

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held on  
the 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 1873

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Col<sup>l</sup>. Secretary.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Col<sup>l</sup>. Treasurer.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Col<sup>l</sup>. Surgeon.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read  
and confirmed.

### Darwin Harbour and Port Sussex Reserves.

His Excellency informed the Council  
that in accordance with what was mentioned in  
Executive Council on the 27<sup>th</sup> December Mr Baillon  
had been informed of the intention of the Government  
to discontinue the renewal of the leases  
of Darwin Harbour and Port Sussex Reserves  
and that he now proposed to ask the Company  
should the Govt not wish to create Darwin Harbour  
a Township whether the Company would be willing  
to exchange section 35 and three quarters of section  
38 for a twenty one year lease of the two  
Reserves at Darwin Harbour & Port Sussex with the  
stipulation that by so leasing the reserves should  
not cease to be reserves. A draft of a letter to  
be sent to Mr Baillon to that effect was read and  
agreed to.

### Port Regulations.

Rule 20 of the Port Regulations  
of November 1875 was revised and amended so  
as to allow of ammunition intended for use in  
the Colony being landed inside the Harbour.

### Burial Board.

On the nomination of the new  
Board under Ordinance 9 of 1872 the Council  
ordered that the papers and accounts up to the  
12<sup>th</sup> December 1872 of the former Board should  
be

be forwarded for the information of the Governor  
ment and for auditing at the next meeting of  
the Council.

Read and confirmed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of  
January, 1893.

(Roger Tuckfield Galbraith.)

Governor.

Cliffill.  
Clerk to Council

At a meeting of the executive Council held on the  
14<sup>th</sup> January, 1893.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

The Honble the Colonial Treasurer.

The Honble the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and  
confirmed.

Distemper amongst dogs.

Read an extract from the  
Secretary of State's despatch No 85 of 6 October, 1892.

The Council advised that the words  
"By a justice of the Peace" should be inserted  
after the word "advisable" in line 5 of para-  
graph 4 of the Order in Council of 19 August, 1892  
in order to specify the authority by which the  
destruction of a dog may be ordered.

Resignation of certain justices of the Peace.

His Excellency asked if any  
of the members had been aware of the intention  
of certain justices of the Peace to send in  
their resignations.

The Colonial  
Surgeon

Surgeon and Colonial Treasurer denied any knowledge.

The Colonial Secretary replied that he had heard that such were being tendered by justices of the Peace of the West Falklands and that he had remarked that he thought they had done foolishly.

His Excellency touched on the channel through which the letters had reached him and thought that it would have been better if the Colonial Secretary had returned the letters with an intimation that he was not prepared to submit them to the Governor unless they were couched in courteous and respectful terms informing the Governor at the same time of his action.

The Colonial Secretary took exception to the power of such a charge being placed in him as the suppression of documents and asked if His Excellency <sup>the</sup> were putting to the Council whether a vote of censure should be passed on him.

His Excellency said as now could he agree that what he had stated could be construed as "a suppression of documents" and gave instructions that the Colonial Secretary should not forward disrespectful letters in future but should return them and inform the Governor that he had done so. His Excellency further expressed an opinion that the Colonial Secretary had not accorded to him the assistance he ought to have given and stated that the Colonial Secretary should at once have informed him of what he had heard.

Some discussion took place as to what action should be taken in the matter. The Colonial Secretary's minute of 14 January 1933 was read.

The Council advised that, as the course they had taken had entirely unfitted them for the offices of justices of the Peace by their combined action to use their influence outside their own offices, the following letter read by his Excellency should be addressed as amended

announced in Council to Mr Baillon through whom the letter had been transmitted.

The Colonial Secretary remarked that Mr Baillon had not signed the letter from the West Falklands and could not be held responsible for the terms expressed in it.

The Colonial Treasurer pointed out that in forwarding the letter, Mr Baillon had so to speak "forwarded" the letter. The Colonial Surgeon agreed and Colonial Treasurer agreed.

Mr Foster applies to purchase land in Stanley.

His Excellency said he would be prepared to sell any land outright but if on receipt of further information from Mr Foster giving an outline of the project he has in view the government be satisfied that the undertaking is a bona fide one and such as would likely to further the interests of the Colony he would be willing to ask the Secretary of State's permission to lease to him either the site between the stone jetty at the Falkland Islands Company's store or that to the west of the "First and Last Hotel" conditional on such lease not being transferable and the insertion that all claim to the land so leased should in the event of failure or winding up of the business revert to the Crown. His Excellency further suggested that the right of pre-emption might be vested in Mr Foster as leaseholder should at any time circumstances admit of this decision being altered.

