

suggest the Bill was ordered to be laid before the Legislative Council at its next sitting.

Read and confirmed this 18th day of January 1898.

W Coulson
Clerk to Councils

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 2.

Tuesday 18th January 1898.

All Members present except Mr Hill (absent on leave)

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed

Resolved that Customs Ordinance No 3 of 1897 be re-committed and error in Clause 6 "at such Ports of Entry &c" be corrected.

His Excellency called attention to the compulsory purchase of Land under Ordinance No 1 of 1872 as in only cases in which freehold or leasehold land is (which was included land purchased under this Ordinance) had, since the passing of the Ordinance changed hands, the blocks compulsorily acquired had been transferred by the owners to the new owners or lessees the Council are of opinion that this Ordinance should be repealed.

H. E. introduced "An Ordinance relating to the Administration of Justice which with one amendment "3/- per day etc" was agreed to

"The Interpretation and General Law Ordinance 1898" Two additional clauses to this Ordinance were agreed to.

H. E. called the Members attention to the present condition of the Public Offices and

and the danger to the records.

The Council approved that a sum not exceeding £10,000, taken from Land Sales Fund, should be asked for.

Also that a sum of £2,000^{for} Government House should be asked for.

Read and confirmed this 2^d day of March 1898

Mr Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 3.

Executive Council 2nd March 1898

All Members present. Last Minutes read and confirmed.

President read a despatch from Secretary of State advising certain alterations in the Fire Brigade Ordinance which passed the Council with the addition of Clauses 20 and 24 to 28. and in Clause 19 "three" instead of "two" assessors.

The Cal Secretary read a letter from the Agent of the Royal Insurance Co protesting against the 15th Section of the Ordinance.

The President stated that he proposed shortly to introduce an Amended Probate Ordinance and asked whether duty should be charged upon real as well as upon personal estate.

The Council advised that real and personal estate should be equally liable to duty.

Read and confirmed this 22 day of March 1898

Mr Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 4, Tuesday 22nd March 1898.

All Members present.

Minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.

The Draft of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance relating to Jurors and Trials by Jury" was read amended and agreed to.

Baptist Minister.

The Council advised the postponement of the question of leave and half salary until the total amount of emoluments received by the Rev^d H. H. Hill from his congregation during his ministry had been ascertained.

Read and confirmed this 4th day of April 1898.

W. Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Gray Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 5.

Executive Council 4th April 1898.

All Members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Draft of "An Ordinance relating to Jurors and Trials by Jury" was considered and approved.

The Draft of "an Ordinance relating to Gaols" was considered and approved.

Council were of opinion that there was sufficient urgency to obviate the necessity for previous publication in the Government Gazette especially as the General Public had little concern with its provisions.

Read and confirmed this 9th day of May. 1898.

W. Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Gray Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 6. Executive Council 9th May 1898.

All Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Draft of "An Ordinance relating to Coroners" was considered and approved.

The Draft of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to authorize the Supplementary Expenditure for the year 1897" was considered and approved.

Read and confirmed this 8th day of July
1898

W. Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Gray Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 7. Executive Council 8th July
1898. All Members present.

Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Reported cases of Destitution.

Resolved that Pending a decision as to what permanent measures should be adopted by creating an Elective Board with power to levy taxes or otherwise a poor committee be formed to deal with cases of urgent distress, Government to disburse necessary sums. The Council resolved and that the Hon Col Surgeon the Hon J. J. Felton and Miss Alice Felton be invited to be the first Committee.

Sealing Licenses.

The Council considered the Draft of an Ordinance relating to Sealing transmitted

by S of State in despatch No 13 of April 7th

The Council advised that the Licenses be reduced to £10 and a Royalty of 4/- per ^{fur} skin be charged but that power should be given to Governor in Council to alter those sums when deemed advisable.

The Post Office Ordinance was then considered and ordered to be published in the Gazette.

The Harbour Ordinance was also considered and agreed to.

The Sec of State's Circular despatch of the 6th May was considered and the Council expressed their opinion that when retired non-commissioned officers were required to fill vacancies in this Colony the Royal Marine Artillery and Light Infantry would be preferable to non commissioned officers from line Regiments. —

Read and confirmed this 15th day

W. Coulson
Clerk to Council

of July

1898

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 8

Friday 15th July 1898

All the members present.

