunteers. I am glad to report that the arrangements made were carried out in their entirety and that the weather conditions if threatening, were not generally unfavourable.

4. I enclose a copy of the programme drawn up in consultation with His Lordship the Bishop regulating the order of the unveiling ceremony and of the dedicatory service, as well as a copy of the programme of the functions and festivities celebrated during the period of the five days' visit to Stanley of H.M.S. "Capetown". I also enclose for purposes of record a copy of the programme of a Race Meeting organised by the Stanley Sports Association on the afternoon of the 26th of February, a set of photographs illustrative of the memorial and of the unveiling, and an account of the various happenings written by Mr. J. M. Ellis, Acting Colonial Secretary, and communicated by him to the press for publication.

5. I have considered it proper to transmit the above enclosures in duplicate in the event that you may wish to cause copies to be communicated to My Lords of the Admiralty.

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6. I would add that the visit of H.M.S. "Capetown" to the Colony at this time has been the source of great gratification to all, and I have to express my appreciation of the manner in which the Captain, Officers, and Men of H.M.S. "Capetown" gave their every effort to ensure the unqualified success of an occasion unique in the history of these distant Islands.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A.E. Beattie.

P.S:- I am taking the liberty of transmitting herewith a personal letter, with a set of photographs etc., intended for Lady Sturdee, whose address I have been unable to find immediately. I would be grateful if you would be so good as to cause it to be forwarded to its destination.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

9th March, 1927.

FAULKLAND ISLANDS.No. 45.

Sir

With reference to your despatch No. 147 of the 20th of October, 1925, relative to the selection of Mr. H. S. Valentine for appointment as Assistant Master in the Government School, Stanley, I have the honour to inform you that Mr. Valentine has tendered his resignation on the ground of ill-health and that I have accepted his resignation with effect from the 21st of April, 1927. I shall be addressing you further in this connection in a separate despatch.

2. I would ask that the necessary steps may be taken for the selection of a successor to Mr. Valentine as Assistant Master and that the person selected may be instructed to leave for the Colony at as early a date as possible. It is essential that he should be a single man both by reason of the cost of living and of the lack of suitable married accommodation in Stanley, and that he should be of sound constitution and energetic disposition.

3. I annex the usual paper of particulars of the vacant office.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient,
humble servant,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. H. S. SMITH, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

A. E. Beattie.

Assistant Master, Government School,
Stanley.

PARTICULARS of the Office of
now vacant in the Colony of the Falkland Islands.

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| <p>1. Duties of Office, and qualifications required for their performance.</p> | <p>Assistant master in elementary school with duties similar to those of such a post in England.</p> <p>Qualifications: Board of Education Certificate.</p> |
| <p>2. Salary and emoluments, and whether secured by a permanent law.</p> | <p>£300 per annum not secured by permanent law. Quarters are not provided. Engagement to be on agreement for three years.</p> |
| <p>3. Other circumstances affecting the value of the Office.</p> | <p>If the person appointed serves his full period of three years in the Colony and ultimately retires from the teaching service in England in circumstances entitling him to a pension under the Teachers' Superannuation Act of 1925, the Falkland Islands Government will pay a proportion on account of the three years' service. No deductions from salary will be made in the Colony on this account.</p> |
| <p>4. Nature, number, and amount of securities required and mode of giving them.</p> | <p>None.</p> |
| <p>5. Whether any, and if any, what provision is made from public funds for the passage from this country, or elsewhere, of the person sent out to fill the office.</p> | <p>2nd class passage on first appointment and on termination of engagement.</p> |
| <p>6. Acts or ordinances, making provision respecting any of the above matters, and especially respecting the permanency of the emoluments and the particulars of the security required, with references to the sections in which such provision is made.</p> | <p>None.</p> |

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 46.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

9th March, 1927.

Sir,

In continuation of my despatch No. 40 of the 21st of February, 1927, on the subject of the transfer of surplus Dependencies' revenue to the Research and Development Fund, I have the honour to inform you that the Crown Agents for the Colonies have been instructed by the Colonial Secretary's letter of this date to transfer to the Research and Development Fund the sum of £59,844.6.10d, being the outstanding balance available for such purpose on the closing of the Dependencies' accounts for the year 1926.

2. I would explain that the large balance so available at the 31st of December, 1926, is due to the fact that the Revenue received during the month of December, 1926, was unusually high, amounting to £39,000.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

9th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 47.

Sir,

With reference to paragraph 7 of your Circular despatch of the 11th of January, 1927, on the subject of the proposed Imperial Agricultural Research Conference, I have the honour to transmit in accordance with your instructions a revised list of the agricultural officers in this Colony together with brief particulars of the Experimental Farm which, as you are aware, is at present being established by the Government of the Falkland Islands.

2. I would add with reference to Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 21 of the 2nd of February, 1926, that it is not proposed that this Government should be specially represented at the Conference.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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L. G. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 47
of the 9th of March, 1927.

LIST OF AGRICULTURAL OFFICERS

in the service of the Colony of the
F A L K L A N D I S L A N D S.

1. R.W.Carter, Chief Inspector of Stock,
Stanley.
 2. A.J.Ashworth, Manager of the Government
Experimental Farm at Anson,
Port Louis, East Falkland.
 3. W.Faithful, Farm Hand on the Government
Experimental Farm.
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Note on the establishment of the Government
Experimental Farm.

The Government of the Colony is establishing an Experimental Farm at Anson or Port Louis, East Falkland, in accordance with the recommendation contained in the Report by Mr. Hugh Munro of the Department of Agriculture, New Zealand, of an investigation into the Conditions and Practice of Sheep Farming in the Falkland Islands.

The primary object of the Experimental Farm is the determining on a small scale the work which major operations should follow in the direction of replenishing exhausted soil and pastures; in particular the regrassing of hard camp by surface sowing, and the growing of roots and other forage crops. The reclamation by drainage of water-logged valleys or wet camp is also to be undertaken.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

10th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 48.

Sir,

With reference to your telegram of the 20th of November, 1926, and to my telegram in reply of the 25th of November, on the subject inter alia of the performance of the duties of Postmaster in the Falkland Islands by the Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones in addition to the duties of his substantive appointment, I have the honour to transmit for your instructions a copy of a letter addressed to the Colonial Secretary by Captain J. K. Nethercoate, Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones, who arrived in the Colony on the 2nd of February, 1927, relative to the additional remuneration which, he states, is to be drawn by him in respect of the additional duties of Postmaster. Captain Nethercoate has further stated verbally that he anticipated that he would receive £150 per annum on this account or the one half of the amount provided as the salary of the office under Head VI of the Estimates of the Expenditure for 1927.

2. I would explain that I had not originally realised or contemplated that additional remuneration would be payable to the officer selected as

Superintendent/

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

In duplicate.

Superintendent in respect of the additional duties of Postmaster more particularly in view of the fact that, as you are aware, it is the rule rather than the exception in this Colony that an officer is called upon to perform the duties of more than one distinct office for an inclusive salary.

3. I would state also that any considerable increase in salary granted to Captain Nethercoate will make him although the junior one of the highest paid officers in the service of this Government and will tend seriously to disturb the balance of salaries. For example Mr. M. C. Craigie-Halkett who has recently been promoted to be Treasurer and Collector of Customs and is the senior member of the Executive Council after the Colonial Secretary is at present in receipt of his maximum salary at £600 per annum in the scale of £500 by annual increments of £25 to £600 per annum. You will recollect that the salary of the Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones is fixed at £500 per annum.

4. I am unaware, however, of your precise intention in this matter and I should be grateful for any indication which may

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enable me to give proper consideration to Captain Nethercoate's application. In any case I do not think that the additional remuneration to be granted to Captain Nethercoate, if any, should be at a rate in excess of £100 per annum and I would suggest that it should take the form, pending a more definite arrangement, of an allowance payable to the officer performing the duties of Postmaster from time to time. I am influenced in this suggestion by the fact that in his capacity of Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones Captain Nethercoate will be required to be absent on duty from headquarters periodically in connection with his supervision of the Wireless Telegraph Stations at Fox Bay and South Georgia.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 48 of
the 10th of March, 1927.

COPY.

STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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The Honourable Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that after having been selected by the Crown Agents and appointed to the post of Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones, I received instructions to report to the Colonial Office in connection with the appointment of a telephone linesman.

While at the Colonial Office I was informed that I should be required to perform the duties of Colonial Postmaster, which was a different department under the new arrangement, and was also informed that these duties were not covered by the salary of Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones.

I accordingly made arrangements with my bank to pay out monies equal to the anticipated additional pay.

I have, etc.,

(SGD.) J.K.NETHERCOATE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 49.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

10th March, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 147 of the 20th of October, 1925, relative to the selection of Mr. H. S. Valentine for appointment as Assistant Master in the Government School, Stanley, I have the honour to inform you that in consequence of an application to such effect received from Mr. Valentine I have permitted him to resign his appointment with effect from the 31st of April, 1927.

2. I would add that I propose, subject to your approval, not to require Mr. Valentine to repay to this Government the cost of the outward passages of himself and of his wife for which he is liable in accordance with the terms of paragraph 2 of the letter addressed to him from the Colonial Office, No. 31911/1925 of the 1st of October, 1925. I am influenced in this course by the consideration that Mr. Valentine has completed over fourteen months service in the Colony and that for seven months of this period he acted as Government Schoolmaster in addition to his own duties without being able

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to draw extra remuneration beyond about £8 being the available half salary of Mr. Hoare the substantive holder of the office.