The Council agreed.

#### Burial Board.

The papers and accounts, showing a sum of £8-5 to the credit of the Board, were laid before the Council and ordered to be handed over to the Board as constituted under

under Ordinance 9 of 1892.

<sup>amended</sup>  
Read and confirmed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 1893.

*Percy Packp. Gurnethy*

Governor.

*Arthur  
Clerk to Council*

Aba Meeting of the Executive Council held on the  
20<sup>th</sup> day of January 1893.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

The Honble the Colonial Treasurer.

The Honble the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read,  
amended and confirmed.

Replies by Justices of the Peace of the East Falklands  
regarding their resignations.

The Colonial Secretary having been asked by  
His Excellency if he understood he was not to forward  
discreetions letters replied that as His Excellency had  
invited the justices to send in their resignations and  
as he did not consider the letters now written by them  
as discreetions he had thought it his duty to forward  
them.

His Excellency referred to the terms of the  
previous letters and by the Colonial Secretary agreeing  
<sup>to the fact that</sup> in the terms of the letters sent in reply to them he had  
acknowledged that the wording of those letters from  
the justices were dis-respectful. As those terms

in His Excellency's opinion and in the opinion of the Colonial Treasurer and the Colonial Surgeon, were now reiterated. His Excellency could not understand how the present letters could be considered other than discourteous or how a conspiracy of this kind could be considered other than a menace to thwart the Government.

The Colonial secretary stated that he did not agree at the outset to the word conspiracy being inserted in the letter, the other members and the Clerk to Council, however, on being referred to by His Excellency, could not call to mind that the Colonial secretary had so objected.

His Excellency then put it on record that he should look upon the replies of the justices as not having been submitted to him and intimated that the instructions already given to the Colonial Secretary at the last meeting should have been carried out and should be carried out now by the Colonial Secretary returning those letters which, after conference with the Colonial Treasurer, were deemed to be couched in disrespectful terms; explaining to the addressees at the same time that a simple resignation only, respectfully worded, was necessary for submission to His Excellency, their reasons for resigning having been already given.

The Colonial secretary on being asked by His Excellency whether he had seen the Memorial from the justices of the West Falklands before it was sent in replied that he had not, but stated that since its receipt he had been "chaffed" about it; he disagreed with His Excellency on certain points, remarking that His Excellency had unnecessarily thrown out suspicions of his having been implicated in matters with which he had had nothing to do.

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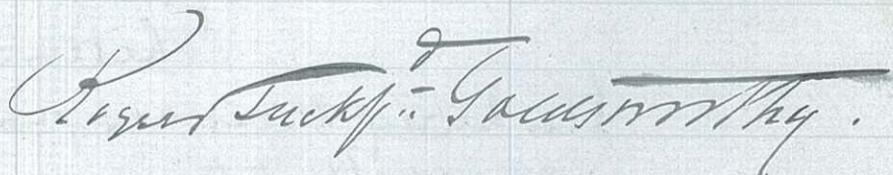
His Excellency called in question the position in which the Colonial Secretary must have placed himself when outsiders "chaffed" him on a matter of so grave an importance as the present one, and dwelt on the Colonial Secretary's general action throughout which would lead anyone to believe that he held a brief for the Falkland Islands Company and the sheep farmers instead of for the Government.

The Colonial Secretary acknowledged that the word "Chaff" was wrongly used by him as the action of the justices had affected him as the senior of them; he assured His Excellency that he held no brief for the Falkland Islands Company but, in his humble opinion, a brief for the interests of the Colony of the Falkland Islands.

His Excellency expressed his opinion that almost immediately after his arrival in the Colony, he had formed the opinion he had already expressed and confirmed his opinion that the Colonial Secretary had not given him that assistance he ought to have. His Excellency said that he did not intend that Her Majesty's representative should be insulted and directed the Colonial Secretary to carry out the instructions already given asking the other members if they concurred in his action.

The Colonial Surgeon and Colonial Treasurer agreed.

Read and Confirmed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 1893.

  
George Tuckfield-Gwynneth.

Governor.

C.W.Hill.

Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council  
held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 1873.

Present

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

The Honble the Colonial Treasurer.

The Honble the Colonial Surgeon.

