

Executive Council

Sitting 1

4th January, 1915.

3.0 p.m.

Present :-

The Governor,
 The Colonial Treasurer,
 The Colonial Surgeon,
 The Hon Vere Packe.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 21st December, 1914, read and confirmed.
2. Despatches received by R.M.S. "Orita" read.
3. M.P. 455/1908. Applications for Naturalization.. Council recommended that Letters of Naturalization be issued to Charles Percy Enestrom, Charles Sigvards Wang, Henry Olsen, Lars Marentius Berntsen.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

4. M.P. /1915. Account for carriage of goods from Punta Arenas carried there by R.M.S. "Oriana" after leaving this port on 10th November. Considered in Council. Council considered that the Government was under no obligation to pay the cost of carriage from Punta Arenas. The "Oriana" had left this port on the suggestion of His Excellency the Governor. There was no compulsion in the matter. Council considered that the consignees could not expect to forego all responsibility in the matter of their cargoes in time of war, and recommended that the Agents of the Pacific Steam Navigation Co. be advised to recover from the consignees.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

Read and confirmed this 16th day of January 1915.

Th. Goldsmith
 Clerk to the Council

W. Allardice
 Governor.

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upkeep of their homes or the maintenance of their relatives.

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Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

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4. M.P. 177/1914. Inter-11.0 a.m. Mail Service. Considered in Council. Council advised that, if possible, the following

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provisos should be incorporated in the contract with the
The Governor,
Falkland Islands Transport Company:-

The Colonial Treasurer,

(a) The mail steamer should carry a certificated mate.

The Colonial Surgeon,

(b) The mails should be delivered at Fox Bay by the

The Hon. Vere Packe.

Company, as hereinafter.

1. Minutes of Meeting of the 4th January read and confirmed.

2. M.P. 167/1909. Application for leave by Major H.M.S. Turner
Considered in Council. Council considered that it would be
(d) With regard to calls at the Sea Lion Rocks, freight
extremely impolitic on the part of the Government to allow
and passage money should cover a stay at this port
the Commanding Officer of the Falkland Islands Volunteer Force
of call of three hours (daylight), after which a
to take leave at present owing to the exigencies of the naval
demurrage rate of £2 per hour should be charged.
situation.

(e) The subsidy payable to the Transport Company should
Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.
be at the rate of £70 per month, with a reduction

3. M.P. 384/1914. Grant of gratuities to relatives of Volunteers
drowned in Stanley Harbour on the 1st December, 1914. Con-
sidered in Council. Council recommended that gratuities be
granted (subject to the approval of the Secretary of State)
to the relatives of the deceased Volunteers, on the following
scale:-

Read and confirmed this 8th day of January 1915.

£100 to Mrs Spencer (being calculated on a basis of

a grant of £75 to the widow, and £12.10 in respect of

Clerk each child)

Governor.

£87.10 to Mrs Blythe (calculated on the same basis)

£50 to relatives of each of the unmarried men, if it

can be shewn to the satisfaction of the Governor in

Council that the deceased were contributors to the

upkeep of their homes or the maintenance of their relatives.
Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

4. M.P. 177/1914. Inter-Insular Mail Service. Considered in Council. Council advised that, if possible, the following provisos should be incorporated in the contract with the Falkland Islands Transport Company:-

- (a) The mail steamer should carry a certificated mate.
- (b) The mails should be delivered at ^{the Post Office} Fox Bay by the Company, ~~as heretofore.~~ *W. G.*
- (c) The Government should have prior claim to the services of the mail steamer in case of great emergency.
- (d) With regard to calls at the Sea Lion Rocks, freight and passage money should cover a stay at this port of call of three hours (daylight), after which a demurrage rate of £2 per hour should be charged.
- (e) The subsidy payable to the Transport Company should be at the rate of £70 per month, with a reduction pro rata if no trip be made.
- (f) Victualling should not exceed one third of the passage money.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

Read and confirmed this 8th day of February 1915.

T. G. G. G.
Clerk to the Council.

W. G. G. G.
Governor.

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Sitting 3

8th February, 1915

Present :-

The Governor,

The Colonial Treasurer,

The Hon Vere Packe.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 16th January, 1915, read and confirmed.
2. Despatches received by s.s. "Magellan" read.
3. M.P. 167/19091 Considered in Council. Council advised that Major Turner be informed that the Governor has nothing to add to the effect of the letter from the Colonial Secretary's Office dated 2nd February, except to direct the Major's special attention to the following points :-

- (a) The Governor has never suggested that Major Turner should resign his commission (as inferred by Major Turner in paragraph 3 of his letter of the 2nd instant). The resignation asked for is that of Commanding Officer, and it should take effect from the date of Major Turner's departure for the West Falkland.
- (b) Major Turner has stated definitely in his letter of the 1st February that he will in no circumstances remain in command after the 8th April, and has also led the Governor to understand that such leave as he desires will in all probability extend beyond that date. The Governor in Council considers that such being the case the retention of command by Major Turner is out of the question, as His Excellency will have to take immediate steps to procure the services of a substitute.
- (c) In no case can the Governor or the Governor in Council accept any responsibility for the health or safety of Mrs Turner, much as they regret to learn of her indisposition; this being so the withdrawal of Major Turner's letter of the 1st January is impossible.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

Read and confirmed this 18th day of February 1915.

Clerk to the Council.



Governor.

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M.P. 306/1912. Sitting 4 regulations. Considered in Council. Council 18th February, 1915
 Regulations be put in force.

Present :-

The Governor,
 The Colonial Treasurer,
 The Colonial Surgeon,
 The Hon. Vere Packe.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 8th February read and confirmed.
2. M.P. 92/1915. A Bill entitled An Ordinance to Amend the Volunteer Ordinance, 1893. Considered in Council. Council recommended that the Bill as amended be sent to the Legislative Council.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

3. M.P. 87/1915. Application of Mr John Skillling for subsistence allowance. Considered in Council. Council considered that a gratuity of £25, together with a passage to England (should the latter be required) be granted to Mr John Skillling.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

Read and confirmed this 23rd day of February 1915.

4. M.P. 383/1914. Whale Oil (War) Ordinance, 1915. Considered in Council. Council considered that in view of the fact that the Whale Fishery Ordinance, 1908, was already in force in the Dependencies, it was not incumbent on the Governor-in-Council to issue any instrument to enforce the Amending Ordinance in the Dependencies, but recommended that the public be notified by public notice in the Gazette that the Amending Ordinance is ipso facto in force in the Dependencies.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

5. M.P. 306/1912. Cinematograph Regulations. Considered in Council. Council advised that the draft Regulations be put in force.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

6. The Governor asked Council's opinion on the question of the advisability of granting small gratuities to the Harbour Master, his engineer, and the two Wireless Telegraph Operators in recognition of their excellent work at all hours since the outbreak of the war. Considered in Council. Council advised that the Legislative Council be invited to vote a sum of £15 to the Harbour Master, and £10 each to the engineer of the launch "Penguin" and the two Wireless Telegraph Operators, and that a further sum of £5 be divided among the deck hands of the "Penguin".

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

7. The Governor read to Council the Secretary of State's Confidential despatch of the 17th November, 1914, with reference to the termination of the appointment of Mr W. J. Roper.

Read and confirmed this 23rd day of February 1915.

T. Goddard

Clerk to the Council.

W. A. Allard

Governor.

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Sitting 5

23rd February, 1915.

