

522.
 Mr. Waddle.

4th June, 1.

Sir,

I will commence my Despatch in anticipation of the arrival of the first intermediate Steamer.

2. I have endorsed the bill for £100. herewith enclosed, drawn by Mr. J. Nogueira, as you will observe that it is payable to the Manager of the Falkland Islands Company.

3. Although both the Storekeepers — assured me that the parcel from Wanger & Co was not found in Cook's case, I am glad to say that it has now reached Mr. Geo. Cobb all right.

4. Allow me to remark that I received no Shipping Gazette by the last mail.

5. I communicated Messrs. Ransom's remarks relative to the breaking of the Punch and Shear to the Blacksmiths, who have both

J. Coleman Esq.

Secretary London.

Lakes

both taken the imputation as to unfair usage very much to heart; so much so, that Chaplin has begged me to forward to you the enclosed statement, in which he replies to the said remarks in his own peculiar and graphic style.

6. Noble has asked me to request you to send out in time for the next season at least Green & Weighing machine (of not less than 12 cwt.), as also 2 axes for chopping up the sheep. He tells me that Mr. Cobb is aware of these things being required for the work.

7. May I trouble you to obtain from the Brokers an exact definition of what is meant by "tallow damaged" wool?

8. I enclose herewith Messrs Bertrand & Melton's Indent of goods for the "Orissa", together with small supplementary orders from Weddell Ireland and Mr. Blake; but please to note that the latter's order for Preses has already been sent direct to Messrs. Currier & Co.

9. Mr. Bell has requested me to order

for North Amer., a light single horse drag, with as broad wheels as possible. The one sent out for Walker Creek some years ago is, I am told, admirably adapted for the purposes — required; so I presume that you cannot do better than to send one exactly like it.

10. I enclose a draft for \$112. on Messrs. Hoare & Co in settlement of debt. R. Cameron's account, together with an extract from the letter which accompanied it.

11. The Norwegian Bark "Selma" of Christiania, 1224 tons, J. R. Agerup, Master, from Cardiff to Honolulu, with a cargo of about 1400 tons of Steam boats and some Pig iron, arrived here on the 22^d ultimo, leaking very badly, owing to heavy straining during a fearful gale, which she encountered when about 100 miles from Staten Island. I enclose for your information press copies of the two Surveys already held upon her, from which you will see that

her case is almost hopeless, and that she is
 practically condemned, as the Surgeons estimate
 that the cost of repairing her would amount to, at
 least, £5000. Capt. Agnew declines however
 to himself accept the responsibility of so doing,
 and proceeds by this steamer to Montevideo, in
 order to be able to consult by cablegram with
 his owner, Mr. Chr. Gernichow of Christiania,
 whose Agents in London are Messrs H. Clarkson
 & Co, 20 Billiter Street, E.C. and with whom, I
 trust you will be able to negotiate for the purchase
 of the vessel and her cargo, in case she is ultimately
 condemned; as I understand that the purchase of
 the "Great Britain" and her cargo was effected at
 home. Since writing the foregoing, Capt. Agnew
 has requested Mr. Pelton, the Acting Consul for
 Norway to obtain from me an estimate of the cost
 "of temporary repairs sufficient to enable him to"
 "proceed to a port where he could place the vessel"
 "in a dry dock to effect thorough repairs." —

For your information I enclose herewith a copy of the said Estimate.

12. On the 30th ultimo, the Bk. "Knight Commander" of Liverpool, 1435 tons register, John Murdoch, Master, with a general cargo from Antwerp for San Francisco, arrived here with several of her rudder gudgeons gone, tiller lost and other damage. She will have to discharge several hundred tons of cargo, and it will, I anticipate, be a heavy job for our Blacksmiths. Captain Murdoch assures me that his Owners, Messrs Wm. Louden & Co, Brick Chambers, Water Street, Liverpool, will not fail to honour his draft upon them for the amount of the ship's disbursements and repairs here. You will, however, no doubt arrange a credit as usual. This vessel was towed into Sandy Point last year disabled; and was there for 9 or 10 months, all the materials, etc. needed to repair her having been sent out to her from England.

13. My telegrams to you from Montevideo will

will contain the following four words: "Pastime
Grindlay Pleitista Goldsworth" meaning that you
are requested to pay Messrs Grindlay & Co the sum of
£50. for account of Sir Roger Goldsworthy. Please
also to note that in order to economise a word, I
shall in future put the letter g at the end of the word
Grindlay - thus "Grindlayg" will imply that the
message is from Sir Roger Goldsworthy.

14. It is with pleasure that I am able
to report that our Store Sales are well maintained,
the total up to the end of May being £220. in
excess of the corresponding five months of
last year.

15. I enclose herewith 137 Lading of the
frozen carcasses shipped per "Hesperia", endorsed
by Mr. Pelton. That vessel sailed on the ^{11th} or ^{12th}
instant with 13900 carcasses on board. The Steamers
"Bayley" and "Victoria (Star of)" took respectively
2007 and 2157; the total number of sheep
frozen being 19200. Mr. Ingham returns
to England by the earliest opportunity.

June 13th 16. On Saturday last the 6th instant, Stanley was in a state of nervous excitement — owing to the appearance in the harbour of a large Steamer flying the Chilean flag astern and the long pennant on the mainmast. She turned out to be the armed Transport "Aisén", belonging to the  Sud Americano de Repares, but hired or annexed by the Congressional Party. She had a Military Commander, a Capt. P^{do} Gómez of the Chilean Army, and a sailing master, with the rank of Captain, probably her skipper when trading; there were, I believe, nearly 200 troops on board. All the Officers and crew were from the beginning very reticent and mysterious as to why they put in here and as to their future movements. They then gave it out that they had to effect certain repairs to their engines, and later that they wanted both coal and water. They called upon the Governor a few hours after their arrival and he received them, but only as a private individual. His Excellency was fortunately showed them a copy of the Gazette

10th of March, 19th in which I was gazetted and
 recognized as Acting Consul for the Republic of
 Chili; but when they called on me immediately
 after seeing the Governor, I said that they must
 consider that they were calling on the danger of
 the U. S. S., and not on the Acting Consul for Chili;
 in support of which statement, I showed them a
 copy of Mr. Cobb's letter to the Minister for Foreign
 Affairs at Santiago, in which he simply recognized
 his appointment as Consul, without proposing me
 as his successor in office, or even suggesting that I
 should act as such for them. They seemed somewhat
 disconcerted at hearing that they had no Consul to
 act for them, whereupon I told them that, even had
 I been acting in that capacity, I could not have
 recognized them, as Mr. Cobb's Commission had most
 certainly been voided by President Beltracchi or
 his Predecessor, with whom they were actually at open
 warfare. The Governor refused them even the rights
 of Belligerents, although I sent him a cutting from

the Times in which it was stated that the French
 Government had practically recognized them as
 such by ordering the detention of certain vessels
 building for the Government party in French
 dock yards, and the sailing master of the "Haïphong"
 told me that the English Government had virtually
 done the same thing by stopping the manufacture of
 some Armstrong guns at Blairgowrie destined for the
 same party. However as neither the Governor nor I
 had any official knowledge of these facts, we were
 obliged to treat them as Insurgents; but H. B. —
 ultimately relented to the extent of allowing the
 Company to supply them with 95 tons of Coal and
 100 tons of Fresh Water, according to his letter to
 the Commander of the "Haïphong", a copy of which I
 enclose herewith. This I did my very best to do,
 but, partly owing to the delay in arranging the
 financial part of the business, but more especially
 on account of the fearfully bad weather which prevailed,
 I was only able to deliver 30 tons of Coal and 10
 tons of Water @ 10% and 70% per ton respectively.

as per enclosed account. I accepted as payment
 two drafts @ 90dps. on the City Bank for £100. & £50.
 which will, I trust, be duly honoured at maturity.
 Capt. Gomez told the Governor that he was bound to
 Cape de Verde Islands; he left the harbour at daylight
 on the 11th instant, and had not been gone more than
 a couple of hours, when the "Maipo" was seen returning
 towards the south in company with a large two masted
 Steamer, which was of course taken for the intermediate
 Kermas boat, which has been daily expected for a week
 now. They kept close company all the time they were
 in sight, and were last seen about 3.30 p.m. steering
 to the S.W. Westward. She was an English built Steamer,
 two masted, and her funnel painted with Black, white
 and red bands. She was very low in the water, and the
 general opinion is that she had a consignment of
 arms, ammunition and stores for the "Maipo" - the
 late as to the latter vessel requiring repairs or coal
 and water being simply a nuisance. In any case the
 inhabitants of Stanley are considerably relieved at
 her having left the harbour. As an outcome of all

this His Excellency has requested the Admiralty and also the Senior Naval Officer on the Station to send down a Gunboat, which could be stationed here pending the settlement of affairs in Chili. Further the Governor has sanctioned, and in fact himself proposed, the establishment of a Volunteer Corps for the defence of the place, composed of 25 Artillerymen and 75 Lineamen; and I believe that between 50 and 60 have already enrolled themselves. Pardon me referring at such length to this matter, but as it is not at all unlikely that it will sooner or later become a "Diplomatic Question," I think it better that you should be in possession of all the facts.

June 22^d Already further complications have arisen in connection with this matter, as yesterday about noon a 2 masted Ste. was seen approaching from the southward. She entered the harbour about 2 p.m. and turned out to be the S. S. "Wandle" of London, Kirkwood, Master. The Master came on shore early this morning, and ordered some sheep, vegetables and a few other stores, at the same time

offering to sell me a couple of hundred tons of
 Bunker coals @ 60¢ per ton, which, of course, I
 declined. He then went up to Government Office
 and admitted to the authorities that he had supplied
 the "Maipo" with coals in S. Sebastian Bay, Terra
 del Fuogo, and had come in here for a few provisions,
 etc. and to obtain a clearance and Bill of Health
 to enable him to proceed to Monte Video. This, the
 Collector of Customs could not, on the face of the
 ship's papers accede to, and not only have they retained
 the said papers, but are going to proceed against the
 Master for an offence against the Merchant Shipping
 Act, viz:—that of concealing his identity by the
 obliteration of her name on the ship's books, which
 the Pilot affirms he did, and which, I believe, the
 Master does not deny. They further make no secret
 of the fact that they did actually deliver several
 thousand stands of arms, etc. to the "Maipo", besides
 the coals, so there can be but little doubt that the
 Home Government would (with the experience of the
 Alabama case before her) support the Governor's
 action in the matter. Another strange incident in

connection with this "Maipo" affair is, that on the
 very day (the 6th inst.) of the arrival of the said Steamer,
 a Black, showing no flag or signals of any —
 description, was on off the south coast of the Islands,
 proceeding under easy sail and apparently all well.
 On Sunday morning the 9th inst. the Government
 schooner "Madagascar" went out to her, and got near
 enough to speak to her when some 8 or 10 miles from
 shore. She turned out to be the American Bk. "J. I.
 Carlston" of Camden (Maine). The Master, at first,
 said that he did not want a Pilot; then that his
 cargo had shifted and ultimately that he was short-
 handed; none of which statements appeared credible
 by those on board the "Madagascar". Ultimately, the
 Master asked for a Pilot, whereupon B. Wilmer, the
 Assistant Pilot was put on board, and the "Madagascar"
 returned to Stanley. The weather was thick at the
 time, and since then, now 16 days ago, the vessel has
 never been even sighted or heard of anywhere in
 the Islands. She may or may not have had any-
 thing to do with the "Maipo", but people are naturally
 getting anxious concerning Wilmer's fate.

17. On Saturday the 20th inst. the American
 ship "St. John", Pales, Master, 97 days out from
 New York, with a valuable general cargo for San
 Francisco, anchored at the entrance to Port William.
 It turned out that her rudder head had been badly
 sprung, with other damage on deck during a heavy
 gale off Staten Island about a fortnight^{ago} since
 when she had been vainly endeavouring to make
 Stanley. As she was in a very exposed position, and
 might have to wait weeks for a fair wind to get in,
 the Captain and the American Consul requested, and
 obtained permission from the authorities to allow her
 being towed into the harbour by the Str. "Wardle",
 which the latter vessel's Master consented to do for
 £120. The American Consul is about to call a
 meeting, but I do not think that the cost of repairs
 will be very heavy; in any case Capt. Pales tells
 me that he is authorized to draw upon Messrs
 Messrs Bros. & Co. Ltd. for the ship's disbursements,
 a statement you will, no doubt, be able to verify
 on reference to the said firm.

June 26th 10 am. "The Ste. 'Wardle', whose Captain was yesterday fined £500. for the offence referred to above is taking a dail up to Monte video, which does in an hour, so I have only time to confirm herewith my telegram to you per Messrs Humphreys & Co, which should read as follows:

"Federal Schino Lapereau (Consent Consent Mandate)
"Participa Alase Clarkson."

"Knight Commander Gordon Liverpool."

"St. John Chapman New York."

"Partione Grindley Plinthum Goldworthy."

Capt. Agerup of the "Schino", who goes up to Monte video (as also de Ingwersen) by the "Wardle" intends to cable to his Owner's Agents Messrs Clarkson & Co of Billiter Street, with whom you had better communicate at once, as there is, I think, but little doubt that the vessel will be condemned. The estimated value £600. as telegraphed above, is Johnson's idea of her value to us as a hulk.

19. The Outward mail has not yet arrived, but we hear from the Coast that Valparaiso has been blockaded, which would account for the non arrival of the intermediate Kosmos Steamers.

20. I am daily expecting the "Princess"
 back from Port Stephens, when I shall at
 once commence to load her for England.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Richard C. Baillon.

Manager.

List of Enclosures.

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Duplicate Dispatch No. 521

" Journal & Cash Book for April

" Country Insurance for April

" Specification (NA) Local

" Indent from Charles

" Returns of Stanley Establishment 1st 2nd

" Indent from Hill Cove

" Statement on a/c.

" Indent from Baillon & Chastigny

" Indent No. 113

" Letter from Mr. Nichol to Mr. Baillon

2nd Exchange £ 195 on Spilving Waldron

1st " £ 100 on John Haversley & Co

1st " £ 112 " " " "

Indent from Roy Cove with letter of advice

Supplementary Indent from Madell Island

" " Hill Cove & Shallow Bay

Cash Vouchers, East & West Stores

Chaplin's reply to Messrs Racour's letter re lunch & Shic

Excerpt from W. H. Cameron's letter of 28th May

Country Insurance for May

Press copies of 1st & 2nd Curveys & Labins

Cash Book & Journal for May

Estimate repairs of Labins

1st Exchange @ 90 s on City Bank, London £ 100 £ 50

sp of Supplies to Transport Corps. £ 156.

Bill of lading for 4693 Carcasses of Sheep

Copy of letter from Gov. J. G. J. to Capt. of Corps

Cheque for £ 10 on Messrs Girdley & Co

Indent No 114

Mr. Nichols report with 5 Enclosures

Duplicate letter to Mr. Baillon

Copy of letter from Stanley Postmaster

Statement on accounts.

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 "Raines"
via Sandy Point.

29th June 1.

Sir,

The above named Ste. arrived here this morning, bringing me your Despatch of 7th of the 20th ulto., with enclosures in order. I did not get my mail until noon, and as the post closes at 4 a.m. tomorrow (Sunday) morning, I must necessarily be brief. His Excellency is, it appears, so much afraid of this Steamer not being in time for the Pacific boat due at Sandy Point on July 1st, that he insists upon closing the mail at that most unreasonable hour.

2. Per. 10. I note the Board's decision — relative to the proposed new station in Lofamia, and beg to assure you that this important question shall receive due consideration and attention both by Mr. Nichol and myself.

3. Per. 5. The two Storekeepers (Fredk. King

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and

and James Turner are extremely gratified at the appreciation of their services shown by the Board, and they request me to tender to the Directors their best and grateful thanks for the handsome presents awarded to them.

4. I am much pleased to hear that the "Singapore's" large bills have been accepted, and trust that they will be duly paid at maturity. The Owners, Messrs. Gildemeister and Ries, write me by this mail complaining of the enormous charges for labour, etc. and say: "Your accounts are very clear in stating the different materials used, the prices for the same, etc. but we miss any direction, enabling our Adjuster to decide, which materials have been used for repairs going to 'General average' and which have to be reckoned as 'particular average'." They further proceed to ask for a quantity of further information, which I fear I cannot possibly give them; but as soon as the mail has gone, I will go into the matter with Johnson, and reply to them as fully as possible.

5. Per. 19. With reference to Messrs. Ullmann, Hirschhorn & Co's request for £10. of halfferrying postage

Stamps, the Postmaster much regrets being unable to supply me with even \$1. worth, as he has but very few left and requires those for use in the colony. The new 2^{1/2} stamps have arrived, but will not be available for this mail.

6. Messrs. Humphreys & Co have communicated to me a cablegram received by them from you on the 17th instant worded as follows: "Discontinue Edith" "Waldron statement repairs harmful Apple-dore England" "whole portaters including dicer Johnson underling" which I interpret thus: "Employ a dicer immediately" "Edith Waldron authority has been given to repair only" "sufficient to bring home in ballast to Apple-dore" "England. Expenses must not exceed \$500. including" "dicer. Johnson might superintend."

From this I conclude that the Owners have abandoned the "C. W." to the Underwriters, for whom you are authorized to act. Capt. Hurst returned from Montevideo by the "Rameses", and is greatly disappointed that his Owners did not adopt his views, and let him bring a dicer down from there and then take her to A.R. to be docked and repaired. Unfortunately Johnson is busily engaged with all his men on the "St. John".

and Biggs is in charge of the work on the "Knight
 Commander", although it is essentially a Blacksmith's
 job. However I have arranged with Capt. Hunt that
 Biggs should endeavour to get at a rough estimate
 of the approximate cost, which is certain to exceed the
 stipulated £500. and I will send a cablegram via
 Montevideo by the intermediate Str. which will, I fully
 expect, be here in the course of next week.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Andrew G. Baillon.

Manager.

List of Enclosures.

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"Herodot."

11th July, 1.

Sir,

The above named Steamer —
 arrived at 5 p.m. yesterday, bringing one
 your Despatch of 54 of May 26th and 30th,
 with Enclosures in order. Unfortunately she can
 not take more than from 700 to 800 Bales, but it
 is supposed that the "Karnak" will follow in 12 or 14
 days time, and will, I trust, be able to take the balance
 of our clients' wool. I shall have to wait until then
 for the mail which I hope you succeeded in having
 despatched from Liverpool on the 10th ultimo.

2. Per 8. I note the contracts you have made
 to supply the Steers "Fulwell" and "Venture" with Steam
 coals, and trust that the "Glla's" arrival here will
 not be much longer delayed.

3. On the 30th ultimo I tendered payment
 to the Colonial Treasurer of the sum of £103. 11. 3

4. Colman & Co.

Secretary London.

that

that being the amount of a half year's interest on \$12204.12.0 the unpaid balance of the Company's recent land purchase, but the Col. Treasurer refused to accept such payment. I enclose copies of the correspondence on the subject, and await your further instructions.

14. The Land question is still giving rise to much heated discussion and lengthy correspondence. Mr. Nichol has been in Stanley for ten days recently, and has had several interviews with the Governor relative to this very thorny question. These interviews and letters take up a great deal of time, and have necessitated my being away from the Office a good deal lately. We have, however, obtained one admission from H.C. and that is, that the Leases in which the boundaries are clearly defined, viz. from point to point, cannot be interfered with, and that the proposed 'assumption scheme' will only affect those Leases in which the boundary is given as so many miles and that the Lessee is found to occupy more than those said miles; one or two

of the Comptroller's leaves being cases in point.
 I am much afraid that you will not get Mr.
 Nichol's Report by this mail, a fact all the more
 to be regretted, that he told me that he would deal
 at some length with the land question. However
 to keep you as well informed as I possibly can,
 I enclose copies of a letter addressed to me by Mr.
 Nichol, ^{dated June 20th} and which I communicated to the Colonial
 Secretary for H. C.'s information on June 30th. This
 copy does not contain the paragraph, which appeared
 in the first edition of the said letter, and owing to
 which the Col. Secy. declined to submit the letter to
 His Excellency. In the obnoxious paragraph, Mr.
 Nichol merely said that "until he got my letter, he"
 "thought that H. C. was amusing himself at our"
 "expense". Mr. Nichol himself intended to tell you
 this, as I do not hesitate to do so; I send you further
 copy of the Col. Secy's reply to Mr. Nichol's letter,
 of a letter addressed to me by Mr. Nichol, reporting
 the substance of his interview with H. C.; and lastly copy
 of a letter addressed by me to all the settlers on the
 East and West Islands, putting before them as

concisely and fairly as possible the Governor's ideas on the land question, my object being to obtain, if possible, united action on the part of all the shareholders. I trust that my action in this matter will meet with the approval of the Directors.

5. Mr Bertrand desires me to request the Directors to use, if possible, their powerful influence in support of his application for the purchase of his land, made, as you are aware, some time before Governor Kere left the Colony, and which the present Governor admits to still hold good.

6. I have informed Mr Schlottfeldt that the negotiations with the Koomas relative to the renewal of the Wool contract would be carried out by the Land Office, which is, I presume, in accordance with your wishes.

7. Capt. Hunt of the "Edith Waldron", accompanied by Biggs, the Foreman Carpenter, left in the "Castalia" for Port Howard on the 10th instant, but as I have not yet heard from the latter, I am unable to communicate to you the result of his survey. Before leaving, however, he gave me a rough estimate

estimate of the probable cost of repairing her, a copy of which I enclose for your information. You will observe that it exceeds considerably the Underwriters' limit of £500. but that, should they be able to dispense with the services of a diver, it would not be so very much in excess. I hope, however, to be able to report fully on this subject by the "Kennet."

8. The "Jenny Brundit" sailed from Port Howard on the 28th ultimo for England.

9. C. Nelson wishes to have his "Yellow feet Brissa" insured for £60. I regret to say that the said vessel has not yet returned with the Port Stephens coal, having lately encountered some terrific weather; in fact from Capt. Winther's last letter, she must have had a very narrow escape. I much regret that she will be so late in leaving for England this year, but the delay has really been unavoidable.

10. Dec. 3. I trust that the 150000 Split pins which you propose shipping by the 18th July "Kennet" Str. will be the right length, as the 130000 "Reserve" were again the short ones and practically useless.

useless.

11. A letter and packet of photographs sent by Mr. Cobbe to Mr. James Hamilton, brother of Capt. Hamilton of the late Bk. Arthur's, and addressed to Messrs. Dilne, Wyles & Co, 13 St. Mary Ave. R.C., have been returned to me through the Post Office with the remark "unknown". Would it not be as well to inquire of Messrs. Dilne & Co as to the present whereabouts of Mr. Hamilton?

12. Mr. Cobbe's account is perfectly correct according to the Stanley Ledger, and the balance will be passed as per your statement.

13. In the copy of the Falkland Islands Gazette enclosed herewith, you will see the Draft of an Ordinance, which, with certain modifications, it is proposed to make law in this Colony. It is such a serious measure, and its effect as far reaching that the unofficial members of the Legislative Council intend, at the meeting on Monday next, to request the Governor to defer the second reading for some little time, pending in fact the appointment of a Committee to thoroughly sift the question. In the meantime I

have instructed Mr. Krager, the Storekeeper at
Darien, to send me an exhaustive report as to
how such an Act would affect the Company's
business there and at North Star. The said
Act would not of course apply to Starkey.

14. This being an intermediate boat,
Capt. Prehn refuses to wait, as the mail closes
at 3 p.m. and I have no time for more.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Andrew E. Baillon.

Manager.

List of Enclosures.

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" Statement on accounts

" Indent No 115

Cash Vouchers East & West India
Cheques on London £50, £17. 14. 2

2nd Exchange for £50 on City Bank

Drafts on Washington @ 15^{ths} \$403.05. 7 & \$118.07.

Copy of letter from Mr. Baillon to Col. West re Interest

" " " Col. Treasurer to Mr. Baillon. —

" " " Mr. Nichol to Mr. Baillon re land question

" " " Col. Secretary to Mr. Baillon —

" " " Mr. Baillon to Col. Secretary —

" " " Mr. Nichol to Mr. Baillon —

" " " Mr. Baillon to Letters —

Mr. Riggs estimate of repairs re "Edith Wuldron"

Statement upon accounts.

Oakland Islands Gazette of 2nd July

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"Kermack"

18th July, 1.

Sir,

The second intermediate Kermack Steamer being now hourly expected, I will not await her arrival to commence my Despatch.

2. The Bureau Agents omitted to advise the Col. Treasury here of the Draft for £600, contained in your Despatch No 954 of May 26th, but it was duly paid to me on presentation.

3. I am sending to you, in the care of old Owen Morrison a bottle of Gold Dust of the nominal value of £90, which Capt. Willis has requested me to have sent to the Bank of England, and the proceeds thereof paid to Messrs Whyte and Riddale, 74 & 75 Roundelitch, Bishopsgate, E.C., for account of the Revd T. Bridges, Dorchester, &c.

4. Mr. W. L. Williams asks me to request you to be good enough to cancel the Boots and Shoes ordered in his Indent for Weddell Island transmitted.

F. Coleman Esq
Secretary London.

to you in my Despatch No 521.

5. With reference to the date from which our clients should be credited in interest account with the amount of any Bills they may give, will you kindly inform me whether I may take it as granted that the date, given in the London Journal Entry, is invariably the date of Acceptance of the Bill; in which case, I should of course at once know the date of Maturity, and only give credit (as regards the interest) from such date.

6. The "Collo" arrived here on the 16th inst. after a voyage of 89 days and having experienced some very bad weather between The Plate and here. She brought me your letter of April 13th with — Enclosures in order, and will, I trust, commence to discharge her cargo today.

7. Mr Henry Waldron has asked me to have his Produce, which is on its way home per "Genoa's Brindist", insured for £900. (Nine hundred pounds), but I presume that no Insurance can take place until this reaches you, and would only be valid, providing the ship be safe and sound at the time you effect the said Insurance. His Fellow, going home per "Vesta"

he wishes insured for £200. This gentleman's account is not in quite as satisfactory a state as it might be, but he informs me that Mr. B. Waldron will pay shortly to his credit a sum of £600. and Messrs Moore & Co a further sum of £400. on the sale of his Wool.

8. I enclose herewith a letter from Capt. Hansen, requesting you to send him some furniture for his Stanley residence out by the "Orissa".