During the reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting of the 20<sup>th</sup> January His Excellency mentioned that on further consideration he had a recollection of the Colonial Secretary remarking "in connection with the resignation of the Justices" "is it a conspiracy" at the early part of the meeting and that the Colonial Treasurer had observed "it is a combination or that the Justices had combined together to impede the action of the Government". Subsequently, however, after the draft letter had been read and His Excellency had asked the Council if they concurred in it no objection was raised to the word "conspiracy" by the Colonial Secretary who with the other members advised the letter as it stood being addressed to the Justices. On being asked by His Excellency the Colonial Secretary (Mr. Routledge) admitted that this was so.

The reading of the Minutes of the former meeting was continued and as originally recorded confirmed.

Justices of the Peace.

Letters by Messrs. Dale & Nichol tendering their resignations were read. It was advised that these resignations should be acknowledged but that further action should be deferred until the resignations of the other Justices who had likewise tendered the same in block had been received.

Dyke.

Dyke Island.

A despatch received from the R<sup>t</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Secretary of State dated 9 Dec<sup>r</sup>. h<sup>o</sup> 97 was read.

The action already taken by the Governor in Council in reserving Dyke Island was endorsed.

Qaol Regulations.

The Council advised that the regulations as amended in accordance with the Secretary of State's instructions and in Council with the insertion of a clause providing for the granting of tickets of leave should be reprinted and published.

Postal ordinance.

The Council recommended that the ordinance should be published as it stood and referred to the Secretary of State. Meanwhile regulations under clause i were ordered to be drawn up by the Postmaster in consultation with the Colonial Secretary.

Read and confirmed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1893.

Roger Suckling,  
Governor.

C. W. Hill.

Clerk to Council.

At a meeting of the Executive Council  
held on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> February 1893.

Present,

His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Secretary.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Treasurer.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read  
and confirmed.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Surgeon arrived and  
took his seat.

His Excellency laid before the Council  
correspondence respecting the action taken by  
the visiting Justices in expressing their  
opinion of the conduct of prison officials in  
the presence of prisoners.

The Council advised that the Justices,  
Dear Brandon and Mr Packe, be informed that  
although they had no power to censure prison  
officials they could under the regulations make  
their comments in the Visiting Justice's Book.

His Excellency was glad to learn that they  
were not made in the presence of the prisoners  
as would appear from the evidence taken  
down and signed by the Justices and which had  
led the Government into an error and that  
Mr Packe be further informed that the Colonial  
Secretary's letter of the 5<sup>th</sup> January did not  
in any way warrant his reply of the 11<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>r</sup>.

Draining without authority.

His Excellency informed the Council  
that he had reliable information that sealing  
had been carried on during the past year by  
the lessee (Mr Hansen) or her agent, of the  
Carcass and Jason Islands without a licence.

During the course of discussion  
as to the validity of a sealing licence attention  
was

was drawn, amongst other correspondence, to the terms of  
of the late Colonial Secretary's letter to Mr. Hennah, dated  
21 April 1890, and to the opinion of the Queen's Advocate  
(sic) of 22 June 1885 that "the exclusive right to all the  
fisheries on the shore of the Falkland Islands or within  
three miles of low water mark may be considered  
"as legally vested in the Crown"; in contradiction  
to which the Colonial Secretary (Mr. Ronnidge),  
quoted the opinion of Mr. Bompas, &c, namely,  
to the effect that seals being ~~ferre~~ nature the  
lessee of the land had power to kill them during  
the open season, during the close season he had  
a right to drive them from his lands and  
enacted further that he (Mr. Ronnidge) was  
unaware who the Queen's Advocate was - possibly  
the Queen's Advocate of the Gold Coast.

Looking however at the terms of the  
lease His Excellency stated that he  
purposed, with the advice of the Council to  
notify to Mr. Blake, that failing a proper  
explanation of the seals having been killed  
and shipped Mr. Hansen would be informed  
that the Govt. would resume occupation  
of the carcass and Jason group on the  
expiration of their lease in September  
next.

The Col: Secretary stated that if they  
were released Mr. Hansen would have  
priority of claim over other persons in respect  
to them. His Excellency replied that there  
was no ~~claim~~ <sup>to a remedy of the case</sup> of pre-emption as the present  
lease was a special one.

The Colonial Secretary <sup>Surgeon</sup> a Colonial Doctor  
concurred in the proposed action.

The Colonial Secretary disented  
contending that any one has the right to kill  
seals on land during the open season and  
that therefore if Mr. Hansen killed any  
through the open season they were killed  
legitimately.

Postal

## Postal Rules.

Rules declaring Port Howard, Fox Bay and San Carlos to be in Postal communication with Stanley and fixing Postal Rates as required by clause 1 of law 2512 of 1872 were read and ordered to issue.

Read and confirmed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 1873.

*Roger French Galt*

Governor.