Present :-

The Governor,
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Colonial Surgeon,
The Hon Vere Packe.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 18th February, 1915, read and confirmed.
2. Despatches received by s.s. "Bogota" read.

Read and confirmed this 22nd day of March 1915.



Clerk to the Council


Governor

Considered in Council. Council advised that, subject to a favourable decision Executive Council Secretary of State with regard to the whole question of the issuing of licenses to Norwegian companies, a license for a third whale catcher for the season 1915-16 be issued to the Southern Whaling Company. 11.0 a.m. Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

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7. M.P. 383/14. The Governor, Sitting in force in the Dependencies of the Whale The Colonial Treasurer, 1 of 1915, and Tariff (Whale) Amendment Ord The Colonial Surgeon, Considered in Council. Council advised that the Hon Vere Packe should be put in force in the Dependencies of the Governor in Council.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 23rd February read and confirmed Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

2. The Hon C. F. Coddell, Colonial Secretary, took the oath and assumed his seat on the Council.

8. M.P. 128/15. Application by Mr. James Smith to purchase East Island. Considered in Council. Council advised that the

3. Despatches received by R.M.S. "Orita" read.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

4. M.P. 167/09. Leave of Major H.M.S. Turner. Considered in

9. M.P. Council. Council considered that in view of the destruction

10. of the "Dresden" Major Turner might properly be given leave

until April 8th, when his agreement with Government would

terminate. Council advised that no decision be come to

at the present sitting with regard to the leave

which the Governor had already undertaken to recommend

for the favourable consideration of the Secretary of State.

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

10. M.P. 32/15. The Governor gave notice that a Bill embodying

5. M.P.s 325/08 & 162/11. Whaling Licenses of the Ornen and

11. Nor Companies. Council advised that, subject to a

favourable decision on the part of the Secretary of State

with regard to the whole question of the issuing of licenses

to Norwegian companies, a license for a third whale catcher for

the season 1915-16 be granted to the Ornen and Nor Companies.

12. The Colonial Secretary moved and the Hon Vere Packe seconded a hearty vote of thanks to the Governor for the great progress

Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

that the Colony had made mainly owing to the Governor's energy

6. M.P. 387/09. Whaling license of the Southern Whaling Company.

and thanked the Members of the Executive Council for the loyal

Considered in Council. Council advised that, subject to a favourable decision on the part of the Secretary of State with regard to the whole question of the issuing of licenses to Norwegian companies, a license for a third whale catcher for the season 1915-16 be issued to the Southern Whaling Company. Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

1. M.P. 383/14 and 32/15 . Putting in force in the Dependencies of the Whale Oil (War) Ordinance, No 1 of 1915, and Tariff (War) Amendment Ordinance, No 3 of 1915. Considered in Council. Council advised that these Ordinances should be put in force in the Dependencies by Notices of the Governor in Council. Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

8. M.P. 125/15. Application by Mr. James Smith to purchase East Island. Considered in Council. Council advised that the matter be deferred for further consideration. Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

9. M.P. 22/15. Payment of military prisoners. Considered in Council. Council advised that payment be made to the two military prisoners at present in the Stanley Gaol at the following rates

to the prisoner Buse, pay at the rate of £2 per month.

to the prisoner Redderman, pay at the rate of £1.10. per month.

10. M.P. 32/15. The Governor gave notice that a Bill embodying proposals to recoup the heavy expenditure incurred through the war had been drafted and should be brought before Council at an early date. The taxation embodied in the Bill would be in the nature of a graduated land tax.

11. The Colonial Secretary moved and the Hon Vere Packe seconded a hearty vote of thanks to the Governor for the great progress that the Colony had made mainly owing to the Governor's energy and initiative during his administration. The Governor replied and thanked the Members of the Executive Council for the loyal

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support that they had always given him.

Read and confirmed this 31st day of May 1915.

McGowan

Clerk to the Council.

Douglas Young

Governor.

Executive Council

Sitting 7

31st May, 1915,

10.30 a.m.

Present:-

The Governor,

The Colonial Secretary,

The Colonial Treasurer,

The Colonial Surgeon.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 22nd March read and confirmed.
2. The Governor laid before the Council the following despatches received from the Secretary of State:-
 No 25 of the 24th February 1915 to No 45 of the 13th April
 Miscellaneous of the 19th February, and of the 9th, 16th,
 18th, 22nd, 25th, 26th, 26th (2), March,
 Circulars of the 15th, 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th,
 27th, February, and of the 1st, 1st (2), 2nd, 3rd, 3rd (2),
 4th, 4th (2), 5th, 6th, 9th, 22nd, 31st March, and of the
 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th April.
3. The Governor read the following telegraphic despatch received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies:-
 "27th May. His Majesty has been pleased to confer on me the Seals of the Colonial Office. Bonar Law."
4. The Governor informed the Council that the question of the site for the Submarine Cable Office in Stanley had been under consideration for some time, and that with the advise and concurrence of the Colonial Secretary, the Colonial Engineer, and the Admiralty Representative (Lieut. Crawford, R.N.V.R.) in charge of the works in connection with the Admiralty Wireless Station, ^{he} His Excellency had decided to erect the Office on the Government plot of ground to the east of the Post Office.

5. M.P. 183/15. The question of leave (or monetary equivalent) to be granted to Dr H.M.S. Turner, late Assistant Colonial Surgeon, West Falkland, was further considered. The Council, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, advised that in view of the fact that Dr Turner at the request of the Government had remained in the Colony for a period of one year beyond the term of his agreement, he be granted a bonus of fifty pounds (£50) in addition to the sum of fifty pounds (£50) in respect of the three months leave on full pay which Governor Allardyce had already undertaken to recommend for the favourable consideration of the Secretary of State.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

M.P. 4/15

6. An Application by Dr Semo, acting Medical Officer to the Compania Argentina de Pesca in South Georgia, ^{for medical registration,} was considered. n.d.
The Council advised that the qualifications held by Dr Semo from the University of Montpellier ^{might be accepted as} were sufficient for his registration as a Medical Practitioner under The Medical Practitioners, Midwives and Dentists Ordinance, 1914, but that before being so registered Dr Semo should be called upon to submit his Diploma for inspection.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

7. M.P. 86/15. An application by Mr John Johnsen for Letters of Naturalization was considered. The Council advised that Letters of Naturalization be issued to Mr John Johnsen.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

8. The Governor thanked the Members for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this 22nd day of June 1915.

The Governor

Clerk to the Council

W. H. L. Jones
Governor.

Executive Council

22nd June, 1915.

Sitting 8

10.30 a.m.