3. I am addressing you in a separate despatch in regard to the appointment of a successor to Mr. Valentine.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

STANLEY.

10th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 50.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to Mr. Thomas' telegram of the 29th of December, 1924, in reply to Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 101 of the 4th of November, 1924, conveying approval of the proposals, including the expenditure of a sum not exceeding £17,000 from the Land Sales Fund, put forward in regard to the establishment in the Colony of an Experimental Farm in accordance with the recommendation contained in Mr. Hugh Munro's report on his investigations into the condition of the sheep-farming industry in the Falkland Islands, and to address you on the necessity which has arisen for the revision of certain details of the original scheme and for the provision of further funds for its adequate inauguration.

2. In the first place you will recollect that as stated in paragraph 7 of Sir John Middleton's despatch under reference the estimate of the expenditure which it was anticipated would be incurred on Buildings and on stock for the Experimental Farm and on Maintenance for three years enclosed therein was a preliminary and purely tentative estimate. It was drawn up on

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broad lines in consultation with Mr. Munro before his departure from the Colony with the object of expediting the preparatory stages of the proposed undertaking. I have already reported in paragraph 5 of my despatch No. 120 of the 10th of November, 1926, forwarding the Estimates of the Expenditure for 1927, that progress with the scheme had been inevitably retarded by the delay in the arrival of the Farm Manager and that it would become necessary eventually to seek your sanction to exceed the original provision of £17,000 under Appendix II for this service unless some modification of the original scheme was adopted. - I considered it premature, however, to propose any amendment until the Farm Manager had had an opportunity of examining the position and of tendering his advice.

3. The Farm Manager, Mr. A. J. Ashworth, has been in the Colony for four months since his arrival from New Zealand in November, 1926, and has been afforded full opportunity of expressing his opinions. He is a hardworking practical man and I have been favourably impressed by his enthusiasm, energy and sound commonsense views. It is, I fear, apparent that certain of the objects to be achieved by an Experimental Farm cannot be attempted unless a considerable increase in expenditure is authorised; in some instances the provision made is inadequate while in others no provision has been included for services which Mr. Ashworth considers essential. I annex a revised estimate of the total amount which is now required to permit of the inauguration of the scheme with fair prospects of success on the lines contemplated by Sir

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John Middleton and Mr. Munro. You will observe that this amount of £24,000 exceeds the original estimate of £17,000 by £7,000. The statement subjoined to the summarised estimate shows how the amount is apportioned between the several items of Appendix II of the Estimate of the Expenditure and, where possible, is framed on a comparative basis. I propose to comment on each item and will here only remark that the principal and considerable excesses to be noticed under "Buildings, furniture, fittings" and "Maintenance" are of primary importance to the establishment of the Experimental Farm and are attributable to a combination of unforeseen difficulties and additional essential demands.

4. Under "Buildings, furniture, fittings" the original estimate of £6,800 becomes £9,050 or an excess of £2,250. This excess is in large part made up by the increased cost of the construction of the houses for the Farm Manager and the Farm Hand, amounting to £4,030 as against £2,800 originally provided. I have to express regret that the actual expenditure in this connection should have been so much in excess of the estimate and I would explain that among the causes to be stated in explanation are the unfavourable severe weather conditions which seriously impeded progress on the work, the inaccessibility of the site and the lack of economical transport facilities in consequence of the breakdown of H.M.C.S. "Afterglow" since April 1926. Anson, or Lot 5 as it is described on the map of the Colony, is, as you are aware, situated at the western extremity of Berkeley Sound and

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all goods, materials, etc. must of necessity be transported there from Stanley by sea, - a journey of over four hours duration. The fact of H.M.C.S. "Afterglow" being out of commission has left no alternative but to freight by local steamer or cutters, and pay the local exorbitant freight charges. Then again the special requirements of this Farm in connection with its important agricultural experiments have led to the steading being established in the centre of the area and thus $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles away from the landing jetty. Transport of materials over this distance of rough country, with no road, has entailed considerable labour with consequent heavy expenditure. Furthermore the absence of the Colonial Engineer on leave in the United Kingdom during the greater part of 1926 rendered proper supervision of the building operations almost impossible. Moreover numerous additions to the first plans of the houses have been thought imperative on which expenditure was not foreseen, such as the erection of picket fences around the houses, the installation of a bath in the Farm Hand's house, the provision of suitable larders, and the laying-down of a concrete yard for the Farm Manager's house. It is indeed hard to exaggerate the obstacles which have had to be surmounted in this connection and the magnitude of the task is well illustrated by the fact that every effort was made without success to let the construction of the houses out to contract in accordance with/

with the original intention. Possible contractors are but few, they have informed me personally that they have sufficient work to keep them occupied for several years, whilst in any case they are averse to undertaking work away from Stanley.

The remainder of the excess under this item amounting to £1,000 approximately is due to the enhanced estimate for the woolshed and to the additional cost of buildings and works for which no provision was made in 1924, e.g. the construction of a cookhouse, a dairy and store, and the installation of water-supply and drainage system. There is a general consensus of local opinion that a satisfactory woolshed cannot be built for the original figure of £500 provided and it is difficult to dispense with the other requirements specified.

5. Under "Fencing" another considerable excess amounting to £1,300 is anticipated. This is attributable to the greatly increased cost of constructing and repairing boundary fences for the one half of which the neighbouring farmers are liable and to the expensive type of stockproof fence advocated with insistence by the Farm Manager who justly points out that the majority of the existing fences in the Colony are barely capable of holding sheep and much less cattle. Mr. Ashworth maintains that reliable fencing is an essential foundation of all experiments in sheepbreeding and in improvement of pastures and states that the type of fence which he desires to construct locally at the high rate of £177 a mile is identical with that regarded as the standard fence in New Zealand. You will appreciate

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my reluctance to dispute these expert representations.

6. Under "Jetty" and "Dip" no change from the original estimate is proposed and it is anticipated that it will be possible satisfactorily to complete these services for the amount of £400 and £200. respectively.

7. Under "Implements, tools, carts, etc." Mr. Ashworth is emphatic that the original provision of £500 is totally inadequate and states that he is constrained to disagree radically with the view expressed by Mr. Munro on page 41 of his report that the cost of the agricultural implements would not amount to much. Their selection has been left to the Farm Manager as suggested and he has submitted a list of implements, tools and harness for order from New Zealand to the value of £700 almost, exclusive of freight which experience has shown to be extremely high. In addition a woolpress - an expensive item - has to be procured. Allowing a small margin for local purchases of hammers, saws and the like and for the necessary blacksmith's and carpenter's equipment for the settlement I do not think that the figure of £1,300 is excessive.

8. Under "Stock" you will observe that the revised estimate is £3,210 as compared with the original estimate of £3,000 and that it is proposed to omit all provision for the purchase of pedigree cattle. Originally it was intended to import cattle for the Experimental Farm from the United Kingdom in order to further the dual object of consolidating soft ground and sweetening sheep pastures in accordance with Mr. Munro recommendation and of helping to make the farm self-

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supporting as explained in paragraph 5 of Sir John Middleton's despatch to which previous reference has been made. Local farmers are, however, determined in their opposition to the purchase of pure bred stock as they hold that cattle purchased locally at much less cost will serve equally well for purposes of consolidation and sweetening pasture and they maintain with convincing proof that there will be no market for the sale of surplus cattle bred on the Farm. Despite the views held by the Farm Manager in favour of the importation of pedigree cattle in agreement with those of Mr. Munro I feel compelled reluctantly to recommend the modification of the original scheme in this particular and in deference to the opinion of my farmer advisers to provide the sum of £100 only for the purchase of a limited number of local cattle primarily for domestic purposes. I have already telegraphed to you on the 3rd of March, 1927, requesting that you will cancel the order for the two Ayrshire heifers from the United Kingdom in accordance with this decision. In this manner a saving of £595 is effected on the original estimate under this item which is nevertheless exceeded in the aggregate by the nett amount of £210 by reason of the enhanced cost of the stud sheep imported from New Zealand, £2,375 as against £1,640. I should explain in this connection that the 150 ewes were first estimated to cost £2.10.0. each, were actually ordered on further consideration by Sir John Middleton at £5 each, and were supplied eventually £5.5.0. each while freight and incidental charges on shipment proved again to be higher than anticipated.

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9. Under "Maintenance" you will recollect that the sum of £3,600 was provided on the basis of an annually recurrent expenditure for three years at the rate of £1,200 a year at the end of which period it was considered that the Farm would become self-supporting. I would state here for future record that it does not seem likely at this date that the expectation in this regard will be so soon fulfilled on account principally of the lack of probable outlet for farm products other than wool and stud sheep but that Mr. Ashworth has expressed the opinion that in time the Experimental Farm should be brought to give a return if established and maintained on sound lines from the beginning. £1,200 a year appears, however, to be an insufficient working provision when it is considered that in addition to the salaries of the Manager and of the permanent staff, totalling £800 and to the keep of horses for riding and ploughing, etc., always a heavy item in this Colony, it is against this sum that work on the main objects of the Farm is to be charged and the necessary seeds and fertilisers for experimental use obtained. No previous provision has been included for casual hands which will be required from time to time at the busier seasons of the year, for the upkeep and insurance of buildings or execution of minor improvements, or for incidental expenditure such as the entertainment of official visitors to the Farm as contemplated in Mr. Munro's Report, and on unforeseen contingencies. I am bound to share the view strongly expressed by the Manager in this connection that rather than to starve

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the Farm of the means of operation it would be better not to proceed further with its establishment. The estimate under this item for the first year which has been taken as running from the 1st of January, 1927, the date of the assumption of practical management of the Farm by Mr. Ashworth is £2,193 and for the further two years £1,700 a year. It is not improbable that a saving will be effected at any rate towards the end of the three years' period when the Farm is expected to produce its own oats and other fodder. In any case the stocks of fodder, fertilisers, and seeds allowed for during 1927 should suffice to leave a considerable surplus to be carried over into the following year, and the figures given are all "outside" figures and will on no account be exceeded.