C.W.Hill

Clark Tolson

At a meeting of the Executive Council held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 1873.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Secretary.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Treasurer

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

His Excellency informed the Council that the Secretary of State had granted <sup>him</sup> six months leave of absence and he intended to leave by the mail steamer due in March or the arrival of his successor, Mr. G. Melville, C.O.G.

His Excellency read a despatch marked Confidential of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb <sup>1<sup>st</sup> November</sup> which he had addressed to the Secretary of State and in which he had recommended that an officer might be appointed to temporarily administer the Government during his absence and had stated

stated his reasons for not recommending, as would happen in the ordinary course of affairs, the Colonial Secretary to assume the administration of the Government.

The Colonial Secretary replied that he had endeavoured to act fairly and up to his conscience and that he would not sink it for any person. He tendered his sincere thanks for the action taken by the Secretary of State and His Excellency, though that of His Excellency had perhaps been prejudiced by personal feelings. To this His Excellency took exception and the Colonial Secretary withdrew what he had said.

His Excellency commented on the Colonial Secretary's conduct throughout which was open to grave objection and could not but tend to depreciate the position Mr Rontedge holds in the eyes of the public especially when the chief judicial authority is the boon companion of the chief employer of labour in the Islands and shewing personal feelings against the Government.

His Excellency asked the Council for their expression of opinion on the action he had taken.

The Colonial Treasurer stated that he thought, in the interests of the service, the action His Excellency had taken had been fully called for. The Colonial Surgeon endorsed that opinion.

### Land.

A despatch dated 16 January NC 12 from the Secretary of State acknowledging His Excellency's despatches NC 127, 128 of the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> November relating to the land question and stating that steps were being taken to obtain the services of a surveyor was read and ordered to be printed & published in the next gazette.

Capt: Campbell's resignation of post of Surveyor  
A despatch was of 16 January from  
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the Secretary of State ordering that the offer of re-instatement need not be made to him as read.

Sealing without authority.

Dr. Blakes' reply of 17 February on the subject was referred to.

The Council was of opinion that Dr. Blakes' reply was not satisfactory and advised that the leasee for the Carcass and Jason Islands should not be renewed.

The Colonial Secretary dissented to the non-renewal of the lease.

### Town Land.

Read a letter dated 16 February from Mr. Charles Williams applying to lease or purchase town land.

The Council advised that Mr. Williams be informed that the Govt. is not prepared to sell the plot referred to, but, with the approval of the Secretary of State, is willing to lease it for a term of years, a condition being that such lease shall not be transferred without the previous sanction of the Government.

The Council also advised that Mr. Williams be asked what rent per annum he would be prepared to pay provided such a lease were granted.

Passed in Council and confirmed this  
28<sup>th</sup> day of February 1893.

*Roger Tuckf. Goldsmith*  
Governor.

C. W. H. K.  
Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council  
held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February 1873.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

The Honble the Colonial Treasurer.

The Honble the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read  
and confirmed.

Justices of the Peace.

A correspondence regarding their  
resignation forwarded by Messrs Elton and Baillie  
for transmission to the Secretary of State was laid  
before the Council.

The Council advised that the correspondence  
be forwarded to the Secretary of State by the out-  
going mail if complete correspondence be  
received by that time.

An application by Mr. Schlottfeldt for a  
renewal of a permit to sell stamps and post-  
cards was granted.

Check on revenue receipts.

A minute by the Colonial Treasurer,  
dated 27 February, stating the course adopted in  
bringing revenue to account was read.

The Council advised that the Imperial Audit  
Department be addressed in terms of the Treasurer's  
minute in reply to Sir Charles Raine's letter of the  
17<sup>th</sup> ultimo.

Sealing licence off the Jasons Islands.

The Council concurred in His  
Excellency's proposal to issue a licence to  
W. J. B. Lichtenberg to capture not more than  
500 seals of the Jasons for £100, that a return of  
the number killed should be forwarded and  
supported.

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supported by evidence of exportation or otherwise and further that the licence should not be transferred without previous sanction of the Government; any infraction of these conditions to render the holder liable to forfeit the licence and all skins obtained thereunder.

His Excellency also expressed his willingness to grant to Mr. Lectenborg the lease of the two fasons on the termination of O.P. Hansen's lease in September next.

#### Government House Inventory

The Council approved of Messrs Felton, Hill and Hurst being nominated to take the inventory under section 284 of the Colonial Office Regulations.

Read and Conformed this eleventh day of March.

Prayer Submitted  
F. Galdorothy

Governor.

Cwthill.