9. On Sunday the 19th inst. the M^{rs}. "Iron Queen", Thomson, Master and owned by Messrs G. H. Fletcher & Co of Liverpool, arrived in Port William. She is 100 days out from Costa Rica and bound to Palmyra with a cargo of Cedar and other wood. I am supplying her with fresh water and Provisions, and hope to be able to enclose a draft upon the Owners for the amount of her disbursements in the present Despatch. Capt. Murdoch, of the "Knight Commander", had intended to send home by the "Iron Queen", one of his Apprentices, named Guy S. Patterson, the son of an Army Chaplain, who has been under Nurse Preston's care for several weeks.

but I regret to say that the poor young fellow died yesterday morning (the 24th inst.) of galloping consumption. The doctor of the Ste. "Herodot" had refused to take him home on account of his very delicate condition.

10. I send you herewith three drafts on Mr. J. A. Sears in settlement of the Port Stephens, Pebble Island and Mr. J. H. Sears' private accounts. Further I hope to be able to enclose Mr. Mathews' draft on Mr. W. H. Waldron in settlement of Mr. J. A. Waldron's half yearly account.

11. The "Hedassah" is now bringing in the members of the Seal Commission from the West, and some important meetings will no doubt be held in the course of next week. Mr. Geo. Cobbe, Mr. Blake, Mr. Mathews, and of course Mr. Nichol will be at my house. A little later the whole of the Commission will proceed to the West to take evidence there. The Commission of Enquiry on the Land system has not yet commenced its labours. I have lately attended four meetings of the Legislative Council within eight days, and there is no doubt but that we are in for a regular dose of legislation; all these meetings, etc. are most disturbing and interfere seriously with my office work.

2.)
 12. August 1st The "Kermack" arrived this morning, bringing me your Despatch No 900 of the 9th and 13th June, with its few enclosures in order.

13. Par. 2. It is with much regret that I learn of the death of Mr. John Bonner, and shall not fail to advise you of any legal proceedings which may take place here.

14. Par. 3. I am pleased to hear that Mr. W. B. Waldron has paid in £500. for Mr. Henry Waldron's account, but as that is only half the sum mentioned by him and referred to in Par. 10 of this, I shall be glad to receive definite instructions as to how to deal with this account, more especially after what you say respecting Mr. W. B. Waldron declining to be answerable for any of Mr. Henry Waldron's debts.

15. Par. 7. I much regret that your Telegram, concerning the "Edith Waldron", should have led me to suppose that the £500. authorized expenditure on the repair of the said vessel must include the expenses of a Diver, etc. As it is, after talking the matter over with Captain Hunt and giving due consideration to Biggs' Report of Survey, I advertised for Tenders to repair the vessel sufficiently

sufficiently to allow her to proceed to England in
 ballast. Having no personal knowledge of a similar
 case, I had to be guided by what Biggs, the Foreman
 Carpenter, told me, viz: that Mr. Cobb never took any
 contract work for the Company; the case being made
 still more difficult for me by the fact that Captain
 Hunt told me that the whole matter was in my hands, as
 his Powers had abandoned the vessel to the Underwriters
 under the circumstances, and strengthened by Biggs'
 opinion, I came to the conclusion that I should be
 doing best for the interests of all concerned in accepting
 the only Tender made, viz: one of £ 76. (Five hundred
 and seventy six pounds) by ^{four} ~~three~~ of the Carpenters, who,
 with four assistants, left for Port Howard in the
 "Hornet" on the 30th ultimo. I do not see how the
 Underwriters can well object to the extra £ 76. more
 specially as I am inclined to think that the £ 500.
 given as the limit, is really exclusive of the £ 100. the
 supposed cost of the diving apparatus. For your
 information I send you herewith a copy of Biggs'
 Report of Survey, his Specification of the necessary
 repairs and of the Carpenters' Tender for the Repairs.
 I am however at a loss to know how I can make

any charge for commissions on the amount of the contract, viz. £500 6. for which I shall have to draw, I presume, upon the ~~undersigned~~ ^{Hughes} Messrs. Spearing & Waldron, as best. Hunt declines to do so, owing to their having, according to their telegram to him, abandoned the vessel to the Underwriters. It is understood with the Contractors for the Repairs that it is a case of "insure, no pay" but on the other hand, if they succeed, they expect "cash down"; so I consider that I shall be justified in charging a commission of 5% for the advance of funds and all our trouble, etc.

16. I send you herewith a Specification of Messrs. Holmsted & Blake's Tallow, which is to be shipped per "Gloss", now loading at Port Howard, @ 20/- per ton, but consigned to the F. I. Company.

17. I am sending you per "Karnock" a case marked  containing two diving dresses and one helmet, which please to have tested and repaired, as it is useless attempting to have them patched up here. As we have only one complete suit left here now, it is important that these things should be returned to Stanley with as little delay as possible. Diving has been necessary for both the "Knight Commanders" and "St. John's" repairs.

Wiggs has just been in to say that one of the dresses, which he intended to send home, is really beyond repair, and suggests that you should send out as soon as possible two new dresses together with the one I send for repairs by this ste. Parcel receipt for the case in question accompanies this.

19. I certainly think that very strong representations should be made to the managers of the Kosmos Company as to the way they have carried out their Wool Contract with us this year. It is not so much the great delay, which, of course, we know is a case of "force majeure" owing to the Revolution in Chili, but it is the fact of their sending homeward bound Steamers here, which can take either no Wool at all, or only about half the usual quantity. Many of our clients are loud in their complaints on this matter, and have requested me to ask if they cannot obtain compensation in some shape or other. I very much fear that this Steamer will not take more than 800 bales, which will leave (including the Sheepskins) some 11 or 1200 bales for shipment by the "Pais", which Henry Schlottfeldt assures me will be here, as an extra boat, early in September.

19. Messrs Humphreys & Co of London
 have communicated to me your telegram worded
 thus: "Bering Bros. Kingston freeholders" —
 "patronage granted" meaning that we are authorized
 to draw at sight on Bering Bros. for £1000. in account
 of the disbursements of the St. John. The repairs to
 this vessel have been most promptly and satisfactorily
 carried out by Johnson, and she is now lying in
 Port Williams ready for use. I have pleasure in
 enclosing herewith copies of her accounts and the
 of a sight draft on Messrs Bering Bros. & Co, Limited
 for £1000. 6. 10

20. The "Orissa" arrived here at last on the
 21st ultimo, after a most disastrous crossing season.
 She had a very narrow escape at the end of June
 in Sanglee Channel, and on the 25th of that month
 had to slip an anchor and 40 fathoms of cable.
 On June 26th he wrote to me as follows: "We have had
 'nothing but gales lately with a few hours of calm
 'between the shifting of the winds. I hope to get this
 'job over soon; but it is altogether too late to work a
 'vessel like the "Orissa" round the Islands, 16 hours dark,
 'in and out of 24. It is very unfair of the West Highland
 people

"people to keep their wool so late."

She is now loading the Tallow as fast as she possibly can, and I hope that she will be able to sail for England about the 20th to 25th instant. Captains Winther both voted and attended a Protest, a copy of which I shall send you by next mail.

21. Capt. Agents of the St. John's did not return by this mail, but went early in July to Buenos Aires to consult with the Norwegian American writers' Agent. He informed Messrs Humphreys that he has not been able to arrange anything definite.

22. The repairs to the St. John's Knight Commander are progressing satisfactorily, but very slowly indeed. I am having great trouble with the blacksmiths Chaplin & Ogilvie, who, although perfectly ready and willing to abide by their agreements, are terribly discontented at their receiving so much less than the former Cooper's, where on such a heavy and ticklish job ^(exclusively blacksmith's work) as that of the above named vessel. They are both most excellent workmen, and there is no doubt but that all their work reflects great credit upon them and the establishment, but if men are once discontented as these men are, you cannot thoroughly rely upon them. Before Mr. Cobb left, he had thought of the advisability

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of having a third Smith, and Chaplin certainly
seems to favor the idea; but should such a course be
decided upon, I would respectfully suggest that
an Englishman and not a Scotchman be selected,
for in my humble opinion, there are already too
many Scotchmen about the place, and the "esprit
de corps" (in a wrong direction) much too pronounced
amongst them. Both Chaplin and Ogilvie tell me
that owing to the very high prices of everything
here they cannot possibly keep out of debt on their
present wages. J. King, the cooper, another
Scotchman, is far from giving full satisfaction.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

Andrew B. Beilham

Manager.

List of Enclosures.

- Duplicate Dispatch No. 674
 " Statement on accounts
 2nd Exchange on John Moore & Co £100
 " Exchange - City Bank £100
 " " " report & 3 enclosures
 Specification of Charles Wood
 Barque on London £5 £1. + £12. + £15.
 1st Exchange £593. 16. 9 @ 10 1/2% on J. & A. G.
 1st " £300. 17. 9 @ 20 1/2% " "
 1st " £188. 1. 5 @ 20 1/2% " "
 1st " £108. 11. 6 @ 20 1/2% G. H. F. & Co.
 1st " £1451. 10. 8 @ 20 1/2% W. B. M. & Co.
 1st " £707. 6. 4 @ 20 1/2% Baring Bros.
 Letter from Capt. Hemmen to Mr. Coleman
 Group of Maps Return, 30th June 1891
 Return of Establishment
 Cash Book & Journal for June
 Stanley Ledger Balances to 30th June 1891
 Coasting Insurance for June
 Letter of advice from Capt. Hemmen, "Don Quixote"
 Accounts for Bk. "Don Quixote".
 Shipping report
 Specification of Holmsted & Blake's Tallow.
 Account of Ship "St. John" & letter of advice
 Orders No 115 & 116
 Report of Survey on "Edith Wilder"
 Specification of repairs to do
 Contract for repairs to do
 Parcel receipt for 1 Box for "Harnaok".
 Statement on accounts.
 Copy of letter from Mr. Major to Mr. Pittman at London

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Itaks.
"Thames"

20th August, 1.

Sir,

The above named Steamer being hourly expected, I will commence my Despatch, although I have but little to report to you since my last communication.

2. Mr. C. Nilsson requests me to ask you to be good enough to acquaint him with the present price of Penguin Oil, as he is thinking of taking out a licence to kill these birds on New Bell. I may as well mention that Mr. N. is anxious to sell his New Island and has asked me to put a notice to that effect in the Buenos Ayres Standard.

3. I send you herewith Capt. Withers' extension of Protest, which will acquaint you with the damage sustained by the "Princess" on her last coasting trip. I enclose likewise accounts in duplicate of the repairs effected here and trust that you will have no difficulty in settling with the Underwriters.

Yr. Obedient Servant
Secretary London.

She will finish loading (Tallow, Hides and Sheep-skins) about the 22nd and sail for England, I hope, not later than the 26th or 27th instant.

4. Be good enough to furnish accounts of freight and other charges for clients' shipments per "Rannces" and other direct Steamers, as it is quite impossible to do it here, with the information and particulars at our disposal.

5. I regret having to report that several sheep have recently had to be slaughtered, owing to being badly infected with scab on Cattleff's land in Port Harriet. I need not remind you that this is within measurable distance of our Boundary. Mr. Perke, Cattleff's immediate neighbour, has persuaded the latter to allow him to dip as many sheep as possible at once, and they have been busy doing so for the last three days. Mr. P. tells me that Cattleff's arrangements for dipping, etc. are of the most primitive description. Is not this a very strong argument against the Governor's idea of establishing small farmers on the land? Mr. Nichol

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"Orissa"
direct.26th August, 1.

Sir,

I beg to enclose Bills of Lading and Manifest of this vessel's cargo, together with other papers as at foot.

2. The only passenger is Capt. Rowlands' little daughter, for whose passage I shall charge ten pounds (£10.)

3. The iron standards, etc. referred to in B/Lading No 4 is the fencing invoiced by Dennis & Co on October 5th 1890 and respecting which Mr. Cobb wrote to you in Dec. 16 in his Despatch No 513 of Dec. 13/90.

Enclosures:

4 Bills of Lading.
Manifest.
Specification of Tallow.
Particulars of Hides.
Specification of Boneash.
Freight Table.
Abstract of Orissa's coasting log.
Estimate of Orissa's earnings.
List of cases & parcels per Orissa.
Orissa's Account.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Andrew G. Beillon.
Manager.

Letters (open) for:

1. A. Dean
R. C. Parker
G. F. Beillon
J. Horne & Co

refer to this matter in his supplementary Report.

6. I think it will be advisable for you to order as soon as possible a new suit of sails for the 'Castalia', as her present ones are beginning to show unmistakable signs of wear and tear. Capt. Rowlands requests me to say that the main-sail should have Manila for the leech and buff and European rope for the foot and head. He would also be much obliged if you would kindly send out a pair of really good night glasses for the use of the Schooner.

7. I am glad to be at last able to report the sailing of the 'Prisee' on the 26th ultimo, and enclose herewith duplicate of my Despatch by her.

8. The 'Elle' left here in ballast for Montevideo on the 29th ultimo; her account accompanies this.

9. Mr. Wm. S. Williams is awaiting the arrival of the mail to go to England via Sandy Point. He requests me to ask you to be good enough to advance him, on demand, what money he may require up to \$200. that being about the amount now standing to the credit of his private account.

10. Mr. R. H. Aldridge has paid the sum of \$3. 7. 1 and requests that you will pay over the same to Mr. J. T. Norton for his account.

11. I regret having to report that the German Bk. "Concordia" of Blankensee stranded on the morning of the 19th ultimo at the entrance to Simpson Creek near Lion Point. She was bound from Macmillan to Quaqquid with a general cargo, composed chiefly of Wine, Spirits, Permannents, soap, bundles, etc. The Steward, a young Percequian, succeeded, after one failure, in reaching the shore, and hauling the remaining five of the crew on to the beach with him, but the Master and two mates refused to leave the vessel and their bodies were found lying on the beach the next morning. All the ship's papers were lost, and the Steward is able to give little or no information. Mr. Benquinetti, as Deputy Comander, went out in the "Madrasah", held an inquest on the bodies and gave them decent burial. He left two Customs House Officers on the spot to protect the Revenue, and as Receiver of Wrecks, has since claimed to take charge of the whole thing.

I have, however, been requested by Mr. Sanguinetti to assist as much as possible in carrying out the salvage operations, which will, owing to the exposed position of the vessel to the prevailing winds, be a very tedious and expensive operation. I have chartered the "Fair Rosamond" on behalf of Capt. Rowlands who is away in the "Castalia", and arranged salvage at 500%.

September 5th 12. The "Theben" arrived yesterday afternoon, bringing me a copy of your Despatch No 756 of 15th July and your Despatch No 757 of 1st August with Enclosures in order. I have likewise to acknowledge the receipt through Messrs. Humphreys & Co of your two cablegrams worded thus: "Koko woodstock stockbill silently" which means Koko is a total wreck stores will be forwarded by first steamer 26th September. See Renewal have secured Baillon Stickney. The loss of the "Koko" is greatly to be regretted, as we are already short of many articles in the stores, and unfortunately the October mail is not due until quite the end of the month. One mail bag was, as
 your

you say, saved, but the only letter I have received by it so far is one from Mr. Cobb of 1st July.

13. No 106, 2. I am much pleased to hear that in future the account of charges upon Clients' goods will be made up in London and sent out by the following mail. Will you kindly send a duplicate of the one you had sent per "Hicks" relative to the Apple Rings for Mrs. Williams per "Vivise".

14. No 106, 7. I note what you say as to the further very handsome donation made to the Stanley New Church by the shareholders of the Company. I shall debit Head Office with the £500. as cash to the Revd. Mr. Brandon, and credit the New Church Store Account through the Store Cash book with a similar sum, exchanging receipts with Mr. Brandon. As the mail closes at 1 p.m. today, I cannot possibly find time to see Mr. Brandon before then.

15. No 106, 19. It is very much to be regretted that the Baron Agents are unable to give you any more Drafts on the Col. Treasury, as this may cause us considerable inconvenience here at times, more especially if the Government decline, as they have done at times, to take my drafts on the Company.

in payment of Customs duties. Unfortunately I have not the copy of the Crown Agents' letter of July 15th to the Governor, but all the same I will see him and talk the matter over with him. You will, no doubt, have observed that our cash balance on July 31st was only £155. and on August 31st it was only £219. notwithstanding that we had had £900. in hand cash from C. Williams during the month. Under these circumstances I have no alternative but to ask you to send me out £2000. by the November mail; the crown and double florin pieces are very convenient for counting out, but please to send at least £500. in gold this time. There is also a great scarcity of copper coin in the colony; be good enough therefore to send £50. of pennies and £50. of 3 pieces.

16. I am pleased to hear that Messrs. Landon & Co will accept Capt. Macdonald's draft for the disbursements of the "Knight Commander"; the repairs on her will be completed early next week, and if he has no trouble with his crew (several having already refused duty) she will probably proceed to sea at the end of next week or early in the following one.

17. No 756. Par. 21. I note your remarks as to the necessity of ordering the Koh-I-Noor tobacco in advance; but at the request of Mr. Nichol and other gentlemen here I am sending you an indent for a trial shipment from T. G. Williams Company, of Richmond, Va. U. S. A. from whom Mr. Nichol has already received some goods, and which come through the Agents of the Kosmos Co in Hamburg. I am writing to them by this mail also.

18. All documents connected with the late J. Bonner's estate came safely to hand, and young Sam. Bonner will take them out to Berlin on Monday morning and confer with Mr. Nichol as to the best mode of action.

19. No 707. Par. 9. As there is no Parcel Post by this mail, I have packed up the Leases of the — purchased sections of Land, and have entrusted them to the care of Mr. J. W. Williams, who has promised to deliver them to you immediately on his arrival in London.

20. Dr. Schottfeldt assures me that the "Totines" will be here for the remainder of the week on the 9th instant, in which case she may possibly

being on the mail of the 4th and 5th August,
due at Sandy Point on the 7th inst. I only
hope it may be so.

21. The very latest feature of the Land
Question is that on the 3^d instant, I was served
with two Writs of Summons from the Supreme
Court of the Falkland Islands, at the suit respect-
ively of James Smith and William Moore, who
both claim 100 acres of Land from the Company
under the Emigration Act. I must of course
enter an appearance, but as I can plead complete
and absolute ignorance of the facts connected with
the case, I do not see how his Honor the Judge
can settle the matter without allowing me time
to refer it home for particulars and instructions.

22. They have just sent me down from
the Post Office the contents of one of the Akoo's mail
bags - but which is nothing better than a mass of
pulp; your Despatch and Enclosures are however
quite legible. Will you kindly send me a copy
of Chaplain's letter re the Punch & Press Machine.

I am,
Sir,
your obedient Servant
Andrew C. Baillou
Manager.

List of Enclosures.

Duplicate Despatch no 525
 " statement on accounts.
 " Journal & Cash Book for June
 " Balance sheet to 30th June
 " Letter to Mr. Clemens
 " Coasting Insurance for June
 " of "St. John's" ship
 " of "Iron Queen's" ship
 " Return of Establishment to 30th June
 " Indent no 116.
 2nd Exchange for \$1060
 2 " " for £707. 6.4 on Savings
 2 " " " £11. 11. 6 on G.H. Fletcher & Co
 2 " " " £593. 16. 9 on Am. Draw
 2 " " " £188. 11. 5 on —
 2 " " " £355. 17. 9 on —
 2 " " " £1451. 16. 8 on W.A. Waldron
 Cheque on Guaranty Co for £15
 South A. money acct for £31. 17. 7
 Accounts for Ella
 Indents. 116. 117. 118
 Coasting Insurance for July
 Cash vouchers East & West Stores for July
 Cash Book & Journal for July
 Mr. Nichols's report and four Enclosures
 Protest & account of repairs. "Orissa"
 Duplicate Despatch no 527 fr. Orissa.
 Mr. Nichols supplementary report & 1 Enclosure
 Coasting Insurance for August
 Copies of 2 writs of Summons
 Shipping report
 List of Leases sent to London fr W. S. Williams
 Statement on accounts.

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"Potatoes"

14th September, 1.

Sir,

The above named Steamer arrived here in the afternoon of the 11th instant, bringing me your Despatch No 759 of the 14th ultimo, with its enclosures in order.

2. Per. 6 I am much gratified to learn from the Despatch signed by Mr. Cobb in answer to my letter of the 10th June and Mr. Nichols' of the 19th and the 27th June on the said question, that the Directors approve of the course of action we have as far adopted in this matter, and that they consider that the Company's recent purchase cannot be overthrown. I carefully note their instructions and wishes as to my future conduct, which shall be faithfully carried out. Whilst on this subject I had better mention that I have been unofficially informed that the Governor intends to instruct the Acting Colonial Secretary to

7. Coleman Cape

refuse

Secretary
London.

refuse the annual rent for Port Stephens, when
 tendered by me on the 2^d instant, as the lease for
 that Station expires then, and His Excellency declines
 to renew the said lease unconditionally, but will,
 I think, grant an Occupation licence until he receives
 positive instructions from home on the subject. In
 the meantime Mr. Benquissett is writing officially
 to Mr. P. A. Dean by this mail, and will, I trust,
 explain matters fully.

3. With respect to the actions against
 the Company by Smith and Moore for 100 acres
 of land, acting under private advice, I entered
 an appearance in both suits last week and at
 once requested the Registrar of the Court to ask
 the Plaintiffs for "further particulars" of their claims;
 these were handed to me on Saturday last, copies
 of which I enclose herewith for your information.
 In the ordinary course of events His Honor the Judge
 will try the case on the first Monday in October,
 but before that the parties have to meet each other
 before the Judge in Chambers, and I have very good
 grounds for believing that the cases will never come on
 for trial at all.

4. Aug 56. Dec. 21. Johnson is preparing plans of the East and West Stores as asked for by the Royal Insurance Co.

5. I much regret having heard nothing further from Lordaer as to the purchase of the Br. "Sabinos" and her cargo through Messrs. Clarkson, as I had asked Capt. Agents and Mr. Bugge, the Agent of the Marine Underwriters from Buenos Ayres to wait until I received the mail of Sept. 15th, feeling sure that either, I should hear that you had completed the purchase at home, or that I should receive definite instructions how to act. It has caused me a good deal of worry and anxiety, as very great pressure was brought to bear on both the Captain and Agent, in order to persuade the former to have the cargo put up to auction in small lots; the Governor wanting to buy 600 tons of the Steam Coal, Bertrand & Patton, Chas. Willm. Schloetfeldt and others also being supposed purchasers. As soon as the Auctioneer had put his notice up on the Gazette Board, announcing the

sale of the cargo in one lot. Mr. Budge put another
 notice near it, signed by him and the Acting Council
 for Sweden and Norway, stating that the purchasers
 of the cargo would have the option of buying the coal
 for £1000. The auction took place at twelve yesterday,
 and after a good deal of opposition, (Chas. Williams
 bidding up to £1900.) the hammer fell at my bid
 of £2000. or $21/8$ ^{per ton} for the cargo all round, which
 is, I conclude, just a little under what you could
 have bought it for in London. Then came the question
 of the ship, but in the face of Bertrand & Pelton wanting
 her for a Receiving Hulk on the West, C. Williams
 very anxious for her also, the fact of not having to
 disturb the cargo, and Johnson reminding me that her
 inventory was a valuable one - and, above all, your positive
 instructions in the matter of hulks - I finally gave £900.
 for her, and trust that the Directors will approve my
 action in the matter. I announce the purchase to you
 by telegram in these words: - "Berlones Schins
 Trineroots balentaba Tripilla" meaning: I have
 bought Schins for £900. cargo for £2000. I shall
 receive all the necessary documents this morning

(the 10th) the crew will be discharged at once and Capt. Spruce and Mr. Pugs will be able to get away by this mail. I have, of course, got the Fremontle Certificate, and Capt. Spruce and his crew solemnly affirm that no cargo whatever has been jettisoned, so I shall accept the 13/44 weight.

6. I have taken advantage of the crew of the "Sahino" being discharged here to secure a fresh crew for the "Castalia", with whom Capt. Rowlands has had a good deal of trouble. I hope also to get one or two men for the camp, and I have thought it wise to offer the sailmaker, a first rate hand, with an excellent character from his Captain, permanent employment, that is to say until the end of 1893, with the Company. He starts on \$8. a month, but no house, and 176 per day on ship's work. Our old sailmaker Davis has become somewhat unreliable, owing to failing health, which has also rendered him uncouth and troublesome at times lately, so I trust that I have done right

right in this matter.

7. No 753. Par. 5. I am pleased to hear that you have anticipated my request as to the shipment of £2000. Silver Specie, although I understood that the Governor will recommend the Crown Agents to sell you Drafts on the Colonial Treasury for at least £500. and perhaps £200. monthly. My Drafts upon you by this mail will, necessarily, be somewhat heavy, more especially in connection with the purchase of the "Sphinx". I had hoped to be able to relieve you a little by enclosing in this Despatch the Knight Commander's draft, but although the repairs are completed, the accounts cannot possibly be closed before the mail leaves.

8. Par. 11. Whether you send or not six hundred tons of Bagging or not six hundred tons, we have quite sufficient stock, viz: (about 8000 yards) for our present requirements. I will endeavour to obtain from Mr. Stuker such the information you ask for concerning the transit charges, etc. at Sandy Point.

9. The salvage operations on the German

9. The Salvage operations on the German Bk. "Concordia" are progressing but slowly, owing to the very exposed position of the wreck, but both the "Hedevick" and the "Pier Rosemond" have each brought in a full cargo of salvage, and the latter Schooner left again on the 10th inst. for the scene of the wreck. Of the six survivors, five have succeeded in obtaining employment here, and the sixth, an American youth in an advanced stage of consumption, is being sent by his board to Montevideo by this mail.

10. I regret to say that I did not receive "The Times" from August 2^d. to 9th. by this mail. On the questions of Microscopes, the Blacksmiths, Chaplin and Ogilvie, would be extremely grateful if the Directors would kindly subscribe to the "Mechanical World" for them, and send it out through me.

11. This Steamer is, at last, clearing the "Great Britain" of last season's produce, and will take about 800 Bales of Wool and 300 Bales of Sheepskins; also 30 Bags of Coffee the balance of the Salvage with. &c.

12. 10406. Per. 17. Inobedience to the

Board's instructions, I approached Capt. Rowlands, on his last return from the West, in order to ascertain the lowest figure he would take for the scho. "Fair Rosamond". For some time he positively refused to hear of less than \$600, but I am glad to say that I succeeded in closing with him at your limit, viz \$600. and I shall hoist the Company's flag on her, immediately she returns from the wreck. Strange to say that as soon as the bargain was concluded, Capt. Rowlands expressed a wish to leave the "Castalia" and take command of the "Fair Rosamond". I trust, however, to be able to persuade him to remain in the "Castalia", and think that Mr. Cobb, if still here, would probably give P. Cunnings a trial in the Rosamond. I shall be glad to have the Board's instructions on this subject.