10. Under "Contingencies" the original amount of £1,000 is retained as it is not yet possible accurately to foretell all expenditure likely to be incurred as a proper charge against this item, e.g. passage expenses of the wives and families of the Farm Manager and Farm Hand from New Zealand, and the installation of telephonic communication to the Farm from the nearest available point for which again no provision appears originally to have been included. This latter is in my opinion a most essential service while the former is unavoidable.

11. It is unnecessary, perhaps, for me to say that I have not put forward the above proposals except after the most minute examination of all aspects of the problem presented. I have come to the considered opinion that if the establishment

of the Experimental Farm is to proceed the additional services and contingent expenditure are imperative: otherwise it will remain either to abandon the project or to maintain the Farm as a small Government-owned sheep station similar to any small sheep-station in the Colony. I realise that the increase in expenditure is great but I hold that it is justified if only by reason of the expenditure which has actually been incurred. I am convinced also that at this stage it would be a grave error not to proceed with the scheme in its entirety. I took full advantage of the most recent unique opportunity when leading members of the local community were congregated in Stanley in connection with the unveiling of the Falkland Islands Battle Memorial to consult the unofficial members of both the Executive and Legislative Council, and, convened a special informal meeting consisting of both official and unofficial members of both Councils at which the whole question was discussed in detail and at considerable length. It is only with their unanimous advice and consent that I have thought it proper to address you on these lines.

12. With regard to the purely financial standpoint I would observe that the Land Sales Fund was estimated to stand at £192,068. on the 31st of December, 1926, and that the estimated revenue irrespective of the interest of the Fund which is credited to general revenue, during 1927 is £27,033. Mr. G. Bonner of San Carlos South, the unofficial member of Executive Council has intima-

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ted to me his intention of applying to purchase his land outright during the current year under the terms of Section 14 of the Land Ordinance 1903. In the event of this being approved, an additional amount of some £4,500 will accrue to the Fund. I see no reason why the money immediately required should not be taken from these sources and I seek your sanction for a total expenditure on the establishment of the Experimental Farm chargeable against the Land Sales Fund not exceeding £24,000 such total expenditure as heretofore being subject to internal adjustment, and of the necessary and proportionate appropriation in 1927 in addition to the sum of £5,308 already appropriated.

13. In the event of your approval of these proposals I would ask that I may be notified by telegram in order that the necessary financial measure in respect of the current year may be prepared for introduction at as early a date as possible before the Legislative Council, so as to enable necessary work to proceed without delay.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 50
of the 10th of March, 1927.

REVISED ESTIMATE
 UNDER APPENDIX II, EXPERIMENTAL FARM.

<u>Subhead.</u>	<u>Original</u> <u>Estimate.</u>	<u>Revised</u> <u>Estimate.</u>	<u>Excess.</u>
1. Buildings, furniture, fittings... ..	£6,800.	£9,050.	£2,250.
2. Fencing	1,500.	2,800.	1,300.
3. Jetty	400.	400.	-
4. Dip..	200.	200.	-
5. Implements, tools, carts, etc.	500.	1,300.	800.
6. Stock	3,000.	3,210.	210.
7. Maintenance	3,600.	6,040.	2,440.
8. Contingencies	1,000.	1,000.	-
	£17,000.	£24,000.	£7,000.

BUILDINGS. FURNITURE. FITTINGS.

<u>Item.</u>	<u>Original Estimate.</u>	<u>Revised Estimate.</u>	<u>+</u> <u>-</u>
1. Manager's House	£2,000.	£2,900.	+ £900.
2. Farm Hand's House... ..	£800.	1,130.	+ £330.
3. Furniture for above... ..	£1,000.	£1,000.	-
4. Stalls, loose box and Corral, and cart and implement shed, and barn (combined)... ..	£1,800.	£1,575.	- £225.
5. Cattle Shed... ..	£ 700.	£200.	- £500.
6. Wool Shed	£500.	£1,000.	+ £500.
7. Cookhouse	-	£220.	+ £220.
8. Dairy and Store	-	£200.	+ £200.
9. Peat Shed	-	£40.	+ £40.
10. Water Supply..	-	£533.	+ £533.
11. Drainage	-	£230.	+ £230.
Unforeseen	-	£22.	+ £22.
	£6,800.	£9,050.	£2,250.

FENCING.

A. External Fencing.

1. Half share of Falkland Islands Company's boundary... .. £400.
2. Half share of Robson's boundary... .. £177.
3. Half share of Green-shields' boundary £99.

£676.

B. Internal Fencing.

12 miles of subdivisional fencing including sheep pens and yards @ £177 per mile

£2,124.

£2,800.

JETTY.

Jetty with shelter as constructed ...	£221.
Decaville Railway from Jetty to track	£63.
To complete extension of Jetty.. ...	£116.
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	£400.
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DIP.

Original provision to suffice... ...	£200.
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IMPLEMENTS, TOOLS, CARTS, ETC., ETC.

Articles bought for initial use. ...	£91.
Implements, harness, and tools to be obtained from New Zealand on requisition of Farm Manager... ...	£686.
Wool Press	£115.
Freight and transport on above.. ...	£300.
Local Purchases	£30.
Other items... ..	£78.
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	£1,300.
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STOCK.

<u>Item.</u>	<u>Original Estimate.</u>	<u>Revised Estimate.</u>	<u>-</u>
Sheep from New Zealand	£1,620.	£2,375.	- £755.
Sheep by local purchase	£300.	£300.	-
Cattle and freight ...	£595.	£100.	- £495.
Stallion and freight..	£160.	£160.	-
Horses from Chile, riding and draught..	£325.	£275.	- £50.
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	£3,000.	£3,210.	- £210.
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MAINTENANCE.

Expenditure to 31st December, 1926 ... £409.

Initial year 1927

Salaries, including arrears	...	£842.
Manures, Fodder, Seeds, etc., from New Zealand including freight	... ..	£696.
Nauru phosphate in hand...	...	£55.
Oats and Hay in hand	... ..	£300.
Labour, Allowances, etc., etc	...	£300.
		<u>£2193.</u>

Annual for two years 1928, 1929.

Salaries	... ..	£800.
Labour, Allowances, etc., etc	...	£300.
Upkeep..	... ..	£100.
Fodder, Manures, Seeds, etc.	...	£500.
		<u>2 x £1700. £3400.</u>
		<u>£6002.</u>
Unforeseen	... ..	38.
		<u>£6040.</u>

CONTINGENCIES.

Purchase of Tractor and Trailer for transport of building materials...	£414.
Passages of Farm Manager and Farm Hand and expenses for selection of above	£157.
Telephone connection to farm stead- ing.	£100.
Passages of families of above and unforeseen	£329.
	<u>£1,000.</u>

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 51.

19th March, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 96 of the 22nd of August, 1925, I have the honour to transmit for your information a copy of a paper which has been prepared by Mr. A. G. Bennett, Acting Government Naturalist, entitled "Analysis of the Movements of Whales as reported by gunners in the Dependencies of the Falkland Islands".

2. I enclose a further copy of the paper together with a personal letter to Sir Sidney Harmer received under closed and addressed cover from Mr. Bennett at the South Shetlands and I would request that they may be transmitted to Sir Sidney Harmer in accordance with Mr. Bennett's desire.

3. I would add that a copy of the paper has also been given by Mr. Bennett to Dr. Kemp of the "Discovery" Expedition.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

A. E. Beattie.

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

22nd March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 52.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 6th of January, 1927, relative to the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation with Greece signed in London of the 16th of July, 1926, and ratified on the 10th of December, 1926, I have the honour to request that notice of accession to the Treaty may be given on behalf of this Government.

2. I would add that it is not desired in view of the non-existence of trade between the Falkland Islands and Greece to take advantage of the reciprocal arrangement referred to in paragraph 6 of your despatch under reply.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

22nd March, 1927.

No. 53.

Sir,

I have the honour to bring to your notice an act of exceptional gallantry on the part of Mr. John Robert Blanchard, Cook in R.S.S. "WILLIAM SCORESBY" of the "Discovery" expedition who rescued two young boys from drowning by jumping fully dressed into Stanley harbour from the public jetty on the evening of Monday, the 28th of February, 1927.

2. I enclose a copy of a report in this connection received from Lieutenant-Commander G. M. Mercer, D.S.C., R.N.R., Master of R.S.S. "William Scoresby" enclosing a statement by Mr. T. W. Dinning, Telegraphist in that ship, who was an eye-witness of the incident, together with copies of statements received from two other eye-witnesses, Mr. G. I. Turner, J.P., and Mr. Eric Biggs, both residents of Stanley.