Minutes of the last meeting read & confirmed.
An Ordinance relating to Trading Companies and other associations was considered and agreed to, and in terms of Section 4 of Ordinance 1 of 1898 the Governor in Council declared it urgently necessary to dispense with the publication and public notification of the Ordinance.

Read

Read and confirmed this 29th
day of August 1898

W Coulson.
Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 9 Monday 29th August 1898

All the Members present

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed

A Letter from Dr Foley was read asking to be allowed fees for every successful vaccination in the Darwin and Lefonia districts. Resolved:- That it is not desirable to defray vaccination fees from Public Funds and thus place the well to do settlers in Lefonia upon the footing occupied only by Paupers in other British communities.

The Estimates for 1899 were considered

Amended and agreed to.

Read and confirmed this 7th day of October 1898.

W Coulson
Clerk to Council.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No 10

Friday 7th October 1898. All Members present.
Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.

Peat Contract

Six tenders for cutting and sickling peat were considered and Council agreed to divide the Contract as follows:-

C. Dix	1500	yards	@ 6 1/2
J R Carey	1000	"	@ 6 1/2
E. Dornson	500	"	@ 6 1/2

A Petition for relief to Mrs Carey - Family widow of the late Acting Senior Constable was next considered.

The Council agreed to support a recommendation to the Secretary of State that a pension be granted to Mrs Carey equal to the amount she would have been

been entitled to if her husband had remained in the Marines, or in the alternative that a lump sum be paid to a Trustee for Mrs Carey's benefit.

First and Last Note.

Resolved with reference to Andrew Bell's application for a Publicans Retail Licence that none be granted until the Colonial Surgeon and Colonial Engineer have given a Certificate that the drains have been put in an entirely satisfactory condition and that the general condition of House and premises are thoroughly Sanitary.

Read and confirmed this 11th
day of October 1898

Mr Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No. 11.

Tuesday 11th October 1898.

All the Members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed

The Secretary's of States despatch No 33 of the 13th August with reference to the introduction of a local note issue was considered.

- (1.) The Council are unanimously of opinion that if only notes of two values are to be printed for the experimental issue they should be of the denominations of £5. and £1.
- (2.) That a £5 note would be of greater use than a ten shilling 10/- note.
- (3.) That the experimental issue should consist

of 500 notes of £5 each with counterfoils and
1000 " of £1 " with counterfoils.

Read and confirmed this 28th day of
October 1898

Mr Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 12.

Friday 28th October 1898.

All the Members Present.

The Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Secretary's of States Circular Despatch of the 30th of August with reference to postage was considered, and an order by the Governor in Council was made adopting an Imperial penny postage and a triple scale of Parcel postage and reducing the postage on letters from this Colony to Foreign Countries from 4 to 2½ per half ounce.

Read and confirmed this 7th
day of December 1898.

Mr Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 13.

Wednesday 7 Dec^r 1898.

All Members Present.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed

Postal. Circular Despatch of 10th August considered. The Council recommended the adoption by this Government of the proposed extension of the insurance of Postal Packets other than Parcels, provided we are allowed to retain

the limit at present in force with regard to parcels viz: £50 and that the proposed insurance does not abolish the right to Register without insuring, which now exists.

Gazette

Resolved that from the 1st of January next the Government Gazette shall be issued on the 1st Thursday in each month instead of weekly as at present and that the subscription be 5/- a year paid in advance

Volunteers

The Council do not think it desirable that pack equipment should be supplied with the two 2.5 in R M L guns which the Imperial Government propose to substitute for the present 9 pounder R M L guns

Read and confirmed this 17th day of March 1899

Mr Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
Governor

Sitting No 14.

March 17th 1899

All Members present. Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed

Mr Smith's application to be allowed free pasture for a Bull for general use on the Common was approved.

Official Gazettes.

The Council approved that the Falkland Island Co be supplied gratis with two copies of the Gazette if they agree to keep posted a notice in their East and West Stores that the Gazettes were there free for Public inspection.

Board of Health.

The Council agreed to the following

Members for the Board of Health Falkland Islands for the year 1899.

For the East Falklands C Messervy J.P. Wm Biggs Sen and Edward Wilkins.

For the West Falklands S Miller J.P. and C G.R. Anson J.P.

An Application from the Colonial Secretary for leave was considered and approved. Three months vacation leave and three months half pay.