13. May I also ask for instructions as to how to deal with the purchase of the "Schoers" in the Stanley books; I presume the same as with the "Tees of Bray" and other hulks bought on the spot.

I am,
Sir,
your obedient Servant,
Andrew C. Millon.
Manager.

List of Enclosures.

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"Hadasah"
via Sandy Point.

30th September, 1.

Sir,

As the West Falkland mail missed the "Totnes", owing to the late arrival of the "Hadasah", the Governor is sending the said Schooner to Sandy Point with the view of catching the "John Elder", which is due there home-ward bound on the 9th proximo. She leaves in a few hours, so I must necessarily be brief.

2. In the hurry and pressure of closing matters with Capt. Agnew and Mr. Budge relative to the "Sabine", I omitted, much to my regret, to acquaint you by telegram that I had purchased the "Fair Rosamond", in order that you might insure her at once. I do so, therefore, by this opportunity in the following words: "Fair Rosamond Trilines".

F. Coleman Esq.

Secretary
London.

3. The "Knight Commander" has been ready

ready for sea for some days now, but she is
 detained in Port William, owing to a most un-
 fortunate occurrence, which took place on Saturday
 the 19th instant. On that day Foster the 1st Mate
 came on shore in the morning in order to take back
 on board the seven members of the crew who had
 just undergone a term of imprisonment for refusing
 duty. He had an altercation with one of the Constables
 on duty, and becoming very violent was put into
 the lock-up in the guardroom; he had not been
 there many minutes, before he fired off one chamber
 of a revolver through the key hole, luckily doing
 no harm, but on Chief Constable Hurst opening
 the door with the view of going in to disarm him,
 Foster deliberately discharged another chamber
 point blank at Hurst, the ball lodging in the
 groin. I am glad to say that although the ball
 has not yet been extracted, Hurst is doing very well
 and will be able to give his evidence at the trial,
 which takes place on Monday next. Foster having
 called some of the crew as witnesses in his defence,
 His Honor the Judge will not allow the ship to
 leave until they have been examined, which is

a very serious matter for Capt. Lusk. I
much regret therefore being unable to send
you the accounts and draft by this opportunity.

4. The seven mutineers from the "City
of Benares" have been sentenced to hard labour
for terms varying from one to six months. She
had a full complement of hands without the
above seven, and proceeded on her voyage on
the 29th instant. I enclose herewith a draft
upon her Owners, Messrs. L. Smith & Sons of
Glasgow, for the amount of the Masters' disbursements
etc.

5. The repairs to the "Edith Waldron"
have been most successfully carried out by the
four carpenters who took the contract, and I
enclose herewith Wm. Biggs' final report thereon.
Unfortunately Capt. Hunt is laid up here with
a violent attack of rheumatism and unable to
rejoin his ship at present. He says, however, that
he will sign a draft on Messrs. Spearing and
Waldron for the amount of the ship's expenses
including the \$575. cost of repairs.

6. At Mr. Bertrand's request I enclose herewith B/Ldg. for 32 casks of Talloca, shipped at Port Howard per "Glaos", consigned to the Company, and which he desires sold for account of Bertrand & Feltou as soon as possible.

7. The same client has asked me to forward to you the enclosed copies of correspondence relative to the purchase of his holding at Roq Coac, 10. 7., and to ask you to pay the first instalment of the purchase money viz. £2010. (Two thousand and ten pounds) early in — December next, unless you should deem it wiser, as a precautionary measure, to pay it on receipt of this. I need not remind you that Mr. Bertrand (personally) is one of our most loyal clients, and he will deem it an especial favor if you will protect his interests in this important matter to the utmost of your power.

8. We have been very short of cash all this month, so much so that I have had to give the Government a draft upon you for just over £500. to cover payments I had to make to the

Savings Bank for some of our Camp people.

Be good enough to let me know the exact day on which the draft in question matures, as I shall have to pay the Government $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ interest from today until that day. I should have had further serious drains on our cashes, had not the Government refused to accept the rents of the Stations, the leases of which are now falling in. I trust, however, to receive by the October mail at least £2000. in specie and a draft on the Colonial Treasury for at least £400.

9. I have had no written reply to the letter, by which I tendered the increased rental for the Port Stephens Station for the coming year, and I am under the impression that the Governor does not want to commit himself in the matter until he hears from the Colonial Office by the October mail, which opinion is strengthened by the fact that on tendering the increased rental for Kidney Island on behalf of Capt. Parker today, the Acting Colonial Secretary returned the £20. and wrote: "You will be further communicated with in the matter."

10. The Governor is most anxious to see the Mail service between this Colony and Europe very much improved, and has frequently asked if the Company could not use their influence at home in that direction. Unfortunately, however, N. Co. seems to be under the impression that by subsidising the Pacific S. N. Co to the extent of £2500. or £3000. per annum, they would call here for the mails, irrespective of any considerations as to Freight! Certainly the service is carried out by the Messager Co this year is in most urgent need of reform.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient Servant,

Andrew G. Baillan.

Manager.

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Accounts of Fabius

Statement on accounts

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Letter of advice — do

Draft on Geo. Smith & Sons £ 71. 5. 3

3 Drafts on United States Treasury # 670. 38 - £ 132. 11. 2

B/L for Clavis

Copy of letter from Col. Secretary to Mr. Bertrand

" " " Mr. Bertrand to Col. Secretary

Biggs Report of Survey on "Edisto Waldron"

Statement on accounts

530.

"Herodot."

via Sandy Point.27th October 1.

Sir,

The above named Steamer arrived here at daylight this morning bringing me your Despatch No 60 of the 26th September with Enclosures in order. I also received your letter of the 28th ultimo written on board at —
Dartmouth.

2. Par. 2 The Catalogues of the Sales of Wool on "Herodot" referred to have not come to hand.

3. Par. 4. I am glad to hear that you have renewed the Wool Contract with the Kosmos Co for the coming clip. Enclosed herewith you will find particulars of a Resolution recently passed at a meeting of the Legislative Council with reference to an increased Mail Subsidy, also copy of a Petition which is going home by this mail, of which you will see the purport. It has been very numerously signed, and as it contained no reference to the

F. Coleman Esqre

Secretary

Sandwich.

question

question of Freight, I saw no reason for refusing to sign it on behalf of the Company, on being requested to do so. Mr. Schlottfeldt discussed the matter with me in the most friendly manner, and freely admitted that the Colonists had very good grounds for complaint, but that he thought that, in dealing with the matter, His Excellency has not taken sufficiently into account the state of affairs in Blidi and the West Coast generally.

4. Par. 5 At the request of the General Post Office through the Postmaster here, I returned the letter and photographs for Mr. James Hamilton to the said official on September 15th.

5. Par. 9 I do not think that the Commission on the so-called Truck system will ever come to anything, more particularly as Judge Routledge considers it a very ill-advised step to take. In any case, I do not for a moment suppose that the Company's case will be gone into, as the Governor assured me only last night that from all the information he had received, he was convinced that we treated our employees with the greatest fairness and justice & that they are, as you say, perfectly satisfied with the existing state of things.

6. The "Hadarach" did not catch the Pacific boat of October 7th although she saw her in the Straits, but I am told that our letters were sent to Montevideo a day or two later by a German Steamer. The "Hadarach" arrived here on the 23rd instant, having picked up the West Falkland mails on her way in. The Governor had chartered the "Hornet" for that purpose, but fortunately she met and spoke the "Hadarach" before she had gone very far.

7. The "Hadarach" brought me a letter from Messrs Humphreys & Co in which they communicated to me your telegram of September 1st, worded thus:—
 "Dependant Drisco changeful boarded sideraddle
 "dioptric Stanley beetle West," which I interpreted according to your confirmation of the said telegram. Our clients will no doubt be glad to get their goods so much earlier than by the "Drisco". You say in Par. 20: "we send list of estimated tonnage"—but I do not find this document amongst the Enclosures.

8. Par. 21. I trust that you will be able to make arrangements for the sale of some of the coals as "Lakers" to the Kosmos Company. I received by this mail from Messrs Humphreys & Co your telegram

of the 21st instant saying: "Don't dismantle Sabino", which is duly noted.

9. Dec. 16. The Expos. Silver Specie arrived per "Herodot" will, I fear, not last very long, as our disbursements will be somewhat heavy between now and the end of the year. I shall therefore do as you suggest and telegraph you via Montevideo: "Send Treasury Bills. We have greatly missed these monthly remittances."

10. Our stock of House coal will not last very much longer, the "Speedwell's" cargo having sold very rapidly. I would ask you therefore to send out a vessel as soon after the receipt of this Despatch as possible with about 300 tons of good house coal. The "Speedwell" cargo turned out very well indeed, and I would suggest that a similar quality of coal be sent out this time. You will, I presume, make up a cargo with lumber and other heavy stuff. I shall be glad to know what you think I ought to ask for the "Sabino's" cargo?

11. The "Knight Commander" left Port Williams on the 8th inst. but much to my surprise and dismay she was back again there on the 23rd.

having had to put back when off Staten Island
owing to the key of the new tiller blowing stuffed
the shoulders of the keelson in the rudder head.

I am thankful to say that the accident is in no way
the result of any ignorance or carelessness on the
part of our Blacksmiths. I am afraid that the fresh
repairs will amount to something like \$200. more.

This ship's accounts and the Master's draft on the

- Owners accompanying this draft etc. Unfortunately
the crew, reduced in number by men since the first
came here, have become scarce and Capt. Burdett
will, I fear, have great difficulty in getting them
to proceed on the voyage in her. The poor fellow
who was at the tiller at the time of the accident
was washed overboard and drowned.

12. The "St. Hildded" Scott, Master from
Nordhouse to Tallah in ballast put into Port
William this morning, owing to her ballast being
shifted, loss of sails, boats damaged etc. She will
not, however, have to make a very long stay here,
unless the Surgey should reveal further damage.
Please arrange credit with the Owners, Messrs.
Rankin, Gilman & Co of Liverpool.

13. 18758 Par. 4 With reference to the transshipment of cargo at Sandy Point, Mr. Stukemauch writes me as follows: — "I beg to inform you that we have but little facilities neither for discharging nor for storing cargo; besides as you know our port is very bad and poorly sheltered, and it happens many times that steamers have to take on their cargo on account of bad weather. The only possibility would be to store the stuff on board our coal hulk, thus saving the landing and the re-embarking, which is more difficult still. In accordance with these troubles and the very high wages paid to workmen here, the expenses of such transshipping will be quite considerable. For landing of goods is charged \$ 6. (now 11/-) per ton; storing and reshipping would amount to the same, or rather a little more. Therefore I cannot advise you to get your cargo via Sandy Point, except it is in very small lots. In such a case I always would attend to your interests."

14. A large 4-masted steamer passed the lighthouse, homeward bound, on the evening of Saturday the 19th instant.

15. 18756 Par. 21 The plans of the East and West Stores asked for by the Royal Insurance Co are forwarded to the Head Office in Liverpool by this mail.

16. Please to insure the lively wool for £2200 account of Messrs H. & L. Cobbe; the Hill loose wool for £3000. and the Shallow Bay wool for £3000. account of Messrs Holmsted & Blake.

17. I much regret having to report the death by drowning of Capt. Hansen of Carasso Island, while returning in the "Result" from Santa Cruz. Everything is left to the widow and Mr. Blake is sole executor. I shall be glad of definite instructions as to how to deal with his account. At present, presuming that his produce sent home per "Karnak", "Totines" and "Orissa" should realize about £570. there is not £100. either way; but Mrs. Hansen writes me thus: - "In the midst of my sorrow I write to ask you at the risk of all that is left to us, to let no blot be put on my noble husband's name by the non payment of any Order he may have given at Santa Cruz and made payable to you. I have here 200 Fur skins and 8 large bales of wool ready for shipment." "The boatatic" brought the said produce in last week and it will be shipped by the November mail, so unless the amount of the cheques drawn upon us by Capt. Hansen at Santa

being very heavy, we shall be secured by the proceeds of the said produce.

18. I am glad to be able to report that His Honour the Judge suggested that I should call upon Smith and Moore to appear before him in Chambers in order to have their claim against the Company adjusted and an issue arrived at, whereupon they both utterly failed to show any case at all, and they were both nonsuited with costs. Smith has since written a most insolent and abusive petition or letter to the Governor for transmission to the Secretary of State, but the Judge says that he will not condescend to discuss the matter, unless specially asked by the Secretary of State to explain his action.

19. I enclose herewith copy of the letter received from the Asst. Colonial Secretary when he returned the Rent tendered for the Port Stephens Station on the 26th ultimo. The same thing has occurred with Rent tendered on behalf of Capt. Parke, Messrs. Pelton and Bonner; in each case I applied for an Occupation Licence, according to the Governor's suggestion, but they have not actually been issued, as H. B. expected some definite instructions concerning the renewal of the Leases by this mail; and it

appears that he has received them, for after the meeting of the Legislative Council this morning he very kindly allowed Mr. Pelton and me to peruse Lord Knutsford's Despatch on the subject. It was dated some time in August, (consequently antecedent to Mr. Cobb's very able and exhaustive Despatch of September, 14th) and the following is, to the best of my recollection, the substance of it:— A survey is to be held, but a very small proportion of the expense thereof to be borne by the Freeholders and Leaseholders. Leases are to be renewed, subject to Survey, and purchasers or lessees are to have the option of purchasing or leasing the excess acreage proved, on survey, to exist, where boundaries are strictly defined, viz:— in Point to Point leases; but in cases where miles are mentioned and holders are found to be occupying land beyond the stated mileage, the said holders are to have no claim to such excess, and the Government will deal with the land as they deem fit. Deductions to be made for rocks, ponds, etc. Allowance to be made for useless or unproductive land. No claim for backrents of any description to be made.

Par. 9

Par. 9 runs thus:—"The acreage of the lands recently
 "purchased by the Falkland Islands Co must be
 "considered subject to correction by the result of the
 Survey."

20. Capt. Hunt of the "Edith Waldron" is
 still here, unable to get sufficient hands to take her
 home with. He has however telegraphed home by
 this mail that he hopes to sail in about ten days, as
 Capt. Murdoch has promised to let him have some
 of his men, who will only be too glad to leave the
 "Knight Commander", and I expect that Murdoch
 will have to go to Montevideo for a crew.

I am,
 Sir,
 your obedient servant,
 Andrew C. Baillou.
 Manager.

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'Thebes'.

17th November, 1.

Sir,

This Steamer arrived here yesterday bringing me your Despatches of 27th dated 29th September and 3rd ultimus, with their respective Enclosures all in order.

2. I have read with surprise and regret Mr. Wingfield's letter of September 29th re the Land question, and shall be most anxious to hear what decision the Directors came to in the matter at their meeting on the 5th ultimus. I note, however, with pleasure that the said letter contains no clause which would prevent the present Lessees and Grantees from renting or purchasing any acres of acreage which may, or may not, be proved to exist. Mr. Nichol refers to this subject in his Report, and encloses a draft of the proposed Occupation Licence.

Yr. Obedient Servant
 Secretary London.

3. H. M. S. "Haffie", Lieutenant G.

P. Comville in command arrived here from Montevideo on the 11th instant, but is returning thence on Saturday the 21st. She leaves at daylight tomorrow with the Governor, his Private Secretary and de Benquineti for a three day trip to the West. The "Cleopatra", "Basilisk", "Beagle" and "Haffie" will probably be down towards the end of December or early in Jan'y.

10. Capt. Murchock of the "Knight Commander" having had to discharge the whole of his crew, chartered the "Castalia" for £200. and left for Montevideo on the 13th instant, in order to get a fresh lot of hands, who will be put on board in Port William, providing I can get the repairs sufficiently advanced to take her out of the harbour before the "Castalia" returns.

5. I am sending you by this Steamer a box containing the Sicily's cylinder cores,

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and would ask you to have another one cast,
but sent out without the holes being drilled in
it, as Noble will be able to do it more correctly
to a template here. We have had a lot of
work out of this launch lately and, as Mr.
Bobb well knows, her engine is about played
out; it would, I think, be more economical
to fit her with a new one than to be constantly
tinkering at her as we have to do at present.

6. Please to effect the following Wool
Insurances on the new terms:-

£2000. for account of Sharp and Smith

1200. " " " T. Robson

760. " " " David Smith

350. " " " G. Nilsson

the first three amounts from December 1st and
G. Nilsson's from February 1st. The mail
service with the West is so uncertain and irregular
now that I have not been able to get replies from
our clients there on the subject of Insurance in
time for this mail.

7. The "St. Mildred" has retained her ballast, repaired her sails and other damage and proceeds on her voyage to day. I enclose her accounts and draft on Bowers.

8. Mr. Kinnear much regrets that, owing to the very heavy pressure of business, he cannot possibly get the copy of the Stanley Journal off by this mail, but it will be sent on Saturday by H. A. S. "Haffie".

9. I am happy to say that Capt. Hunt, having succeeded in getting the number of hands he required, has at last left Stanley and will, I trust, shortly leave Port Howard in the "Edith Waldron" for England. Finally he consented to sign all the said vessel's accounts, which I enclose herewith, together with a draft on Messrs. Spearing & Waldron for £1368. 6. 4

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

Arduoio G. Baillou.

Manager.

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H. M. S. "Hepie."

21st November, 1.

Sir,

This man of war having been for a three days trip to the West and visited Port Edgar, Port Bay and Port Howard, leaves to-day for Montevideo.

2. Please to have Bounce's Wool insured for £3500. (Three thousand five hundred pounds.) I regret being unable to give you any further amounts at present.

3. Mrs Joseph Magic of Hanley is entitled to a legacy of about £85. from some relatives of her late husband. I have been in correspondence on the subject with the lawyer in France, and have requested him to pay the money into the local office of the Credit Lyonnais, who would remit to their London house, from whom you will, I trust, ultimately receive the amount in question.

F. Coleman Esq

Secretary London.

4. Mr. Bernard Stickney is very much surprised and annoyed that his order for Wall papers from Heywood, Higginbottom & Co., Ltd. which went down in the "Heks," was not renewed in time for shipment per "Herodot," as he hoped to have his house papered, etc. before going into it. I presume that the case in question has been shipped per "Concord."

5. The parcel or case sent by Mr. Kere for Mrs. Anson in the case of David Smith has not reached me, nor, strange to say, does Smith appear to know much about it, beyond the fact that it was sent on board the "Herodot" at Dartmouth, and says he never saw it afterwards. I have written to Mr. Kere informing him of this.

6. The question of getting stokers or assistants for our Blacksmiths is becoming more serious and difficult every day. It has been especially so in the case of the very heavy work on the "Knight Commander". There has

been an extraordinary scarcity this year of hands of every description in Stanley, owing partly to the recent large exodus to the Coast, and partly to the general desire to get work in the Camp. I would venture to suggest therefore that it would be desirable to look round and select two or three handy men, who could come out either with or after the Blacksmith you are sending us. These men should be under a five years Agreement.

7. The "Haffie" having brought no letters from the West, I am unable to inform you whether the "Edith Waldron" has sailed from Port Howard or not.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Andrew G. Baillou.

Manager.

Particulars of Disposition in 1861

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Accounts of Saint Helens

Accounts of Edw. Malvern

Cash Book for Astro

2nd Exchange L 1305. by a German Doctor.

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 "Abydos."
via Sandy Point.

19th December, 1.

Sir,

Much to my regret the
 "Castalia" has not yet returned from Monte
 video, and the mail will probably be here first.
 I am, however, glad to be able to say that the
 collection of our Wool has not suffered thereby
 as far as the "Hornet" has already made three
 trips to North Arm, and the "Fair Rosemond"
 two to Berains and Walker Creek.

2. Be good enough to effect the
 following Wool Insurances:-

£3500.	for account of Mrs C. H. Williams
3000.	" " Messrs Dean & Ineson
2500.	" " Mr. Alex. Pitelunga
1500.	" " Speedwell Hall (H. H. Cobb)
1500.	" " Mr. Wm D. Penney

3. Mr. Nichol has requested me to ask

you to be good enough to send him a good
 F. Gallegos case
 Secretary London.

Strong

Strong box for his Office, similar to the two which are in this Office, and which are from S. Jordan & Co. Mr. Nichol asks me further to request you to send him three 66 feet measuring chains.

4. In Indent No. 114 of June 22^d 1891
 4. King ordered :- 2 "Bradford's Washing
 and Dangling Machines", same as sent out per
 "Minna Helene" in 1888. Dr. Dale, for whom
 one of these Machines was destined, now writes
 thanking me for having sent the Dangling Machine,
 but informing me at the same time that, although
 he ordered a combined Washing and Dangling
 Machine, no Washing Machine has come. Will
 you kindly look into this matter; there must be
 an error somewhere as Bradford's invoice states
 distinctly "Washing, Wringing & Dangling Machines".

5. The Oceanic Steam Nav. Co. Ltd.

4 masted Steamer "Doric" passed close in to this
 island, steering N. E., on the evening of Sunday
 November 29th.

6. The Regt. "Egeria" of St. John, N. B.
 Kerr, Master, from Rio de Janeiro to Valparaiso

in ballast put back to this port ^{on Nov. 30th} having lost
 some sails and being in want of more ballast.
 As she had to be in Valparaiso on a certain date
 under penalty of losing her Charter, the Master
 would not wait to have all his sails made here,
 but took the canvases away with him. He sailed
 again on the 15th instant, and I beg to enclose
 herewith the accounts and the Master's draft
 for \$597.3.9 on Messrs Scammell Bros. of
 New York which will, I trust, be duly honored
 at maturity.

7. The "Edith Waldron" at last sailed
 from Port Howard on November 25th.

8. Mr. Blake, who is sole Executor under
 the late Chas. Hansen's will, has given me a Power
 of Attorney to act for him here in Stanley, and
 writes me on the subject as follows: "I believe the
 estate still owes Dean \$3350.19.8 the Co. also
 a considerable amount. In future, because produce
 is to be consigned to the B. I. Co. Hansen made an
 arrangement with Dean to pay off \$500. per year,
 as well as interest on unpaid balance, at the rate

of 5%. Will the Hon. the undersanding, that all produce is consigned to them pay Cash \$250. on "Term. 1st" and July 1st and also pay the interest at the rate specified, on unpaid balance. — If you can get a sale for the house instantly, sell it, and pay proceeds to Dean's account. The house has cost including land \$1300. It ought I think to fetch that, or perhaps \$1500! Can you sell it to Government for a hospital, or get Mr. M. Dean to take it, or will you buy on behalf of the Company? Mr. Blake goes on to say: "I want you not to renew the lease of Split Island, and to advertise for sale, the goodwill of the Passage Islands, etc." which I have accordingly done, as you will see by a Public Notice inserted in the last two numbers of the Official Gazette. Mr. Blake has further written privately to the Governor, about the renewal of the lease for Curass and adjacent islands, when the present one expires. H. G. has, I believe, already replied to Mr. Blake, saying that he thinks that the Government would be disposed to renew the lease of Curass Island to Mrs. Hansen for grazing purposes, but that a lease of the Passes would be refused her — and Mr. Blake in his letter to H. G. remarks: "If Mrs. Hansen does not obtain a new lease for the Curass Islands, the stock (about 2000 sheep) will have to be killed, and the value is only the value of the skins." No doubt the action of the Government is based on the supposition that

the Seal fishery is a more lucrative undertaking than it really is. However the present lease does not expire until 10th September, 1893, so there is time to discuss this matter a little later, but I trust that, in any case, you will furnish me with definite instructions as to how I am to deal with this account, and as to the reply I am to make to Mr. Blake with reference to the payment of principal and interest to Mr. Dean, purchase of the Stanley house, etc.

December 21st 9. The 'Abgdos' arrived here yesterday evening about 7, after making a remarkably fine and rapid passage. She brings me your Despatch of 7/6/3 with all Enclosures in order. I must at once congratulate both the Directors and you, on your appointment as Managing Director, feeling sure that we shall continue to work in the same perfect harmony which rendered my labours so light and pleasant during the eighteen months we spent here together.

10. On looking through the list of Enclosures once more, I fail to find amongst them the copy

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of Freight accounts for Decr. £100. 7. 11 and
£59. 2. 1 "Totunes".

11. Par. 10 I note your remarks re the claims made by Smith and Moore, and although, as you know already, the Judge would not allow the cases to be taken into Court, I shall not fail to let his Honour know the real facts of the case.

12. Par. 11. I very much regret having omitted to send the broken portion of the Punch and Shearing Machine back for "Orissa". I fully meant to do so, and can only account for not having done so, by my great anxiety to get the vessel away.

13. Par. 12. I have read with much interest the copy of your letter of Nov. 4th to the Colonial Office, which, I imagine, must have given Lord Knutsford cause for serious reflection, and the difficulty he finds in meeting your arguments is, no doubt, in a great measure, the reason of the time he is taking to reply. All the settlers whose leases, at the double rent it, here, as far, been refused are now in possession of Occupation Licences (subject, of course, to survey) and for the respective Rents of

which I gave the Acty. Col. Secretary on the 5th instant a draft for \$800. in favor of the Brown Agents. If I remember rightly, you would receive by last mail, through Mr. Nichol, a copy of ^{one of} the said Occupation licences.

14. Dec. 13. I carefully note your remarks concerning the "Skins" and her cargo, and will endeavor to carry out your suggestions re the lighters, etc. as nearly as I possibly can. Johnson has just come with the "Kimmerd", which he has converted into a splendid lighter, with a hold capable of easily taking the whole of the "Abgdos" cargo, and more to boot; still it would be hardly wise, would it, not to keep at least one lighter available in case of emergency? However Mr. Lauchlin and I will give the matter our very best attention, and I hope to bring the thing to a satisfactory conclusion, but a good deal will depend ^{on} how rapidly the Kosmos Steamer takes the coal. I shall make a point of being particularly reticent in this affair, as I know H.C. is extremely anxious to know how the venture turns out. I have likewise urged on Mr. Schottfeldt the necessity of extreme discre-

15. Par. 16. I must admit that I am somewhat surprised and disappointed when you tell me that the "Fair Rosamond" was only to be bought as a stand-by, thinking that I could not have been authorized to buy her, had it not been considered that there was work for her to do. She has been constantly and not unprofitably employed ever since she finished "cooking" the "Bonard", and Jones has already brought 68 Bales of Wool from Durrain, 94 from Walker Creek, 30 Bales of Sheepskins and will, I trust, bring a full load of Wool in from Durrain before Christmas Day. It is certainly a fortunate thing that I put her into commission when I did, as I am easy to say that Humphreys writes me that the "Castalia" only arrived at Montevideo on the evening of the 29th. Moreover, having experienced adverse winds throughout. She only sailed from there on the 9th instant, having been delayed on account of the two mates shipped by Captain McDougal failing to embark at the last moment. Rowlands protested at the British Consulate against this detention. Unfortunately until today we have had a succession of southerly and sou-westerly winds, which accounts

for the long passage she is making.