3. I would explain that although the depth of the water at the public jetty is not great the temperature of the sea in Stanley harbour rarely rises as high as 50° Fahrenheit and

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that the danger from entanglement in the kelp is very real. Mr. Blanchard must have been fully aware of the possible consequences to himself of his prompt and fearless action.

4. I consider that the two boys most probably owe their lives to Mr. Blanchard and I would suggest that his action may be brought, if you think fit, to the notice of the Royal Humane Society with the view to some recognition being conferred on him.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

ENCLOSURE NO. I TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO.
53 of the 22nd of March. 1927.

R.S.S. WILLIAM SCORESBY,
C/o Foreign Fleet Division,
G.P.O. London.

Thursday, 3rd March, 1927.

Sir,

I beg to forward the attached report, by
Mr. Dinning our wireless telegraphist, on the
occasion of the children being rescued from the
water.

Dinning was the first to notice the accident and called out the other men.

I beg to submit that the action of J. R. Blanchard, Cook, of William Scoresby, in jumping into the water fully dressed may be brought to the notice of His Excellency the Governor.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) G. M. MERCER.

Lt. Comdr. R.N.R.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary.

R.S.S. WILLIAM SCORESBY.

March 3rd, 1927.

Sir,

On the evening of Monday last about 6.30 p.m. I was standing on deck when cries for help were heard. On going on to the Public Jetty I found two boys struggling in the water and immediately threw the lifebuoy. One of the boys caught hold of it and then J. R. Blanchard, Cook of the above vessel, came on the jetty on his way ashore and jumped into the water with all his uniform on and got hold of the other boy and held on to him for about half an hour during which time he began to get cramp. He managed to hold on to a line I threw him but was handicapped by the boy struggling and also the other boy would insist on leaving the lifebuoy. During this time three sailors were trying to get a pram to the side of the Jetty where Blanchard was holding on to my line and finally we managed to get them all to safety.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) T.W.DINNING.

Telegraphist.

The Captain,

R.S.S. WILLIAM SCORESBY.

ENCLOSURE NO. II TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO.
53 of the 22nd of March, 1927.

Port Stanley,

March 14th, 1927.

Sir,

As requested by you I forward the following statement in connection with one of the crew of R.S.S. "WILLIAM SCORESBY" assisting two boys that were in the water near the town jetty.

On the evening of the 28th February I heard loud shouts for help and immediately went to the front of my premises situated in the Ross Road and saw two boys in the water about half way down the town jetty with a boat overturned near them, the one boy appeared to be clinging to the boat, but the other one was a little distance away, several men came up from the R.S.S. "William Scoresby" (which was moored at the North end of the Jetty) and one jumped in the water to the assistance of the boy that seemed unable to reach the boat, the other men got into another boat that was at jetty and went to the assistance of those that were in the water, getting them into the boat and landing them at the steps of the jetty. I consider that if the man had not jumped into the water, quickly, one of the boys would have most likely lost his life.

I afterwards heard it was the cook of the vessel that went to the boys assistance.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) G.I. TURNER.

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

ENCLOSURE NO. III TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO.
53 of the 22nd of March, 1927.

Stanley,

17th March, 1927.

The Hon. Col. Secretary,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

I lay before you the facts of a boat accident, which occurred at the Public Jetty on the 28th February about 6 o'clock in the evening, which I, and a party of friends saw from my sailing boat. After leaving the Jetty we heard a cry for help looking back we saw W. Goss in the water, and J. McMullen trying to help him back in, when the boat filled and they were both helpless in the water underneath the jetty. I shouted to the R.S.S. "William Scoresby" for help because by the time I got back to the jetty I could see it would be too late to give assistance. The two boys owe their lives to Mr. Blanchard promptness of jumping into the water after them, first he put J. McMullen across the up-turned boat, and then he got hold of Goss and hung on to him until another boat could be got round to their rescue.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) ERIC BIGGS.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

24th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 54.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that, subject to your special sanction, under section 4 of Ordinance No. 9 of 1903, I have granted to Mr. T. H. H. Hennah of Stanley a lease for seven years of one-half of an acre of land situated on Stanley common with frontage to the harbour to the east of the town at an annual rental of £2 in accordance with the prescribed rate for the purpose of erecting thereon a dwelling house and other buildings incidental to his work.

2. I would explain that Mr. Hennah has given an undertaking to establish a boat-building and fishery business at Stanley and that I consider that the establishment of such a business would be to the general good of the Colony and of the inhabitants of Stanley. I consider further that Mr. Hennah is deserving of every proper encouragement in his enterprise and I have thought fit therefore, after consultation with the members of the Executive Council and in view more especially of the near approach of

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winter and of the fact that Mr. Hennah has already imported much of the necessary building material, to permit him to assume immediate occupation of the land.

3. I trust that in the circumstances my action in the matter will meet with your approval.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

24th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 55.

Sir,

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 15th of January, 1927, relative to the Anglo-Jugoslav Commercial Treaty at present under negotiation, I have the honour to inform you that it is desired that notice of accession to the Treaty should be given on behalf of this Government after it has been signed and ratified.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

24th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 56.

Sir,

With reference to your telegram of the 16th of March, 1927, on the subject of the Imperial Agricultural Research Conference to be held in London in October next, I have the honour to inform you that there is no special subject in this connection on which it is proposed to prepare a memorandum in respect of the Falkland Islands and that as reported in Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 21 of the 2nd of February, 1926, there is no officer in the service of this Government who is engaged in agricultural research work as such.

2. I would refer, however, to the Report by Mr. Hugh Munro of an Investigation into the Conditions and Practice of Sheep Farming in the Falkland Islands which sets out the problems of this nature existing in this Colony, and to the Note on the establishment of the Government Experimental Farm enclosed in my despatch No. 47 of the 9th of March, 1927, which summarises the steps/

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steps under contemplation to further the study of such problems.

3. I would state that, as you are already aware, agriculture in the Falkland Islands is almost non-existent and stands in a position of complete subordination to the sheep farming industry.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

24th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 57.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Duke of Devonshire's despatch No. 38 of the 1st of May, 1923, conveying approval of the proposals made in Sir John Middleton's despatch No. 14 of the 7th of February, 1923, for improving the system of education in the Falkland Islands, inter alia the reduction of the number of Travelling Teachers employed on the West Falkland, and to address you on the necessity which has arisen for the services of an additional Travelling Teacher on the West Falkland in supplement of the one only at present employed there.

2. I enclose a copy of a report from the Government Schoolmaster from which it will be seen that parents on the West Falkland do not take advantage of the facilities offered for the boarding of their children in Stanley so that they may be enabled to attend the Government School, and that in the circumstances the immediate restoration of one at least Travelling Teacher is imperative in
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the interests of education on the West Falkland.

3. I have accordingly to seek your authority for the addition to the establishment under Head XI of the Estimates of the Expenditure of the office of one Travelling Teacher, and, in the event of your approval, to request that the necessary steps may be taken for the selection of a suitable person who would proceed to the Colony to assume duty by the first available opportunity. I annex the usual paper of particulars of the office.

4. I would add that it is anticipated that the additional expenditure so to be incurred during the current financial year will be fully met by the savings which will accrue under the salary of the Assistant Master consequent on the resignation of Mr. H. S. Valentine as reported in my despatch No. 49 of the 10th of March, 1937.

5. I shall address you in due course in regard to the other points raised in the Government Schoolmaster's report.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

PARTICULARS of the Office of **TRAVELLING TEACHER**
now vacant in the Colony of **the Falkland Islands.**

1. Duties of Office, and qualifications required for their performance.

To teach the children of the scattered sheep farming population. The person selected should be qualified to teach elementary school subjects but need not be certificated. He will be required to travel from place to place on horseback and to teach and reside in the homes of the shepherds. Term of engagement 5 years.

2. Salary and emoluments, and whether secured by a permanent law.

Salary at the rate of £150 not secured by permanent law. An outfit allowance of £25 on first appointment.

3. Other circumstances affecting the value of the Office.

Free board and lodging and all travelling expenses are provided.

4. Nature, number, and amount of securities required and mode of giving them.

Nil.

5. Whether any, and if any, what provision is made from public funds for the passage from this country, or elsewhere, of the person sent out to fill the office.

A free second class passage to the Colony with railway fare third class to port of embarkation is provided and on the satisfactory completion of agreement, a free return passage to England.

6. Acts or ordinances, making provision respecting any of the above matters, and especially respecting the permanency of the emoluments and the particulars of the security required, with references to the sections in which such provision is made.

Nil.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH NO. 57.
of the 24th of March, 1927.

Education Department,
Stanley.

25th February, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that I left Stanley on the 29th December, 1926, for my annual tour of the West Falkland, and arrived back on the 30th January 1927. I visited all the settlements except the Fox Bays, and also Carcass, West Point, New and Weddell Islands. In addition I visited most of the shepherds' houses north of Fox Bay where there are children of school age. I was not able to get to Pebble or Saunders Island, on each of which there is a number of children of school age.