Present:-

The Governor,

The Colonial Secretary,

The Colonial Treasurer,

The Colonial Surgeon.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 31st May read, amended and confirmed.
2. The Governor laid before the Council the following despatches received from the Secretary of State :-
 Nos 47 of 30th April to 62 of 12th May inclusive
 Miscellaneous despatches of April 9th, 13th, 15th, 16th, 22nd, 22nd (2), 24th, 28th, 28th (2), and of May 3rd, 4th, 10th, and 11th.
 Accounts despatch of the 23rd April
 Circular despatches of April 10th, 12th, 16th, 16th (2), 16th (3), 17th, 17th (2), 19th, 20th, 23rd, 23rd (2), 24th, 24th (2), 26th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 30th (2), and of May 3rd, 4th, 5th, 5th (2), 6th, and 7th.
3. The Governor informed the Council that the agreement with Mr G. W. Royle, Colonial Dental Surgeon, was due to terminate on the 17th September next, and asked the Council whether it was desirable that a successor to Mr Royle should be appointed. The Council advised that the appointment was a desirable one to maintain and that the Secretary of State should be asked to select a candidate for the office and that the following should be the conditions of office:-

<u>Qualifications.</u>	L.D.S., England, Scotland, or Ireland, or L.D.S. of any British University.
<u>Duties.</u>	To attend all Government officials and employees and their families free of charge (subject to the provision specified hereunder) To conduct a School Clinic as may be directed by the Governor

The Governor informed the field, Acting Nurse-Matron of the King Edward Memorial Hospital, and tendered her resignation as from October next, and asked the Council desirable that there should be a vacancy in the Colony (the Nurse-Matron wife). The Council advised that they considered it desirable that the services maintained in the Colony and recommended that the two vacancies should be filled by persons qualified from a recognised training Hospital;

To perform such other suitable duties as may be directed by the Governor.

Salary. £300 a year for three years

Allowances, &c., Private practice allowed; fees to be charged for the same to be according to the Schedule fixed by the Governor in Council

No free quarters or fuel or allowance in lieu.

A small dental surgery, waiting room, &c., to be provided by the Government

Passage, &c., Free first class passage to and from the Colony, to be provided by the Government on signing the usual agreement

The Council further considered the advisability of reducing the rates of fees permitted to be charged by the Dental Surgeon in course of private practice. Council advised that on the appointment of a successor to Mr Royle the following charges be substituted for those contained in Government Notice No 208 of 1912 :-

	<u>Domestics</u>	<u>Others</u>
Ordinary Extractions	2/6	4/-
Extractions with local anaesthetic	5/-	7/6
Extractions with gas (with additional fee for medical officer administering the gas)	3/-	5/-
Other work, including scaling, amalgam and plastic filling	4/-	6/-

Council further advised that the remainder of Government Notice No 208 of 1912 be allowed to stand, with the proviso that Government officials and employees and their families be required to pay the cost price of any fillings composed of valuable material, gold plates, false sets, or gold for bridge or crown work, and used on their behalf.

The Governor concurred, and ordered accordingly.

4. The Governor informed the Council that Miss M. E. Brookfield, Acting Nurse-Matron of the King Edward Memorial Hospital had tendered her resignation as from October next, and asked the Council whether they considered it desirable that there should be two trained nurses in the Colony (the Nurse-Matron and the Trained Nurse and Midwife). The Council advised that they considered it desirable that the services of the two Nurses should be maintained in the Colony and recommended that the two vacancies should be filled on the following terms:-

Qualifications. Trained nurses from a recognised training Hospital;

Diploma of the Central Midwives Board.

Duties.

The Nurse Matron

To be in charge of the King Edward Memorial Hospital, and, under the direction of the Colonial Surgeon, to be responsible for the proper care of the Institution.

To do nursing in the camps when required by the Colonial Surgeon.

Trained Nurse and Midwife.

To do district nursing in Stanley, and when required by the Colonial Surgeon to do nursing in the camps.

When not on outpost duty in the camps to be available for such duty at the King Edward Memorial Hospital as the Colonial Surgeon may direct, and in the performance of such duties to be subject to the control of the Nurse-Matron.

Both nurses to be subject to the direction of the Colonial Surgeon, the Head of their Department, and to perform any other suitable duties as may be directed by the Governor.

Salary.

Nurse-Matron £90 a year for three years

Trained Nurse and Midwife

£78 a year for
three years

Allowances, &c.,

Free furnished quarters and
rations together in the King
Edward Memorial Hospital

Passages.

Free first class passages
to and from the Colony on
signing the usual agreements

Council further advised that all available facts with regard to the Hospital and the duties required therein together with such other notes as might be of use should be forwarded for the information of candidates.

The Governor concurred, ~~and ordered accordingly.~~

5. The question of the appointment of an orderly for the King Edward Memorial Hospital as recommended by the Colonial Surgeon was considered in Council. The Council advised that the present arrangements made for the care of the Hospital furnace, heating and jobbing, paid for out of the Vote for Outdoor Servant and Gardener (£42) (IX.11) be continued for the present, and that the question of the appointment of a Hospital orderly at a wage sufficient to secure the services (whole time) of a suitable man at the Hospital be considered with the Estimates for 1916.
- M.P.
269/15

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

6. The Governor thanked the Members of the Council for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this *Second* day of *July* 1915.

T. H. Ross

Clerk to the Council.

Douglas Young
Governor.

Executive Council

Sitting 9

24th June, 1915

2.30 p.m.

Present :-

The Governor,
The Colonial Secretary,
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Colonial Surgeon.

1. The Governor informed the Council that the Captain of H.M.S. "Macedonia" had requested that in the interests of the discipline of his Ship's Company when on shore leave in Stanley, the Licenses Houses be closed at the hour of six p.m. until the 4th July next. Council advised that a Proclamation be issued ordering the closing at six p.m. each day of all premises in which intoxicating liquors are sold be retail, until the 4th July next.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

2. The Governor thanked the Members of the Council for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this second day of July, 1915.

The Governor

Clerk to the Council.

Douglas James
Governor.

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Sitting 10, and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued.

Present :-

The Governor,

M.P. 495/ The Colonial Secretary,

The Colonial Treasurer.

1. Minutes of Meetings held on the 22nd and 24th June read and confirmed.
2. The Governor informed the Council that, although the law of the Colony in respect of the issuing of whaling licences only required the sanction of the Governor in Council in cases where a licence for a third whale catcher had been applied for, nevertheless on this occasion it was desirable that the Council should be asked to consider all the applications for licences which had been received by the Colonial Secretary in respect of the 1915-16 season. The Governor asked the Council to consider the applications in the order in which they were registered. Applications received from the following Companies were then considered :-

M.P. 495/15 THE NORGE WHALING COMPANY

Council advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company.

M.P. 492/15 THE SOUTHERN WHALING COMPANY

Council advised that this Company's application to

licences may be altered accordingly on approval being given.

M.P. 495/15 THE ORNEN WHALING COMPANY
employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company.

M.P. 495/15 THE ORNEN WHALING COMPANY
Council advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company.

M.P. 495/15 THE NOR WHALING COMPANY
Council advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company.

M.P. 472/15 THE SOCIEDAD BALLENERA DE MAGALLANES
Council advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company. Council nevertheless advised that the Sociedad Ballenera de Magallanes be informed that should any change in the names of the vessels for which licences were granted be desired, application should be made and the vessels should proceed to Port Stanley before going to the Dependencies in order that the

licences may be altered accordingly on approval being given.

M.P. 496/15 THE LABOREMUS WHALING COMPANY

Council advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company.

M.P. 499/15 THE HEKTOR WHALING COMPANY

Council advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company.

Council also advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Orkneys during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued.

Council also advised that this Company be permitted to employ one floating factory and two catchers in connection with their lease of Deception Island.

M.P. 493/15 THE HVALEN WHALING COMPANY

Council advised that this Company's application to employ two floating factories and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company.

M.P. 463/15 THE RETHVAL AND THULE COMPANIES

Council advised that the application of these Companies to

employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Orkneys during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to these Companies.