The Draft of a Despatch to the Secretary of State proposing the mode of Taxation to meet the expenditure on Buildings and other necessary public Works was considered.

The Colonial Surgeon protested against there being any need for a Hospital.

Read and confirmed this 3^d
day of May 1899

Mr Coulson
Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No 15.

29 March 1899

All Members present.

The Governor's Despatch No 24 of the 29th of March dealing with Public Works and taxation was further considered and approved.

The Council concurred in granting leave to Mr. Luiney for six months, three months on full pay and three months on half pay with passage one way for self, wife, and child.

Tenders for Painting Lighthouse.

Three tenders were submitted by the following

F. J. Hardy	£ 31
E. Sornson	£ 54
D. Williams	£ 32 .. 10

Resolved that if any tender be accepted
it must be that

of ~~read~~ Williams but recommended that
 Boherr be employed as a day labourer
 at 6/4 a day if the Colonial Engineer prefers.

Read and confirmed this 3^d
 day of May 1899.

McCoulson
 Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
 Governor.

Sitting No. 16 Wednesday 3rd May 1899

All Members Present.

The Minutes of the 17th and 29th of March
 were read and confirmed.

The Draft of an Ordinance to authorize
 the Supplementary Expenditure for the year
 1898 was considered and ordered to be
 laid before the Legislative Council at its
 next sitting.

The Draft of an Ordinance dealing
 with the Census for 1901 was considered
 amended and approved.

Read and confirmed this 7th
 day of Sept 1899.

M. Craigie-Balkett
 atty.
 Clerk to Council

W. Grey Wilson
 Governor

Sitting No. 17 Thursday 7th September, 1899.

All the Members Present.

The Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed
 Legislative Council Standing Orders.

The Draft of amended Standing Orders was
 considered and approved, and ordered to be laid before
 the Legislative Council at its next sitting

Wrecks Ordinance. The Draft of an Ordinance
 relating

relating to Wrecks, Casualties and Salvage was considered and agreed to.

Inland Parcel and Book Post.

An Order by the Governor in Council reducing the Inland Rates of Book Postage and providing for a Parcel Post was considered and agreed to.

The Assembly Room Company's application for a Grant of land was considered and ordered it to be laid before the Legislative Council at its next sitting. Every member to vote as he pleases.

Volunteer Capitation Grant 1900.

Under Ordinance 5 of 1893 a Capitation Grant of £2 to each efficient Member as in former years was unanimously agreed to.

The draft of an Ordinance relating to duties of Customs on certain exports was considered and approved.

The Council adjourned until Monday the 11th September, 1899.

Read and confirmed this 11th day of Sept.
1899.

W. Grey Wilson

Governor.

M. Craigie-Halkett.
Acty Clerk to Councils.

Sitting No. 18. Monday, September 11th, 1899.
All the Members Present.

The Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.
Customs Tariff.

The Import Tariff was considered and the following alteration agreed to

British Wines from 4/6 to 3/- per dozen quarts.

Malt Liquor in bottles from 3^d and 6^d to 6^d and 1/-

" " " " 3 to 4^d per Gallon.

and 20% ad valorem on Hulls and Materials and fittings of wrecked and abandoned vessels and upon cargo landed therefrom.

The Estimates for 1900 were considered and agreed to. An application by M^r W. Beggs for Government to

to support his married daughter in an asylum in Monte Video was considered.

The Council are of opinion that the case should be met in that way if it is found necessary to confine her and that the expense should be recovered wholly or in part from the husband and relatives.

Resolved that Mr. Durose should receive extra remuneration from the fee fund if he is willing to have evening continuation classes for children over school age and adults. Extra remuneration to be subject to attendances and results.

Read and confirmed this 7th day of November 1899

M. Craigie - Halkett.
Actg Clerk to Councils

W. Gray Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No 19 Tuesday 7th November 1899.
All the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed
Gunpowder in Harbour.

The Council advise that the Board of Trade be asked what quantity of Powder could be admitted with safety into the inner Harbour.
Rules of Supreme Court in Civil Cases.

Considered and approved.
Fees for Surveyor's Services.

Considered and approved.
Inspector of Stock

An application by Mr. Robertson for an increase of salary was considered. Council were of opinion that it was not at present desirable to meet Mr. Robertsons application.