2. The educational condition of the children on the West Falkland is bad. The parents will not take advantage of the Government's provision for their being maintained in Stanley. That being so, it seems to me that it will be necessary to reinstate the system of Travelling Teachers. The full staff for the West Falkland used to be three. At present there is only one, and his beat includes all north of Fox Bay, which means that he has too many houses to visit. Early last year I tried to arrange to send a teacher from the Government School to Port Stephens but this was not found possible. Since then two of the supplementary assistant teachers

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have left the school and nobody can be spared from the school staff for Camp work. I would recommend that another Travelling Teacher should be obtained from England for the West Falkland. There is no provision on this year's estimates for this, the item XI Education 1 Travelling Teachers providing for the two at present employed, one on the West and one on the East Falkland.

3. I would further recommend that in August next, when draft estimates for 1928 will be submitted the question should be raised of closing the School Hostel and reducing the item which pays for it (XI Education 6 Board and Lodging of country children in Stanley) from its present figure of £500 to, say, £250, which would provide for assistance towards the maintenance of about fifteen Camp children under paragraph 9 (b) of the education scheme, C.S.746/22. Out of the savings thus made a third Travelling Teacher could then be got for the West Falkland. Between now and August I propose to circularise parents throughout the Colony informing them afresh of what the Government is prepared to do to assist them in the education of their children, and intimating that the School Hostel will have to be closed if enough children are not sent there.

4. Desirable as it is that the children of the Colony should be taught in the Government School, and undesirable as the Travelling Teacher system is, it does not seem right that children should be growing up, as they are at present growing up, almost entirely illiterate because their parents will not have

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the better way. My opinion that the Travelling Teacher system is inefficient is unchanged, but in view of the plain fact that parents are not willing to use the more efficient arrangement that the Government has provided I think there is nothing but to go back to it, for I can suggest no other alternative.

5. Owing to difficulties of transport I could not get back from the West Falkland in time to visit the East Falkland Camps before the Government School reopened after the summer holidays, and I propose, subject to approval and if it turns out to be feasible, to make a tour of the East Falkland (excluding the Falkland Islands Company's farms) beginning about the middle of March. It should not take more than about ten days.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) A. R. HOARE.

Government Schoolmaster.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 52.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

26th March, 1927.

Sir,

Enclosure 1.

In accordance with the provisions of Colonial Regulation 215, I have the honour to transmit for your consideration a memorial which has been addressed to you by Mr. H. S. Valentine, Assistant Master, Government School, Stanley, praying that he may be granted free return passages for himself and for his wife from the Colony to England on the resignation of his appointment.

2. I would refer in the first place to my despatch, No. 49 of the 10th of March, 1927, in which I reported that I had permitted Mr. Valentine to resign his appointment with effect from the 21st of April, 1927, and recommended that he should not be required to repay to this Government the cost of the outward passages to the Colony of himself and of his wife for which he was liable in accordance with the terms of paragraph 2 of the letter addressed to him from the Colonial Office, No. 31911/1925 of the 1st of October, 1925. I would then set out the circumstances in which Mr. Valentine's resignation was tendered and accepted by me.

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

3. On the 7th of February, 1927, Mr. Valentine addressed a letter to the Colonial Secretary in which he asked to be liberated from his contract at the completion of the one half of its period on the 2nd of August, 1927, on the condition that he should pay the cost of his own return passages and should be excused the repayment of the cost of his outward passages as an act of grace and on the ground of his inability to work harmoniously with the Head of his Department and of his nervous state of health. This concession I could not see my way to allow as the first reason adduced by him appeared to be of too vague a nature while the second was unsupported by any medical evidence and I caused him to be so informed by the Colonial Secretary's letter of the 16th of February, 1927. Mr. Valentine then on the 3rd of March submitted his resignation of his office on the score of general nervous depression consequent on the conditions of living, working and climate, which he stated would be confirmed by the Colonial Surgeon, and asked to be allowed to leave the Colony by the earliest available opportunity. The Colonial Surgeon on reference reported that Mr. Valentine's case is one of neurasthenia of a very troublesome type and that the conditions of living in the Falkland Islands are not in any way suitable to his case. He stated verbally, however, that Mr. Valentine had not consulted him professionally prior to this occasion although he had been issued from time to time at the hospital with medicine for attacks of headache. /

headache. After due consideration accordingly I permitted Mr. Valentine to resign his appointment with effect from the 21st of April on which date the s.s. "Ortega" is scheduled to leave Stanley for England and I caused him to be informed on the 9th of March to such effect and that I would not require him, subject to your approval and as an act of grace, to repay the cost of his outward passages.

4. On this same date the Government Schoolmaster reported to the Colonial Secretary that Mr. Valentine had been absent from duty on the 2nd and 3rd of March and since the 7th of March, 1927, and on the 10th of March the Colonial Surgeon sent in a report marked confidential and stating that Mr. Valentine's health absolutely incapacitated him from carrying on his duties and recommending that he be allowed to leave the Colony by the first available opportunity. In view of this report I caused a further letter to be addressed to Mr. Valentine on the 11th of March conveying him permission to return to England before the 21st of April should an opportunity occur and should he so desire.

5. Mr. Valentine on receipt of this letter wrote to the Colonial Secretary on the 15th of March concluding that as his resignation was upon medical grounds the Government would arrange for his homeward passages and stating that he desired to leave the Colony by the next opportunity on the 10th of April. To this letter I caused a reply/

reply to be returned on the 17th of March granting Mr. Valentine the desired permission to leave the Colony on the 10th of April but stating that I regretted that I was unable to concede him the cost of his return passages as he was not entitled thereto under the terms of his original letter of appointment from the Colonial Office. Mr. Valentine has now submitted on the 21st of March, 1927, his present petition.

6. I would explain that in dealing with this case I have considered it desirable to distinguish clearly between the involuntary invaliding of an officer and between the resignation of an officer of his own accord for reasons of ill-health. I had not previously had cause to believe Mr. Valentine to be so seriously ill as he is now reported to be and I felt that in any case he had resigned his appointment unconditionally and of his own initiative. I am not, however, without sympathy for Mr. Valentine who has found it extremely difficult as a married man to obtain suitable accommodation in Stanley and who worked satisfactorily with very little additional remuneration while in charge of the Government School in the absence on leave of the Government Schoolmaster. Moreover it is not, perhaps, an altogether unfair assumption on the part of Mr. Valentine that if he had not himself terminated his engagement he would have been invalided out of the service on the report of the Colonial Surgeon and would in such case have had some claim on compassionate grounds to consideration for the grant of free

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passages home for himself and his wife. The cost of these passages will be about £94 but Mr. Valentine will not receive any benefit by way of leave or otherwise on his departure to set off against this amount.

7. I am content therefore to leave to your decision the subject of Mr. Valentine's petition and I have acceded so far to his wishes as to authorize the advance to him of the cost of his return passages against final settlement through the Crown Agents for the Colonies in accordance with your instructions.

8. I do not propose to comment on the various other matters referred to by Mr. Valentine except to say that they are indicative in some degree of the many difficulties of living and working in this Colony.

Enclosure II.

9. I annex a full copy of the correspondence to which reference is made in this despatch.

10. In conclusion I should state that Mr. Valentine's address on arrival in England will be : 36, Barden Road, Tonbridge, Kent, at which you will doubtless consider it convenient to send to him an answer to his memorial.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

THE HONOURABLE
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
H.M. TREASURY.

58 of the 26th of March, 1927.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

PORT STANLEY,

7th February, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for your consideration a request to be liberated from my contract at the completion of one half of its period on condition that I pay my own return passages and be excused the refund of the cost of the outward passages (for which I am legally liable) by act of grace.

My reasons for this request are :-

(i) I am unable to work with the Head of my Department owing to our incompatibility of temperaments and his disinclination to give me his confidence with regard to school matters in preference to other members of the staff, in spite of the fact that I am his senior assistant.

(ii) Owing to the damage that my head sustained during my war service I feel that - were I to continue living and working under the present circumstances - there would be very grave danger of a complete nervous breakdown. I feel confident that should I continue to serve under the present conditions for a much longer period the strain will necessitate the tendering of my resignation on medical grounds and I prefer the prevention of this if possible. I would point out that I have already had to avail myself of treatment at the hospital during the past year for neurasthenia in the head.

I am, etc.,

(SGD.) H. S. VALENTINE.

Assistant Master.

THE HONOURABLE
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
PORT STANLEY.

ASSISTANT MASTER,

GOVERNMENT SCHOOL,

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Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
16th February, 1927.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th of February, 1927, transmitted to me through the Government Schoolmaster, in which you request that you may be liberated from your contract with this Government on certain conditions and for certain reasons stated by you.

2. I am in the first place to say that His Excellency holds that the incompatibility of temperaments between yourself and the Head of your Department put forward by you as one of the afore-said reasons is such a vague general statement that it is not possible to consider it but that if you can be more specific your representations in this respect will receive full consideration.

3. I am to add that with regard to your seniority in the Education Department His Excellency has ruled that you rank as second in seniority after the Government Schoolmaster in the Education Department and in the Government School as the staff of the school is at present constituted, and that His Excellency's desire that you should be regarded and treated as such has been communicated to the Government Schoolmaster.

4. I am further to add that in accordance with

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H. S. VALENTINE, ESQ.,
ASSISTANT MASTER,
GOVERNMENT SCHOOL,
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the recognised rule of the Colonial Service any representation in which medical disability is put forward must be supported by a medical certificate and that in the absence of such medical certificate it is not possible to consider this third reason stated by you in support of your application.

5. I am accordingly to inform you that His Excellency does not consider that you have at any rate at present made out a sufficient case to justify the grant of the special concession for which you ask.

considerable period and I feel that another winter in the Colony will I am, etc.,
constitution.