M.P. 498/15 THE ODD WHALING COMPANY

Council advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company. Council nevertheless advised that the Odd Whaling Company should be informed that they should furnish the name of the floating factory which it is intended to substitute for the s.s. "Guvernoren", on account of the loss of that vessel, to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, who would be asked to make the necessary addition to the licence before issuing it.

M.P. 497/15 THE NORMANNA WHALING COMPANY.

Council advised that this Company's application to employ one floating factory and two catchers in the waters of the South Orkneys during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council advised, with reference to this Company's application for a licence in respect of a third whale catcher, in order that they might be placed on a footing similar to that enjoyed by the competing Rethval and Thule Companies, that a recommendation to this effect should be made to the Secretary of State. The Governor said he would submit the matter to the Secretary of State.

M.P. 488/15 MESSRS SALVESEN AND COMPANY

Council advised that this Company's application to employ two floating factories and two catchers in the waters of

SOUTH SHETLANDS AND GRAHAM'S LAND. (10 Companies)

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South Shetlands and Graham's Land during the season 1915-16 be approved and the necessary licence issued. Council further advised that an additional licence in respect of a third whale catcher be issued to this Company. Council nevertheless advised that any alteration in the vessels in respect of which licences were issued should be submitted for approval beforehand.

M.P. 487/15 THE NEW WHALING COMPANY

with regard to

Council advised that this Company's application to employ five whale catchers in connection with their lease of New Island on the same terms as those on which they were permitted to operate during the 1914-15 season, that, while, in pursuance of instructions from the Secretary of State, permission had been granted to this Company to enjoy the use of five catchers for an inclusive fee of £100 until the 30th September, 1915, in connection with Messrs Salvesen's tenure of the Inter-Insular Mail Contract, the same conditions could now no longer obtain. Council nevertheless advised that licences should be issued to the Company for five catchers on payment of the usual fee, viz., £100 for two catchers in the first place, and an additional £100 for each vessel above this number up to five, i.e., £400 in all.

M.P. 480/15 MESSRS SALVESEN AND COMPANY

Council advised that it was impossible at present to entertain this Company's application to employ two floating factories and six (or if possible eight) catchers in the waters of the South Orkneys during the season 1915-16.

Chief Inspector of Stock had proposed that the prohibition The Governor concurred in each case with the advice of the Council, and ordered accordingly. 11th July, 1914, be now

removed. Council advised that a new Proclamation be Summarized, Council advised the issuing of licences to issued ordering the prohibition of the importation of all fourteen Companies, as follows :-

SOUTH SHETLANDS AND GRAHAM'S LAND. (10 Companies)

The Sociedad Ballenera de Magallanes	The Norge Whaling Company
The Odd Whaling Company	Messrs Salvesen and Company
The Laboremus Whaling Company	The Ornen Whaling Company
The Hvalen Whaling Company	The Nor Whaling Company
The Southern Whaling Company	The Hektor Whaling Company

SOUTH ORKNEYS. (3 Companies)

The Hektor Whaling Company
The Normanna Whaling Company
The Rethval and Thule Companies

FALKLAND ISLANDS. (1 Company)

The New Whaling Company.

The Governor informed the Council that it appeared to him that the form of licence to be issued should contain mention of enactments subsequent to the Whale Fishery Ordinance, 1908, namely, The Whale Fishery Amendment Ordinance, 1912, The Whale Oil (War) Ordinance, 1915, and The Whale Fishery Regulation Ordinance, 1915, and that notes should be made that all the licences issued were subject to the conditions contained in these measures. The Council advised that the necessary amendments be made on the form of licence before issue. Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

3. M.P. 181/15. The Governor informed the Council that the Chief Inspector of Stock had proposed that the prohibition of the importation of horses from Chile and Argentina, imposed by the Proclamation of the 11th July, 1914, be now removed. Council advised that a new Proclamation be issued ordering the prohibition of the importation of all

livestock, except horses, from Chile or Argentina, and that the Proclamation of the 11th July, 1914, be rescinded.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

4. M.P. 32³5/15. The Governor requested the Council to express an opinion on the advisability of freeing the two German prisoners at present confined in the Gaol; His Excellency informed the Council that the Officer Commanding the Volunteers had recommended that the two men (Buse and Reddermann) should be released with instructions to report to Headquarters twice daily, at morning and evening, and with the added proviso that, if found out of doors after dark, they should be liable to summary arrest. The Council advised that the men should be released on these conditions.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

5. M.P. 501~~2~~15. The Governor informed the Council that the Secretary of State in his despatch No 53 of the 30th April 1915, had requested an opinion on the advisability of adopting in this Colony the provisions of Section 16 of the Barbados Medical Registration Act, 1911, which provided that a penalty should be enforced against any person, not registered under the laws of the Colony, giving medical or surgical advice or attendance in return for fees. Council advised that there did not appear to be any necessity for such a restriction in this Colony at the present time.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

6. The Governor thanked the Members of the Council for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this 26th day of July, 1915.

The Recorder.

Clerk to the Council.

Douglas Young.
Governor.

Executive Council

Sitting 11

26th July, 1915

10.30 a.m.

Present :-

The Governor,

The Colonial Secretary,

The Treasurer.

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on the 2nd July read and confirmed.

2. The Governor informed the Council that the Colonial Surgeon (Dr Pearce) had been given leave of absence and that the Assistant Colonial Surgeon (Dr Craddock) had been appointed to act as Colonial Surgeon and Health Officer during Dr Pearce's absence or until further notice. Dr Craddock then took the necessary oaths and assumed his seat on the Council.

3. The Governor laid before the Council the following despatches received from the Secretary of State :-

Nos. 63 to 70. Miscellaneous despatches of the 20th May, the 7th, 8th, and 9th June. Circular despatches of the 8th, 11th, 25th, 26th, 26th May.

4. M.P. 320/15. The Governor asked the opinion of the Council on the subject of an application from a Mr P. Berrido for papers of naturalization as a British subject. The Governor explained that no information of a reliable nature was forthcoming with regard to this man. The Council advised that at present it was impossible to consider the application.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

5. The Governor informed the Council that copies of the Revised Edition of the Ordinances of the Falkland Islands, prepared under the authority of The New Edition of the Ordinances

Ordinance, 1911, had been received in the Colony. The Governor stated that a Proclamation would be issued immediately under Section 6 of the above-mentioned Ordinance, and that after a lapse of three months the Edition would be laid before the Legislative Council and would thenceforth be regarded as the only proper Law Book of the Colony.

6. The Governor informed the Council that he had had under consideration the question of the proposed use of the ground floor of the Stanley Town Hall. His Excellency stated that after conferring with the Heads of Departments concerned he had decided to recommend for the consideration of the Secretary of State that the ground floor of the Town Hall be devoted to providing accommodation for the following :- Colonial Secretary's Office, Treasury, Post Office, Museum and Library, Supreme Court (also to act as Legislative Council Chamber and Magistrate's Court). The Council advised that they considered that this arrangement, if sanctioned, would meet with the approval not only of the Officers concerned but also of the community at large.
7. The Governor informed the Council, the members concurring, that as the matter was urgent he proposed to call a Meeting of the Legislative Council on the following Friday the 30th July, to pass the 1914 Supplementary Appropriation Bill 1915 making provision for supplementary expenditure amounting to £11286 : 3 : 2, and certain Supplementary Votes for the current year.
8. The Governor thanked the Members for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this 14th day of August, 1915.

The Hon. J. A. G. G. G.
Clerk to the Council.