16. Dec. 19. I much regret and must apologize for having omitted to send you Bills of Lading, etc. to "Deissa" by the mail following her sailing. I certainly meant to do so, and am unable to say how they came to be forgotten.

17. Dec. 22. In accordance with your suggestion, F. Hardy has made a statutory declaration before the Judge relative to his loss through the foundering of the "Koko". I enclose it herewith, together with a Power of Attorney in your favor from Hardy, who is extremely obliged to you for offering to assist him in the matter.

18. Dec. 23 I am greatly pleased to hear that Mr. W. F. Robinson has at last paid the balance of our Store account.

19. Dec. 24 It is, however, with very different feelings that I read your news concerning the Brunkley Brothers' account. The matter shall be dealt with in our Books according to your instructions

instructions, and, as requested, I return to you herewith the thirds of exchange for £2356. 3/1 and £75. 6. 3 respectively.

20. Par. 28 Mrs. Turner desires me to convey to the Board her grateful thanks for the very handsome recognition of her services in the Millinery Store, which I am instructed to make.

21. Par. 30 I carefully note your remarks relative to the Komras Co, the Mail Service and the shipment of Wool, and shall do my utmost to carry out the Board's wishes in this matter.

22. I am writing you six Montevideo as follows:—Parrutes Marquette Grindlagg, meaning Please pay Messrs Grindlagg & Co £100. for Sir Roger T. Goldsworthy.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

Andrew C. Baillou.

Manager.

List of Endosures.

- Duplicate Despatches No 532
 " Letter to Mr. Coleman
 " Statement on accounts.
 " October Journal.
 " Indent No 122.
 3rd of Exchange £ 2356.3.1. £ 45.6.3
 2nd " " £ 24.18.2
 Journal & Cash Book for November
 Cash Vouchers, East & West Stores for November
 Indents No 122. & 123.
 Letter from Mr. Nichol with 2 enclosures.
 Coasting Insurance for November
 accounts of Egypt
 Letter of advice to Seammell Ber^d draft. £ 54.1.3.
 Remarks on stores 22 Dec^r
 Declaration by P. Hardy & power of attorney ^{in fav^r of} Mr. Cobb
 Cheque on Guinslay & Co £ 1.10.0
 " " London County Bk. Cambridge £ 1.6.9
 Shipping report
 Statement on accounts.

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"Herodot"

15th January. 2.

Sir,

The "Concord" arrived here on the 26th ultimo, bringing me your Despatch (since numbered 7621 of October 8th, a duplicate of which was already in my possession. I have much pleasure in saying that the whole of her cargo for Stanley has been delivered in splendid order, and trust that that for the West may turn out as well. She sailed thither on the 6th instant. I notice that both in your Despatch and your letter of October 8th you say a gratuity of five guineas is to be paid to Capt. Tendersen, whereas the Charter-Party says £10. Gratuity to doctors. I have paid him the former sum. I shall not be able to make any Remarks on Stores for "Concord" until she returns from the West, as several things for Stanley must have gone on in her, and will only be delivered on

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Yours

return.

2. The "Herodot" arrived at noon yesterday and brought me your Despatches of 6th of the 8th and your letter per supplementary mail of the 12th December, with all their enclosures in order.

3. Please effect the following insurances on Wool:-

£4000. for account of Bertrand Pelton
500 " " " Mr. Chas. Hansen

4. Dr. Dale, whose six years Agreement expires in March 1893, desires me to inform the Directors that, much to his regret, he will be unable to enter into a fresh Agreement for a similar period; he hopes, however, to remain at Carmin for another year or two, and requests that he may be allowed to do so, on the understanding that he will give me six months notice of his intention to leave, in order that you may have ample time to find a successor to him.

5. It is with pleasure that I am able to report that Messrs. Stickney Bros. have reopened their account with the Company since January 1st. They will, of course, be on the same

terms as J. L. Waldron, paying 7½% interest and 1% commission on all cash advances, with the right of sending their produce home as they like.

6. F. King asks me to call your attention to the fact that the Taz Hearths and Sulfur stores from Rouman are much dearer than those supplied by Cobble and Fortes, from whom they were formerly purchased. Three Taz Hearths are charged by Rouman £11. 5. 0, whereas Cobble's price for the same is £6. 17. 6, and 3 Sulfur stores from Rouman cost £3. 6. 0 instead of £2. 1. 5 charged by Cobble.

7. De lauchlan has been hard at work on the "Sabine's" coals, and up to yesterday had filled nearly 1300 bags, which number would have been considerably increased, had it not been for the discharging of the "Concord's" Stanley cargo. However Capt. Prehn is taking all we have ready and I shall enclose a receipt for the exact quantity in this Despatch, and you can then arrange the question of payment with

Mr. Standa, which Mr. Schlattfeldt tells me is what was done in the case of the "Isis" at Britain's costs. I trust therefore that I am doing right in following that precedent.

8. Par. 14. I am happy to say that the unfortunate "Knight Commander" is now ready for sea and is going into Port Williams today. The "Castalia" arrived here on the 21st December, having been 13 days on the way down. Capt. Murdoch brought down 23 men, two of whom have already deserted from the ship. As the Schooner was so much longer away than I expected, viz: 37 days instead of 25 upon which I had calculated, I have been compelled to charge more than the £200. originally mentioned. I hope to get the accounts and draft off by this mail, but have my doubts about it, as Captain Murdoch has, I regret to say, lately become very uncertain both in his habits and movements.

9. Par. 7. With reference to the claim made by Mr. Benignetti for interest @ 2½% on my draft in account of Savings Bank deposits, it was quite understood to be an exceptional case,

and I agreed to it on the grounds that we could hardly expect the Government to pay the depositors their interest, when they accepted a draft instead of cash to suit our convenience.

10. Par. 8. I carefully note your remarks and instructions as regards the mail service, and the line of action you wish me to take in the event of any petition being got up. If the Rosinos continue to do as well as they have done since the settlement of affairs in Chili, people will certainly have no reasonable ground for complaint.

11. Par. 9. I have still one box of £400. untouched of the shipment of specie per "Herodotus", and the cash balance on Decber. 31st was £1074. 12. 8 but all this and more would have been absorbed by Rents, Land Tax and Customs duties for Concord, had not the Colonial Treasurer been glad to take drafts in payment of the same to the extent of £1297. which has of course greatly relieved me. I may add that they will continue to accept my drafts upon you for similar payments, as I shall be in comparatively easy circumstances for some time to come.

12. Dec. 13. With reference to the late Messrs. Hansen's affairs, I have received by this mail a letter from his son, who is at Sandy Point, enclosing a cheque drawn by his late Father for £300. in favor of a certain Massimo Clementi, who is unable to come here to cash ^{it} and who therefore wants me to remit the amount to some one in Sandy Point for him. The amount in question is so serious that I shall certainly not pay it without consulting Mr. Blake, the Executor under the will, more especially, as the latter writes me under date of December 26th as follows:— "Sanguinetti writes me that the Executive Council have decided to renew the lease for Barcas Island, provided Mr. Hansen will immediately throw up the lease for the Loran Islands. What advice to give Mr. Hansen under these circumstances I know not. Barcas only carries 2000 sheep, and when wages are paid out of the clip there is practically nothing left. I tell you this in order that you may see how utterly impossible it will be for you to undertake to pay the interest on Dean's debt. Government don't say so, but there is no doubt they want to get hold of the seal fishery. Even if it were decided to hold on to the present lease which has 18 months"

"to run, it would not be possible to make a
 "sufficiently good haul out of the rookery in
 "two seasons. I can see nothing ahead except
 "imash after hearing the decision of the Council.
 "Every stick and every broof that is on the Taron
 "and Carass Islands on the day the lease expires
 "belongs to Government. Such are the terms expressly
 "stated in the lease and Hansen always knew it, and
 "has known for years that he could not get the leases
 "renewed and yet he went on filling on expenses."
 Then Mrs. Hansen writes on October 29th requesting
 me to order payment in London to Mr. Dean of
£200. and 6 months interest, to value against
 which she has the following produce on hand:—
 7 casks of Tallow, 16 bales of Skins and 30 bales
 of Wool. I have purposely omitted this "request
 to pay" from the Statement on Accounts and
 leave the matter in your hands. I shall be glad
 to receive your positive instructions how to act in
 this very delicate matter, more especially as Mr.
 Blake will so shortly be leaving the Islands.

13. Par. 15. What little you have to
 communicate with reference to the Land question
 is of a somewhat reassuring nature. I have ^{not} had
 any conversation with the Governor lately on this

burning question, but I note your remarks as to the line of policy which the Board wish me to maintain, and which I shall faithfully carry out. The post-ponement of the Survey to the Greek Islands is a most gratifying piece of intelligence.

14. Dec. 16. According to your instructions I will have the Power of Attorney just received duly registered, and return to you herewith enclosed the old one.

15. Dec. 19. I note what you say concerning the hides at "Daicee" having sold badly, and that I am to buy all lots under 20 to be shipped with our own. I will endeavour to devise some new method of marketing.

16. The collection of our Wool is making satisfactory progress; this Steamer is taking all I have in at present, and I hope to get from 1200 to 1400 off by the intermediate Steamer which is to call here about Feby. 10th. I will give you, as usual, the exact number shipped per "Herodot" tomorrow. The Wool weights up to date are enclosed herewith.

17. I will add to the above telegram

the following words:—"Permettez-moi de vous
prier de verser la somme de £45. au
dieu de la Gratitude pour le compte de
M. Roger T. Goldsmith."

18. Before ending Par. 13 I intended to
say that it is well worthy of remark and I shall
quietly call the Governor's attention to the fact, that
notwithstanding that the Passage Islands have been
advertised for sale, according to my notice in the
Gazette and in the Magazine, for the last six weeks,
neither Mr. Blake nor I have had a single inquiry
or application respecting them! Where then are
the small men who are so anxious to get land and
become Sheep farmers? I heard recently that several
of the signatures to the Petition for the supposed surplus
land were obtained by Mr. James Smith going round
to the public houses and paying for the said signatures
in drinks.

19. I am reluctantly compelled to make
a complaint as to the serious inconvenience to
this office caused by the frequent delay which
occurs in sending out the returns freight and other
accounts from the Head Office. I cannot help
remark that considering the unvarying
promptitude

inactivity observed in getting the ~~London~~ ^{Belgian} accounts ready and forwarded, it is much to be regretted that the London Office cannot forward in time details which you must have known were necessary to be incorporated in our work. As you well know our day's work is too long for us here, and you will, I think, admit that it is somewhat discouraging, not to have our efforts properly supported by our colleagues in the London Office.

20. I send you with the Gazette a copy of the new Customs Ordinance, which has given rise to warm discussion between the Collector of Customs and myself on more than one occasion lately. The fact is that the Governor has got into his head that smuggling is carried on to some extent in these Islands, and says that he must and will protect the Revenue. Unfortunately I was unable, owing to the non arrival of my Commission, to attend the Council Meeting when the said Ordinance was under discussion, but I requested Mr. Pelton to strongly oppose Clause 3 and urged him to insist, if possible, on having the word dutiable inserted after the word "all" in the sixth line, as

otherwise the charge of ten shillings a day for the services of a Customs Officer during the discharging of a coal vessel for instance would be a very serious and, I say, unjust tax on the Master or Consignee. H. G. it appears, refuses to give any one credit for honesty, and has positively sent an Officer round with the "Consolidator." I do not think, however, that the full charge will be made as I protested most vigorously and said that, as I had paid the Customs duties on all the dutiable goods and had obtained a permit to land the same from the Collector of Customs, it was an absurd and useless precaution to take. An unfortunate incident has, however, just occurred and ^{which} will, of course, render the Government more determined still, and that is, the "Grasshopper" arrived at Spring Point on the 9th instant from Santa Cruz, and positively landed a passenger and commenced to discharge her cargo, before even obtaining pratique. The "Habsbach" had just returned from the West, but was immediately despatched to Spring Point with a Customs Officer on board. I believe that they intend to fine Mr. L. Stickney for a breach of the law.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
your obedient servant,

Andrew C. Baillon.

Manager.

Business.

Duplicate Despatch No 533

" Journal & Cash Book for Nov^r

" accounts "Eyeria"

" Indents 123/3

" Statement on accounts

" Remarks on stores

" Coasting Insurance for Nov^r

Account of Wm ^{Phillips} & Letter of advice

Draft on Jas. W. Ellwell & Co £22.10.0

Cheques on London Joint Bank £1000. £13.7.4

3 Drafts on Washington

Specie of Lively Island Wool

Cheque on Grimsley & Co £14.7.3

Specification of Wool weights for Paris. N.A. & W.C

Cash vouchers East West Stores

Letter from Mr. Nichol & enclosures

Coasting Insurance for Dec^r

Receipts of Mr. Knight Commander

Draft on Wm Lowden & Co £1276 10.4 & Letter ^{advice}

Indent 124

Letter to Mr. Cobb from Mr. Kerman

Posse of attorney

Draft on Jm. Dean £743.2.8

Statement on accounts

2nd Exchange £597.3.9 on London Bank

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Karnak.

13th February. 2.

Sir,

I beg to forward to you, herewith enclosed, the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for 1891.

In doing so for the first time, I venture to claim the Directors kind indulgence for any shortcomings, arising to a want of experience or knowledge on my part. I have bestowed every possible care and attention in putting the accounts together, and trust that, taking into consideration the unfortunate loss connected with the "Buckley Castle", it will be admitted that the result is satisfactory. You have only to consult the accounts to recognize this fact, as the figures show a gross profit of £39606, against £37665 in 1890, whereas

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the net produce is only £90. less in 1891 than in 1890, ~~amount~~ in spite of the £1015. loss on the "Burskley Castle".

Farm Account is, of course, once more well to the fore, with the very handsome sum of £29012. profit, against £23176 in 1890. This large amount would have been further increased, had I received the Accounts Sale of the Produce sent home per "Herodot", "Totmes" and "Orissa". As there is a considerable increase in the weight of this year's clip, the price of wool has only to remain where it is now, in order to ensure a still more gratifying result in the figures which will be presented to you a year hence.

Store Account. I regret to say that the profit on this account shows a falling off of £1260. being £9509. as compared with £10569. in 1890. When, however, everything is taken into consideration, the difference can, to a great extent, be accounted for, by the very small number of ships which have put in here this

year; for although the total amount of the Store Sales is only £2400. less than in 1890, the Ships' Store Accounts are £4375 less this year than last. You will, no doubt, observe that although the "Knight Commander" was here altogether for more than 7 months, the Store account for this vessel was most insignificant. The amount of the Stock of Stores on hand is about £500. less than last year, and the details thereof call, I think, for no special comment, beyond the fact that the total of Groceries at the West Store is very large, and to which I have called Turner's attention.

Debtors of Store. The, apparently, large difference in the amount of the balance of this account as compared with last year, viz.: a decrease of £1569. is more than accounted for by two large items which figured in the 1890 account, and which have since been liquidated, viz: the Bk. Singapore £1467. and the New Church account £707.

Buildings and Rent Accounts. The amount charged for additions, improvements and repairs may appear somewhat large, but, as far as the work done in Stanley is concerned, I feel satisfied, from personal inspection, that what has been done, was absolutely necessary for the health and well being of the occupants of the respective houses. The Blacksmith's new house is well advanced in construction, and will, when completed, form a valuable addition to the Company's property.

The falling off in the Rent Account is of course attributable to the absence of Ships, there having been but little opportunity of charging for "Hire of Carpenters' shop," etc.

Interest & Commission 40. This account, considering the few ships here during the past twelve months, shows up remarkably well, with a profit of £1437. as compared with £1554. in 1890. The commission on goods sold by auction as "Concordia" has helped, as the interest per ~~account~~ charged to our clients is only a few pounds more than last year.

Schooners and Company's Shipping. I much
regret being unable to show a better result
in the Schooners' Working Accounts, and I am
quite at a loss how to account for the great
falling off in the "Hornet's" earnings. This
deficiency is, however, to a great extent wiped
off by the substantial increase of profit on
Company's Shipping, amounting as it does to
\$320. mainly due to the large sums charged
for Hulk hire to the Bks. "Singapore" and
"Knight Commander."

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Andrew C. Baillon.

Manager.

Enclosures.

Balance Sheet

Profit & Loss Statement

London Office Cash Acct.

Statement of Deposit Acct.

Inventory of Stores at Carriac Harbour

" " " " North Arm

Balances due to & from Camp men

Consumption Stores on hand in Camp

Fencing Materials on hand

Building " " "

Summary of Stock, East Store

" " " " West.

General Summary of Store Stock

List of Additions to Plant & Utensils

" " goods taken into Stock as "bydoo".

& "bansord", East & West Stores.

Statement of Schooners' Earnings not credited.

Copy of Stanley Cash Book for December.

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"Kamak."

16th February, 2.

Sir,

The "Koko" arrived here at noon yesterday, bringing me your Despatch No 766 with all Enclosures in order.

2. I note your remarks as to the necessity of posting duplicates to be forwarded from Santa Fe. The "Kamak" is said to have left Valparaiso on the 3^d inst. so she ought to be here today, in which case I shall keep my Despatches, etc. for her, and send the duplicates on per "Koko" as the latter ste. might just miss the Pacific boat due at Sandy Point on the 20th inst.

3. Par. 3. The news concerning the land question is decidedly hopeful, and I shall, according to your instructions, adopt an attitude of patient resignation. There is another sharp attack of "coast fever" on just now, and I fancy the fact has given

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the Governor serious food for reflection, and may possibly check him somewhat in his ill-adviced scheme of confiscation and spoliation.

According to your request I send you herewith the Proclamation dated 31st July, 1849 and, in order to be quite safe, two others dated respectively, 30th September, 1845 and 2^d July 1847.

Here Parke tells me that his Uncle has written to say that H. C. has been ordered to restore Kidney Island to him. Whenever I have been reluctantly drawn into discussion on the Land question with H. C., I have all along contended that the establishment of small farmers could not possibly be interpreted as a "public purpose", which opinion I am glad to see confirmed by Par. 4 of Downingfield's letter of January 14th. I duly received your telegram of the 18th January telling me to get the Lessees to send you their boundaries, in order that you may fight their cases, which I hope to be able to do by the next mail.

4. Par. 10. Since writing you last on the question of the Blacksmiths, Chaplin has shown

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a much better disposition in every way, accounted
for probably by his satisfaction at having a new
house, etc. Of the two, I think that I would
rather part with Ogilvie, who is certainly not as
capable a workman as Chaplin, and who, I am
sorry to say, brought great discredit on himself
and the employ a short time ago by his unbecomingly
and cowardly treatment of his wife. Another thing
to be considered is their indebtedness to the company.
Chaplin owing on Decr. 31st \$59. 2. 9 and Ogilvie
\$100. 2. 7. I am however going to insist upon
these amounts being at once reduced.

I will think over and later submit to you
what I think might be done as regards engaging
the present strikers, Aitken and Hansen, both
good men according to Chaplin, as permanent
hands. The question of having them presents
some difficulties, which, however, I hope to overcome.

5. Dec. 12 With reference to the relics
of the mine master, I find in the list of cases,
etc. shipped per "Orissa" 1 cask and 1 Bag, sent by

the late Capt. H. C. to Mr. Belmont, both of which part of a game certainly on board, as I distinctly remember seeing them there myself. The case contained a portion of the marine monster and the bag some ostrich feathers.

6. Par. 14. I regret the mistakes connected with the freights stated in the Bills of Lading, and will do my utmost to avoid them in the future.

7. Par. 15 I note the Board's decision respecting Mr. Kirsan, and have communicated the same to him. He desires me to convey to the Directors his best thanks for their kindness and consideration towards him, and I think that he quite understands the conditions on which the increased salary in question is granted.

8. Par. 16. I will go over Laphorne & Rattee's correspondence re the "Castalia's" sails with Rowlands as soon as he returns.

9. Par. 17. I am very sorry to hear of the difficulty over the "Edith Waldron's" account, and shall, in future, take good care never to exceed instructions in such matters by one iota. Things

would have been very different, had Capt. Hunt's conduct throughout the affair been either straightforward or business like. It was only through a telegram shown to me by Capt. Hunt that I knew or rather supposed that the "C. W." had been abandoned to the Underwriters, and Capt. Hunt never seemed quite sure about it himself. I had hoped, upon receipt by you of my Despatch No 20 of July 19th, in which doubt and uncertainty were clearly betrayed, to receive clear and positive instructions from you on the matter. Had I waited to report the tender and for orders, the ship would certainly have become a total loss in the meantime.

10. Par. 18. I will do my best for you in the matter of the Postage Stamps, but a notice appeared in the Gazette some time ago, stating that since the arrival of the new ^{to} you, the marked ^{to} stamps must no longer be used.

11. Par. 24. I note the fragment of

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£2010. on account of Messrs Bertrand & Kelton's Land purchase. I am pleased to hear of this, as our friend Mr Bertrand was getting anxious about the matter.

12. Be good enough to effect the following Insurances on Wool:

£500. of Speedwell - (George Island)

200. " of Mrs. Bender.

200. " of Mrs. Dettlaff.

500. " of Mrs. Tall

13. I send you, herewith enclosed, copy of a letter received a few days ago from Messrs H. & G. Cobbs, relative to their lease of Lively Island, upon which it is needless for me to comment. I await, however, your instructions in the matter.

14. In a letter dated the 6th instant, J. B. Kruger, the Garrison Hbr. Storekeeper, writes me as follows:—"I have been considering my position and prospects here for some time past, and have made up my mind to retire from the employment of the Falkland Islands Co. in

"months hence, in terms of the Agreement between us. For business purposes you will please treat this as an official document; and the fact of my leaving I should like to be kept quiet as long as possible."

I cannot find Prager's Agreement anywhere in the safe, and conclude that you have a copy in the London Office. He will certainly be hard to replace as regards the accuracy and the neatness of his accounts, but I trust that you will not experience much trouble in finding an efficient substitute for him. He will, I presume, have to come out by the day mail, as the July Str. could not arrive here by August 6th, the day on which Prager's 6 months notice expires. Of course he is going to the coast, and his departure means a very heavy withdrawal from the Savings Bank. A. Kyle, Alex. Harrison, Pattersons and others are gone or going, and many others will doubtless follow. Fortunately there are plenty of youths and young men who will ultimately be able to take their elders' places, but still such a persistent flow of emigration

from our camp may later become a serious matter.

15. The departure of so many Savings Bank Depositors to the Coast has necessitated my drawing somewhat heavily upon you, as, strange to say, the Government declined to give drafts on the Crown Agents, on the ground that the Colonial account was already much overdrawn. I believe the amount in the Colonial Treasury due to the Savings Bank on Sept. 30th last was only £1400., the remainder of the large amount of deposits being all invested at home, but a portion of which they will now certainly have to sell. I am glad, however, to be able, as a set off against my drafts, to send you herewith bills in settlement of the Port Howard and Pebble Island Accounts.

16. I approach the next subject of my Despatch with a certain amount of diffidence, owing to a fear that I may possibly, much against my wish, have gone somewhat beyond my province and exceeded the powers confided to me by the Directors. Circumstances, however,

compelled me to act with promptitude and decision, as I trust that the Directors will approve of what I have done, in the firm belief that I was thereby protecting their interests as far as lay in my power. The facts are these: E. F. Cressard, the Carpenter, has joined H. M. Dean in his venture on the Coast, and was consequently desirous of disposing of the property, which, as you know, is situated in the south west corner of the ground on which the Manager's house, garden, etc. stands. In view therefore of its immediate proximity to the Company's present property, and the possibility of having, at some time or other, an objectionable neighbour overlooking the Manager's residence, I deemed it advisable to make the best terms I could with Cressard for the purchase of the property in question. After a careful inspection of the building, all of which are in an excellent state of repair, the house being especially comfortable, and consulting several people on the subject, I closed with Cressard at the price of £425. Four hundred and twenty five pounds, of which I have paid him £75 in cash

cash and the balance in a draft upon you @ 30
 d/s. I may add in further explanation of my
 action in this matter that Mr. L. H. Dean was
 desirous of acquiring a portion of the property
 in question. I hand you herewith the deed of
 conveyance from Breckard to the ~~Co~~ in order
 that the seal of your Corporation may be
 duly affixed thereto; but you will observe that
 the document has already been registered, and
 is therefore perfectly valid here.

17. The Russian Cruiser "Djibuti", Capt.
 J. de Telkencham arrived here on the evening
 of Sunday the 9th inst. homeward bound from
 Auckland, N. Z.; she sailed again on the 10th
 inst. having taken 117 tons of coal as "bait"
 @ 65/- and a good supply of Provisions, etc.
 amounting altogether to about £500, the
 whole of which sum I am pleased to say I
 received in English gold. The Captain was
 as much pleased at the way we did his business,
 (the "Kinnod" was ready, full of coal in bags)
 that he gave me a certificate of his satisfaction,

and informed me that as a consequence thereof, all Russian Men of War homeward bound from the Pacific or Australian Stations would probably call in here. On the eve of their departure, the Captain and eight of his Officers attended the monthly dance of the Cinderella Club and were evidently much gratified at the attentions shown them.

18. The "Ruth Waldron" arrived here on the 30th ultimo, and sailed for Gallegos on the 11th instant. She encountered some very bad weather in the early part of her voyage and a certain portion of her cargo was damaged by sea water and rust.

19. A four masted Steamer, homeward bound, passed here in the afternoon of Sunday the 14th instant.

20. U. S. S. "Cleopatra" arrived here on Monday the 15th inst., 7 days from Montevideo. She leaves on the 20th inst. calling at Lirio and Speedwell Islands and Port Edgar; thence to Beagle Channel, where she meets the "Beagle".

and "Beilich", returning here for a few days
 come time in March. The "Beagle" will bring
 the "Oleopater's" mail down in about ten days time.
 The latter vessel is taking 140 tons of steam
 coal @ "Lahins" @ 50/-, and will take more
 on her return from the Straits; the "Beagle" will
 also require some.