(SIGNED) J. M. ELLIS.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

I beg to request that I be allowed to leave the Colony at the earliest available opportunity.

I am, etc.,

(SIGNED) S. B. VALENTINE.

Assistant Master.

THE HONOURABLE

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY.

COPY.~~CONFIDENTIAL~~GOVERNMENT SCHOOL,
STANLEY.

3rd March, 1927.

From: The Hon. Col. Surgeon. To: The Hon. Col. Secretary.
Date: 6th March, 1927.

Sir,

I beg to submit herewith my resignation from the post of Assistant Master in the Government School.

Owing to the conditions of living, working and climate, I have not been in good health for a considerable period and I feel that another winter in the Colony will have a serious effect upon my constitution.

The Colonial Surgeon will confirm that I am suffering from a general nervous depression.

I beg to request that I be allowed to leave the Colony at the earliest available opportunity.

I am, etc.,

(SIGNED) H. S. VALENTINE.

Assistant Master.

(SIGNED) F. G. V. BEANE.

Colonial Surgeon.

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STANLEY.

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Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

9th March, 1927.

From: The Hon. Col. Surgeon. To: The Hon. Col. Secretary.
Date: 8th March, 1927.

I have this day examined Mr. H. S. Valentine, Assistant Government Schoolmaster, age 27, weight 10 st. 3 lbs.

Mr. Valentine served in the R. A. F. during the war, and had a severe crash from about two hundred feet, which rendered him unconscious for four days. He suffered from headaches when in England, which have gradually got worse, especially during last winter in Stanley. His reflexes are very exaggerated and there is evidence of cardiac trouble.

I am of opinion that Mr. Valentine's case is one of neurasthenia of a very troublesome type, and the conditions of living in the Falkland Islands are not in any way suitable to his case.

(SIGNED) J. M. ELLIS.

(SIGNED) F. G. W. DEANE,

Colonial Surgeon.

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ASSISTANT MASTER,
GOVERNMENT SCHOOL.

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Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
9th March, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 3rd of March, 1927, I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to permit you to resign your appointment as Assistant Master at the Government School, with effect from the 21st of April, on which date the s.s. "Ortega" is scheduled to leave Port Stanley for England.

2. I am to add that as an act of grace and subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, His Excellency has also been pleased to forgo requirement of the repayment to the Government by you of the cost of the outward passages to the Colony of yourself and your wife.

I am, etc.,

(SIGNED) J. M. ELLIS.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

H. S. VALENTINE, ESQ.,
ASSISTANT MASTER,
GOVERNMENT SCHOOL.

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CONFIDENTIAL.

From: Govt. Schoolmaster. To: Hon. Colonial Secretary.
Date: 9th March, 1927.

FROM: The Col. Surgeon. TO: The Hon. Col. Secretary.
Date: 9th March, 1927.

In accordance with your letter of the 23rd November, 1926, C.S. 547/26, I have the honour to inform you that Mr. H. S. Valentine, Assistant Master, Government School, has been absent from duty since (including) the 7th March. Mr. Valentine was also absent on the 2nd and 3rd March. I have not received a medical certificate. I intend to leave the Colony by the first available opportunity.

(SIGNED) A. R. HOARE.
Government Schoolmaster.
Colonial Surgeon.

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

From: The Col. Surgeon. To: The Hon. Col. Secretary.

Date: 10th March, 1927.

is continuation of my letter of the 2nd of
 Mr. Valentine's state of health absolutely
 incapacitates him from carrying on his duties,
 and I would recommend that he be allowed to leave
 the Colony by the first available opportunity.

permission to return to England before the 1st
 of April should an opportunity occur and should
 you so desire.

(SIGNED) F. G. W. DEANE,

Colonial Surgeon.

I am, etc.,

(SIGNED) J. W. ELLIS,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

H. S. VALENTINE, ESQ.,
 ASSISTANT MASTER,
 GOVERNMENT SCHOOL.

COPY.

P/11.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.
11th March, 1927.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter of the 9th of March, I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that in view of the present state of your health as reported by the Colonial Surgeon, His Excellency has been pleased to grant you permission to return to England before the 21st of April should an opportunity occur and should you so desire.

I am, etc.,

(SIGNED) J. M. ELLIS.

I am given Acting Colonial Secretary.
"Lossada" will call at Port Stanley on the 10th of April, and should accommodation be available I trust that it will be convenient for me to leave by this boat.

I am, etc.,

(SIGNED) H. S. VALENTINE.

Assistant Master,
Government School.

H. S. VALENTINE, ESQ.,
ASSISTANT MASTER,
GOVERNMENT SCHOOL.

COPY.

BELMONT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

15th March, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your communication 'P/11' dated the 9th inst. I have duly noted its contents and conclude that, as my resignation is upon medical grounds, the Government will arrange for my homeward passages.

I also have the honour to acknowledge your continuation of the above letter dated the 11th inst., and beg to state that it is my wish to avail myself of your permission, granted owing to the present state of my health, to leave the Colony at the first available opportunity.

I am given to understand that the m.v. "Losada" will call at Port Stanley on the 10th of April, and should accommodation be available I trust that it will be convenient for me to leave by this boat.

I am, etc.,

(SIGNED) H. S. VALENTINE,

Assistant Master,
Government School.

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THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY.

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P/11.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

17th March, 1927.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th of March, 1927, relative to your departure and passages from the Colony on resignation of your appointment as Assistant Master, Government School, and to state that His Excellency has no objection to your leaving by the m.v. "Losada" due at Stanley on the 10th of April, 1927.

2. I am to add that in the circumstances of your resignation you are not entitled under the terms of the letter addressed to you from the Colonial Office No. 31911/25 of the 1st of October, 1925, to the grant of return passages to the United Kingdom for your-self and wife and that His Excellency regrets that he is unable accordingly to approve this concession.

I am, etc.,

(SIGNED) J. M. ELLIS.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

T.S. VALENTINE, ESQ.,
ASSISTANT MASTER,
GOVERNMENT SCHOOL,
STANLEY.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

29th March, 1927.

No. 59.

Sir,

With reference to the late Lord Milner's Circular despatch of the 27th of September, 1920, I have the honour to forward to you for transmission, if you think proper, to the Imperial Shipping Committee a copy of a letter dated the 23rd of March, 1927, with enclosures which has been addressed to the Colonial Secretary by the Manager of the Falkland Islands Company, Limited, which Company are also the local Agents of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, relative to the failure of this latter Company to ship from Stanley in m.v. "LAUTARO" on the 10th of March, 1927, a large quantity of wool, tallow, and hides being the produce of this Colony and intended for disposal in England.

2. It is unnecessary, perhaps, for me to stress the fact that these commodities represent practically the sole exports of the Falkland Islands and that the prosperity of those engaged in the sheep-farming industry and of the Colony as a

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

whole is essentially dependent on their expeditious marketing. I believe it to be a matter of vital importance as stated by the Manager of the Falkland Islands Company that the wool produced locally should arrive in London in time for the May sales since any delay in delivery thereafter cannot but result in considerable loss both by way of capital return and of interest on the same.

3. You will observe that the present instance is not isolated and that the Falkland Islands Company have on previous occasions taken up the question vigorously with the principal Agency of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company for South America in Valparaiso, Chile, and also through their London Office at 61, Gracechurch Street, E.C.2., who, I understand, will be in a position to furnish you with any further information in this connection which you may desire.

4. I should be grateful for any action which it may appear practicable to take in the matter either through the Imperial Shipping Committee or otherwise.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

29th of March, 1927.

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THE FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY, LIMITED,

Stanley.

March 23rd, 1927.

Sir,

I beg to approach the Colonial Government on a subject which seriously affects the sheep farming industry of the Colony, namely, the failure of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company to ship away farm produce awaiting shipment in Stanley. Had the instance of which we now complain been an isolated one during the last few years it might be considered that under certain circumstances it is not always possible for a vessel to ship exactly the quantity reserved by the Valparaiso Office of the Pacific Company, but we have now four cases since 1922 in which space asked for, and reserved, has not been forthcoming owing to it having been filled at previous ports. It is preferable that the last of these cases be referred to in detail in order to make the matter clear.

2. On the 13th of January this year we cabled the Valparaiso Office as follows :-

"Voyage February space required for 2150 bales
"equal to about 1610 tons measurement also urgently
"required for 110 barrels tallow equal to about 47
"tons weight and also 506 salted hides."

and their reply, dated 7th February, reads as follows :-

"Space reserved "Lautaro" as requested."

The "Lautaro" arrived in Stanley on the 9th March and owing, we understand, to her having been instructed to take all wool offering at Bories, was able to ship from

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here only 1047 bales of wool and sheepskins, measuring approximately 765 tons. The result of this was that we could not ship 1103 bales of wool and skins and the tallow and hides which had been in Stanley for many months.

Upon learning the small quantity which had been shipped we made serious complaint to the Pacific Steam Navigation Company in Liverpool, in Valparaiso and communicated with our London Office which has had the effect of getting the "Losada" to call here on the 10th of April next. The call of this vessel, however, does little to help matters, for as our London Office say, in their cable of the 17th inst., she will discharge her cargo too late for the May sales, and the July sales are unsatisfactory. They also point out that if the wool is not offered until the September sales it means a loss of interest to the Colony exceeding £1,000.