Douglas Young
Governor.

Executive Council

Sitting 12

14th August, 1915

11.0 a.m.

Present :-

The Governor

The Colonial Secretary

The Treasurer

The Acting Colonial Surgeon.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 26th July read and confirmed.

2. The Governor laid before the Council the following despatches received from the Secretary of State :-

Nos. 72, 73, 74, and 76.

3. The Governor laid before the Council the following despatches of the 4th, 7th, 8th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 26th, 28th, 29th, 30th June, and of the 2nd July.

Miscellaneous despatches of the 22nd and 30th June, and of the 6th July.

3. M.P. 656/15. Application for papers of naturalization by Mr T. M. N. J. Thanem. The Council considered that it was not advisable to grant naturalization to any foreign subject in this Colony prior to the end of the war, unless there existed some very special reason for so doing, and that in this case no such reason existed.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

4. M.P. 564/15. The Governor informed the Council that a question had arisen with regard to the payment of Police Constables in respect of services rendered in attending concerts, &c., Council advised that if the Chief Constable considered it necessary in the interests of the peace to detail an officer

to attend a concert or similar gathering no charge should be made against the party responsible for the concert but that if a constable was detailed for this purpose at the request of the party concerned a charge of five shillings should be made in respect of each attendance, and that this sum should be paid into general revenue, one moiety of the sum to be refunded to the police constable detailed for the duty. Council further advised that in the particular instance on which the question had been raised, viz., the attendance of a police constable at a concert arranged by the Rev. C. McDonald Hobley in aid of the St Mary's Cinematograph Society and held on the 15th July the sum of ten shillings which had been received from Mr Hobley in respect of the services of the constable, should be refunded as the constable employed was on ordinary duty. The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

5. The Governor informed the Council that it was the desire of the Secretary of State as conveyed in his Circular despatch of the 26th May, 1915, that general effect should be given throughout the Colonies to the Regulations with regard to the carriage of literature embossed for the blind which His Majesty's Government had intended to lay before the Postal Union Congress which, but for the intervention of the war, would have been held at Madrid during the autumn of 1914. Council advised that under Section 3 of The Post Office Ordinance, 1898, an Order of the Governor in Council should be issued giving effect in this Colony to the wishes of His Majesty's Government, and enforcing the following Regulation :-

"The maximum limit of weight for a packet transmissible as "printed papers" shall be 6 lbs., in the case of literature embossed for the use of the blind and the postage shall remain at the present "printed papers" rate for packets up to 20 ozs., and thereafter to be uniformly 5d., irrespective of the weight".

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

Read and confirmed this 24th day of September 1915.

The Governor
Clerk to the Council

Douglas
Governor.

M.D. 672/15

6. The Governor reminded the Council that on the 26th November 1914 certain Regulations entitled "Port Regulations (No 1)" had been made by the Governor in Council, and that these Regulations had reference to a state of affairs which in certain particulars now no longer existed. His Excellency stated that in certain isolated cases such as the Royal Mail steamer and the inter-insular steamer "Falkland" he had given permission to be exempted from the provisions of these Regulations and requested the Council to advance an opinion on the necessity for retaining the Regulations in force. The Council advised that at present it was inadvisable to rescind the Regulations but recommended that in certain cases (such as that of the ^{S.S. Falkland and that of the} vessels of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, calling regularly at this port) exemption should be made and the vessel allowed such freedom in entry to and exit from the port as she enjoyed in time of peace. The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

7. The Governor informed the Council that he had had under consideration the Inter-insular Mail Contract, which had been the subject of discussion for some months, and that he had considered it advisable to re-draft the Contract in some respects, laying more stress on the necessity for the service as a means of communication with outlying stations than on its functions as a means for the carriage of mails. His Excellency informed the Council that he suggested an annual subsidy of £960 for the service, and of certain of the alterations he had made in the draft, and stated that he proposed to transmit the revised draft, by the next mail, to the Secretary of State for his consideration. The Council expressed its concurrence in the emendations suggested by the Governor.

8. The Governor thanked the members for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this 9th day of September 1915.

W. P. Gould

Clerk to the Council

Douglas Young
Governor.

*Douglas Young
Governor.*

Order of the Governor in Council fixing the Postal Rates to be paid in respect of Literature embossed for the use of the Blind.

ORDER

The maximum limit of weight for a packet transmissible as "printed papers" shall be 6 lbs. in the case of literature embossed for the use of the blind, and the postage shall remain at the present "printed papers" rate for packets up to 20 ozs., and thereafter shall be uniformly 5d., irrespective of the weight.

Made by the Governor in Council, under the provisions of The Post Office Ordinance, 1898, at Government House, Stanley, Falkland Islands, this 14th day of August, 1915.

T. N. GODDARD,

Clerk to the Executive Council.

Executive Council

Sitting No 13

9th September, 1915

10.30 a.m.

Present :-

The Governor,

The Colonial Secretary,

The Treasurer,

The Acting Colonial Surgeon.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14th August read and confirmed.
2. The Governor stated that it gave him much pleasure to inform the Council that the Hon. W. A. Harding, Member of the Legislative Council, had been appointed to be also a Member of the Executive Council. Mr Harding took the Oaths of Allegiance and Fidelity and assumed his seat on the Council.
3. The Governor laid before the Council the following despatches received from the Secretary of State :-
 - Nos 78 to 87,
 - Miscellaneous despatches of the 9th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 17th, 21st, and 31st July, and of the 4th and 21st August.
 - Circular despatches of the 6th, 7th, 10th, 14th, 16th, 17th, 21st, 27th, 28th, 30th, 30th, 31st July and of the 2nd August.
 - Circular Notes of the 20th and 29th July,
 - Library despatch of the 16th July.
4. The Governor informed the Council that the Admiralty Cable between Monte Video and this Colony was duly laid on the 29th August, and that the first message transmitted was sent by him on behalf of the Colonists conveying the

assurance of their loyalty to the King, to which His Majesty returned a gracious reply. A further message was also sent to the Admiralty who replied in appreciative terms.

5. 792/15. The Governor informed the Council that the Secretary of State had been asked to appoint a successor to Mr G. W. Royle, the Colonial Dental Surgeon, whose agreement would terminate on the 18th September, and consulted the Council as to the advisability of asking Mr Royle to continue in his present appointment until the arrival of a successor. The Council advised that Mr Royle should be asked to do so.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

6. The Governor consulted the Council on the possibility of an export trade in frozen mutton and lamb from this Colony. His Excellency stated that the number of live sheep exported from the Colony during the last five years was :-

In 1910	none
In 1911	406
In 1912	5658
In 1913	12451
In 1914	38935

and that the sheep exported were chiefly for the Farmer and the Butcher in the Argentine, and that from enquiry made it appeared to him that the difficulties in the way of a frozen export trade were :-

- (a) the number of sheep available for killing annually is too limited to allow of a frozen export trade to be maintained, while the cost of establishing the refrigerating plants and stores necessary for any such trade would not in the circumstances be justified,
- (b) The sheep of the Falkland Islands are thin, and though heavy wool growers, are not suitable for the meat market. Owing to the inferior feeding of the animals the meat is "watery" and of unsuitable quality for freezing,
- (c) the difficulties of live transport from the

principal outlying Islands and Districts, and feeding, are great, dead transport not being feasible for want of refrigerating chambers and storehouses.