Clark to Council

## FALKLAND ISLANDS.

**DORMANT COMMISSION** passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, appointing George Melville, Esquire, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary of British Honduras, to administer the Government of the Colony of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies in the event of the death, incapacity, removal, or absence of the Governor, and of there being no Lieutenant Governor therein.

### VICTORIA R.

*Dated 21st January 1893.*

Victoria, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India: To Our Trusty and Well-beloved George Melville, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Colonial Secretary of Our Colony of British Honduras, Greeting.

Appointment of G. Melville, Esq., C.M.G., to administer the Government in certain events.

WE do by this Our Commission under Our Sign Manual and Signet appoint you, the said George Melville, to administer the Government of Our Colony of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies, during Our pleasure, with all the powers, rights, privileges, and advantages to the same belonging or appertaining, in the event of the death, incapacity, removal, or absence of Our Governor, and of there being no Lieutenant Governor therein.

**DORMANT COMMISSION** appointing  
GEORGE MELVILLE, Esquire, C.M.G.,  
to administer the Government,  
**FALKLAND ISLANDS.**

II. And We do in such event hereby authorize, empower, and command you to exercise and perform all and singular the powers and directions contained in any Our Letters Patent for the time being in force relating to Our said Colony, according to such Orders and Instructions as Our Governor or Lieutenant Governor hath already received or may hereafter receive from Us, and to such further Orders and Instructions as you may receive from Us.

Powers and authorities.

Given at Our Court at Osborne, Isle of Wight, this Twenty-first day of January 1893, in the Fifty-sixth year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,

RIPON.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held  
on Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1793.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

" " Colonial Treasurer.

" " Surveyor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

His Honour S. O'Reilly, C.O.S., was introduced to the C<sup>o</sup> as administrator and the commission appointing him to administer the Govt. in certain events dated 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> October with the Govt despatch covering the same were read.

His Excellency said that as he was about to leave the Govt. and as the Acting Govt. was present he intended to lay before the C<sup>o</sup> a letter which had been received from Mr. Kiwan bringing a serious charge against the Col. Secy.

~~The Col. Secy. questioned the presence of O'Reilly and asked if the Governor wished O'Reilly to be present. The Govt. which was overruled by the Governor.~~

The letter by Mr. Kiwan was then laid before the Council and read. His Excellency freely criticised the Col. Secy's action and opposition throughout during his term of administration. As far as in the last he had heard that at the words "a traitor in my camp" had been made use of and any statement of that kind he was called upon the Col. Secy. to controvert. At that time His Excellency said he did not take any notice of it and declined to listen to any such statement because he felt the character of a public officer was being impugned. That date however coincides with the date now mentioned in Mr. Kiwan's letter. The Col. Secy since then besides had admitted that he had been made aware of the intention of the J.P.s to ring but had kept all knowledge of that fact to himself.

himself. & it is his opinion, looking to the position the Col: Secr: held, the Col: Secr should have considered it his duty to come and warn him that a scheme to thwart his power was afoot but he did not do so.

The Col: Secr stated that he had not done so because he had told the justices they would be foolish if they so acted and did not think they would send in their letters of resignation, he accordingly expressed his astonishment to the Col: Tras<sup>t</sup> when he received the resignations which however he considered a menace to himself.

His Excellency again reminded the Col: Secr that Mr. Kiowan had made a serious charge against him - that of being a party to a plot from the F. I. Co to the fort.

The C.S. said he considered the charge was that of allowing such a letter to be submitted to her. He admitted he had seen several letters, <sup>applying for removal from his post as Superintendent of Works in India</sup> as a writer of public firms, but denied all <sup>of them</sup> knowledge of that present one. <sup>(S)</sup> 2 June 1892.

The Col: Surgeon and Col: Dassner, on being referred to, expressed it as their opinion that the C.S. had not supported the Govt on the Land question and had disagreed with the policy of the Govt on several occasions.

The Col: Surgeon stated that in June last Mr. Kiowan had offered him information on certain matters connected with the Col: Secr and Mr. Baillon, but that he had declined to hear them; that Mr. Kiowan had subsequently called at his house and informed him that Mr. Rountedge was not loyal to His Govt and in fact was the Company's ally and not faithful to the fort.

The C.S. expressed his surprise, looking at his social relations with the Col: Surgeon, that the Col: Surgeon had such a

disinclination

dissimulation to listen to Dr. Kavanagh. Mr. C. added that he would uphold the interests of the Company as he would uphold that of Messrs as the Company was the backbone of the Colony. After <sup>put your favour in it. too</sup> the Company had clashed with the Govt. he would ~~back up & it.~~

His Excellency referred to the question at issue that of the letter of 2 June to which the Col Sec<sup>e</sup> had been charged as being a party and recalled to mind that at the time that letter was submitted to him it gave him the impression of being a lawyer's letter. His Excellency reminded the Colonial Secretary that the charge now brought against him affected his official reputation.