3. The other three cases referred to are :-

- (a) "Losada" 28th May, 1922. 600 bales shortshipped.
- (b) "Duendes" 14th February, 1923.) 300 " "
- (c) "Lobos" 22nd March, 1924.) 400 " "

Copies of our letters to the Pacific Company about these shortshipments are enclosed for your information.

4. In addition to the loss of money to farmers through their being unable to market their wool at the favourable sales in the early part of the year, there is also serious inconvenience caused to us as their Agents, for as the Government are aware voyages of our coasting vessel are arranged with a view to bringing produce to Stanley in the early part of the year as rapidly as possible.

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ble for shipment to the United Kingdom. Overtime and other expenses are incurred in doing this which all tend to keep freights at their present figure and there are also other matters in connection with hulkage and lighterage which are affected by the Pacific Steam Navigation Company's vessels failing to provide space allotted to us.

5. I shall be obliged if His Excellency the Acting Governor will consider the question of the Government representing the matter to the Ministry of Shipping. At present there is, in our opinion, no doubt that the Pacific Company are showing preference to foreign farming interests in Chile and the Argentine, and this, at the time when efforts are being made to foster trade within the Empire. It may be added that the two Republics referred to have far greater opportunity of shipping away their produce than this Colony.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) H. H. R. GRESHAM.

Manager.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. G. M. C. GRESHAM, M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

29th March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 60.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit six copies of Rules of Court made by me in Executive Council at a meeting held on the 18th day of March, 1927, in amendment by addition of the Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Rules, 1922, made under Order IV of the Consolidated Rules, 1922.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

21st March, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 61.

Sir,

With reference to the Duke of Devonshire's Circular despatch of the 21st of April, 1923, I have the honour to forward, for transmission to the Meteorological Office, 200 copies of the meteorological data which will be inserted in the Annual Blue Book of the Colony for the year 1926.

2. A copy of a memorandum giving details as to the stations where the observations are taken is also attached.
In duplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE TO PARAKU AND ISLANDS DEPARTMENT No. 61 of the
31st of March, 1927.

PARTICULARS OF STANLEY METEOROLOGICAL
STATION.

The site of the Meteorological Station is a grass enclosure on the south side of Stanley Harbour adjacent to the residence of the Harbour Master, who is the observer. This enclosure is bounded on the north and west sides by the sea water of Stanley Harbour, on the south side by a wood batten fence and on the east side by the Harbour Master's house.

The following instruments are situated in this enclosure :-

Anemometer. Robinson's Cup - is placed on a pole 30 feet above the ground level. The pole is erected on a concrete block in a Tabernacle, stayed with 4 wire stays - and so placed as to be clear to wind from all points of compass.

Rain Gauge. Meteorological Pattern - 5 inch - is sunk in ground, the rim being one foot above ground level.

Stevenson's Screen. Containing Wet and Dry bulb thermometers, Maximum and Minimum thermometers, is exposed in a central position with face of screen opening due south.

Situated within Harbour Master's Office, which Office is close by the house, is M.O. Pattern, Mercuria Barometer.

Observations of all Instruments are taken and recorded daily at 9 a.m., Local Time.

31st March, 1927.

PARTICULARS OF METEOROLOGICAL STATION,
CUMBERLAND BAY, SOUTH GEORGIA.

The Station is situated at Grytviken Harbour, an inlet off the west shore of the east arm of Cumberland Bay, and is maintained by the Compania Argentina de Pesca in accordance with the terms of their lease of land for whaling purposes at Grytviken. The instruments in use at the Station are as follows :-

Barometer. Negretti & Zambra No. 2302.
Scale 600 m/m to 830 m/m.
Circum. cub. 42 m/m.
Situated 4 metres above sea level (mean).

Psychrometers. 1.15 metres above ground.

Thermometers (Maximum) 1.5 metres above ground.
(Minimum) 1.6 " " "

Sunshine Recorder. Campbell & Stokes, 5.6 metres above ground.

Anemometers. Robinson's 7.20 metres above ground.

Richard's Barograph, Thermograph, and Hygrograph are used.

Rain Gauge. 1.30 metres above ground and 4.50 metres above sea level.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

1st April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 62.

Sir,

In accordance with Colonial Regulation No. 396 (ix), I have the honour to transmit copies of Comparative Statements of Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Colony and the Dependencies for the quarter ended the 30th of September, 1926.

Six copies.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

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L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

5th April, 1927.

No. 63.

Sir,

In duplicate.

With reference to Mr. Churchill's Circular despatch of the 7th of May, 1921, I have the honour to enclose herewith, for transmission to the Army Council, a "Nil" return of British Non-commissioned officers serving under this Government, during the year ended the 31st of March, 1927.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS REGULATION NO. 68 of
the 5th of April, 1927.

NOMINAL ROLL OF BRITISH NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS
serving under the Falkland Islands Govern-
ment during the year ended 31st March, 1927.

Rank Regtl. No. & Name.	British Unit.	Date of joining Colonial Forces.	Date of reversion to Brit- ish Army.	Date of re-engage- ment for Pension.	Remarks.
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

5th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 64.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith a Schedule of all charges of an unusual or special description, or not covered by the Appropriation law for the year 1926, incurred during the quarter ended the 31st of December, 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

8th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 65.

Sir,

In accordance with Colonial Regulation No. 397, I have the honour to transmit herewith returns of appointments to and changes in public Offices for the quarter ended the 31st of March, 1927.

Returns Nos. 1
& 2 in duplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. Beattie.

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 66.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

11th April, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence terminating with my telegram of the 6th of December, 1926, relative to the changes in the staff of this Colony consequent on the appointment of Mr. H. C. Craigie-Malkett to be Treasurer, I have the honour to report that I have appointed Mr. E. B. Binnie to be Registrar of the Supreme Court and Magistrate, Official Administrator, Registrar General, and Local Auditor, with salary at the rate of £500 per annum and with free unfurnished quarters including the usual fuel allowance of 54 loads of peat or an allowance in lieu thereof of £50 a year, as from the 2nd of April, 1927, up to which date he continued to perform the duties of Magistrate, South Georgia.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
12th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 67.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that I have granted to Mr. E. B. Binnie, late Magistrate, South Georgia, and now Registrar of the Supreme Court and Magistrate, Official Administrator, Registrar General, and Local Auditor, Falkland Islands, vacation leave for four and a half months from the 2nd of April to the 16th of August, 1927, inclusive, to be followed by leave of absence with half salary for five and a half months from the 17th of August, 1927, to the 31st of January, 1928, inclusive.

2. I would refer in this connection to paragraph 2 of the Duke of Devonshire's despatch No. 115 of the 30th of November, 1925, and would state that I have caused it to be made clear to Mr. Binnie that the grant to him of this extended period of half-pay leave is subject to his recall before its termination if necessitated by the exigencies of the service.

3. I enclose a copy of the usual certificate of leave.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.
No. 68.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
12th April, 1927.

Sir,

With reference to Sir John Middleton's despatch, No. 66 of the 9th of May, 1922, I have the honour to transmit six copies of Bye-laws made by the Board of Health for East Falkland Island repealing and replacing Sections 30 and 31 of the Board of Health (East Falkland Island) Consolidated Bye-laws, 1921.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,

12th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 69.

Sir,

Six copies.

In accordance with Colonial Regulation No. 396 (ix), I have the honour to transmit copies of Comparative Statements of Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Colony and the Dependencies for the quarter ended the 31st of December, 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
12th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 70.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit six copies
of the Annual Report on the Accounts of the
Commissioners of Currency for the year 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 71.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

12th April, 1927.

Sir,

Six copies.

I have the honour to transmit herewith the Treasurer's report on the transactions of the Government Savings Bank for the year ended the 30th of September, 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

12th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 72.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have granted to Mr. T. V. Hooley, Operator at the Stanley Wireless Telegraph Station, eight months vacation leave and leave of absence with half salary for the purpose of proceeding to England. Mr. Hooley will leave the Colony by a whaling transport at the beginning of the month of May next and I shall furnish you in due course with exact particulars of the leave granted together with a copy of the usual certificate of leave.

2. Mr. Hooley desires while in England to improve his knowledge and experience of Wireless Telegraphy by taking a course of instruction and is willing himself to defray any reasonable expense which may be thereby incurred. The Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones reports that Mr. Hooley is an experienced operator, locally trained on Marconi 5 K.W. Spark and 10 K.W. Valve transmitters, and recommends that he should be given the opportunity of gaining further experience which is likely to be of value both to himself and to the service of this administration/

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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3. I enclose extracts from a report in this connection from the Superintendent of Telegraphs and Telephones and I should be grateful for any action which it may be considered practicable to take in the matter. You will see that it is suggested that the Postmaster General and the Marconi International Marine Communication Company, Limited, might be approached with a view to affording the desired facilities.

4. I am interested more particularly in this matter as I feel that it is most desirable to encourage in every way proper any indication of initiative among the younger generation in the Colony and I would add that Mr. Hooley, although born in England, has been brought up in the Falkland Islands and is the son of Mr. S. H. Hooley, Senior Constable, who has completed more than fifteen years service in the Police Force.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 72.
of the 12th of April, 1927.