After consideration the Council held similar views, it being stated that the increased number of sheep exported in 1914 was very exceptional and not likely to be repeated, the export number this year being estimated at about 9000 only.

The Governor thanked the Members for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this 7th day of October 1915.

T. H. Roddard.

Clerk to the Council.

Douglas Young.

Governor.

yards of peat required for the Wireless Station, be accepted
at the prices quoted by the Tenders, viz.,

Executive Council

Stanley, Sitting 14

7th October, 1915

Wireless Station 10.30 a.m.

Present :-

The Governor,

The Colonial Secretary,

The Treasurer,

The Acting Colonial Surgeon,

The Hon. W. A. Harding.

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on the 9th September read and confirmed.
2. Despatches received from the Secretary of State by R.M.S. "Oriana" read.
3. The Governor informed the Council that a sum of One thousand four hundred and fifty pounds (£1,450), being a donation of £1000 by Mrs Dean and a collection amounting to £450 made by the Hon. W. A. Harding, as set out in the Preamble to The Stanley Cemetery Incorporation Ordinance, 1914, had been paid into the Treasury, and that the Crown Agents were being instructed to invest the amount in the name of the Trustees of the Stanley Cemetery, in War Loan Stock, to form "The Stanley Cemetery Endowment Fund" for the maintenance of the Stanley Cemetery.
4. The Governor asked the Council to consider the Tenders which had been received for cutting peat for the Government during the coming season. The Council advised, on the report of the Colonial Engineer, that the Tenders of W. Halliday and A. Kiddle for 2500 cubic yards each for the Government supply in Stanley, and of W. Halliday's Tender for the 270 cubic

yards of peat required for the Wireless Station, be accepted at the prices quoted by the Tenderers, viz.,

Stanley,	old banks, 6½d per yard
	new banks, 7½d per yard
	wheeling, 9d per yard
Wireless Station,	old banks, 7½d per yard
	new banks, 8½d per yard

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly. (M.P. 771/15)

5. The Governor informed the Council that it was necessary to issue an Order in Council fixing the rate to be paid in respect of the Scab Tax for the year 1916, the rate for the current year being one twelfth part of a penny per acre. His Excellency stated that in the past the Order in Council had been issued yearly, but that he proposed to make one Order which would remain in force until it seemed necessary to the Governor in Council to alter it. Mr Harding asked that the status of the Stock Department might be considered by the Governor, as, in view of the predominance of sheep-farming as an industry of the Colony, it appeared to him to be a question whether the time had not arrived when the Department should be placed on a permanent footing as a Department in the Government Establishment. The Governor said he would consider the matter, but added that the lateness of the year prevented any change being made in time for the Estimates for the year 1916, and that in the meantime the Order should be made. The Council agreed and the Governor made the necessary Order, fixing the rate at one twelfth part of a penny per acre. (M.P. 967/15).
6. The Governor informed the Council that he had requested the Officer Commanding the Volunteer Force to frame draft disciplinary Regulations for the Force, in order to obviate certain difficulties which the Commanding Officer represented to him he had experienced in inducing the Members of the Force to attend drills and parades. The Governor said that he was unwilling to set in operation the whole machinery of

the King's Regulations and the Army Act, unless it were found to be absolutely necessary, and, for the present, he proposed to pass Regulations providing for the infliction, at the discretion of the Commanding Officer, of a fine not to exceed one pound (£1) for certain offences specified. The Council advised that the Regulations drafted by the Governor should be made. The Regulations made accordingly. Mr Harding suggested that the Commanding Officer should be requested to explain to the Members of the Volunteer Force that their treatment under the Regulations then made by the Governor in Council was considerably more lenient than would be the case were action taken under the provisions of the King's Regulations and the Army Act.

The Governor concurred and said that the Commanding Officer would be requested to do so. (M.P. 985/15).

7. The Governor asked the Council to consider the matter of the payment to be made to Volunteers called out for active service the papers on the subject having already been circulated amongst Members. His Excellency informed the Council that the system set in motion on the outbreak of war, although it provided that no Volunteer should be a loser through having joined the Force, had certain anomalies, in as much as it frequently led to the payment of a Private soldier being larger than that of a Non-commissioned Officer, and that it did not avoid the necessity difficulty of settling the rate of pay to a recruit who, previous to joining the Force, had no regular employment and consequently no settled rate of pay. The Council advised that a rate of pay should be settled upon as suggested by the Officer Commanding the Force, specifying the amount to be paid to the military grade of each Volunteer when called out on active service, and that the rates of pay should be as follows :-

Colour Sergeant
Sergeant

5/4 a day
4/4

including provision
pay
The

Corporal	3/8
Lance-Corporal	3/3
Private	3/-

In addition to this military pay the Council, advised that each man called out on active service should receive, from his employers, if willing, or from the Government, an allowance which would bring the total of his receipts up to a sum equal to the pay of his civil employment, no separation allowances to be made. The opinion of the Council was that in framing a schedule of pay for Volunteers called out on active service the principle to be observed was that no man should receive less than his standard daily wage for working hours, while so called out.

The Governor concurred and stated that Regulations on the subject would be framed and brought up for further consideration. (M.P. 735/15).

8. The Governor asked the opinion of the Council on the subject of the foundation of a Volunteer Club, suggested by the Office Commanding the Volunteers, the Volunteer Canteen being little else than a drinking bar. The difficulty in connection with the Commanding Officer's proposal to found a Club whose existence depended very largely on the subscriptions of the honorary members, was to be found in the fact that The Volunteer Ordinance, 1893, did not appear to provide for honorary membership of the Force. The Council advised that the Commanding Officer should be requested to put the question of forming a Club for Volunteers before the Members of the Force and ascertain their views on the subject.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly. (M.P. 373/15)

9. The Governor consulted the Council on the question of the pensions payable to the dependents of Volunteers who were drowned in Stanley Harbour on the 1st December, 1914.

His Excellency read to the Council a Minute of the Governor in Council dated the 16th January, 1915, and also the

Secretary of State's despatch No 46 of the 14th April, which directed that payment should be calculated on the same basis as that in effect in the United Kingdom, subject to the maximum limit of £200 as prescribed by The Volunteer Ordinance, 1893. These rates were as follows :-

To the widow of a man serving as a private in the Force a pension of 10/- a week rising to 12/6 at the age of 35 and 15/- a week at the age of 45, with an allowance of 5/- a week for the first child, 3/6 for the second, and 2/- for further children. The allowance for children to cease when they should attain the age of sixteen years.

The despatch further directed that in as much as the rates for pension payable in respect of dependents of men of higher rank were not yet available, any allowances payable to the dependents of Corporal Spencer should be adjusted later. His Excellency stated that, calculating on this

scale, it would be necessary to provide for the payment of the following pensions :-

To Mrs Henrietta Spencer.

Pension to date from the 1st December, 1914, at rate of 10/- a week to the 12th January, 1922 when it will be increased to 12/6 a week until the 12th January, 1932, when it is increased to 15/- a week for the rest of single life. If Mrs Spencer should marry again, the pension to cease on and from date of re-marriage.

Allowances to Mrs Spencer in respect of her children :-

Winifred 5/- a week to the 22nd November 1920, when it ceases,

William 3/6 a week to the 22nd November 1920, and 5/- a week from that date to the 26th March, 1923, when it ceases.

To Mrs Ellen Blythe.