In the end of the Assembly Room company's application to buy a piece of Government land adjoining Assembly Room ~~was considered and refused~~. The Council ^{resolved} that it be refused.
Repairs

Repairs to Government bottage on the hill to be carried out by lessee, Government to provide certain material required

Council adjourned until Monday 13th November 1899.

Read and confirmed this 13th day of November 1899

M. Craigie-Halkett.
Actg Clerk to Councils.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting N^o 20 Monday 13th November, 1899.
all the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.
Survey.

Council advised that Mr. Breegan's engagement be terminated in April, 1900, and that in view of his services in ^{the} colony he be recommended to the Secretary of State for an honorarium of £90 in lieu of 6 months leave. such Honorarium to be proportionately reduced if Mr C is re-employed in any Govt position within six months.
Council desire to note that, although a

Surveyor is a luxury that at present may be dispensed with it is desirable that if possible an officer having some knowledge of surveying should be selected for some future vacancy in the service.

The question of Fuel allowance to Government officers and employees was considered.

Read ^{amended} and confirmed this 13th day of December 1899

M. Craigie-Halkett.
acting clerk to Councils.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No 21 Thursday 14th December, 1899.
all the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed

An application from Mr Botwood to lease South Georgia was considered. Resolved to lease South Georgia on good security for bona fide efforts to carry out farming industries. That Mr Botwood be informed that the Government will be prepared to consider favourably an application to lease South Georgia for pastoral purposes if satisfied that the applicants are in a position to make a genuine effort to achieve their purpose.

Mr Walter Felton. Resolved that £17-10-0 expended on behalf of Mr W. Felton, be refunded to Mr Baring Her Majesty's Minister at Monte Video.

Billiard Ordinance.

Considered and approved.

Fuel Allowance

Rules approved

Board of Health

Resolved that the present Members be invited to hold office until the 31st December, 1900.

Read and confirmed this 4th day of
January 1899. 1900.

M. Craigie-Halkett.
Actg Clerk.

W. Gray Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No 22 Thursday 4th January, 1900.
all the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.
Canon Aspinall's application for 4 months leave on urgent private affairs approved.

Draft of an amended Customs Tariff Ordinance considered approved and declared urgent, and ordered to be laid before the Legislative Council at its next sitting

sitting.

M^{rs} Hansens application to take 95 skins to make good deficiency of past three years approved if Royalty remain at 5/- as stated in her lease

council adjourned until ^{11 a.m.} Monday 8th January, 1900.

Read and confirmed this 8th day of January 1900

M. Craigie-Halkett.
Actg Clerk to Council.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No. 23 Monday 8th January, 1900.
all the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.

The draft of an Ordinance relating to Pilot Service considered ~~and approved~~

Draft Port Regulations considered ~~and approved~~

Read and confirmed this 11 day of January 1900.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Actg Clerk to Council.

Sitting No 24 Thursday 11 January 1900.
all the Members Present.

The Proposed site for Pier was considered, but ~~no decision~~ ^{arrived} being at was ~~not made until a future date~~ and reserved for further consideration

Read and confirmed this day of 1900.

Actg Clerk to Council.

Governor.

Sitting No. 25 Monday 12th February 1900.
all the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.

The Council are unanimous that a stone pier with 14 feet of water at low water should be constructed and that Villiers Street (provided the stone there is found on investigation suitable) appears to be the most convenient position as adjoining the most suitable site for the public offices whenever built.

The Colonial Engineer's estimate for pier without head is £3323.

Read and confirmed this 21st day of March 1900.

M. Craiger-Halpern.
Clerk to Council.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No. 26. Wednesday 21st March, 1900.
All the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.

The Honourable V. Packer took his seat as a Member of the Council as Acting Treasurer.

An application by M^r W. Ditleff for a 3 years extension of his lease was considered.

Lease to be renewed, subject to his complying with conditions laid down by Secretary of State, agreed to.

Supplementary Expenditure Ordinance for the year 1899 was considered, approved and ordered to be laid before the Legislative Council at its next sitting.

D^r Salcedo's application of 28th February to lease South Georgia was considered and to the Governor covering despatch No. 28 of March 21st the following paragraph was read:—

I have read this despatch to the Executive Council and they are of opinion that the intention to lease South Georgia Island should be first published in the colony so that the colonists may have an opportunity of tendering upon similar terms to those herein proposed or by you sanctioned.