Hon. Col. Sec.,

(a) It is suggested that the P.M.G. be asked to allow Mr. Hooley to be attached for duty to one of H.M. W/T. Stations controlled by the P.M.G. for a month in order to obtain experience of the working of an efficient station in a busy area. It is submitted that he may be treated not as a student but given such duties as it is thought that he is capable of performing and to be under the O i/c in all matters of discipline.

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It is thought that if the P.M.G. would sanction this it would raise the standard of efficiency of the Colonial W/T. Service and make for uniformity throughout.

(b) It is also submitted that the Marconi International Marine Communication Co., Ltd., (this is the operating Company as distinct from Marconi's W/T. Coy. which is the Engineering Coy) might be approached with the object of allowing Mr. Hooley to be employed temporarily as an assistant operator for about one month say to New York and back, in order to gain experience of ship working. He would not be paid by the M.I.M.Co., but might be treated in every way as an employee.

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(Itld.) J. K. N.
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

12th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 73.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the late Viscount Milner's despatch, No. 61 of the 31st of May, 1926, and to request your sanction to the issue of a licence under the provisions of Ordinance No. 8 of 1921 to Mr. J. Davis of Stanley to take sea lions in the Falkland Islands for the purpose of the extraction of seal oil.

2. I would explain that as reported in Sir John Middleton's despatch, No. 102 of the 1st of September, 1925, Mr. Davis has already been authorised to take sea lions in a sufficient number to enable him to make a trial shipment of 100 barrels of seal oil for sale in England through the agency of the Imperial Institute. In consequence of the result of this trial shipment Mr. Davis has now applied for a licence to take sea lions in a sufficient number to enable him to extract 1,000 barrels of seal oil for sale commercially.

3. Mr. Davis states that he proposes to instal in the vessel owned by him a portable boiler which will permit of his dealing more effectually with the carcasses of the seals

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than on the first occasion when he made use of the tallow-rendering plant on one of the farms and that he is endeavouring to obtain the assistant of a person from South Georgia who is experienced in dealing in oil and oil refining and who has offered to join him in the undertaking.

4. I would add that sea lions are to be found in almost countless numbers round the coasts of the Falkland Islands, more particularly on the south and south-west shores, and that in the opinion of those qualified to judge, the taking of, say, 20,000 sea lions would have no untoward effect and would involve absolutely no danger of the extermination of the species. In fact the killing off of a proportion of these animals, which do incalculable damage to tussock grass, would be of material benefit to sheep farmers, many of whom have made representations to me on the matter. It is further suggested that the killing of hair seals on Weddell, Beaver, and New Islands at the south-west extremity of the West Falkland might be of benefit to the fur seal rookery at Elephant Jason Island where it appears from a recent visit of inspection, that hair seals are necroaching to an appreciable extent. In any case every possible precaution will be taken to ensure that no undue destruction is done.

5. I am, moreover, anxious to encourage local enterprise and I consider that Mr. Davis is deserving of all proper support in his

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proposed venture. I should be glad therefore to receive your approval of the issue of a licence to Mr. Davis and I attach for your consideration a copy of the conditions on which it is contemplated that the licence would be dependent.

6. In the event of your approval of a licence being issued I would ask that I may be informed by telegram so as to afford Mr. Davis suitable opportunity to complete the necessary preparations for the enterprise before the commencement of the 1928 sealing season.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

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ENCLOSURE TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 73
of the 12th of April, 1927.

CONDITIONS PROPOSED FOR SEALING LICENCE
TO MR. J. DAVIS OF STANLEY.

1. That he pays a fee of £50 on issue of the licence.
2. That he pays the usual duty on the export of seal oil.
3. That the licence is for one season only from the 1st April to the 31st October, 1928.
4. That not more than 15,000 seals are killed.
5. That the seals are all killed within a specified area, viz: on the coasts and islands between the Arch Islands and New Island off the south and south-west extremity of the West Falkland.
6. That the seals are killed in a humane fashion.
7. That no pups nor females are killed.
8. That at least 10% of the adult males are left at each rookery.
9. That the whole carcass of each seal killed is utilized as far as possible for the extraction of oil and that there is no undue waste.
10. That a full return is made shewing the number of seals killed, the rookery from which taken, the amount of oil produced and such other information as may be desired.
11. That if required at any time he shall take a Government representative with him and provide for his maintenance without cost to the Government for the period of the voyage.
12. That no trespass is committed on private land where seal rookeries are situated other than is strictly necessary for the purpose of killing and trying out seals.
13. That the licence is subject to cancellation at any time.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
13th April, 1927.

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No. 74.

Sir,

In accordance with the provisions of Colonial Regulation 247, I have the honour to request your sanction of the payment of a fee of £25 to Mr. J. M. Coutts, Dental Surgeon, for services rendered during the past twelve months in acting as anaesthetist at the Government Hospital in the absence of an Assistant Colonial Surgeon.

2. I would explain that Mr. Coutts has administered anaesthetics in fifty-four general ward cases and that these services come entirely without the scope of his ordinary duties. I consider that he is deserving of some financial recognition of the assistance willingly given by him in this connection and that the sum of £25 suggested to which the Colonial Surgeon agrees is both fair and reasonable.

3. In the event of your approval of this payment it would properly be made against a new subhead of Head X. "MEDICAL" - Fee to Mr. J. M. Coutts, Dental Surgeon, for acting as anaesthetist at the Hospital, £25", and can be met by equivalent savings under the same Head "Assistant Colonial Surgeon, £500".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. MEYER, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR THE COLONIES.

A. E. BEATTIE

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

16th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 75.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith
a copy of the minutes of a meeting of the
Legislative Council of this Colony held on the
9th of November, 1926.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

19th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 76.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch, No. 80 of the 25th of August, 1926, I have the honour to transmit, for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure, two authenticated and ten printed copies of Ordinance No. 2 of 1927, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend the Customs Ordinance (No. 6 of 1903) and to Provide for the Regulation of the Coasting Trade in the Falkland Islands."

2. You will observe that the Ordinance contains two clauses, No. 7 and No. 10, which have been inserted in order to meet the observations made on the Bill as first drafted by the Mercantile Marine Department of the Board of Trade in the letter No. M/10522/26 of the 17th of August, 1926, addressed to the Colonial Office a copy of which letter formed an enclosure in your despatch under reference.

3. I would state for the information of the Board of Trade that due regard will be paid in the administrative application of the Ordinance to the recommendation made against discrimination as to the flag, whether British or foreign, under which/

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which a vessel requiring to be licensed is sailing.

4. I would add that clause 5 of the Ordinance as passed contains an amendment to the original draft which has the effect of making the meaning of the clause more readily apparent and of bringing its wording into closer conformity with the wording of section 142 of the Customs Tariff Act of 1876.

5. I would further add that the proviso to clause 8 of the Ordinance has been inserted with the object of restricting the application of the Ordinance to the Colony of the Falkland Islands and of excluding expressly therefrom the Dependencies.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
19th April, 1927.

RALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 77.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit, for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure, two authenticated and ten printed copies of Ordinance No. 3 of 1927, entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Stanley Rating Ordinance, 1905."

2. You will observe that the present Ordinance provides for an increase in the maximum rate leviable under the principal Ordinance on house property in the town of Stanley from 1s. 3d. in the pound to 5s. 0d. in the pound.

3. I would explain that the Ordinance has been enacted in consequence of the approaching completion of the works undertaken under the Stanley Improvement Scheme which, as you are aware, comprises a drainage system, a water supply with public fountains, and the reconstruction of the main streets of the town and which will necessarily involve increased expenditure from Government funds on maintenance.

4. It is not proposed at any rate at present that the full cost of such maintenance should fall directly on the rate-payers in Stanley but it is considered equitable that the

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owners of property who stand to benefit by the improvements effected should be called upon to contribute part at least of the increased expenditure and it has in fact been made abundantly clear from the inauguration of the scheme that an increase in the property rate would become necessary on this account.

5. I would add furthermore that it is not intended immediately to impose the maximum rate of 5s. 0d in the pound now provided and that in any case it will rest as heretofore with the Legislative Council to fix the actual rate within the prescribed limits to be levied from year to year.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

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No. 78.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
19th April, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit, for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure, two authenticated and ten printed copies of Ordinance No. 1 of 1927, entitled "An Ordinance to legalize certain payments made in the year One thousand Nine hundred and Twenty-six in excess of the Expenditure sanctioned by Ordinance No. 5 of 1925."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.No. 79.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
19th April, 1927.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit, for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure, two authenticated and ten printed copies of Ordinance No. 4 of 1927, entitled "An Ordinance to Regulate the Supply of Water to Stanley."

2. I would explain that the Water Works for the supply of water primarily for domestic purposes to the town of Stanley which have been undertaken as part of the scheme for the improvement of Stanley are nearing completion and that it is now necessary to provide statutory powers for their proper protection and operation.

3. You will observe that the Ordinance includes provision for the creation of a Water Authority with duties as defined and gives power to the Governor in Council to make regulations from time to time for the general administration of the Water Works. Copies of such regulations as made will be forwarded to you in the usual course.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Yr.

most obedient,

humble servant,

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
19th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 80.

Sir,

In triplicate.

I have the honour to submit, for your approval, copies of Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure, (No. 3 of 1926) voted at a meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 14th of April, 1927.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

19th April, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 81.

Sir,

in triplicate.

I have the honour to submit, for your approval, copies of Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure, (No. 1 of 1927) voted at a meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 14th of April, 1927.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. E. BEATTIE.

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