Pension to date from 1st December, 1914, at rate of 10/- a week to the 20th August, 1927, when it will be increased to 12/6 a week to the 20th August 1937, when it increases to 15/- a week for the rest of single life. If Mrs Blythe should marry again pension to cease on and from date of re-marriage.

Allowances to Mrs Blythe in respect of her child
Alfred John, 5/- a week to the 4th March,
 1930, when it ceases.

The Colonial Secretary raised the question as to whether in the wording of the Secretary of State's despatch, specifying the different scales of pension payable to widows of different ages, it was intended to increase the payments made on the recipients' reaching the increased ages. The Council advised that the pensions be paid as set out above, and that as there was a doubt on the wording of the despatch opportunity might be taken later to ascertain the real intention of the despatch.

The Governor concurred as regards the granting of the pensions and allowances and said that if necessary information would be asked for on the question which had been raised. (M.P. 201/15).

10. The Governor informed the Council that the Acting Colonial Surgeon, as well as the Colonial Surgeon, Dr Pearce, had represented that the combination of the Offices of Inspector of Nuisances and Assistant Customs Officer was unsatisfactory in its working and had suggested that some fresh arrangement be made. The Treasurer stated that he concurred with the principle of the Medical Officers' complaint. The Governor stated that the agreement of the present Inspector of Nuisances was due to terminate on the 2nd December next, and that in the coming year he proposed to arrange for the duties of Inspector of Nuisances to be performed by the Chief Constable. In the meantime the Governor requested the Acting Colonial Surgeon and the Treasurer to arrange to allow the duties of Inspector of Nuisances to be carried on as hitherto until the end of the year or until further notice. (M.P. 882/15).

The Governor thanked the Members of the Council for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this first

day of

1915.

The President, Clerk of the Council

Governor.

11. The Governor informed the Council that the Police Constables had applied in a body for an increase of pay, representing that the price of living had gone up very considerably lately. The Council advised that the application was one which might be entertained, and advised that the annual salary of each Constable be raised (subject to the approval of the Secretary of State) from £72 to £84, on the ~~draft~~ Estimates for next year.

The Governor concurred. (M.P. 737/15).

12. The Governor stated that Mr M. C. Craigie-Halkett had represented that he had for some time been compelled to have his ash-pit cleared at his own expense, whereas many other public officers, occupying Government quarters, were able to have their ash-pits cleared by the Government carts, free of charge. The Council advised that the ash-pits of all houses belonging to the Government should be cleared by the Government carts free of charge.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly. (M.P. 944/15)

13. The Governor requested the Council to consider the question as to whether the Government Blacksmith, whose agreement required him as part of his work to sweep chimneys in Government buildings, should be required to sweep the chimneys of all Government buildings. The Council advised that the list of buildings at present attended to by the Blacksmith appeared to be sufficiently long but as some of the chimneys mentioned in the list were not now in use the quarters known as the East-Hall, barracks, at present occupied by Mr M. C. Craigie-Halkett, the Postmaster, might be added to the list.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly. (M.P. 939/15)

The Governor thanked the Members of the Council for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this *first*
T. F. Goudard, Clerk of the Council

day of *November* 1915.
Douglas James
 Governor.

Order of the Governor in Council under the provisions
of The Live Stock Ordinance, 1901.

In pursuance of the powers in him vested by "The Live Stock Ordinance, 1901" the Governor in Council directs that the Land Tax payable under the said Ordinance shall be at the rate of one twelfth part of a penny per acre. Such tax shall be paid to the Colonial Treasurer in accordance with The Live Stock Ordinance, 1901, on or before the 31st December in each year.

Made by the Governor in Council at Government House, Stanley, this seventh day of October, 1915.

T. N. GODDARD,

Clerk to the Executive Council.

M.P. 967/15.

Executive Council

Sitting 15

1st November, 1915

10.30. a.m.

Present :-

The Governor,

The Colonial Secretary,

The Treasurer,

The Acting Colonial Surgeon.

Absent The Hon. W. A. Harding.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 7th October read and confirmed.
2. Despatches received by R.M.S. "Orita" laid before Council.
3. The Governor informed the Council that he had received a telegram from the Secretary of State on the 29th October informing him that His Majesty the King had sustained an accident while inspecting his troops; His Majesty's horse, excited by the cheers of the troops, had reared and fallen and the King was severely bruised, but after a quiet night His Majesty's condition was much improved. His Excellency added that he had returned a reply expressing dutiful concern and sincere regret.
4. The Governor requested the Council to consider the question of Mr Bugge's application to employ a third whale catcher in connection with his lease of Deception Island on behalf of the Hektor Whaling Company. In view of the opinion of the Secretary of State, expressed in the Under-Secretary's letter to Mr Bugge dated the 13th August, 1915, the Council were unable to recommend the granting of the right to use a third catcher. The Council however expressed the hope that on the termination of hostilities the matter might

be further considered, possibly for next year's season.

The Governor concurred. The Council advised that

5. The Governor laid before the Council an application made by Mr R. S. Felton on behalf of Mr Vere Packe, for a renewal of Lease No 57, Sparrow Cove. The Council advised that in view of the contents of paragraph 9 of the Secretary of State's despatch No 51 of the 21st June, 1906, a renewal of this lease should be granted under The Land Ordinance, 1903, for a period of twenty-one years at a rental of £25, being calculated at a rate of one penny per acre, the following conditions to be attached to the lease:-

(or any person authorized by the Governor)
The Government should have at all times the right to enter for the purpose of cutting and taking peat, winning and taking oil, or killing and taking seals.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly.

6. The Governor informed the Council that the Carpenters employed by the Government had demanded an increase of pay from 1/- to 1/1½ per hour, and that the Colonial Engineer had advised that should any increase be authorized it would be necessary to sanction a rise in wages throughout the Public Works Department's employees. The Governor added that at the end of the previous week the Colonial Engineer had reported that the Carpenters had threatened to strike unless an immediate and favourable reply were received. The Council advised that since it appeared from the report of the Colonial Engineer that the current hourly rate of wage for carpenters in Stanley had been raised to 1/1½ and the overtime rate to 1/8, the Government had no alternative but to authorize

an increase to these amounts. The Council advised that for the men of the Public Works Department employed by days and hours the form of pay sheet laid down in the Financial Instructions issued by the Colonial Office, should be used, and that every care should be exercised by the Colonial Engineer as regards overtime work in his Department.

The Governor concurred and ordered accordingly. (1000/15)

The Governor thanked the Members for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this 26th day of November 1915.

T. S. Fordham.

Clerk to the Council

Douglas Young
Governor.

Executive Council.

Sitting 16.

26th November, 1915.

10.30 a.m.

Present :-

The Governor,

The Colonial Secretary,

The Treasurer,

The Hon. W. A. Harding.

Absent....The Acting Colonial Surgeon.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 1st November read and confirmed.
2. The Governor asked the Council to consider the draft Estimates for the year 1916, which were to be submitted to the Legislative Council on the 29th November. His Excellency stated that the draft Estimates in their present form provided for a Revenue of £29834, and an Expenditure of £32381 (not including the Stock Department), leaving a deficit of £2547, which it would be necessary to provide for (in the event of the Estimates being passed in their present state) by extra taxation. The Council proceeded to the consideration of the several items of Expenditure for the year 1916, and, with minor alterations, advised that the Estimate of £32,529 (not including the Stock Department) be laid before the Legislative Council for approval. With regard to the additional revenue required the Governor said that he proposed to introduce a Bill amending The Tariff Ordinance, 1900, to provide for increases in Export Duties on Wool, Sheep, Sheepskins, Hides, and imposing duties on Meats, canned or preserved, and Guano, as follows :-

Whale Oil to remain at 3¹/₂d. a barrel of 40 gallons

Export Duty on Wool to be 1/3 for every hundred lbs, at the rate of 1¹/₂d per ten pounds. This to give an increase of about £1880.