21. The "Karnak" arrived here on the
 16th inst. and is taking about 1000 bales, but
 does not require any coal.

22. No 534. Par. 12. With reference to the
 cheque for £300, drawn by the late Chas. Hansen
 in favor of M. Clementi, Mr. Blake writes me as
 follows under date of the 14th instant: "Young Hansen
 was here before he went to Caracas, on his return
 from Santa Cruz, and I learnt everything I could
 from him re Hansen's affairs at Santa Cruz. He
 told me his father used no money to anyone there
 at the time of his death. There had been business
 with this man Clementi, he, in fact, got together
 the horses Hansen shipped over, and looked after
 the sheep I believe, that Hansen took over from
 the Falklands. But Hansen told me that his father

"had given Clementi about 700 sheep, in settle-
 "ment for the horses shipped and in payment for
 "wages and time spent by Clementi in looking
 "after Hansen's sheep. He distinctly told me his
 "father owed no money over there, at his death."
 "In your place I think I certainly should not
 "pay, for two reasons, first because I doubt
 "very much if the debt is a just one, and secondly
 "because I do not think you would be justified
 "in increasing the Co's liability with Hansen."
 On the other hand Mrs. Hansen writes me as follows
 on Jan'y. 18th :- "There is a cheque given on the F. I. Co
 "for £500. My husband intended seeing you
 "on his return, to ask you to advise its payment
 "in Sandy Point when presented. If you refer to
 "your books in October, 1890, you will find there
 "was a cheque paid in value £500. 0. 0. This
 "was the hard earnings of a man who lived on
 "Beaver Island (John D. McGregor). It was
 "handed over in Santa Cruz to my husband's care.
 "Will you by the February mail advise its payment.
 "If this is not paid, you can have no idea what

sorrow

"sorrow it will be to me. The honorable"
 "character of my husband will be stained, as"
 "well as that of his family for ever. I most earnest-"
 "ly appeal to your feeling of kindness to pay this"
 "if possible. I do not mistake sentiment for business"
 "yet there is always a wheel within a wheel. I am"
 "aware of the unsettled state of the land lease. I"
 "am promised Caracas, then there is the house in Stanley."
 "Mr. Davis's debt is £2812. 7. 11".

In spite of this I shall most certainly not pay
 the cheque in question, without I receive your positive
 instructions to do so, as, as, in addition to what I have
 quoted from Mr. Blake's letter he says further:—
 "There are still about 700 sheep in Santo Cruz de"
 "Loreto to Hansen, but they are really Land"
 "he has not over there."

Our account with Caracas sold. shows a debit
 balance of £263. 4. 0 but against that I have
 100 lb Wool and 16 lb Sheepskins now here, besides
 the produce already sold, but not yet credited to
 the account. I shall, however, take Mr. Blake's
 advice, and not advance anything except for
 wages and necessary stores.

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23. Mr. Pelton has already handed me particulars
of his boundaries, which I enclose herewith,
and I hope to get the same from Mr. Vere Poole
in time for this mail.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient Servant,

Andrew C. Baillon.

Manager.

List of Enclosures.

- Duplicate Despatch No. 534
 Coasting Insurance for Decr. 1841
 Indent No. 124
 Statement & Rem. No on accounts
 Letter to Mr Cobb in "Herald".
 accounts of Knight Commander
 " of Russian Cruizer "Dghits"
 " " " Wm Phillips
 Specification of Wool. D.H. N.A. & W.C.
 Demand Draft on J. H. Elwell Co £22.10.1
 2nd Exchange £1276. 16.4
 2nd " £743. 2. 8
 Cash Voucher East Store for December.
 " Vouchers East & West Stores for January.
 Camp Notes Return 31 Decr. 1841
 Return of Stanley Establishment — —
 Specifications of Wool D.H. N.A. & W.C.
 Coasting Insurance for January
 Specification of Goodwell Island Wool
 Mr Nichols reports of 1st & 14 Feb. & Enclosures
 Draft at 30ds on W.B. Waldron £1425. 4. 3
 " " " " Jm. Dean 609. 7. 10
 " " " " Jm. Dean 201. 9. 9
 " " " " W. D. Robinson 75. — —
 Cheques on Grimsby Co £5 & £6.
 " " National Church, Portsmouth £12.
 Demand draft on Baring Bros. & Co. Ltd. £1. 1. 0
 Copies of Proclamations 1845. 1847. 1849
 Conveyance from E. J. Chessard to H. J. C.
 Copy of letter from H. & G. Cobb to Mr. Bullon.
 Particulars of Mr. Pelton's boundaries.
 " " Mr. Robson's — —
 Power of Attorney from Mr. Finlayson to F. E. Cobb
 Cash Book for January
 Shipping report
 Statement on accounts.
 Letter for Mr. Ernest Holmsted
 Indent No. 124

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 "Isis"
direct.

15th March, 2.

Sir,

The "Orissa" arrived here on the 2^d instant, having made a very good passage, 50 days from the land and 57 from London. She brought me your Despatch No 465 of Decr. 23^d, a duplicate of which I had already seen.

2. The "Isis" arrived at 6 a.m. this morning, bringing me your Despatch No 467, of January 5th. I miss amongst the enclosures the Journal and Ledger Entries; this is an unfortunate omission, as I am anxious to credit our clients with the proceeds of the produce sent home per "Totum", "Thaben" and "Orissa", as some of them have expressed great surprise at their not having been sent yet.

3. Par. 5. With regard to the Carrasco Estate, I am glad to say that Mrs. Hansen's position has been considerably improved by the fact of

Fredk. C. Cobb Esq.
 Managing Director
London.

Mr.

Mr Blake having succeeded in selling the
 Stanley house for the handsome sum of £10000.
 to Mr. B. M. Dean. This is exactly half of the
 estate's indebtedness to the Messrs Dean. The receipt
 signed by Mr. B. M. Dean and Mr. Blake as Executor
 is thus worded: - "in half settlement of the debt now
 standing between the estate of the late Charles Hansen
 and the firm formerly known as J. M. Dean & Sons
 of Stanley," which covers (both Mr. Blake and I think)
 principal and all interest on half the debt, up to
 date, viz: - Feb'y. 6th, 1892. - I had anticipated your
 instructions as to the execution of those heavy pay-
 ments to Littlehales and others, and I agreed some
 time ago with Mr. Blake to pay nothing but wages,
 necessary stores and such like items. As you very
 properly remark the removal or otherwise of the
 houses and Grand and Steeple houses is a matter
 of vital importance to Mr. Hansen. Mr. Blake had
 some talk on the matter with the Governor at Port
 Stephens, and H. B. promised to send all the corres-
 pondence home to Lord Kintford, and to back
 Mr. Blake's petition as strongly as he can; so there is

reasonable ground for hoping that the leases will be renewed. I have lately seen Judge Daulton about a license to kill seal on the Plover rocks; he, as usual, takes every sensible view of the question, and has promised me to do his utmost to persuade the Governor to grant it. Mr. Blake is of opinion that if Mr. Hansen can only get one sealing season, the estate will be on its legs again.

4. Per. 7. I note your remarks and instructions as regards the "Fair Rosewood" and our schooners generally, and shall, of course, not re-commision the "F. R." when her articles expire next month. Jones has not been a success as skipper and I have had many complaints concerning him.

5. This steamer will take between 800 and 900 bales of Wool; but I hardly think that I shall have enough for an intermediate boat to come here in April, as the "leisurely" clients, as you very aptly call them, will not have their wool ready before May or June. Mr. Henry Alderson has at last decided to do his business through the Company, but insists on his Wool and Skins being sold by his own Broker! a point, which he says, you

did not make essential). He will have about 150 Bales ready early in June, and requests me to have his Wool insured for £800., which, I presume, can be done, as it will be consigned to the Company, although to be sold by Moore & Co.

6. Per. 12 I have forwarded the three Forms from the Bank of England to the three holders of Bencols for their signatures, and will return them to you by first mail, together with Campbell and Morrison's correct addresses.

7. Per. 13 The delay in the sailing of the "Jennies Brumby" through the illness of Capt. Thomas and his son is most unfortunate, as we are positively quite out of House Coal, and shall have to fall back on the "Sakins" cargo until she arrives. In looking over the Jennies' General Invoice and Manifest, I notice with surprise and regret that no Salt has been sent, another article of which we are quite out. Both Storekeepers were quite positive that some had been ordered & that it would come in either the "Jennies" or the "Princess", and I was certainly under the impression that coarse Salt had been asked for previous to your departure from Stanley, but

both King and Turner have searched the copies of their Orders in vain for traces of an Order. Under the circumstances I must therefore order 10 tons from Montevideo to come by the April mail, and I would venture to suggest that it would be advisable to charter a small vessel as soon as possible and send some more Haase coal, coarse salt and lumber.

8. Owing to all the work connected with the "Knight Commander", the Blacksmiths have only recently had time to erect the new Punch and Press in the Shop; it is a very fine machine, but so bulky that it will entail the removal of the engine and the enlargement or rather extension of the Shop at the East end, and I shall avail myself of the opportunity to increase the size of the Iron shed at the east end of the Blacksmiths' Shop, as our stock of iron is at present very heavy, and Chaplin tells me that it deteriorates very much by being kept in the hulks.

9. You know better than I can describe it, the condition of the "Wasp's" boiler; but she is now practically useless as it leaks so badly under the bottom, that it is quite impossible to keep water

in her. Should it be decided to send out a new boiler for her, Noble would first furnish me with particulars and dimensions of the engine.

10. The lever of the weighing machine, sent out for Goose Green, from Rouman for "Herodot", is broken and Noble will be glad to have a new one sent out as soon as possible.

11. The "Result" on her recent return from Hill Cove with 50 Bales of Sheepskins belonging to Mr. Blake was stranded for nine days in Reef Channel, and had to discharge the whole of her cargo, which she fortunately succeeded in doing without any damage, and Mr. Launchley assures me that the Sheepskins are in perfectly good and sound condition. The "Gore" had still some bark for, on her return from Weddell Island, whither she had taken Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Williams, when on her way from Saunders to Pebble Island, while taking the passage to the S. E. of Bold Rock, she ran on the outside ledge of a rock and remained there for nearly three days. She had to discharge 36 out of the 80 bales of Wool she had on board, 20 of which are badly damaged by salt

water, so much so, that I am returning them to Weddell by the "Orissa" to be dried and expressed. I am sending a copy of the Doctor's Protest by this mail to Mr. Dean, and shall send Mr. Williams's account of expenses connected with the Casualty as soon as I get it from him. All this will, of course, make the services of our Schooners more than ever in request.

12. The Bk. "Transide" of London, owned by Mr. Anderson Stevens of Swansea, from that port to Carrizal with a cargo of melting coals, put in here on the 3^d instant, having run back from the Horn, owing to her cargo being very considerably heated, the temperature in the main hatch being 120° in the main hold. A survey was at once held and the Surgeons recommended the discharge of about 200 tons and the burning over and restoring of a portion of the remainder, and the former operation with now being done into the bulk "Orissa". Captain Couch, who has an interest in the vessel, will draw upon his Owner for the ship's disbursements here.

13. H. M. S. "Cleopatra" returned here from Beagle Channel on Monday last, several days before her appointed time, owing to her having picked up at Staten Island the shipwrecked crew of the British ship "Crown of Italy". They had been on the Island 83 days, during which period they endured great hardships and privations, subsisting chiefly on shell fish and wild fowl. The Master, his wife and daughter, and crew of twenty six hands leave for Montevideo by the "Pais".

14. The "Cleopatra" is taking another 140 odd tons of coal, and the "Beagle" 25 tons. so we are getting rid of the "Sphinx's" cargo fairly well. Loading the two Men of War and loading the "Pais" at the same time, has taxed our resources somewhat severely, but I am happy to say that Mr. Dauchless has proved equal to the emergency. The Officers of the "Cleopatra" seem much pleased with their trip to Beagle Channel, and Mr. Bridges, from whom I had a most cheerful account of his prospects at Comorant, seems equally pleased at their visit. Mr. Bridges has chartered the "Rippling Wave" to take over his 1000 boxes from Comorant in June and July next.

15. I regret that my drafts upon you by this mail are somewhat heavy, but the fact is explained by my having had to give the Government a draft for Rents and Customs duty, Schlotfeldt one for passages per "Isis," and two or three others for withdrawals by Mr. Blake's men from the Savings Bank, the Colonial Treasury here being unable to draw on the Crown Agents, owing to the bulk of the Savings Bank deposits being invested in stock which they do not wish to sell, and their account being already overdrawn. I shall, however, need all the money and probably more, as Mr. Blake settled up all his affairs before leaving for the Coast, and informs me that he has drawn quite £700. of cheques; besides which the next few months are invariably heavy cash ones, owing to so many seasons men being paid off, as the work is finished.

16. Referring again to the collection and shipment of wool, I think I am safe in having, this afternoon, promised Mr. Schlotfeldt about 1200 Bales for a steamer (probably the
new

new "Tavis") to be here on or about April 29th,
and another 600 by the ^{day} Mail, as I had made a
miscalculation previous to writing Per. 5, not
having taken into account that the "Prise" would
probably be in with a full load before the former
date.

17. I find I made a mistake in the
classification of the Wool shipped per "Karnak".
\$ 53 bales Wool for Capt. Packe should be
class B and not class C as stated.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,
André G. Baillon.

Manager.

List of Enclosures.

Duplicate Despatch No 536
 Cash Book for January
 Statements on accounts
 Letter to Mr. E. Cobb Esq
 Indents 125 + 126
 Specifications of Wool NA + D.H.
 2nd of Exchange for £1425. 4. 3 on W.M. Waldron
 2nd " £ 009. 7. 10 on Mr. Dean
 2nd " £ 201. 9. 9 on ———
 2nd " £ 45. — — on W.D. Robinson
 Accounts of Bonewell
 Specification of Gt. Isld. Wool
 " " Sheepskins for Kharak.
 Cash Vouchers East & West Stores for Feb'y
 Copy of letter from Mr. Baildon to Collector of Customs
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 " " " Mr. Baildon to Collector of " 7
 Specification of Lively Wool
 Indent No 127
 Mr. Nichols report
 Cash Book for Feb'y
 Journal for January + Feb'y
 Coaching Invoices for Feb'y
 Draft @ 30ds on Natl. Provcl. Bank £ 30. —
 Cheque on John Horn Co £ 32. 10. 6
 Remarks on accounts
 " " Stores
 Shipping report
 Statement on accounts

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"Herodot."

via Sandy Point.8th April, 2.

Sir,

I will commence my Despatch early, in anticipation of a heavy mail from you by the Steamer due here on the 12th instant.

2. I enclose copy of correspondence with I. B. Frazer, from which you will see that he has reconsidered the question of his leaving the Company's employ in August next, and wishes me to communicate the fact to you by telegram, in the hope that you have not yet made any definite arrangements as regards his successor. I accordingly wire you from Montevideo:- "Frazer remains". Mr. Nichol informs me that there will be no difficulty in granting Frazer a month's leave of absence in August, as he will put some one in the Store and look after the books

himself.
 Frank E. Cobb Esq
 Managing Director
London.

3. Mr. C. M. Dean and Mr. H. H. Cobb leave by this Steamer for Sandy Point, and proceed thence by the Pacific Ste. due on the 16th instant. I have handed over to the care of the former a plan of the extension to the North Arm Wool Shed, which he will deliver to you on his arrival in London.

4. I enclose particulars of Greenshields' boundaries which completes, I think, the list.

5. We have had some rather heated meeting recently in the Legislative Council, more particularly relative to a proposed Ordinance to amend the Ordinances relating to Auctioneers, which both Mr. Pelton and I vigorously opposed. It passed, of course, the third reading, but owing to our strong objections to the measure, the Governor agreed not to give his Assent to the Bill at once, but to refer the matter to the Secretary of State, transmitting at the same time our reasons for dissenting from him, a copy of which I enclose herewith together with the Draft Ordinance in its original and amended form. Should the

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latter became law, I see nothing for it but that King should, in future, pay the license himself and the Company forego any Auction Commission or failing that, that he should resign the Appointment. The clauses relative to the issue of Temporary licenses might be useful in the case of persons wishing to sell by Auction out of Stanley or on the West, and therefore we offered no serious opposition to them. A point I wished to make in our Protest, but which Mr. Pelton considered superfluous, was the fact that the Government, by drawing 2 1/2% Auction duty, should also be debarred from bidding.

6. The Store Sales for the first three months of 1892 amount to £7394. 9. 10 as compared with £6571. 13. 11 for the corresponding period in 1891; but, if you add to the former figures the amount of the coals sold as "Savings", viz: £1442. 5. 0 it brings this year's total to within £55. of that of last; a not unsatisfactory result, considering the absence of ships, and the heavy shipments for clients

per "Caraco" and "Vissa."

7. The total weight of coals sold in "Sabinos" up to date is 534 tons, including 20 tons to the Store for House consumption, as we are entirely out of House coal, and have been for some little time. I trust therefore that the "Communist President" will not be very long before she puts in an appearance. There are still about 600 tons of Steam Coal in "Elle" in the "Kiss of Mary", so we have every ample supply, more especially as the "Kosmos" has not taken any since the "Herodot" was here in January. I have about 110 tons ready bagged in the "Kimmer", and I am hoping that the new str. "Tennis" will take some when she calls for Coal at the end of the month.

8. I enclose, at Chaplin's request, a cutting from the Mechanical World, relative to a new fuel called True Peat Coal, which might, some day, be worthy of consideration as regards this colony.

9. I have just received from Mr. Nichol

the three Requests for Transmission of Dividend Warrants, signed respectively by L. Pindragon, C. Morrison and Geo. Campbell, which I trust will be found in order.

10. Owing to the non-arrival by the last ~~mail~~ of the London Journal and Ledger entries, Mr. Kierman has, with my approval, deferred the closing of the Dutch Journal until the said accounts come to hand. It will, I trust, be sent, together with the ~~Standard~~ Ledger Balances, by the intermediate Steamer at the end of this month.

11. The "Promise," having got her cargo into a normal temperature and condition once more, left this for Corrigal on the 7th instant, and I enclose herewith the Master's draft on his Owner for £116. 9. 6 in settlement of the vessel's disbursements here.

12. The American Barge, "Obed Boater" with a general cargo from Boston for Telukbuan and Pelfraices sailed here on the 9th instant, having had to put back from off the Horn, owing to

to her rudder head being badly sprung (an almost precisely similar casualty to that which occurred to the "St. John"). The repairs will probably take three to four weeks. The Master, Capt. Colby, has a letter of credit on Brimingham. I therefore send you the following telegram via Montevideo:—"Federal Obed Master Johnson" Newburgport Brimingham."

April 11th to 13. The "Herodot" arrived here at 3.30 yesterday (Sunday) afternoon, bringing me your Despatch No 768 of the 12th ultimo, with enclosures in order. All telegrams relative to fragments for the Governor are, of course, charged to him.

14. Par. 3 four instructions as to the "insurance" per hole" are noted, and I hope to be able to act accordingly next season.

15. Par. 4 I will at once convey the Board's reply to Dr. Dale's request concerning his leaving the Company's service; and feel sure that he would never put us into an awkward position as regards the arrival of his successor here.

16. Par. 7. I note that according to your arrangement with Mr. Stando, Schlottfeldt must draw for any coals the Koomas & may take at 90 cts. He tells me to day that he received instructions to that effect by the last mail, but omitted to acquaint me of the fact.

17. Par. 13. I carefully note your instructions as Hansen's estate, which are, as you will see, practically the basis on which I have thus far acted in this matter, and upon which I shall continue to act. I have applied for a healing license on behalf of Mr. Hansen as requested by Mr. Blake, but much fear that the Governor will ultimately refuse to grant it, in spite of his intimate knowledge of the desperate condition of the Widow's affairs. The Judge tells me that he fought her case (unopposed as it is by Bonfres' opinion) for three consecutive hours in Executive Council the other day - but all in vain. However H. G. has not yet given his final decision in the matter. At any rate if they do

take measure for Licenses (in spite of the terms of the lease, etc.) Government should do something towards protecting the Seal fishery on the Islands and not allow Yankee Schooners a free hand to come and take the Seals and ship the skins to Europe in Stanley Harbour under their very nose. You put the whole thing in a nutshell when you say that Mr. Hansen's fate is practically in the Governor's hands.

18. Par. 11. I note the Brokers' recommendations as to painting the marks on hides in blue or yellow paint.

19. Par. 12. With regard to the shipment of Wool, I do not think that the Kosmos Co are treating me fairly - for after extracting from me the promise of a certain number of Bales for an interdicted Steamer on the 29th instant, Schlottfeldt informs me this morning that the said Steamer will be here on or about the 20th inst. - under which circumstances I certainly cannot be bound by my promise or made the victim of the vagaries of their Agents on the West coast. It so happens that I shall have very nearly the required number,

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ing: - 1000, even if the "Orissa" does not return
in time from Weddell Island and the Chaites;
but I should certainly have disowned any
responsibility in the matter, had it been other-
wise.

20. Dec. 15. I have read with much interest
and pleasure your letter to the Colonial Office
on the subject of the Customs regulations; your
remarks bearing out exactly the arguments I
have constantly advanced lately against the
obnoxious clause. The said clause would
not be so bad, were it carried out in reality "at
the discretion of the Collector of Customs" and
not, as it is, at the arbitrary and unreasonable
will of the Governor.

21. Dec. 16 I have instructed Deane to
act strictly according to your recommendations
as regards any packages by the steamers, which
appear to have been tampered with.

22. Dec. 18. I will do my utmost to
induce the North Camp farmers, as soon as the
land question is settled, to take over the Harper's
Bridge

Bridge for the Arago Mals, as it would, no doubt, be an immense advantage to them. I will mention it to Mr. Pelton before he leaves Stanley.

23. Per. 19. I will endeavour, in conjunction with Mr. Nichol, to do something for the Chicago Exhibition.

24. Per. 20. I will try ^{to} obtain a complete set of all the Ordinances printed since the last batch went home and forward them to you by the intermediate mail.

25. Per. 26. I will send the required information about the dimensions, etc. of the "Linné" as soon as I possibly can.

26. Per. 27. For months past now, both in and out of the Council, I have been asking for the Census Returns - but so far have obtained nothing but promises. I will make another effort as soon as the mail has gone.

27. Per. 28. Following the precedent of the two former years, I only deemed it necessary to telegraph the quantity of the first shipment

of wool, but will, of course, always use the quantity, using part 1 of quantities, page 1157 of the A 1 code.

28. I enclose a certificate relative to goods, etc. supplied to the bazaar of H. M. S. "Glasgow", and which Mr. Good, the Papmaster, assured me would be all right.

29. It is with unbounded satisfaction that I learn the really glorious news conveyed in your telegram via Montevideo of the 5th instant, and hasten to offer you and the Board my hearty congratulations on this most gratifying piece of intelligence, from the tone of which I can only infer that the land question is really settled in favor of the leaseholders and recent Purchasers, and that the Governor's scheme of confiscation and spoliation has utterly failed.

The remainder of your Telegram I take to mean: We will pay Cash £200. for Hansen. Take draft on Owner of "Famside".

I am,
Sir,
your obedient servant,
Andrew C. Baillou.

Enclosures.

- 1st Exchange £1049. 15. 5 on 4c. hand. of the day
 East & West Stores for March
 Duplicate letter to Mr. Cobb.
 Accts. fr. Mr. "Transide" & letter of advice to donors.
 1st Exchange £116. 9. 6
 U. S. Treasury drafts \$405.00 and 105.32.
 Cheque on Springfield M^o £11. 7. 4
 " " London Joint St. M^o £145.
 " " Cheque Bank £5.
 Draft on Baring Bros. £7.
 Copy of letter from G. B. Fayer to Mr. Baillon 20 June
 " " " " Mr. Baillon . G. B. Fayer 31 "
 " " " " G. B. Fayer . Mr. Baillon 2 April
 Drafting Insurance for March
 Indents to \$129.
 Letter from Mr. Nichol with enclosures.
 Three Requests re Dividend Warrants.
 Remarks on Stores.
 Specification of part of Chartres Pool.
 Mr. Dale's list of Camps
 Copy of Geo. Greenshield's boundaries.
 Specification of Great Island Pool.
 Copy of proposed Ordinance re Auctioneers
 & official members Protest to above
 Extract from Mechanics' World.
 Kirkland, Cape M^o Coast. B. Stickney.
 Certificate from President of Centre of N. E. L. O. O. F.
 Stanley Cash Book for March
 Statement on accounts.

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"Tennis."Direct.21st April, 2.

Sir,

This Steamer arrived here yesterday afternoon, and will probably leave on Saturday morning, taking about 1100 Bales of Wool and Sheepskins. I hope to have about 800 more for the 15th May Steamer.

2. Mr. Schlottfeldt informs me that, as far as he knows, the deal contract with the Kosmos Company will not be renewed after its expiration on June 30th next, and that a Steamer will call here some time in July for Wool, but will bring us no mail. He further tells me that he has instructions to leave Stanley shortly, having been appointed Agent at some port on the West coast. This is very serious news, and I shall be most anxious to hear what you have to say on the subject by the next mail. I cannot help thinking that the Kosmos Co. will have reconsidered their decision, as the present arrangement

Fredk. G. Cobb Esqre
Managing Director
London.

must

must be an eminently satisfactory one for them, both as regards the mail subsidy and freights. Should they, however, persist in their determinations, there is no doubt but that we have only the Governor's hasty and illadvised action in the matter to thank for the loss.

3. Mr. J. J. Pelton who intends to send his wool home by the "Dennis Bawdick", consigned to the Company, requests that you will insure the same for his account, viz: - 300 Bales @ £12. per bale.

4. I am forwarding by this Steamer 2 Bales of wool addressed to Messrs R. Haughton & Sons, Greenock, which he good enough to have reforwarded to the said firm for account of Mr. A. C. Pelton of West Point Island. A letter for them accompanies this.

5. Enclosed herewith you will find copy a letter received by me from the Colonial Secretary relative to my application, on behalf of Mr. Hansen, for a sealing license. There can be no doubt whatever that, according to Counsel's (H. M. Bompas, Q.C.) opinion, Mr. Hansen is clearly entitled, under her lease, and apart from the sealing license, to take and kill

Seals during the open season; but as the whole matter has been referred home for the Secretary of State's instructions, it would not be wise of Mr. Hansen to do anything rash, and thereby jeopardize his chance of getting a fresh grazing lease for Carsons and the Barons, and possibly a revision of some of the outrageous conditions of the present lease. Fortunately, Mr. Blake will soon be in England again, and you will then be able to discuss fully with him this unfortunate business.