Read and confirmed this 3^d day of April 1900.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Craig-Hallett
Clerk to Councils.

Sitting No. 27 Tuesday 3rd April 1900.
all the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.
Quarantine Station for sheep.

Resolved That the sum of £25 be expended in fencing in a piece of land for a Quarantine Station

Travelling Schoolmaster
Evening Continuation classes.

That it is desirable that continuation classes be established in Stanley and that a travelling schoolmaster should be provided for the North of the Eastern Island - if the families interested guarantee the necessary support but that the question of making the necessary provision shall be reserved for consideration with the Estimates for 1901.

Read and confirmed this 16 day of May 1900.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Craig-Hallett
Clerk to Councils.

Sitting No. 28 Wednesday, 16th May, 1900.

Present.

His Excellency, W. Grey-Wilson, C.M.G.

The Honourable Actg. Colonial Secretary.

S. Hamilton

M^r S. W. Appleyard took his seat as Acting Treasurer.

Minutes of Last Meeting read and confirmed.

An Ordinance relating to the Promulgation and Construction of Ordinances; the Law in force in the Falkland Islands; and certain General Rules of Law and Procedure, was considered, approved, declared urgent and ordered to be laid before the Legislative Council before publication.

Estimates for 1901 were considered and agreed to.

Vote 11. Schoolmasters application for an increase of salary was considered. Council were of opinion that in the present financial state of the colony no application for an increase could be entertained.

Vote 17. Public Works extraordinary.

That application be made to have mechanics sent out from England to carry on the necessary work agreed to.

Travelling Schoolmaster for East Island considered and ordered to be laid before the Legislative Council with Estimates.

An application by M^r Hill for one years leave of absence 3 months on full pay and nine months on half pay considered and approved.

Read and confirmed this 11th day of June

W. Grey-Wilson

Governor.

M. Craigie-Halpern
Clerk to Council.



Sitting No. 29 Monday 11th June 1900.

Present.

His Excellency W. Grey-Wilson. C.M.G.

The Honourable L. W. Appleyard Actg Colonial Secretary.

" " Vere Packe " Treasurer.

" " J. Hamilton.

An Ordinance relating to Aliens and to the Naturalization of Foreign subjects was considered, approved and ordered to be laid before the Legislative Council at its next sitting.

Sub. Inspector of Stock under Seal Ordinance.

Council were of opinion that Mr W. Atkins be informed that the time has arrived when the Government contemplate making a reduction of Establishment and that he should look out for something else at end of year. Formal Notice to be given later.

Peat Fuel Rules amended and agreed to.

Mr Hansen's application to make up shortage of seal was considered. Council agree that existing shortage may be made up during next season; but that this permission does not extend to any future seasons.

Read and confirmed this 29 day of June 1900.

W. Grey-Wilson
Governor.

M. Cairns-Hall
Clerk to Councils.



Sitting No. 30. Friday 29 June 1900.

All the Members Present.

Minutes of Last Meeting read and confirmed.

A letter from Dr. Keay asking that the Captain of Mail Schooner be compelled to land cargo at his jetty was considered. Council were of opinion that it is not a matter in which the Government can intervene but would invite contractor to meet Dr. Keay's wishes if possible.

West Falkland Mail Contract

Council agreed that present contract relating to "Phaner" should be cancelled and a new contract entered into with Gutano Paulino providing for a service by "Estrella" every four weeks at £17 a trip each way.

Census Ordinance.

Council are unanimous of opinion that the draft Ordinance submitted to the Secretary of State in despatch No 31 of 3 May 1899 is more suited to this colony than the Jamaica Ordinance transmitted as a model in Secretary of State's despatch No 64 of November 3rd.

The Colonial Surgeon expressed a desire to withdraw his application for a revision of the existing arrangements with reference to his professional services to shipping.

The Council resolved to send home a small sample of the bricks locally manufactured and recently delivered at Government House, and in order that the sample should be a representative one it was decided, before visiting the stack, that every fifth brick should be taken.

Read and confirmed this 16th day of Aug 1900



M. Brainerd-Hall
Clerk to Council.

W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No 31. Thursday 16th August 1900.
all the Members Present.

Minutes of Last Meeting read and confirmed.

A draft Proclamation prohibiting the importation of sheep and cattle from South America on account of Foot and Mouth Disease among animals was considered and agreed to.