Export Duty on Sheep to be 3d. each, to give an increase of about £10.

Export Duty on Sheepskins to be 1d. each, to give an increase of £80.

Export Duty on Hides to be 6d. each to give an increase of £10.

Export Duty on Canned or Preserved Meats to be one twelfth part of a penny per pound, to give about £200.

Export Duty on Guano of all kinds to be 1½d. per lb.

In all an additional revenue of about £3100;

Should these amendments in the rates of Export Duty be approved the estimated Ordinary Revenue for the year 1916 would be £32874, and the Expenditure (including Public Works Extraordinary, but not including the Stock Department) with the minor amendments made by Council, would be £32529, leaving a surplus balance of £345. The Council concurred and advised that the draft Estimates as amended be laid before the Legislative Council for consideration and approval.

The Governor in Council considered the necessary Ordinances to be passed by the Legislative Council at the Meeting called for the 29th November to be urgent.

Arising out of the Governor's announcement that the work of the Savings Bank would be transferred to the Treasury, where by law it properly belonged, Mr Harding stated that he presumed that the salary of £50 per annum, allotted to the Manager of the Savings Bank, would pass to the Treasurer, and requested that a reference might be made in the Minutes of this Meeting to his remarks made at a Meeting of the Legislative Council during 1914, on the subject of the disproportion existing between the responsibilities of the Colonial Treasurer and the amount of his emoluments. The Governor stated, that he would allow the salary at the rate

of £50 a year to the Manager to remain on the Estimates and that, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, it would pass to the Treasurer together with the management of the Savings Bank.

The Governor thanked the Members for the careful attention given to the draft Estimates and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this 3rd day of December, 1915.

T. Stoddard

Clerk to the Council.

Douglas Young
Governor.

Executive Council

Sitting 17

3rd December, 1915

11.0 a.m.

Present :-

The Governor,

The Colonial Secretary,

The Treasurer,

The Acting Colonial Surgeon,

The Hon. W. A. Harding.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 26th November read and confirmed.

2. M.P. 1233/15. The Governor informed the Council that it would be necessary to make a Regulation, under the provisions of The Whale Oil (Export Regulation) Ordinance, 1915, (passed by the Legislative Council on the 29th November) prohibiting the export of whale oil to any destination other than a Port in the United Kingdom, without an export licence given by the Collector of Customs or his Deputy. The Council concurred and the Governor in Council made the following Regulation :-

(see attached copy)

3. M.P. 1242/15. The Governor informed the Council that in order to avoid any question hereafter it would be advisable to make an Order in Council extending to the Dependencies, subject to such qualifications as local conditions rendered necessary and permitted, the validity of the Revised Edition of the Ordinances of the Colony. The Council concurred and the Governor in Council made the following Order :-

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4. M.P. 1260/15. The Governor informed the Council that it would be necessary to make an Order in Council extending to the Dependencies the following Ordinances which had been passed by the Legislative Council on the 29th November :-

The Tariff Ordinance, 1900, as amended by The Tariff (Export Duty) Amendment Ordinance, 1915 (No 7 of 1915.)

The Whale Fishery Ordinance, 1908, as amended by The Whale Fishery Amendment Ordinance, 1915. (No 9 of 1915.)

The Customs (Exportation Prohibition) Ordinance, 1915. (No 10 of 1915.)

The Customs (Exportation Prohibition) Ordinance, 1915. (No 11 of 1915.)

The Council concurred and the Governor in Council made the following Order under the provisions of The Dependencies Ordinance, 1908:- (see attached copy)

The Governor thanked the Members for their attendance and adjourned the Council sine die.

Read and confirmed this 18th day of January 1916.

T. N. Goddard.

Clerk to the Council.

Douglas Young
Governor.

Under the provisions of the Whale Oil (Export Regulation) Ordinance, 1915, the export of whale oil from the Falkland Islands or its Dependencies is hereby prohibited to any destination other than a Port in the United Kingdom without a written export licence first obtained from the Collector of Customs or his Deputy.

Made by the Governor in Council under the provisions of The Whale Oil (Export Regulation) Ordinance, 1915, on the 18th day of January, 1916.

T. N. GODDARD,

Clerk to the Executive Council.

M.P. 1260/15

Falkland Islands.

DOUGLAS YOUNG,
Governor.

Douglas Young
Governor.

Order by the Governor in Council.

Ordinances in Force in the Dependencies.

Under the provisions of The Dependencies Ordinance, 1908, the Governor in Council hereby declares the following Ordinances of the Colony of the Falkland Islands to be in force in the Dependencies of the Colony, and any rule or regulation made thereunder shall have like force and effect in the Dependencies, unless otherwise expressly provided.

The Tariff Ordinance, 1900, as amended by The Tariff (Export Duty) Amendment Ordinance, 1915. (No. 7 of 1915.)

The Whale Fishery Ordinance, 1908, as amended by The Whale Fishery Amendment Ordinance, 1915. (No. 9 of 1915.)

The Whale Oil (Export Regulation) Ordinance, 1915. (No. 10 of 1915.)

The Customs (Exportation Prohibition) Ordinance, 1915. (No. 11 of 1915.)

Made by the Governor in Council under the provisions of The Dependencies Ordinance, 1908, this third day of December, 1915.

T. N. GODDARD,
Clerk to the Executive Council.

M.P. 1260/15.

Douglas Young
Governor.

Falkland Islands.

DOUGLAS YOUNG,
Governor.

Whale Oil (Export) Regulation.

Dated the 3rd December, 1915.

Under the provisions of The Whale Oil (Export Regulation) Ordinance, 1915, the export of whale oil from the Colony of the Falkland Islands or its Dependencies is hereby prohibited to any destination other than a Port in the United Kingdom, without a written export licence first obtained from the Collector of Customs or his Deputy.

Made by the Governor in Council under the provisions of The Whale Oil (Export Regulation) Ordinance, 1915, this third day of December, 1915.

T. N. GODDARD,
Clerk to the Executive Council.

M.P. 1233/15.

Douglas Young
Governor.

Falkland Islands.

DOUGLAS YOUNG,
Governor.

Order by the Governor in Council.

*The New Edition of the Ordinances of the Colony to be in force in the Dependencies
as far as circumstances permit.*

The Legislative Council of the Colony of the Falkland Islands having by Resolution at a Meeting of the Council held on the 29th day of November, 1915, approved The New Edition of the Ordinances of the Colony, in conformity with the provisions of The New Edition of the Ordinances Ordinance, 1911, the Governor in Council hereby declares, under the provisions of The Dependencies Ordinance, 1908, that the New Edition of the Ordinances of the Colony shall be and the same are hereby declared to be in force in the Dependencies of the Colony subject only to such qualifications as local circumstances render necessary and permit.

Made by the Governor in Council under the provisions of The Dependencies Ordinance, 1908, this third day of December, 1915.

T. N. GODDARD,
Clerk to the Executive Council.