The Col. Sec<sup>e</sup>: acknowledged that he had seen several letters but denied ever having seen this particular one. Lawyers, he added, would not write letters without payment. He remarked that Dr. Kavanagh had lost his post through inefficiency and hoped that through his services His Excellency would have such a staunch supporter as he himself had been.

His Excellency asked the Col Sec if he wished for an enquiry into the matter now before the Council as he (His Excellency) could not controvert that there had been a traitor in his camp and that was the Col. Sec<sup>e</sup> himself and that he would have to bear the charge and explain his action.

The Col. Sec<sup>e</sup>: regretted that His Excellency should consider him a traitor and said he did not desire an enquiry but was quite prepared to meet the charge.

Read amended and confirmed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 1793.

C. W. Hill  
Clerk to Council.

Geo. Mulrille  
Administrator.

At a meeting of the Executive Council  
held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1893.

Present.

His Excellency the administrator.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

The Honble the Colonial Treasurer.

The Honble the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were  
read and confirmed as amended.

After a few introductory words on his first  
meeting the members of the Council after  
assuming the administration of the Govt.  
and which were responded to by the members,  
His Excellency laid before the Council a  
despatch <sup>MS. B. 6</sup> of 31 January 1893 received  
from the Secretary of State detailing his  
views and giving instructions on the subject  
of the proposed reservation of land for sale

<sup>so as to give effect to the instructions of H.M. Government</sup>  
The Council advised that the despatch  
be published for general information in the  
Government Gazette and printed copies  
forwarded to the signatures of the members  
from the East Falkland farmers.

Upon enquiring by His Excellency the  
Colonial Secretary stated that the draft  
of an Ordinance dealing with seab was in  
course of preparation and would be shortly  
ready for consideration.

His Excellency asked what day would  
be most convenient for the members to  
attend Council when it was ~~convenient~~  
decided that a meeting should be held every  
Wednesday at 11 a.m. for the transaction of  
business

business.

The Council then adjourned to Wednesday  
the 22<sup>nd</sup> instant.

Read, amended and confirmed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day  
of March, 1893.

G.W. Bulwer.  
Administrator.

C. W. H.ill.  
Clerk to Council.

At a meeting of the Executive Council  
held on the 22 March, 1893.

present.

His Excellency the Administrator.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

" " Treasurer.

" " Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Lease of Roodey Valley Farm.

Mr. Baden's application for a renewal of the lease was read.

The Council advised that the lease should be renewed on condition that the rectification of the boundaries should be made in accordance with Lord Derby's despatch No 46 of 1883.

Amendment of the Local Taxation Finance.

The draft bill as amended in accordance with the Secretary of State's despatch

despatch No 101 of 30 December 1872 was read and ordered to be brought before the Legislative Council at its next meeting.

### Carcass and Jason Islands.

Applications from Messrs Kiwan and Foster for the lease of the Carcass and from Mr J. Lestemborg for the lease of the Jasons were read but the consideration postponed until the reply from Mr Blake in reference to the communication from the Colonial Office of 12 January 1873 was received. The Council was however of opinion that should the Islands be not released to Mr Gausey <sup>lenders for the lease of the Island should be called for</sup> they ~~should~~ <sup>put up to auction in the usual way</sup>.

### Estimates and Appropriation Ordinance.

Despatches from the R. H. M. the 5th No 3 and 4 of 4 January 1873 were read and ordered to be referred to the Colonial Treasurer for amendment of the Estimates and for the amendment of the schedule to the appropriation Ord.

### Land Purchase Money received from the Falkland Islands Company.

Despatch and enclosure Nos of 7 Jan 1873 were read and ordered to be referred to the Colonial Treasurer for his information & guidance.

### Applications to lease land at the Peninsula and at Stanley from the masters of the whalers "Jason" and "Balena".

The Council advised that they should lie over until further applications were received.

## Demand for Land.

His Excellency asked for the opinion of the Council as to the best means of obtaining the views of farmers on the selection of land for reservation for sale to meet such actual demand for land as might exist by the inhabitants.

*cwt.* The Council advised that the  
various ~~former~~ <sup>whose bases have expired</sup> be addressed individually on the subject.

The Council adjourned.

Read, amended and confirmed this 29<sup>th</sup> day  
of March, 1893.