Council were of opinion that the Memorandum made by the Colonial Defence Committee on the Falkland Islands Volunteer force should be published in the Gazette and Falkland Islands Magazine.

Read and confirmed this 4th day of Sept. 1900.

Braigh-
Clerk to Council



W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No. 32 Tuesday 4th September 1900.

All members present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.

The case of Joseph Jenkins a coloured American under sentence of death for the murder of Charles McLeod at Fitzroy on Sunday July 29th was considered.

Letters from the assessors in the case the Honourable W. A. Harding and G. Messervy, Esq. dated 3rd September were read Mr Harding states "I am not aware of any reason why the sentence should not be carried out" Mr Messervy states "I regret that I am unable to discover any extenuating circumstances in view of which a modification of the capital sentence could be recommended."

Letter from the Very Reverend Dean Brandon 31st Aug. urging strong reasons for clemency read.

Parts of the evidence were read.

Dr. Hamilton states.

Prisoner is perfectly sane, collected and clear. He suffers from hyperaesthesia, that is extreme excitability. This is not common - it is the same as hysteria in a woman - and while under the influence of it a man is not accountable for his actions under certain provocation. His sensitiveness is clearly shown in the evidence of Prisoner's action when tied up.

1st

Question by Governor.

Do you regard prisoner as of normal mind?

Answer by Dr. Hamilton.

I should say Prisoner was of abnormal mind under certain circumstances - that is of excitement.

Question by Governor to Council

Under all the circumstances of the case do you advise that there are sufficient grounds for recommending that the capital sentence should not be carried out?

Answer by Dr. Hamilton. - I am of opinion that the capital sentence should not be carried out on the ground that there must have been provocation in view of the good feeling that appears to have existed between the unfortunate victim and the prisoner, and taking into consideration that the prisoner suffers from hyperaesthesia.

Answer by Mr. V. Packer - I see no reason why it should not be carried out.

Answer by Mr. Appleyard - I see no ground whatever for interfering with the sentence.

Resolved and confirmed this 15 day of Sept 1900



W. J. Wilson
Governor.

Cliff to Councils.

Sitting N^o 33 Saturday 15th Sept 1900

all the Members Present.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.

The consideration of the case of Joseph Jenkins resumed
The Governor reported that he had brought Dr. Keay in from the West
Falkland especially to examine Prisoner.

Report by Gader and Colonial Surgeon as to condition of
prisoner at 12.30 a.m. this morning read.

Dr. Keay's report, after visiting prisoner twice yesterday - read.

Reports of Dr. Hamilton and Keay after visiting prisoner
this morning read.

In answer to Governor: Dr. Hamilton stated

I do certainly think that the prisoner's mind was deranged
last night. I believe that prisoner under certain circumstances
would be subject to paroxysmal attacks of temporary mental
aberration.

~~Question by Governor to Dr. Keay.~~

The Council after discussion resolved to call in Dr. Keay
and put to him these questions. -

1st Question.

Have you from your observations of the prisoner any
reason to believe that he might be liable to paroxysmal
attacks of temporary mental aberration?

Answer by Dr. Keay. - From my first examination I had not.
From my second examination I should say that he did seem excitable
to an extraordinary degree and looked very wild. I paid these
two visits one in the morning - one in the afternoon of the 14th
at the time I thought that he was shamming but after what
Dr. Hamilton states took place last night I have doubts as to
his perfect sanity.

2nd Question. - Are you of opinion that these attacks
are the result of the prisoner's present position
or that they are independent of that position? -

Answer

Answer by Dr. Hearn. He may have had mild attacks before his trial but the result of being in Gaol would naturally tend to make these attacks more pronounced.

3rd question. Could a man have a tranced period a Clon period and again a trated period in an attack of maniacal fury.

Answer by Dr. Hearn. - The 1st heat might possibly be over in 10 minutes then he might have a lucid interval and then another outbreak. - the whole within $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour, but I do not think he would calm down without restraint.

Dr. Hamilton - I quite agree with Dr. Hearn.

Dr. Hamilton added. The prisoner is very childish. I have found him dancing scotch reels which he told me deceased Mr. Leod taught him - skipping about his cell and then talking of the bradling of his poor neck or playing a mouth organ which he plays very well.

Council adjourned to Sunday 16 September 11. a.m.