6. It is most disappointing to see the Komor Steamers come and go without taking any of the "Sabino's" coals, after we have been at all the trouble and expense of bagging it, etc. for them. Their insurmountable excuse is that taking both fuel and coal in here, would depress them too much.

7. I send for your information ^{copy of a letter} received by me yesterday from Mr. W. Hamilton, of Hamilton and Saunders of Sandy Point, relative to a large concession of land in Patagonia, which they are anxious to dispose of. I shall, of course, write to

decline the business on your behalf, but shall say that I have communicated the letter to you.

8. It is reported that there is a Barque lying in Berkeley Sound, which will, I trust, prove to be the "Communist Manifesto". I hope, however, to be able to give you definite information on the subject before the mail leaves.

9. I send you by Book Post a copy of all the Ordinances published up to date, which will, I trust, complete your collection of these very interesting documents.

10. I forward to your care by this Steamer a tin box containing deeds, papers, etc. belonging to Capt. Thomas. Be good enough to see that it reaches him as promptly as possible.

11. I much regret that, owing to the early arrival of this Steamer and the great length of the London entries by the last mail, it has been utterly impossible for Mr. Kierman to get out the Stanley Ledger Balances for the first quarter. There has been no lack of applications on Mr. Kierman's part.

12. Mr. Jas. Pelton and family leave by this Steamer for Buenos Aires, en route for England. Bishop Stirling is also leaving by this boat.

13. I miss amongst the last London entries a credit for Farm Account for a large quantity of Produce sent per "Tobacco", "Wine", "Chicken", etc.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

Andrew C. Beilow.

Manager.

List of Enclosures.

- Duplicate Despatch no 538
 " Statements on accounts
 " accounts of "Kumde"
 " Remarks on Stores
 " letter to Mr Cobb
 " Cash Book for March
 " Coasting Insurance for March
 " Indent 128.
 2nd Exchange £ 116. 9. 6
 1st Exchange for £ 50 on Natl. Bond
 Mr Nichol's report & 2 enclosures
 Camp wages return to 31st March
 Stanley " " 6 — —
 Copy of letter from Col. Sec. to Mr. Bailton 15 apr
 Nobles list of Books &c.
 Letter for Houston & Sons
 Copy of letter from Mr. Hamilton to Mr. Bailton
 Drawing of North Arm Wool weights
 Specification of 10⁰ Sheep Skins
 Indent No. 129
 Remarks on Stores
 Journal for March
 Mr Pelton's certificate
 statement on accounts

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"Scrapis."
direct.

12th day, 2

Sir,

The "Dennis Brandt"
 arrived here on Friday night the 6th instant,
 after a passage of 92 days from the ~~Danish~~.
 Everything is, I believe, in good order and as
 she has come alongside the "Charles Cooper"
 this morning, I trust that in a few days we
 shall be able to deliver some house coal, for
 which all Stanley is at present clamouring,
 the "Schinas" steam coal having caused us
 endless worry and annoyance, owing to the
 difficulty experienced in making it burn in
 the open grates.

I regret having omitted in my
 last Despatch to say that Mr. Dale wishes me to
 thank the Directors for granting his request as to
 the six months' notice, and further, to assure them
 that he would not willingly cause them any

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 Managing Director
London.

inconvenience

inconvenience, and could stay, if it should be necessary, for a couple of months.

3. Thanks to the courtesy of His Honor the Judge, I am at last able to forward to you a copy of the last Census returns, which he says are not to be printed here, but may possibly be done some time or other by the Colonial Office.

4. Mr. George Cobb wishes to have his cutter the "Blanchette" insured for £250. (Two hundred and fifty pounds) which is good enough to have done for him.

5. Please to insure 59 Bales of Wool and 3 1/2 of Sheepskins @ £14. per Bale for account of Mr. T. Robson.

6. I enclose herewith the Waddell and Beaver Island Indents of goods to be shipped per "Orissa", and shall probably be able to add one or two more on the arrival of the West Falkland mail.

7. The "Obed Baxter" having completed her repairs, proceeded on her voyage on the 11th instant, and I send you herewith Capt. Colby's

draft our letters Bearing Mrs. Wm. Ld. for
£326. 19. 9 which I trust will be duly
 honored at maturity.

8. On the evening of April 29th Campbell,
 the Government Pilot, boarded a large barque
 just outside Port Williams, and nothing more
 was seen of him until the morning of May 3rd
 when we discovered that she was ashore in
 Humber Bay. She turned out to be the "Inverness"
 of Aberdeen, 92 days from Montevideo and
 bound to Valparaiso in ballast. She had
 practically been round the Horn twice, but owing
 to not having sufficient ballast, she was almost
 unmanageable, and the Master decided not to risk
 it a third time. It is presumed that Campbell
 wished to put her into Sparrow Cove, to be handy
 for getting ballast, and that owing to the darkness
 of the night and the difficulty of steering so light
 a vessel, he mistook the Point and put her into
 Humber Bay instead of Sparrow Cove. However
 with the assistance of a high tide and a strong
 westerly breeze, she was got off unimpaired on Sunday

afternoon last, and is now safely at anchor in Sparrow Cove, where the Master intends to take in from 200 to 250 tons of Ballast. He will draw on his Drawer, Mr. G. Milne of Aberdeen for the amount of his disbursements here.

9. The Barque "Glanspario" of Carnarvon passed the Lighthouse on the morning of April 29th, evidently bound round the Horn.

10. The "Prissa" left Port Williams for House Green yesterday morning, and I hope to be able to despatch her for home from the 10th to the 20th of June. Mr. Winther and her little daughter return to England by this mail.

11. The "Haugst" was stranded for several days at the entrance to San Carlos, but was ultimately got off without, I believe, any damage; they had, however, to move a quantity of carcasses from one end of the ship to the other, an operation which could not be but prejudicial to her cargo.

12. The "Fair Rosamond's" Articles expired

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yesterday, as as soon as she returns to Stanley from
Carriacou and Fitzroy, I shall, according to your
instructions pay the crew off and lay her up.
There has been as much to do for the Farmer in the
way of carrying Tanning, Building materials, etc.
that the collection of the Wool would have been
seriously delayed, had I not had the three Schooners
in commission.

13. As soon as we know for certain
how many bales the coming Str. can take home,
Mr. Schlottfeldt will decide as to whether he will
telegraph or not for an extra Str. to call here about
the end of June, in case there should be any hitch
with the July boat, as I think that by that time, I
shall have collected the whole of our Clients' produce.
I shall have quite 1100 bales ready for shipment
by the 16th instant.

14. I have just heard from Mr. Bertrand
to the effect that he has not yet begun to press
his wool, and that, instead of being ready at the
end of this month as previously arranged; it will
not be all pressed until the beginning of July.

which will interfere somewhat with my programme and of course do away with any idea of an intermediate Steamer at the end of June. Mr. Bertrand informs me further that he has sent per mail to the London Office a copy of the B. & G. for 2656 carcasses ofutton, shipfed per "Hempist", requesting you to hold the same for him and to collect for his account from Messrs. Spearing and Woldron ^{his} share of the proceeds.

15. I have just received the enclosed Indents from the Charters and Messrs. Baillon and Stickney, which I commend to your best attention. Mr. B. Stickney will be much obliged by your sending out per September mail two sets of fire bricks and grate and double set of tops to fit a No 9 ~~Hydrous~~ Stove, as he fears his present one will give in about that time, in which case, he would not have any stove for his cook house. The makers are, I believe, Messrs. W. Poore & Co. 189 Cheapside, E.C.

16. Mr. Turner, our Storekeeper, would

be glad if you would kindly procure for him
the following Catalogues and Price lists:-

Messrs Wright & Butler, Ltd. Birmingham.

Birmingham Lamp Co., 36 Ld. Barr St., B'ham.

Barnett, Ashberry & Co., Queen St., Birmingham.

I enclose herewith an advertisement, cut from
the British Trade Journal, of a "Combination
Cart and Weighing Machine", which would,
I think, be both a useful and profitable in-
vestment, providing, of course, that the invention
be a proved success, as I am told that we lose
considerably in weighing out Coals in so many
small lots, etc.

My P. McCarthy, the Carron's carter,
is desirous of sending for a son of his, now
resident in Ireland, and has asked me to
make arrangements for him to come out by the
"Orissa" or any other vessel chartered by you.
He informs me that his Brother, Thomas McCarthy,
of Parkgate Villa, 11 (or 7) Dolly Road, Plaistow,
N. will arrange for the young man to go up to
London at any time you think fit to appoint.

18. Mr. W. B. Denny and Alex. Mercer
are going home by this mail, and the former
requests me to ask you to be good enough to
supply Mercer with what money he may require.

19. The Carpenters waited ^{a fortnight ago} upon me
with the view of asking to be allowed the Saturday
half holiday all the year round. After some
discussion, I granted their request, on the distinct
understanding that whenever there was any pressure
of work for the Company, they are to turn to and
work the Saturday afternoon at ordinary pay.
Both the Stores and this Office are, of course,
open as usual.

20. My drawings upon you will be
somewhat heavy upon you by this mail, owing
to the fact that several of our Treasury hands
are leaving and have withdrawn their money
from the Government Savings Bank. This happens
opportunistically for us, as owing to so many seasons
now being paid off about this time, we are
having heavy and numerous calls on our cashiers.

May 16th 1892. 21. The "Scrapis" arrived at
 noon on Saturday the 14th inst. bringing me your
 Despatches Nos 769 and 770 with enclosures, all
 in order. As it was too rough to work on Saturday
 afternoon and the Governor positively refuses to
 allow the Steamers to load after dusk, she is not likely
 to leave before late on Wednesday. Capt. Sørensen
 is very much annoyed at this most unusual and
 arbitrary conduct on the part of H. G. and intends
 to make strong representations to his Owners on the
 subject. We are still utterly in the dark as to the fate
 of the mail contract, neither the Governor nor Mr.
 Schluttfeldt having heard a word about it by this
 mail; the latter still maintains that the June outward
 bound Steamer will be the last Koenigs boat to
 bring our mail to Starley. We shall all be extreme-
 ly anxious during the five weeks which elapse between
 this and the arrival of the June mail.

22. P.m. 2. I am gratified to hear that
 you are able to say, in anticipation, that the Year's
 accounts will be considered satisfactory, and note
 your remarks as to crediting Town, if necessary
 with a moderate estimate of proceeds of unsold produce,
 which

which, however, was in no way called for in the present case.

23. Par. 3. You will, of course, have been able to ascertain the total Store sales for the year as soon as you received the ^{original copy} of the Stanley Journal. Mr. Kinner regrets his carelessness in copying the same, and says that such a thing shall not occur again.

24. Par. 4 I note your remarks as regards Sunday Debtors, and quite agree with you that Messrs. Baillon & Stickney should, under the circumstances, be asked to consign their produce to us. Mr. Stickney has expressed his regret to me at its being the balance to their debit being so large, and assured me that it would be considerably reduced this year. Mr. Baillon's debit balance is actually \$1100. owing to \$1600. of Produce having been credited in March. Pitahaya is, I think, in a fair way now, and, no doubt, the debit balance will be further reduced this year. I note your recommendation as to caution in dealing with Mr. Henry Waldron's account. Mr. S. Williams has promised to put his private account into credit at an early date. I am making every possible effort to compel the Cooper to reduce his liability to us, and

shall show him no mercy, as he is an unprincipled rascal.

25. Dec. 5. I have not time now to go into the question of the stock of tanning, but will do so carefully before the next mail.

Deposit Account shall be dealt with as you instruct me to do.

26. Dec. 6. With reference to the falling off in the "Hornets" profits, it cannot arise from my having sent her on too long voyages, as I have carefully carried out your earlier recommendations on this point; but I think it most likely arises from my not having debited Horns &c. with sufficient freight, etc.

27. Dec. 8. It is most gratifying to learn that the prediction you made in writing last August as to the issue of the Land Question has been so amply verified, and Mr. Wingfield's letter of March 14th is indeed pleasant reading. Your modest but dignified circular letter to the Sheep farmers must have an excellent effect. I have already had numerous congratulations on your "historical telegram," and under date of April 29th, Mr. Bertrand writes me as follows: - The telegram without doubt will be

"gratefully appreciated by all the Farmers; the"
 "successful results of his able efforts will have"
 "far reaching consequences; proving beneficial"
 "to the Falkland Islands Company and the Lessees,"
 "also to all having a stake in the land." - Messrs
 Cameron, Goodhart, Anson and others are equally
 grateful and enthusiastic.

28. Per. 9. As requested I send you
 herewith an exact copy of the "Concord's" Customs
 entries for dutiable goods, but I had better inform
 you at once that the payment of the 10/- per day for
 the Customs Officer's services on board this vessel
 have not, as yet, been claimed by the Collector of
 Customs, and I have, of course, carefully refrained
 from reminding him about the matter. In any case,
 I should deduct from the amount charged, which
 can only be for the days on which the vessel was
 discharging her cargo, 2/- per day for the Officer's
 subsistence, as Clause 3 of the Customs Ordinance
 says "a charge of 10/- per day shall be made," without
 any provision as to the Officer's maintenance, which
 would of course be an additional burden and
 loss on the Master or Consignee. They have sent me
 in an account for £3.. 0.. 0, viz.: 6 days @ 10/- for
 examination of cargo landed ex "Herodot", but I

shall refuse to pay it, and, if necessary take the matter into court, as I have the opinion of a high Government Official that the charge is unjust and unnecessary.

29. Par. 10. With reference to the shipment of sheepskins per "Kermack", I knew that the "Orissa" would not be short of cargo, and as a matter of fact, a good deal of our clients' tallow will be left behind. Noble has 400 casks now ready at Goose Green, and in any case, I have from 90 to 100 bales of sheepskins in the "Lt. Britain" now. Capt. Gill is very anxious to get some cargo for the "Dennis Brundait", and does not seem at all disposed to take her up to Salvador to get the 300 bales of Wool belonging to Mr. Feltus, which, it appears, is all the Wool he can count upon, as I am given to understand that the "Cassanien" takes the Spring Point and Campos Station produce.

30. Since writing Par. 10 of this Despatch, I have received a letter from Dr. Dale asking me for a passage home in the "Orissa" for Mrs. Dale, whose health, unfortunately, is not as good as it might be. Of course I granted his request, whereupon Mrs. Winther has decided to accompany Mrs. Dale, instead

of

going home in the "Scrapie". Mr. Dale asked me what he would have to pay for his wife's passage, but never having had to deal with a similar case, I thought it better to tell ^{him} that the charge would be made from the London Office, and therefore leave the matter to you. Mr. Dale intends, I believe, to return here in the "Orissa".

31. 1890, Per. 2. The "Koko" left here for Sandy Point on the same day that the "Kermadec" arrived, it was therefore not possible for me to send duplicate of my Despatch per "K." by her.

32. Per. 4. I note your remarks concerning the Blacksmiths, and shall act accordingly. Chaplin's Agreement expires in September next and that of Ogilvie in November, 1893.

33. Per. 6. Pending your receipt of my telegram re Trager remaining and your reply to, reference to this matter is recalled for, beyond remarking that I had partially anticipated your objections to paying his expenses to Sandy Point, etc.

34. Per. 7. I quite thought that, in referring to my heavy drawings upon you, I had mentioned the fact that it was principally owing to the heavy double rentals falling due in February.

the Land Tax,
large Customs duties, etc. and being short of money
I was compelled to give the Colonial Treasurer ^{a draft} and
under the circumstances, did not consider it impolitic
to oblige ~~him~~ as regards the Savings Bank withdrawals.
As you know, the Government will not accept drafts
at a longer term than 10 d/s. I feel sure that they
would, at any time, find me cash if I required it.

35. Par. 8. I am glad to hear you say
that you would have done the same in the matter
of the purchase of Bressard's house and ground.
Bressard will not leave for several months yet, and
is, of course, paying rent from the date of the purchase.
As soon as he leaves, I shall put Fred. Hardy there,
unless he carries out his threat of leaving the employ,
if he has to turn out of his present house. I have,
at present, no tenant in view for Chaplin's old
house; in any case, it will take an immense amount
of repairing and cleaning, before I should like to
ask anyone to go into it.

36. Par. 9. The "Serapis" has taken 90
tons of Steam Coal in "Sakins", for which Mr.
Schlottfeldt is paying us cash.

37. Par. 10. I note with satisfaction
what you say as regards my legal position re Hansen's

cheque.

38. Par. 11. I will instruct Noble to proceed to San Carlos as soon as the "Orisca" is loaded - and will send his report according to the code you send me.

39. Par. 12. I duly received your telegram of the 22^d. ultimus, of which the first word is "Treijman". I shall accordingly inform Mr. Bertrand that you have succeeded in obtaining Gen. Knutson's sanction that the purchase of their Station be on a level with that of the Company and that they are consequently free from liability for increased payment whatever the result of a survey may be.

40. At Mr. Nichols' request, I add a list of 4000 yds to his present letter to you.

41. I must request you cancel my Remarks and Stores of April 22^d, as it turns out that the Barrels of Bullets shipped for "Herodot" did contain quarts and not prints, the actual mistake being that all the Barrels are marked prints, upon seeing which, Fred. King not having time to open any of the Barrels, naturally concluded that they were prints, and at once asked me to call your attention to the fact.

I am,
 Sir,
 your obedient servant,
 Andrew C. Millon.
 Managed.

- Duplicate Despatch No. 537
 " Journal for March
 Letter to Mr. C. Webb
 " Quarterly return of Stanley Establishment
 " Indent No. 129
 " Statement on accounts
 " Remarks on Stores
 " Darwin & N. Arm. Wool weights.
 2nd of Exchange for £50 on Nat. Prov.
 Accounts for Old Hunter & letter of advice
 2nd of £326.15.4 on Baring Bros.
 Cheque on London Joint Stock £400
 Specification of Lundy Wool
 " Speedwell Island Wool
 " Charles Wool &c
 " Broken Island Wool
 " Shallow Bay wool &c
 Casting Insurance for April.
 Indents No. 130
 List of stores required for Weddell Island
 " " " " " Charles
 " " " " " Baidon & Lickney
 " " " " " Beaver Island
 Specification of Darwin & N. Arm. wool weights.
 Cash vouchers for East & West Stores
 Stanley Balances to 31st March
 Cash Book & Journal for April
 Census return 1891
 Mr. Nichols' report & enclosures
 Customs Duty for "Consort"
 Demand Draft on Alliance Bank £4.2.6
 Shipping report
 Statement on accounts.

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 "Orissa,"
 direct.

14th June, 2.

Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith
 Bills of Lading and Manifest of this vessel's
 cargo, together with other papers as at foot.

2. The only passenger is Mr. Dale,
 respecting whose passage I wrote to you in
 my last Despatch.

I am, Sir,
 your obedient servant,
 Andrew C. Baillon.
Manager.

Frederick C. Cobb Esqre
 Managing Director
London.

Enclosures.
 3 Bills of Lading.
 Manifest.
 List of Cases, Parcels, etc.
 Specification of Ballast.
 Supplementary to.
 Abstract of Orissa's coasting log
 Estimate of Orissa's earnings on the round voyage.
 Particulars of Hides.
 Freight free "Orissa". - "Orissa's" account.
 Letters open for J. A. Dean, Esq. & F. Baillon, Esq. House No.

542.
Desiderata
Letters.
via Sandy Point.

16th June, 2.

Sir,

The "Orissa" left here on the 6th instant, and I enclose herewith duplicates of Bills of Lading and other documents by her. I shall send the remainder of Clients' Tallow and Hides by the "Genius Brundit".

2. The "Hemphist" sailed from San Carlos on the 10th inst. with 17822 frozen carcasses. Mr. Inguerra proceeds to England via Sandy Point.

3. Having been requested by Messrs. Sharp and Smith to apply, through the Colonial Secretary, for a renewal of their expired lease, I did so, with the result shown by the enclosed copies of correspondence on the subject. Mr. Eric Poske did the same thing on behalf of Capt. Poske, and obtained precisely similar replies. You can therefore easily imagine the keen anxiety with which we are awaiting the arrival of the mail, by which the Governor will

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Managing Director
London.

receive

receive, no doubt, positive instructions from Lord
 Amherst to it once renew all the expired leases,
 as Mr. Wingfield's letter to you of March 10th is, I
 take it, absolutely conclusive. Whilst on this subject,
 I may as well mention, for the information of the
 Directors, that during Mr. Hardinge's recent visit to
 Mr. Nichol at Parramatta, he informed him, in strict
 confidence, of course, that the Secretary of State for
 the Colonies had intimated to the Governor that he
 would not sanction any further purchases of
 entire holdings.

4. I enclose herewith copy of a
 few extracts from letters received from some
 of the sheep farmers relative to the issue of the
 struggle on the land question.

5. I send you, herewith enclosed,
 supplementary Indents for account of Mr. G. H.
 Williams and Mr. Henry Waldron, as also an
 Indent from Mr. C. Wilson of New Zealand.

6. The "Hussey" proceeded on her voyage
 to Calcutta on the 11th inst. and I now send
 you her accounts, together with the Doctor's draft

on his Owners for £900. 14. 3

6. On the 28th ultimo, the Ship "Old Kemington" of London, Mr. Keshnie, Master, from London to San Francisco, with a cargo of cement, put back here from the Horn, having encountered a terrific gale, during which she was partially dismasted and suffered other very considerable damage. To enable you to form a correct estimate of the nature of the said damage, I think it prudent to send you a copy of the first Report of Survey. For your information and guidance, I must tell you that as soon as Mr. Kishman heard the name of the Owner of the "Old Kemington", he deemed it his duty to acquaint me with the fact that, when he was with Messrs. Stewart Bros., the said Owner Mr. C.B. was considered a man of very limited capital, his business consisting, as it did, of that of an Insurance Broker and the manager of some Insurance Clubs. The foregoing information suggests to me the advisability of adding two words to my telegram to you viz: - "dreadful disaster", meaning that the repairs are likely to cost, at least,

£6000. (Six thousand pounds) and that it will be as well to act with extreme caution. The doctor proceeds by this mail to Sandy Point en route for Montevideo, in order to put himself in telegraphic communication with his Quaker, returning here, if possible, by the July mail. He intends to inform Mr. Wilbrough that everything can be supplied here, including the iron yards, steel wire rigging, etc., and fully expects to get orders to proceed with everything, except perhaps the sails, which he thinks may possibly be sent from home, which arrangement, I have, under the circumstances, thought it better not to object to.

I trust, however, that our fears as to the standing and means of Mr. B. are unfounded, and that you will be able to arrange matters with him to your mutual satisfaction. From Lloyd's list, it appears that he only owns one ship, but Capt. Mr. Keelson informs me that he has a large four-masted vessel in course of construction to his order. I shall anxiously await your instructions on this matter by very first opportunity.

7. No 469. Par. 5. With reference to the stock of Fencing Materials, my Return shows that the excess was at Carman, which material is, as you know, for the Mountain Fence, the erection of which Mr. Nichol was instructed to proceed with as rapidly as possible. Further Mr. Nichol requests me to observe that the cinching of the fencing for the Mountains is an extremely long and difficult operation; it is therefore desirable; and in fact necessary to have the material on the beach as soon as possible, so that the hoisting and rafting to the heads of the Creeks, as well as the cinching, may be proceeded with, as favourable opportunities present themselves.

8. I hope to complete the collection of our Clients' produce by about July 20th; there will be about 1000 bales of Wool and 250 bales of Sheepskins, all of which, I trust, the July Steamer will be able to take. Mr. Pelton's Wool from Seal Inlet (about 320 bales) is all the Wool Capt. Gill can get for shipment by the "Queen's Brandy", as it appears that, owing to some unknown cause, the "San Lorenzo" has

failed to turn up here, and consequently Messrs
 Sperring and Waldron here had to charter another
 vessel in Montevideo, which vessel, the "Fidelia", a
 Norwegian Brig of about 300 tons, arrived at San
 Carlos on the 16th inst. and will, I believe, carry
 home Messrs. Cameron's & Hickney Bass' wool.

9. Mr. Henry Waldron, who is staying
 with me for a few days, requests me to ask whether,
 and on what terms, you could effect insurance
 on his chase of freight on his goods from England
 to Valparaíso, generally by sailing vessel, and on
 his Wool and Skins from Valparaíso by sailing vessel
 or Steamer to Sandy Point and thence to England
 by Steamer; amount £400. (Four hundred pounds)
 annually.

10. Mr. Anson of the Chartered wishes
 me to draw your attention to the fact that he has
 not included Coals in his Indent for goods, stores,
 etc. per "Drives", as he takes it for granted that it will
 again be sent from Stanley; which surmise on his
 part is, I presume, correct.

11. From the letter of Noble's report on
 Banner's press, a copy of which I enclose herewith,
 you will at once see that I am unable, or rather
 not called upon to avail myself of the code words
 you sent me by last mail, in order to telegraph
 to you on this subject. Noble states positively that
 12 new side boards and 12 new end boards are
 really all that is requisite to enable them to work
 the press satisfactorily for some time to come, and
 those we can, of course, supply here. Old Sam
 Banner resented somewhat Noble's appearance
 on the scene, and said that ~~but~~ Banner had left
 the entire management of the place to him.

12. We have had some very heavy calls
 on the Bank during the last four or five weeks,
 and several times have not known where to turn
 for money, having exhausted Chas. Williams' notes,
 and even discounted to the amount of \$200. the
 Treasury draft for \$200. due by this mail. This
 tightness will explain my having given Jas. Campbell,
 who is going to the coast by this mail, drafts for
 the amount of his withdrawal from the Savings Bank.

June 22^d 13. The "Gendreau" arrived here this morning, bringing me your Despatch No 991 of the 21st ulto, with all Enclosures in order.

14. Per. 3. My reason for not dealing with the purchase of the "Fair Rosemond" in last year's accounts was simply because I have not yet paid anything for her, and I cannot do so until I get Capt. Thomas' Bill of Sale, which he asks me by this mail to take out of his Chest Box and forward to him for his signature, which I am accordingly doing. As to her Working account, she was, as you will remember, employed for some time immediately after her purchase, in making the "Concordia", and had therefore earned as little otherwise that I thought it better not to introduce the item into the Profit and Loss Statement. I note your further remarks as to dealing with this Schooner.

15. Per. 4. I have informed Mr. Henry Widdow that Mr. Clark is now with Messrs. Crocy, Covert & Co, but he tells me that he prefers not to change his Wool Brokers for the present.