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At a meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 1873

Present.

His Excellency the administrator.  
The Honble The Colonial Secretary.  
The Honble The Colonial Treasurer.  
The Honble The Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read amended and confirmed.

### Burial Board Regulations.

Draft amended regulations were laid before the Council. It was agreed that the Rules and Byg Laws, as amended on 21 Feb 1873, should be approved; but, before they were finally passed by the Council, it was considered desirable that the Governor in Council should be informed as to the expected income of the Board to meet the expenses of the upkeep of the cemetery.

Read and confirmed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1873.

C. W. Hill  
Clerk to Council.

G. W. Hill.  
Administrator.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council  
held at Government House on Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup>  
day of April, 1893.

Present.

His Excellency the administrator

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

- - - Surgeon

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

## Land Reservations for sale.

Letters from Dr Packe and his  
Baillon (or behalf of Messrs Dean & Aerson) were  
read.

The Council approved of the action taken  
namely that the numbers of the sections to be  
reserved for sale from Capt. Packis lands should  
be decided after the demand for the purchase  
of land is known and that Messrs Dean &  
Anson should be granted a delay in order to allow  
Mr. Dean to communicate with the partner  
Mr. Hussey who is at present absent in England.

~~Estimates 1893.~~

The following amendments as instructed by the Govt dep No 3 of 4 Jan 1893 were inserted approved and ordered to be submitted to the Legislative Council at its next meeting :· namely,

Under head of Revenue. The item "Land Sales" was approximately estimated at £ 3084.12-0 as the amount to be received for instalments of purchase money for land from the Falkland Islands Company and Mr. Bertrand. The item "Post Office" was reduced by £ 223 in consequence of the loss of the "ail schooner £ 2 being inserted

inserted under "Dues & Freight" as having already been ~~expended~~<sup>received</sup> this year as being due last year in respect of this service.

Under Heads of expenditure. Vote 15 a provision of £ 360 was made for the carriage of mails to the West Falklands and £ 30 as the amount payable to the Kosmos Company for the carriage of parcels. The items under vote 16 "Dail Schoons" were omitted with the exception of an item of £ 13 for provisioning estimated to be still due in respect of 1892.

Vote 17 Public works stood, as amended, as follows:-

(Annually recurrent expenditure)	
Maintenance & repair of roads & drains & other local expenses A.	254. 0. 0.
Maintenance and repair of Public Buildings & Furniture B.	500. 0. 0.
Furniture for Government House and Offices.	150. 0. 0.
Forage for cart horses.	30. 0. 0.
Total £	<u>934. 0. 0.</u>

(Extraordinary Expenditure 1893)

Estimated Cost.

Part Payment for fencing	64. 0. 0.
Staunton and jetties	199. 0. 0.
Special vote (Works & Buildings)	130. 0. 0.
Stanley Roads and Drains (Special)	500. 0. 0.
Total £	<u>893. 0. 0.</u>
Grand Total £	<u>1827. 0. 0.</u>

Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance 1892.

The draft of an Ordinance providing for the further provision of the service of the Colony for 1892 was read and the Colonial Treasurer having explained the various excesses in detail was approved and

and ordered to be introduced into the Legislative Council at its next meeting.

Read and confirmed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 1893.

W. M. Bullock  
Administrator.

C. W. B.  
Clerk to Council.

At a meeting of the Executive Council held on the 12<sup>th</sup> April, 1893.

Present.

His Excellency the Administrator.

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable the Colonial Treasurer.

The Honourable the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Sealing licence for District No. 2. Mr. Waldron's application was read.

The Council advised that Mr. Waldron's offer of £10 be accepted provided that the area over which he should seal be limited to Beaver Island and the other Islands held by him on lease.

Appropriation Ordinance 1893.

Draft of an amended appropriation Ordinance repealing Ordinance 8 of 1892 was read and approved and ordered to be introduced into the Legislative Council.

Leasing

Leasing of the Carcass & Jason Islands.

Letter from Mr. Ballou dated

11 April forwarding copies of letters from  
Mr. Blake to the Colonial Office on the subject  
of the renewal of the lease of the Carcass  
and Jason Islands to the representatives  
of the late Mr. Hansen was read.

The Council recommended that  
before any action were taken further in-  
structions from the Secretary of State should be  
awaited.

Read and confirmed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of  
April 1893.

W. W. M. Steele  
Administrator.

C. Steele.  
Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held  
at Government House on 19 April 1883.

Present.