Dr. Hamilton says I do certainly believe that yesterday morning prisoner was non compos mentis - If he had those attacks frequently I would certainly say he was insane. A blow on the outside of the head may cause serious permanent internal injury to the brain without any outward manifestation.

Dr. Hearn agrees and adds I would not certify a man as insane who was at times non compos mentis.

Dr. Hearn states: - I said yesterday, I have doubts as to his perfect sanity. I still have those doubts. If he was shamming on the 14th it was very well done - but I do not think he was shamming on account of his eyes which were most unnatural. Being under sentence of death might account for this.

If prisoner was not shamming I would say he is of unsound mind. I should expect that he would have had another fit last night if he was ~~not~~ shamming but he had none.

Neither

of the Doctors will certify whether prisoner is sane or insane and state that it would require an expert and long observation to determine that.

To the answer given by Dr. Hamilton on 4th September in reply to Governor's question to Council he wishes to add "If there is a doubt and a reasonable doubt, there certainly is as to the mental condition - the prisoner should have the benefit of it."

M^r Packer adheres to his opinion of September 4th.

M^r Applegate's opinion on these grounds "sanity was left to jury and nothing since has thrown any new light upon prisoner's condition at time of crime."

Governor. I reluctantly express the opinion that no sufficient evidence has been adduced to justify me in commuting the death sentence for a crime which I regard as having been due to drink. If the Doctors has certified or if grounds hereafter arise to enable them to certify that prisoner is insane I will commute that sentence.

Read and confirmed this 2nd day of Oct: 1900

W. Grey Wilson

M. Craig-Hall
Clerk to Council



Sitting No. 34 Tuesday 2nd October 1900.

All the Members Present.
Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.

Claim on account of detention of "Herodot" at Punta Arenas awaiting Pacific mail April 1900. Agent to be informed that matter is held over until next year when it will be reconsidered.

Importation of Alfalfa

Resolved that any Alfalfa imported from Argentina or Uruguay be destroyed. The British Ministers and Agents Steam Ship Companies to be informed.

Exportation of Munitions of War to China

Proclamation prohibiting - approved.

Flat 1901 Season

That tenders be invited for the cutting of 2000 yards of flat for 1900 - 1901 season agreed to.

Read and confirmed this 8th day of November 190

M. Craigie-Hall
Clerk to Council



W. Grey Wilson
Governor.

Sitting No. 35. Thursday 8th November 1900.
Present.

The President.

" Honble. Actg Colonial Treasurer.

" " S. Hamilton.

M^r. W. Hart Grenett took his seat on assuming the duties of Colonial Secretary.

An Ordinance relating to the taking from time to time of a census of the inhabitants of the Falkland Islands was considered approved, and ordered to be laid before the Legislative Council at its next sitting.

The deficit in the Post Office revenue consequent on the new mail contract and lassitude of philatelists was under consideration (C.S. papers. $\frac{m.o.}{322}$ 1900) Resolved that the necessary revenue should be obtained by raising the duty on draught beer from 4^d to 6^d a gallon - making a uniform base on all beer, and that the duty on spirits be raised from 10/- to 12/- a gallon. The Colonial Surgeon votes for an increase of only 1/- a gallon on spirits.

Read and conforms this 22 day of Dec 1900.

W. Gray Wilson
 Governor.

Clk to Councils



Sitting No. 36. Saturday 22nd December, 1900.
all the Members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Jury ordinance - considered and approved.

Board of Health.

M^r S. Miller } To be appointed Members of Board
" J. L. Waldron } for West Falklands - agreed to.

That the following gentlemen be asked to serve as Members
of the Board in Stanley - approved

M^r W. Bagg

" E. Williams

" Watson

" Harding or Gelling

Louis Williams

Council agreed that it was necessary upon public grounds
that an open concrete drain should be laid from corner
of Barrack road to corner of culvert in front of Roman
Catholic Chapel

M^r Arthur Linney's application for an increase of pay
was considered - Council are of opinion that in present
condition of labour market this application must be approved
until 31st December 1901 when the matter will be
reconsidered - as from 1st December, 1900.

Chaplain's for Volunteer Corps. Resolved that both the
Assistant Clergyman and the Roman Catholic Priest be asked to
become Honorary Chaplains to the Corps - agreed to.

Read and confirmed this 21st day of January 1901

W. Gray Wilson