16. Par. 5. I am glad to hear that you are likely to charter a sailing vessel before long, as although we have of course plenty of coal for the present, quite one third of the 'Gunnist' Bunkers' cargo has already gone, and there is every appearance of a long and severe winter before us, meaning an increased demand for coal. This Steamer is taking from 70 to 80 tons of Steamer Coal on 'Sachins', for the amount of which I enclose Dr. Schlattfeldt's draft on the Kosmos Co.

17. Par. 7. I note and shall carry out your instructions as regards the 'Wasp' as quickly as possible.

18. Par. 11. I do not for a moment suppose that the Auctioneer's Licence Ordinance, as proposed by the Governor, will ever become law, but should such a thing happen, I will do as you suggest.

19. Par. 14. From all I hear from ^{the} ~~the~~ farmers on the West, I have but ^{little} doubt, that my previous statement regarding the American sealers is substantially correct; but unless a gunboat were permanently stationed here, it would be a difficult matter for the Government to seize them. I am, however,

however, told that the Governor has already applied to the Home Government for a gunboat to be stationed here regularly for the protection of the seal fishery. Only two or three weeks ago, a strange ship was reported as having been seen several times on the West coast by passing vessels.

20. Dec. 17. I understood from Mr. Good, the Quartermaster of the "Cleopatra" that the amount due from the Bertheaux would be paid when that vessel was paid off, which, I presume, can hardly have taken place at the time you wrote.

21. Dec. 18. I will communicate what you say relative to the extra 2/- freight on the "Isis" cargo to the other consignees, to which they can hardly object, seeing that their wool realised very fair prices. Mr. George Cobb, who is here, expresses himself as perfectly satisfied with the arrangement.

22. Dec. 19. I will at once forward your letter, with its very satisfactory enclosure from Mr. Wingfield, to Mr. Bertrand.

23. Dec. 21. I very much regret the omission to report to you on the "Concord's" trip round

the ~~best~~ more especially as I fully intended to call your special attention to the extremely satisfactory manner in which Capt. Tenderness did the work. He was away exactly 100 days, but had not to go to Port Stephens, as Mr. A. Dean sent the "Chance" for his goods whilst the "Concord" was at Weddell Island. In any case, it compares favorably with any of Capt. Winther's trips in the "Vixen", although we must admit that he has done fairly well this year, without, however, earning any great amount of local freight. All our clients were pleased in their provinces as to the splendid way in which Capt. Tenderness worked the cargo out, and I consider the charter to have been a most satisfactory one in all respects. The whole of our cargo was delivered in perfect order.

I share your opinion as to Capt. Winther's abilities as a coaster, and certainly think that he might be improved upon. I am, however, bound to say that he did his local best this year, and was most ably seconded by Mr. Gregory, the 1st Mate, in whom you have, I think, a very promising young Officer, and who shows everyone checks well. As to the ^{clipping} concluding

question of the paragraph under discussion, I am much afraid from all I hear that Capt. W. is somewhat addicted to drink, but I have no positive knowledge on the subject.

24. Par. 22. I carefully note your remarks with reference to compensation for accidents under the Employers' Liability Act, and will have a look at the books you refer to when I have leisure. You mention Adams' case, but unless my memory fails me, it was established beyond doubt by the authorities that he contributed very largely to the accident by his own carelessness, whereas the reverse was the case in the *Oldfield* case.

25. Par. 24. We had indeed that Father O'Grady would put the question for B. in favor of Burns & Bates by the "*Telegraph*", or it would have been advised in my letter of March 20th. We will avoid similar mistakes in future.

26. Par. 26. I note with much pleasure the remarks contained in this paragraph, and beg of you to be good enough to convey to the Board my very sincere and grateful thanks for this signal and most unexpected mark of their

45.) appreciation of my services, which will be a further incentive to me to continue my efforts to deserve their approbation. The other recipients of a similar mark of favor will, I feel sure, be equally gratified.

29. Dec. 31. I note the gratifying piece of intelligence that the Kosmos Company have secured the mail contract for the next three years, and that their Steamers will in future sail from and arrive at Tilbury Dock. I shall be most anxious to see the exact terms of the new contract.

30. Dec. 32. Mr. George Cobb bears with extreme pleasure the decision of the Board with regard to the renewal of the lease of Lively Field, and requests me to convey his best thanks for their kindness in the matter. I will not fail to communicate your remarks on the subject to him.

31. Dec. 34. Mr. Kinson much regrets the various slips he has made in copying, &c. and is, himself, replying to your Remarks on Accounts.

32. Dec. 35. You shall have a report on the samples of plug tobacco from the J. C. Williams & Co as soon as possible.

I am, Sir,
your obedient Servant
Andrew C. Baillou
Manager.

List of Enclosures

Duplicate Dispatch No. 540

- statement on accounts
- Cassa Book & Journal for April
- accounts Obed Barker.
- Stanley Ledger Balances to 31st Mar.
- Indents 130
- Coasting Insurance for May.
- Specification of Blecker Sold Wool 70
- " " of Garwin W.W. wool

2nd Exchange £ 250. 18. 9

Accounts of South Am. Missy Society, signed
Cheques on Grindley & Co £6. 3. 6, £22. 10. 8. & £20
Cash Voucher East & West Stores

Accounts of Inverness & letter of address
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Duplicate accounts "Orissa"

" Documents "

" Dispatch & letter "

Specification of Freedwell Sold Wool
" " Keppel " "

Copy of letter from Mr Baillon to Colledge May. 28

" " " Colledge to Mr. Baillon " 31

" " " Mr. Baillon to Colledge. June. 2

" " " Colledge to Mr. Baillon " 4

Coasting Insurance for May

Copy of Vables report on Bourne's press

Supplementary Indent of Mr. C.H. Williams

" " " Mr. H. Waldron

Extracts from Sheppersons letters &c

Indent for E. Wilson. New Sold

Indents No 131

Mr. Nichols' report & enclosure
Journal & Cash Book for May
Copy of M.L. for "Orissa"

Remarks on Homeward cargo for "Orissa"

Deposit receipt for £60 on National Bk. of Scotland.
Dunipark.

shipping report

Statement on accounts

Remarks " " "

5th 3rd
 Messrs.

July 14th 2.

Sir,

I regret that, owing to the Chief Engineer's receipt having been mislaid, I was unable to obtain the draft from Mr. Schlottfeldt for the coals supplied to the Ste. "Condorah", before that vessel's departure, but you will find it herewith enclosed. The arrangements for loading coal on this Steamer are so extremely primitive that, although I had the "Kimmer" quite full, they were only able to take 44 tons, instead of the 90 to 90 which they wanted; then again, all these old Steamers are so short handed that, unless Mr. Schlottfeldt can obtain extra labour on shore, they cannot possibly get through the works, as Mr. Lauchlin's men are all required to discharge our cargo or load Wood.

Fredk. C. Cobb Esq
 Managing Director
London.

2. I send you herewith press copy
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of a letter written by me to the Collector of Customs on the exact question of the charge of 10/- per day for the services of a Customs Officer during the discharge of the Free goods from our lighters. It resulted in my being sent for by the Governor, with whom I discussed the question at length; but he is so determined to insist upon the said Free goods being searched, that the only concession I was able to obtain from him was that, a part of a day will, in future, not be charged as a whole day, but at the rate of 4/- an hour. He also reduced the Government's present claims against us of £6. for the charge in question to £2. He is so suspicious and mistrustful that it is utterly impossible to get him to listen to reason. The new Customs Shed has, I believe, already come out and, as you will see by the Gazette Government invites tenders for its erection, without however being able to get a single offer; and it is the same with the new Post Shed, Stables, etc. for Government House.

3. The Bk. "Bankfields" of Liverpool. Master "P.", Master, 92 days out from North Shields with coals for Antofagasta, arrived here on the

3^d instant, with her cargo considerably heated. The Surgeons recommended the discharge of the heated portion of the balls, which has been done into the ~~hull~~ "Praxis", and she is already reloading. She will be ready to proceed on her voyage in the course of next week, so under the circumstances, I should use the word "Fortuna" instead of "Federal", in my telegram to you via Montevideo.

4. I enclose herewith, for your information, copy of a letter received by me from Mr. Lawrence Stickney, from which you will see that he is, at last, tired of trusting to Messrs. Sperring and Waldron for the collection of his Wool, etc. and is desirous of resuming business with the Company. I have written to ~~Mr. Stickney~~ ^{Stickney} expressing my satisfaction at his decision, but saying that, as regards the consignment of the Spring Point Wool to Mr. Stickney, I would send a copy of his letter home, in order to have the matter ratified by the Directors. The "Cassino" has, at last, returned to the West Falklands, and will shortly sail for England with the Spring Point Wool, etc. I regret

that I inadvertently misinformed you as to the name of the vessel chartered by Messrs. Spear and Waldron to replace the *San Lorenzo*. It is the "*Vidas*" of Paris, and not the "*Fidelia*" as stated in my last Despatch. It now turns out that the said vessel is not large enough to carry the Port Howard produce and Mr. Cameron's Wool, with the result that the latter has asked Capt. Hill to take it home in the "*Genius Brumby*," and she will therefore proceed from Seal Inlet to San Carlos to load. All I have shipped so far by the "*Genius Brumby*" is represented by the enclosed Bill of Lading for 16 casks of Tallow belonging to Mr. Edw. Milson; but I fear that I shall not receive the Bills of Lading for the Seal Inlet Wool, Port Stephens and Pebble Island Tallow, etc., which latter produce is being taken to Seal Inlet by the "*Richard Williams*" and "*Chance*" respectively.

George Pelton writes to me from Seal Inlet on the 11th instant that "in the course of shipping the Wool on board the "*Genius Brumby*" today, we met with "an accident; after loading one of the ship's boats and pushing off from the jetty, she started backing and
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"filled, which was caused by one of the hells starting
and resulted in damaging of bales". I have advised
Mr. Pelton not to send these 9 bales by the "Dennis
Bundrit", more especially as Cameron's Wool is
going by her, and to keep an exact account of all
expenses connected with loading, rebaling the wool,
etc.

5. It is with pleasure that I am able to report
that in spite of the absence of ships, the Store Sales for
the half year ending June 30th, including, of course,
the bales sold as "Skins", show an increase of £100.
in favor of 1890, being £10500. against £10500.
for the corresponding period in 1891.

July 16th 6. The "Jones" arrived here
early this morning, and brought me your Despatch
No 992 of the 11th June, with Enclosures in order.
As you will see by Par. 3 of this Despatch, I had
anticipated your instructions relative to not asking
you for a reply, when the reply in question can only
come after a vessel has left here or when the Owners
are of undoubted standing, etc. I used the word to
be used instead of "Federal" as "Porters", whereas I
see from your letter that it should be "Pothered" which

I accordingly use in my telegram to you.

1. This Steamer is taking no coal from us. I note the alterations in the terms of the bills.

2. The "Condorah" on leaving here last month was nearly five days getting to Sandy Point, but as the "Armagua" was also late in getting there Capt. d. Keshmie caught her all right, and arrived at Montevideo on the morning of July 5th. He at once delivered my letters, etc. to Humphreys, who says that my telegrams were at once despatched, and as the "Potasi" did not leave Montevideo until July 9th, I much regret that you were unable to telegraph me something or other concerning the "Old Kensington". Capt. d. Keshmie has returned here and has shown me a telegram from his Denver, in which the latter instructs him to proceed at once with all necessary repairs, having of course due regard to economy, and that he is to draw for all his disbursements through the U. S. Co. That is, of course, more or less satisfactory, but I shall be extremely anxious to get your telegram by the August mail, for which, however, I must wait another month. I assume that Mr. Bilbrough must have seen you before writing to Capt.

Mr. Keelme. One great thing is that the repairs on the ship are progressing most favorably, owing, no doubt, in a great measure, to the perfect harmony which fortunately exists between the Foreman Carpenter and Blacksmith; the latter, especially, is in the best possible frame of mind and is greatly pleased both with the extension to the building, just completed in time for this huge job, and still more with his new haul, of which he took possession about ten days ago.

9. Par. 10. I have to thank you for the copy of the Report for 1890, and for the very kind and gratifying reference made therein to my humble services. I am happy to say that everything points to an equally satisfactory result for the present year.

10. Par. 11 I am extremely sorry to have again caused you inconvenience, owing to not sending the duplicates of my Despatch and the Statement on accounts to be posted in Montevideo by the first fast boat, that does not carry the mail - which shall always be done in future. I thought that the "Tennis" was another fast boat, but did not anticipate her having to stay so long at Buenos Aires.

11. Dec. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Turner admit that they have not ordered much lately from Hoptstake & Co., but that is accounted for by their desire not to be too conservative, and good thing in trade, by confining themselves to one house, and that is why they have been ordering a few things lately from Sears, Roebuck & Co., who have been most persistent in their solicitations for orders, and in sending patterns, price lists, etc.

12. Dec. 13. It would be strange indeed if the "Latest Intelligence" re the land question, should come to you from the Agent ^{or manager} of the Kansas Company. I know nothing beyond the fact that, according to the copy of correspondence sent home by my Despatch No. 1000, the Governor still refuses to renew the leases, and that I am powerless to compel him to do so, even in the face of Mr. Winfield's letter to you of March 14th. The only point which, it occurs to me, he may have in reserve, as he seems bent upon getting the land either by fair or foul means, is that all the leases have not complied with the conditions of the Ordinance

Ordinance as regards stocking each section, Buildings, etc.; but please to bear in mind that I have no positive information on this point. One certain thing is that H. G. means to die away hard over this momentous question.

13. I regret to see that the Owners of the "Knight Commander" complain of bad workmanship in the repairs on that vessel, but feel sure that I shall be able to convince you and them that the fault ought not to be laid upon our shoulders. I will report fully on this matter by next mail.

14. I send you, herewith enclosed, a few pages of the principal facts of the Sicily's engine as given to me by Noble. He is strongly of opinion that it would be a great mistake to put a strong pair of Engines into her, with the view of increasing her towing capabilities. She is already greatly strained, and looks badly whilst doing any heavy towing. Noble thinks that, with a few necessary repairs to her present engine, she would last a long time yet; but as she is the only available steam craft we have, there is not sufficient time to give her a thorough overhaul, as the engine would have to be

be taken out of her. Noble considers the "Weep" worth a new boiler, but if she is really to be condemned, he strongly advises the purchase of a heavier and stronger boat for towing purposes.

15. It is with pleasure that I am able to remit you nearly \$3900. worth of currency drafts by this mail, having succeeded in getting the Port Howard accounts off by the "Hadesack" on the 9th inst. and the drafts signed and returned by her on the 13th instant. As you will see by the last number of the Gazette, M. Wilmer has been appointed Government Pilot and Master of the "Hadesack", but I shall be glad if you will kindly inform me whether the fact of Wilmer not holding even a 1st Mate's Certificate, affects the Insurance on the vessel or not?

I am,

Sir,

your obedient Servant,

Andrew G. Baillon.

Duplicate Dispatch no. 542

" Journal & Cash Book for May

" Indent No. 131

" Coasting Insurance for May

" Invoice of Cows to "Dendrak"

" Remarks on accounts

" Statement on accounts

" Accounts of Inverness

" Accounts of South Am. M. Society

" Remarks on Homeward Cargo fr. "Orissa"

2nd Exchange for £282.14.3 on Geo. Milne & Co

1st Exchange on J. M. Dean @ 100s £93.5.4

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1 " " " " " 300s £255.13.7

1 " " " " " 900s £88.5.0

1 " " " " " Treasury Washington \$365.20

1 " " " " " Sec. of State " \$101.03

Coasting Insurance for June

Return of Stanley Establishment

Journal & Cash Book for June

Indent No. 132

Accounts of Dennis Brundrit

Indent for Bertrand & Feltens

Cash Vouchers East West Stores for June

Duplicate of letter to Collector of Customs

Letter to Mr. Cobb.

B/L for 16 Casks Tallow fr. "D. Brundrit"

Letter from Mr. Lawrence Tierney. (copy)

Remarks on stores &c

Particulars of "Sisnie's" Engine

Mr. Nichols's report & 1 Enclosure

Shipping report

Statement on Accounts

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"Kumuk".

August 11th 2.

Sir,

Owing to the too late delivery in Valparaiso, of a telegram from Schlotfeldt, countermanding an intermediate boat for this month, the above named Steamer arrived here this morning, and is leaving early tomorrow with about 300 Bales Wool and Sheepskins, 100 of which are consigned to you.

2. I very much regret having to inform you that the "Jenny Brundit" went ashore on Centre Island, on her way from Teal Inlet to San Carlos, on July 20th and is a total wreck. At Captain Gill's request, I immediately despatched the "Hornet" and "Fris Roccmond" to the scene of the wreck; the latter vessel brought in 110 sacks of Tallow and a quantity of ship's gear, whereas the former has succeeded in getting the bulk of Mr. Pelton's 200 Bales of Wool to Teal Inlet, where

Fredk. G. Cobb Esq
Managing Director
London.

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it is to be surmised this week by Messrs Cameron
 and Greenhields, and, if possible, dried sufficiently
 to be brought into Stanley for shipment to London
 for account of the Underwriters. As you will see by
 the enclosed Report, signed by Mr. George Pelton,
 Capt. Gill and Campbell, the Pilot, they lost 28
 bales of Wool in boating them off to the vessel, a
 note of which is made in the Bill of Lading. I
 send you herewith a copy of Captain Gill's Declaration
 of Protest, of the Survey on the vessel and other
 documents connected with the Casualty. As to
 the insurance on Wilson's 16 casks of Tallow,
 he wrote to me under date of April 20th, asking me
 to insure the same for £100. (One hundred pounds)
 which I intended to have done, on sending you the
 remaining Bills of Lading in the ordinary course
 by the next mail. Of course all Pitcairns's
 hides will be totally lost, also the 80 from Port
 Stephens. Fortunately the remainder of the Tallow
 and Bone ash from Port Stephens, and some Tallow
 from Beaver Island, was landed by the chance
 at San Carlos instead of Port Jervis.

Captain Gill remains here until the "Hornet" returns with the remainder of the Tallaro, ship's gear and other salvage, when he intends to put up the vessel, etc. for sale by auction, and will probably return to England by the September mail. At his request, I am reporting the loss of the vessel to you by telegram from Montevideo, in the hope that you will at once acquaint Capt. Thomas of the fact. Several of the crews are shipping in the American vessels now in distress here, the others proceed to Montevideo by this steamer.

3. I enclose copy of correspondence, as also a Report from Capt. Lang, relative to the hulks moored at the end of our jetties. Not knowing the facts of the land and foreshore in question, I hardly know how far the Harbour Master can interfere under the Port or Harbour Regulations with the property in question. I shall, of course, vigorously resist any interference on the part of the Government with existing arrangements, but shall, nevertheless, be glad to know how the Board would wish me to act, in case the Govern-

went to extremities in the matter. The conversation referred to in the Colonial Secretary's letter is merely one, during which I happened to mention the new jetty, and that I intended to cut down the Inverquhall to the level of that structure. For your information, I may add that these prisoners are employed at this very moment in cutting down and flooring over the old bulk at the end of the Government Dockyard jetty.

14. I have to report the arrival within the last few days of three American vessels, all of them in distress. The "Amie H. Smith", Kendall, Master, with a cargo of Railway iron from New York to Seattle, arrived on the 8th inst. with her rudder head broken and loss of sails; the "San Joaquin", Sarsabae, Master, with a general cargo from New York to San Francisco, arrived on the 10th instant, having lost her fore and main top-gallant masts, some sails, with other damage, and yesterday the "Adolphus Obrij", Carleton, Master, with a general cargo from New York to San Francisco, arrived with her rudder head broken, cargo shifted and some slight damage about her decks. The fact of

three fresh arrivals, all requiring more or less
 repairs, etc. with such a job as the 'Old Kensington'
 already on hand, will tax our resources to the
 utmost. The Blacksmiths especially have enormous
 mass amount of work to do for the above named
 ships, and I am much afraid that that department
 will delay her completion considerably, although
 Capt. de Ketchum expresses himself as satisfied
 with the progress they have so far made. The said
 Capt. de K. has already ordered nearly 100 bolts of
 canvas, and has practically exhausted our stock
 of sheet rigging wire and other ship's gear, which
 will, of course, account for the heavy indent for
 these articles sent by the Storekeepers this mail.
 I trust that the three Americans will be away
 by the end of this month and, as I have said in
 my telegram to you via Montevideo, they will all
 draw on Barrington Bros. & Co. for the amount of
 their disbursements here.

6. The 'Ague' Bankfield's proceeded on
 her voyage yesterday, and I enclose herewith
 the doctor's draft on his Owners.

6. Mr. Geo. A. Cobb in replying to my letter acquainting him of with the Directors' decision relative to the renewal of the hired lease, desires me to convey to them his grateful appreciation of their good will in favourably considering the application of himself and his brother for the same, on the expiration of the present lease in 1895. He further states that the reason for such an early application must have been obvious, viz: - that an unfavourable reply would have compelled him to seek a living for himself and family in some other country.

7. With regard to Messrs. Gordon & Co's complaint as to bad workmanship, I have obtained a short Report from Messrs. Schlattfeldt and Johnson, who acted on the Trial Survey (and for which by the bye they insisted on charging four guineas) but I am still waiting for Biggs', the Treasurers Carpenter in charge of the repairs on the "Knight Commander", technical Report, but hope to send you both documents by the mail due next week.

I am, Sir,

your obedient servant,
 Andrew B. Millon.
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List of Enclosures.

Duplicate Journal & Cash Book for June.

- accounts of D. Brundut
- Coasting Insurance for June.
- Return Stanley Establishment to 30th June
- Remarks on store
- Indents No. 132
- Letter to F. E. Cobb
- Invoice Coals to "Dunderberg"
- Particulars of shipment p. "Menes"
- 2nd Ex. on W. B. Widdow for £ 913.13.3
- 2 " " " " £ 2565.13.7
- 2 " " J. M. Dean " £ 93.5.4
- 2 " " " " £ 114.11.2
- 2 " " D. D. G. Hosmer " £ 82.5.0

Stanley Balance Sheet to 30th June

Remarks on accounts

Cheque on Grindlay & Co £ 20

Cheque on London Joint Stock Bank £ 65.

Cash Vouchers East & West Stores

Return of Camp Wages

Coasting Insurance for July

Accounts of Berque Bankfield & letter of advice.

Draft at 30 days on Saml. Waltham & Son £ 174.10.2

Specification of Ray Cove wool

Indents No. 133

Corrected Journal Entry for June

Correspondence & report re Balke

Protost of Dennis Brundut

Copy of report of Survey

Dennis Brundut

" " Salvage agreement.

B/L for Mr Felton's Wool

B/L " A. Petalupa's 335 Bullock Hides

Copy of letter from Capt. Fell to L. Baillon asking for

Specification of wool re shipped by Mr Felton

Report of Total loss 78 lb Wool in raft

40 J. D. Felton

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Hko.

via Sandy Point.17th August, 2.

Sir,

I have but little to say, since my Expectation to you per "Karnak" of the 10th instant, until the mail brings me news from you.

2. 10 9 7 2. Per. 14. I am now able to hand a reply to Messrs Wm. Snowden & Co's letter relative to the repairs on the H.M. Knight Commander, in the shape of a Report from the Surgeons and also a detailed one from Wm. Biggs, the Foreman Shipwright who was in charge of and responsible for the work. The latter maintains that it is absolutely impossible for the cross head to have got loose, and looks upon the whole thing as an attempt to extort money. The general opinion here was that the vessel was for too much by the head, but Captain. Murdoch was extremely obstinate in the matter, and would not hear of the trim of his vessel being altered. In support

of Biggs' theory, I may as well give you the following. Both Capt. Murdoch & Biggs
Managing Director
Sanderson.

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ing extract from a letter written by one of the apprentices on board to a friend in Stanley: "We had plenty of bad weather, but we had just 95 fathoms of chain left and the rode the was fine" and steered a lot better; but for all that we bent the screw and had to take it off and straighten it, and it cost all night there. Biggs tells me that other letters in the same sense have been received from San Francisco, and all tends to the conclusion that the defective trim of the vessel, and not bad workmanship, was enumerable for any mishap which may have occurred after she left Stanley. I trust that you will be able to recover the four guinea fee, so unreasonably claimed by Mr. Schlottfeldt.

3. Owing to the loss of the "Jimmie Bunker" and the fact of the "Vidos" turning out too small, Mr. W. H. Cameron has requested me to collect and ship his Wool for him, and further to ask you to effect insurance on it as follows:-

260 Bales of Wool @ \$100. per Bale.

115 Bales of Sheepskins @ \$10. per Bale.

which please to note accordingly.

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10. I am glad to be able to inform you
that Chaplin, the Blacksmith, is quite willing to
renew his Agreement with the Company, on the
same terms as at present, for another period of five
years from October 16th next. In discussing the
matter with me, he only made one request, viz:—
that, in case he gives me and the Directors entire
satisfaction in the discharge of his duties, &c. during
the next five years, that I should be willing to pay
the passages home of himself and family, bearing
in mind his ten years service, and the fact that he
paid his own passage out. Whilst on the subject,
I have much pleasure in stating that Chaplin's
conduct both in and out of the Smithy has lately
been everything I could wish; he is working in
perfect harmony with Biggs over the extremely
heavy work he has in hand for the "Old Kensington";
he is comfortably settled in his new house, which
is certainly everything he could wish for, and
everything points to a period of peace and progress
amongst what, as you well know, have been, at times,

very troublesome elements.

5. The Blacksmiths' work on the "Old Kensington" has proved beyond a doubt that a steam-cutting lathe would be a most useful and valuable acquisition to our Smithy Plant; in fact, Chaplin, Capt. McKechnie and other experts pronounce it to be absolutely necessary for the efficient execution of the repairs on the iron and steel ships of today. Chaplin ventures to recommend that one of Schischke & Harrison's 10½ in. Centre Power Lathe, as per enclosed advertisement, should be the one sent out, and considers that it would meet all possible requirements. Of course, you might be able to find and purchase an equally good machine from a London firm, whereby you might save the 2½% extra for delivery f.o.b.

6. We are still very much pressed for money, so I gladly avail myself ^{of} the fact that there is another large departure for Sandy Point with its consequent withdrawal from the Government Savings Bank, and which will explain my somewhat heavy drawings upon you.