His Excellency the Administrator.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Secretary.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Treasurer.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Colonial Surgeon.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Despatches from the R.E. about the Survey of Falkland Islands No. 21 and 28 of the 17<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> March regarding the terms of Mr. Hudson's appointment as Surveyor were read.

The Council advised that the leaseholders should be informed that the government intended to survey the blocks of land compulsorily purchased under Ordinance 18 of 1872 and that they should be requested to state where they desire their freeholds to be surveyed.

A reply to the memorial from the West Falkland lessees was read and was ordered to be communicated to the Memorialists in accordance with the Secretary of State's Despatch No. 22 of 18<sup>th</sup> Mar<sup>r</sup> 1883.

A despatch from the R.E. about the Survey of Falkland Islands No. 27 of 10 March containing correspondence with Messrs. Pache, Dean & W.K. Cameron on the Land Question was read.

Draft of a Whaler Ordinance was amended in accordance with the suggestions of the Secretary of State contained in Despatch No. 29 of 13 March and ordered to be submitted to the Legislative Council.

Leasing of Town Lands (Stanley). A despatch No. 30 of 13 March was read. It was decided that the question of leasing land in Stanley should be held over for inquiries and brought up again for consideration.

consideration.

A despatch h<sup>o</sup> 31 of 13 March <sup>conveying</sup> ~~notified~~ the L & Company accepted the offer of Darwin Harbour and Port Sussex Reserves in exchange for Sections 35 and 38 was read and ordered to be brought up for consideration when the whole question of reservations of <sup>Land would be dealt with</sup> ~~Land would be dealt with~~ Acceleration of the mail service.

A despatch L<sup>o</sup> 32 for 3 March with enclosures was read.

The Council advised that the action of the General Post Office in the matter of landing mails at Havre for transit to the United Kingdom when the Kosmos Company's steamers do not proceed direct to Tilbury and advised that the local agent of the Kosmos Company should be interviewed with reference to an arrangement being made that a steamer does not call at Havre during November 1873, that being the statistical period of accounting adopted by the Postal Union and further advised the Kosmos Company should pay the expenses of passengers from Havre to the United Kingdom should delay at Havre necessitate such an application being made.

A reply from the R. Horne the Secretary of State to the memorial from the inhabitants of Stanley dated 14 March h<sup>o</sup> 33 was read and ordered to be conveyed to the memorialist.

Land.

Applications for the purchase of land replies received to the confidential letter of 27 March respecting the surrendering of land for sale since the last meeting of the Council were read.

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An Ordinance for incorporating the Trustees of Christ Church as a Body Corporate was read and ordered to be introduced into the Legislative Council.

Read and confirmed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 1873.

J.W. Musgrave:  
Administrator.

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Clarkstown.

At a meeting of the Executive Council held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1873.

Present.

His Excellency the Administrator  
The Honourable the Colonial Secretary  
The Honourable the Colonial Treasurer  
The Honourable the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and confirmed.

Repairs to local roads.

Tenders for considered. The Council advised that the tenders be informed that the government is not prepared to accept any of the tenders received and that the labourers employed on the sea wall should be made use of to repair the worst parts of the streets of the town when the tide prevented their working at the sea wall.

Applications

\* Applications for the purchase  
of land received since the last meeting  
of the Council were read.

Read and confirmed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of  
May 1873.

Geo. Mulroney  
Administrator.

C.W. Hile  
Clerk to Council.

At a meeting of the Executive Council  
held on the 17<sup>th</sup> May 1873.

Present.

His Excellency the Administrator.  
The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.  
The Honourable the Colonial Treasurer.  
The Honourable the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read  
and confirmed.

Land.

Applications received from the  
date of the last meeting of Executive  
Council read and it was agreed that at  
the next meeting the Council should  
consider what date should be fixed as  
the last day on which applications  
will be received by the Government when  
The members would also be invited to express  
their views as to the time to be allowed for  
fencing

fencing in blocks purchased, for providing sheep dip for erecting homesteads and for stocking.

### Sealing at the Jasons.

His Excellency informed the Council that, in view of a representation having been received from Mr. Hansen in which she complains at length of Lectenborg having killed seals on her land, it had been found necessary to thoroughly investigate the complaint and that this ~~was~~ <sup>Commission of</sup> a ~~magisterial~~ inquiry had been ordered under Ordinance 2 of 1892 to obtain information attending the circumstances which led to the issue of a license to Lectenborg. His Excellency added that the representation and evidence obtained would be laid before the Council prior to being transmitted to the Secretary of State.

One June Read and Confirmed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
May 1893

C. H. Hill.  
 Clerk to Council.

W. W. Miller  
 Administrator.