7. For your information, I will now give you a brief account of the progress so far made with the repairs on the 'Old Kensington': - The Fore-mast is repaired and ready for a new Fore-top. The broken bulwark all cut out; main rail angle iron and bulwark stays up and ready for new bulwark. The deck brace partly repaired. The main topgallant mast is up and fitted with new outriggers and cross-trees. The Fore topgallant made, also the lower topgallant yard and upper fore-topmast yard. The topmast and upper topgallant yard are being made. Two iron yards from the 'Great Britain', which were lying on the beach are to be used, but being on the short side, they will have to be lengthened, one or the other 2 feet with wood yard arms and will have to be all newly mounted with iron work. The wood covering board on the fore-castle is in and the new cut head ready for the iron work. In spite of the good progress made, there is such an immense amount of Blacksmiths' labour yet to do, that it is not at all likely that the vessel will be ready for sea before the end of October. The iron work on the 'Annie M. Smith' and 'San Joaquin' has had to be

done in overtime, which is a most unfortunate thing, as it increases the cost of labour very much.

8. Herewith enclosed you will find:-

Report relative to the total loss of 28 Bales Wool, and damage by sea water to two others, belonging to Mr. J. A. Patton, during the loading of the SS "Dennis Brundit" at Trial Point on July 10th last.

Report of Survey on the 28 Bales of Wool valued as "Dennis Brundit".

Copy of Request for Tenders for damaged Wool.

Mr. John Greenfield's Tender for above.

Copy of Lloyd's Agents' acceptance of same.

Mr. Jas. Greenfield's draft £1000. on Messrs John

Ross & Co for £500. in payment of same.

Of this sum, 50% (fifty per cent) is, under agreement, due to the Salvors, and you will, no doubt, defer handing the balance over to the Underwriters' concerned, until I am able to send you the final accounts from here. As you will see by the Report of Survey, the 28 round Bales of Wool here, for the purpose of computing the salvage,

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been valued at £9. (nine pounds) per bale;
this with the Tallero will be shipped home
for account of the Underwriters, and 50% of the
net proceeds of the latter will likewise be due
in the saloon. The vessel and all the boats, gear,
etc. valued from her, will be sold by auction in
the course of next week. Capt. Gill will return
to England by the September mail. I have
advanced ^{£100. 0. 0.} for account of Capt. Thomas, about
£100. to enable him to pay his crew off and
meet other expenses.

August 22^d The "Ako" arrived on Saturday
afternoon the 20th inst. bringing me your Despatch
No 993 of July 16th with all enclosures in order,
also your letter of July 19th, and through Messrs
Humphreys & Co of London also your telegram
of August 11th thus worded: "Victimist Ken-
"ington (Potaminto Ako Secretarion Sordi-
"dare." The first two words have excited my mind
very considerably; and as to the "Ako's" death
etc. I have much pleasure in informing

you that the "Itako" had such a wonderfully good passage, that the timber on deck was really never touched by sea water and is all in perfect condition, thus doing away with any necessity for a survey. We are discharging everything into the "Great Britain", and the Governor has positively consented to the extent of allowing us to work up to 10 ^{tonight} p.m., providing that nothing but timber is discharged. As things are going, I think that the "Itako" will get away late on Wednesday, or at daylight on Thursday the 20th instant.

I hope and think that you will have no further cause of complaint relative to my unwilling to send duplicates of Despatches, Statements &c. &c. by the direct steamer, to the care of Humphreys & Co., to be forwarded ~~by~~ the first fast boat which does not carry the mail, and much regret that you should have been caused any inconvenience by the presentation of cheques, of which you had no advice.

9. Per. 10. I note your remarks on the Governor's power to stop work after dusk and shall act accordingly in conjunction with Schlottfeldt.

10. Dec. 15. I very much regret to hear of the very serious error which has occurred in the account of the M^{rs}. Ogden's, Kerr, Master, more especially as I find that their claim is only too well founded. This most unfortunate mistake is at once explained by the two pieces of paper which I send you herewith; the one written in pencil belongs to G. Browne, the sailmaker, who was in charge of the job and the lengths of the four bolts of No 0 are his figures, but I am sorry to say that the addition 169.0 was made by Fredk. King, ^{at} the West Store, where the business happened to be, and very carelessly put down as 1690 yds No 0, on the paper which he sent up to Mr. Turner at the West Store, who had the Ship's account in his books, as shown by King's figures in red ink on the other piece of paper. It is simply a piece of gross carelessness and Fred. King desires me to express his deep regret that it should have occurred, but how Capt. Kerr can have examined and signed before the Store and General Accounts without detecting such

a palpable and glaring error, is a most extraordinary thing, and should not be lost sight of by his Owners in their opinion of the matter.

I enclose a credit note for £100. 10. 0 but must leave the amount of interest due to them for you to settle as I, of course, do not know on what date you will arrange matters with them.

11. Par. 16. The order for the season's materials was not overlooked, but only deferred until the June mail, owing to the heavy stock of Baggging, etc. already on hand. With our present stock and the 10000 yards Baggging, which you say you have ordered, we shall have amply sufficient for the coming season's requirements, and you will probably now ignore Fred. King's June Indent for 10000 yards. We have also plenty of Shears and Little's dip, but shall, of course, expect to receive what F. King has asked for in his June Indent. Whilst on the question of Baggging, Turner desires me to point out to you that the 100 Wool Packs 2 ft. 6 in. x 1. 3 x 1. 9 ordered from

Kindley in the West Star Indent #129 of April 11th have not yet been sent. Be good enough to see that they are forwarded without delay, in case they are not shipped by the September Steamer. This special make is used by Pitulugo.

12. Per. 19. It is satisfactory to learn that you have virtually beaten the Governor on the Auctioneer's License question. As soon as the mail has left, I will go into the matter and arrange with him on the lines you suggest. I do not anticipate any objection on his part.

13. Per. 10. The Governor has paid for his sides, without however being aware of the fact, as we deducted the amount from a cheque on Kindley & Co for \$200. remitted to you on the 11th instant, and after Council last Saturday morning he said that he would pay me the amount, but hoped that the Company would support his claims against Collins & Co.

14. Per. 19. I am pleased to hear of the charter of the "Boylestad", and the 400 tons of House coal which ^{she} is bringing will meet all our requirements for some time to come.

15. Pers. 20 and 26. The transfer to the company of Capt. Thomas' half share of the "Fair Accommod" has been duly registered and everything is now in order concerning this balance. As to the payment of the purchase money to Capt. Thomas, I must now leave that to you, as we have already disbursed nearly £200. for his account in connection with the loss of the "Dennis Baird".

16. Capt. McArthur is greatly surprised and annoyed at having received no letter from his Owner by this mail, but what is far worse he received a telegram from Mr. Milbrough informing him that everything in the shape of materials for the repairs to his ship, with the exception of the spars, was being sent out here yesterday by Paine, in order to catch the steamer due here on September 15th. This is very serious news, as such good progress had already been made with the repairs, and will, of course, entail a stoppage of the caulking - of which the foreail is already done and the huge mainail nearly completed, besides

two thirds of a lower ^{the} deposit cut out, all of which Capt. de Keshmir will of course have to take.

17. Dec. 22. I am sorry to see by the Book Sale catalogues that prices have given way somewhat considerably, but suppose that the fact may be partly attributable to the general ~~depression~~.

18. Dec. 23. I had to some extent anticipated in my last Despatch your reference to the Governor taking action in the matter of the Hulks, and trust that you may be once more successful in defeating his nefarious schemes.

19. As all our Agents appear so extremely apathetic with reference to the removal of their ~~houses~~, I thought that I would have a final go at H.B. on their behalf, in order to have his refusal to remove once more in writing. I enclose copy of my letter to the Colonial Secretary and his reply.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
your obedient servant,

Andrew G. Beiloon.

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Enclosures.

Duplicate Stanley Ledger Balances to 30th June.

" Remarks on accounts.

" Corrected Journal entry for June.

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Reports re repairs "Hut. Commander."

Mr. Nichols report & Enclosures

Cash Book & Journal for July.

Advertisement re Screw Baiting Lark.

Draft on Johnstone & Co @ 30/6 £ 741.

Credit note for Owners of "Geria".

Documents re Salvage "Dennis Brundit"

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"Ramses"direct.September 16th, 1871.

Sir,

This steamer arrived here this morning early, after waiting two days in Sandy Point for the arrival of Sampson & Holt's s. s. "Chance", which vessel sailed from Liverpool on the 9th ultimo, with about 20 tons of material, stores, etc. for the "Old Kensington", but Captain Grönwald declined to wait any longer, so Capt. Mr. Kechner will have to trust to Gilchrist's Scho. the "Zelia", or some other small craft bringing them over.

2. I have now to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 774 of August 6th, with all Enclosures in order with the exception of the second page of the press copy of your letter to the Colonial Office relative to Hansen's sealing licence, which is missing.

Wm. G. Cobb Esq

Managing Director

London.

3. Per. 3. I shall be most anxious to

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see Mr. Wingfield's reply to your letter of August 2^d on the subject of the Governor's persistent refusal to renew the expired leases. I am informed that he has received no Despatches on the matter by this mail.

4. Par. 3. I am pleased and reassured at hearing what you say as to the means and standing of the Owners of the "Old Kensington", and note your instructions as to the manner in which you wish me to deal with the account. If the sails and other gear & "Chances" arrive here safely, I expect that the amount will be well under the guaranteed sum of £6000, although the labour bill, hire of the Blacksmiths' shop, etc. will be terribly heavy.*

5. Par. 4. I have communicated your remarks on the subject of fencing to Mr. Nichol, who will, I trust, be guided by them in his future demands.

* I should have added that it is not at all likely that the repairs to this vessel can be completed much before the middle of November.

6. Par. 5. I note what you say about insurance for Mr. Henry Waldron. This gentleman now asks me to request you to insure 10 bales of

Sheepskins, which will probably be shipped by the November mail, for £113. per bale or £1100. Further he would be glad if you would kindly ascertain for him the price of Dr. Sturgeon's Merino Rams and, if possible, to send him photographs of some of the breed in question.

7. Dec. 10. I am much obliged to you for the information you give me as to our liability in case of accidents to our employees, and shall be guided by them in future. A case might possibly arise in the near future bearing on this very question. The Colonial Surgeon has recently informed S. Williams, our Carter, that he is somewhat badly ruptured, and has ordered him to send home for a Truss, which T. King is doing for him by this mail. Williams, whose statements, I think, you will admit I am justified in taking with the proverbial *grains salis*, states that he injured himself in doing some work connected with the building of your late residence, and that recently he strained himself violently in endeavouring to ease the cart

horse from falling whilst delivering some goods from the store. This might possibly later develop into a claim against us, so I think it prudent to mention the matter now.

8. Par. 11. I have requested Mr. Nichol to send me in a report on Hiddlemore's saddles in time for the next mail without fail.

9. Par. 12. One note is taken of Messrs Worms, I enclose P.O.'s letter relative to the H.S. 'Konigen' and I trust that that vessel will put in here and relieve us of a little of the 'Sabine's' steam coal, as I am beginning to despair of the 'Kormos' ever taking any more. The master of the 'Kormos' says that he can buy as much as he wants on the West Coast at 9 dollars a ton!

10. Par. 13. With regard to the 'Pomeroy's' account, the bulk of which on rather lighter, which the 'Sisic' towed into Port William was only employed for three or four hours in order to get the kedge anchors and heavy chain cables out - with the view of getting the vessel off, and I considered £5. for the hire of the 'Sisic' and £5. for labour

quite a sufficient charge.

11. Dec. 14. I very much regret the stupid mistake, which occurred in my specification of the shipment of Wool per "Orissa", entailing, as it did, an undercharge for freight. I shall not fail, in future, to give the name of the vessel used in my specification, which will enable you to check me. I send you herewith a list of produce shipped in 1891, on which I cannot find that any return for freight, &c. has yet been made. The "Orissa's" balance was transferred, as far as it went, in the June Journal, a copy of which accompanied my Despatch No. 43 of July 1st.

Dec. 14. Dec. 20. I note what you say as regards the sale of the "Orissa", &c. and shall be glad to see the "Concord" out again, more especially if Capt. Tendamais is still in command - as he is most energetic and pushing individual, whereby he won golden opinions from all the "bonnie" of his last cargo.

14. Dec. 15. Give instructions as to the
fastening

fastening of papers, not intended to be permanent. by kept together, are noted.

14. Dec. 16. Mr. John H. Dean's Station and private accounts were forwarded, with the accompanying drafts for their respective balances to Mr. J. H. Dean ^{your} by the July mail.

15. Dec. 19. Your new address, viz: 61 and 62 Gracechurch Street is duly noted.

16. I send you herewith copies of a letter from the Colonial Secretary, and my reply thereto, relative to the Auctioneer's license. I have, according to your instructions gone carefully into the figures connected with this matter, and, as shown by the enclosed statement, you will see that the net average commission received by King during the last 3 years is £26. 3. 8. I must however call your attention to the undoubted fact that these figures are exactly a fair test of his probable earnings from this source, and this, I think, you will admit, when I remind you that the Auction sales connected with the "St. Mary", the "Schino" and the "Concordia" account almost entirely for the said figures, a sequence of

important sales very unlikely to recur again for many a long day. Taking all this into consideration and acting upon your instructions to behave liberally towards such an old and valued servant as King, I thought that I should be meeting the wishes of the Directors in the matter by reducing his salary £20. (Twenty pounds) a year, viz: from £200. to £180., the reduction to date from September 1st. King is anything but keen on retaining the licence and says that it may frequently happen that he will not earn sufficient commission in a year to pay for the same, and he trusts therefore that the Directors will consider all the circumstances and, if possible, make a slight alteration in his favor as regards the above figures.

17. It is now 10.30 p.m. and to my intense annoyance and indignation Mr. Schlottfeldt has just brought from the Steamer a letter from Mr. Stukemanch, enclosing two letters from Thompson, in which they communicate to me your telegram of the 31st ultimo, as also an

original telegram to Capt. McKee from his house, dated August 20th, and which I delivered to him immediately. He had already posted his letter to Mr. Bilbrough, but will, of course do his utmost to carry out the instructions contained in the telegram as to the selection of the ships, etc. The delay in the arrival of the "Chance" with the materials and gear, and the late delivery of his telegram, together with the fact of his wife not coming out after all, have very much upset Capt. McKee, who, I feel sure, has throughout acted for the best in the interests of all concerned.

18. I am sorry to receive your telegraphed communication concerning the credit with Berings for the "Annex H. Smith" and the "Adolphus Oborg", more especially as the former vessel left here on the 6th inst. and I now enclose her accounts and Capt. Kendall's draft on Berings Bros. & Co. \$304. for \$952.15.5 which I feel sure will be duly honoured at maturity, as Capt. Kendall distinctly told me that he would ask his Agents Messrs. W. & A. G. Hall & Co. of 40 South Street, New York to

communicate with Baring Bros. Ltd. as soon as they received notice of the casualty. It would appear that Capt. Kendall's late Owners Messrs P. R. Smith & Co have either retired or failed, and that the former is now managing Owner, backed by Messrs Howell & Co. I was not, of course in possession of this information when I telegraphed to you on August 11th per "Kermack".

19. The "San Joaquin" sailed hence on the 24th instant, and I enclose herewith her accounts together with Capt. Sarrachee's draft on Baring for £544. 5. 7. I must, however, ask you to return to Baring the sum of £10. 15. 0 - as per enclosed statement of account, owing to the "Sic" not having been employed to assist the ship out, but for which, at Capt. Sarrachee's request, a charge had been made in the accounts.

20. I regret having to point out a clerical error which was unfortunately made in the addition of Mr. Parker in the Mr. Bankfield's accounts. I enclose press copy of my letter to the Owners, and trust that you will have no difficulty

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23. As you will see by the enclosed copy of the Account Sale by Public Auction, the end of the old "Dennis Brundit" was a most disastrous one, Messrs. Felton, on behalf of his brother J. J. Felton, buying her for £10. and they intend to use the spars and deck planks in the construction of a bridge over the Arcozo Mals. I am sending all the salvaged cargo consisting of 42 Bales of Wool and a quantity of Tallow, Boneash, Spermaceti by this Steamer, and think it better to consign everything to the Company, in order that you may do the best for all concerned. Of this shipment ~~only~~ the Tallow, Boneash and Spermaceti are to be sold and 50% of the proceeds credited to the Salvors, but as you are already aware, the 42 Bales of Wool were, for the purpose of computing salvage, valued at £9. (Nine pounds) per bale nett and therefore only £109. of their nett proceeds are to be credited to the Salvage account.

I am,
Sir,
your obedient servant,
Andrew C. Baillan
Manager.

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Duplicate Cash Book & journal for July

Remarks on accounts

Indents No. 134

Remarks on repairs "Hut Commander"

Credit to "Egeria" £ 184. 10. 0

Cash Vouchers East & West Stores for August

Coasting Insurance for August

Account of Dennis Brundit

Journal & Cash Book for August

Accounts of San Joaquin

Letter of advice & Draft for £ 544. 5. 7

Accounts of Annie H. Smith

Letter of advice & Draft for £ 952. 15. 8

Corrected account of Bankfields £ 10. 15. 0

Copy of Mr. Baillon letter to T. W. W. W. W. W.

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Credit note for San Joaquin £ 10. 15. 0

Copy of letter from Col. E. re auctioneer license

" " " " Mr. Baillon & Col. E. "

Auction Commissions received 1889/90

Copy of account sales of wheat & robes "D. Brundit"

List of Produce in 1891 on which return freight
has not been received

Statement on accounts

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"Herodot."
via Sandy Point.

13th October, 9.

Sir,

The above named Steamer arrived at noon today, bringing me your Despatch of August 31st (unnumbered) and a supplementary one No 775 of September 12th; with all business in order; although there are several invoices missing, notably those from Read Brothers and Southwood.

2. Par. 2. I am pleased to hear of the safe arrival of the "Orissa" and that the bulk of her cargo was in good order. I note your remarks regarding the Bone ash, which shall in future be shipped in casks and barrels. I regret having omitted to enclose the account of backcharge with the duplicate statement on accounts.

3. Par. 5. I have been careful to

Frederick E. Cobb Esq
 Managing Director
London.

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get Vouchers for all expenses connected with the "Comis Brundits" cargo. I note your remarks as to the shipment of Outsiders' Wool, but having good grounds for believing that Mr. Cameron will ask us to do his business next year, at all events, as regards the shipment of his produce, I thought it expedient to ship his Wool and Skins for him on the same terms as you did two years ago.

4. Par. 6. As requested I send you here, with an account of sales ex "Schiro", from which you will see that there should be about tons of Steam Coal in her at present, besides the ~~50~~ tons of Smithy Coals and 30 tons of broken pig iron. What does Mr. Stande say about these Coals and which I thought the Kosmos Steamers were going to take from us as regularly and rapidly?

5. Par. 8. I am greatly pleased to learn that Lord Ripon has confirmed his predecessor's instructions as to the renewal of the leaves; more especially as I have recently had some more threatening and unpleasant correspondence

with the Government respecting Messrs. Dean & Sons' Port Stephens lease, copies of which are enclosed. On going home just now I found a letter from the Government block, of which a copy herewith. There is to be an Executive Council at 10.30 this morning (the 14th inst.) and should anything further transpire relative to this matter, I will communicate it to you later.

6. Par. 10. I much regret having made such a stupid slip as to send you the unsigned Bills of Lading for the "Orissa's" homeward cargo, although I must admit that the possibility of your being hard up did not occur to me.

7. Par. 12. As I have already told you, the "Itko's" deck cargo was delivered here in perfect order and condition.

8. Par. 13. I note that Capt. Parke would like to have a duplicate of the Port Bay account sent him in future, which shall, of course, be done.

9. Par. 14. One note is taken of your remarks as to economising the length of my telegrams; but in giving the names of Captains

10. Log 15. I beg to say that I am only following the precedent of many years. It certainly ought to have struck me that it is not necessary to give the Owners' names when the Captains do not draw upon them, and only the Port of Registry when there is more than one vessel with the same name.

11. Par. 14. The account of all our Stanley finances, with the names of the Occupiers shall be prepared and forwarded to you by next mail.

I quite thought that I had mentioned the fact of my having granted the Government the use of the old sail loft as a drill shed at a nominal rental. I have already turned them out once, when it required the room for the making of the "Annie Smith's" and "San Joaquin's" sails.

12. Par. 16. It is a fact that I have seen Capt. Rowlands since I wrote despatch to 186, but it is also a fact that the "Castles" men's suit of sails are still unpacked and safely housed in the "Ogeria", there having been, so far, no time to look at them. However, on her return from her present trip to Darwin, I shall lay her up

for a short time, when Howlands will try the
mussails, and I will report to you on that
by next mail.

12. A. Kyle, the late carpenter at Dawson
is going to the coast with his family. He has
ordered a large quantity of Building materials,
Stores, etc. and has chartered the "Fair Rosamond"
to take himself and his belongings to Santa Cruz.
As Kyle and his family are entitled to free
passages home, I presume that I shall be doing
right in charging "Farm Account" with \$1000.
for the hire of the Schooner, as she will probably
be quite a month away and that the Kosmos
fares to England for Kyle, his wife and nine
children would amount to about that sum.
I shall of course charge Kyle ~~the~~ with freight
on the materials, Stores, etc.

13. I trust that Capt. Kendall's draft
for the "Annie H. Smith's" disbursements here
will be duly honoured at maturity by Bering,
as I notice that Dr. Ogles mentions in Despatch No
775 - "the latter for a moderate amount."

14. The \$2000. in silver specie has duly arrived, more than half of which I shall have to pay over to the Government as soon as the Steamer has left. I note that, in future, orders for Specie on the Master of the ship must be at the request of the Governor of the Colony. I shall therefore be glad of your instructions as to whether you would wish me to comply with this formality, in case I needed any more silver, or whether you would prefer to obtain the same through your Bankers and pay the freight yourselves, rather than run the risk of any unpleasantness or delay through the Governor's action here, a contingency, which, I fear, we are bound to consider.

15. I trust that the certified copy of the "Boyleston's" Manifest will be deemed sufficient by the Collector of Customs, and save any delay or annoyance, as the result of the absurd Customs restrictions, etc. now in force here. You do not give me the date of this vessel's sailing from the Tyne.

16. I note your remarks as to the Masts, rigging, etc. sent by this Steamer for the "Allen Gardiner", and will act accordingly.

17. I am glad to hear that Norings have received authority to meet Capt. Carleton's draft for the disbursements of the "Adolph Obig". Almost the whole of his crew have either deserted or been discharged, and he is therefore proceeding to Valparaiso by this Steamer in order to engage a fresh crew. He will return here, he hopes, by the November mail, by which time the repairs to his ship will be completed. I am, however, much afraid that the November Steamer may have left Valparaiso before the "Herodot" reaches that port. Capt. Carleton, who is a nephew of the Owner, is a very peculiar man and one with whom it is somewhat difficult to deal, as he appears to possess but little business capacity. I shall, of course, point out to him the ~~rick~~ he is running, and leave him to do as he thinks best.

18. The Stores, etc. sent out by the "Chance" to Sandy Point for the "Old Kensington" have not yet reached here. The "Gelie" is bound to San Carlos and Salvador from there, and may possibly bring them; otherwise I presume that they will be here by the November mail.

I enclose copies of a letter addressed to me by Capt. McKechnie and my reply thereto, relative to the probable duration of the work on his ship. For your information, I may tell you that since my last report to you on this subject, 107 feet of new bulwark have been finished; 10 chain plates in the fore rigging, 2 in the starboard main and one in the port main rigging repaired and replaced with of bulwark dogs. They are now fitting the Gun rails and Top gallant rails. There still remains to be done: - the iron work for Top mast and Top gallant mast (nearly ready) wood binnacle trees and cross trees fitted. The spars are all ready for the ironwork, which has to be made for the three lower yards; 1 top gallant and 2 royals; inner bob stay hanks and bowsprit ridge rope stanchions; some work for cat head, side light stanchions, starboard brace, bunkers work for cat head and sundry small jobs. This will give you some idea of what has still to be done. Capt. McKechnie is telegraphing to his Owner by this mail: "Leave early in December" - but both Biggs and Chaplin tell me that it will be well into that month before she can possibly get away. There has been occasional

slight friction between the carpenters and Blacksmiths over all this heavy work, but taking it all together both Chaplin and Ogilvie here, I believe, done their utmost to forward the work as much as possible. Dec. 9. I note what you say as to the Commission on this ship's business being reduced to 3 3/4%, but I presume that the said arrangement is not intended to affect the 5% gratuity usually made to the Master on the amount of his bills for Stores, materials, etc. I also think that I shall be justified in reducing the charge for hire of the Blacksmiths' shop from £2. to 30/- per Forge per day, considering the great length of the work.

19. I enclose, for your guidance, a press copy of Capt. Thomas' account with this Company, balanced up to September 30th.

20. I ordered some time ago, at Mr. Nichol's request, three Sursegro's chains, which appear to have been overlooked, and which he would be glad to receive as soon as possible.

21. In the London accounts of Return Freight, dated July 25th, I miss the credit for 1000

Bales

Bales of Wool L. brought in by the "Daisa" and shipped per "Serapis", but probably you have passed the amount direct to her credit in your books. I presume that the details of the three items of Return Freight, as per the London Ledger entry of August 8th, will be sent by next mail?

22. T. King is sending an indent for some Fencing materials, as we have no Wire, no Iron posts or gates and only about 100 Brackets. I have requested Mr. Nichol to refer to this question in his letter to you.

23. On the afternoon of the 12th inst. one of Mr. Parker's men came in and reported that a Danish vessel, laden with tea, was ashore on Fox Point, at the entrance to Dove Harbour. The Danish Consulate here has been done away with, so the Receiver of Wrecks despatched the "Hadaashi" yesterday morning to the scene of the casualty, and she has just returned. The vessel turns out to be the Danish Bk. "Bertha" of Esbjerg, Hansen, Master, from Costa Rica to Plymouth for orders with a cargo of cedar and other red woods. She encountered a terrific gale off the Horn on the

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20th September, during which she lost all her bul-
works on one side and had to cut away her main
mast, etc. She is firmly embedded on a sandy beach,
and could not possibly be got off without great
risk and trouble. Salvaging the cargo would be a
most expensive operation and could only be
carried on under certain conditions of wind and
weather. The Master has left the 2nd Mate and
one seaman in charge of the wreck and has not
yet made up his mind whether he will abandon
his vessel or not. I hope to be able to acquaint
you with his decision before the mail leaves. I
see that she belongs to a Mr. Th. Dahl of Odense
in Denmark and that this vessel is the only one
he owns.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Andrew C. Baillon.

Manager.

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