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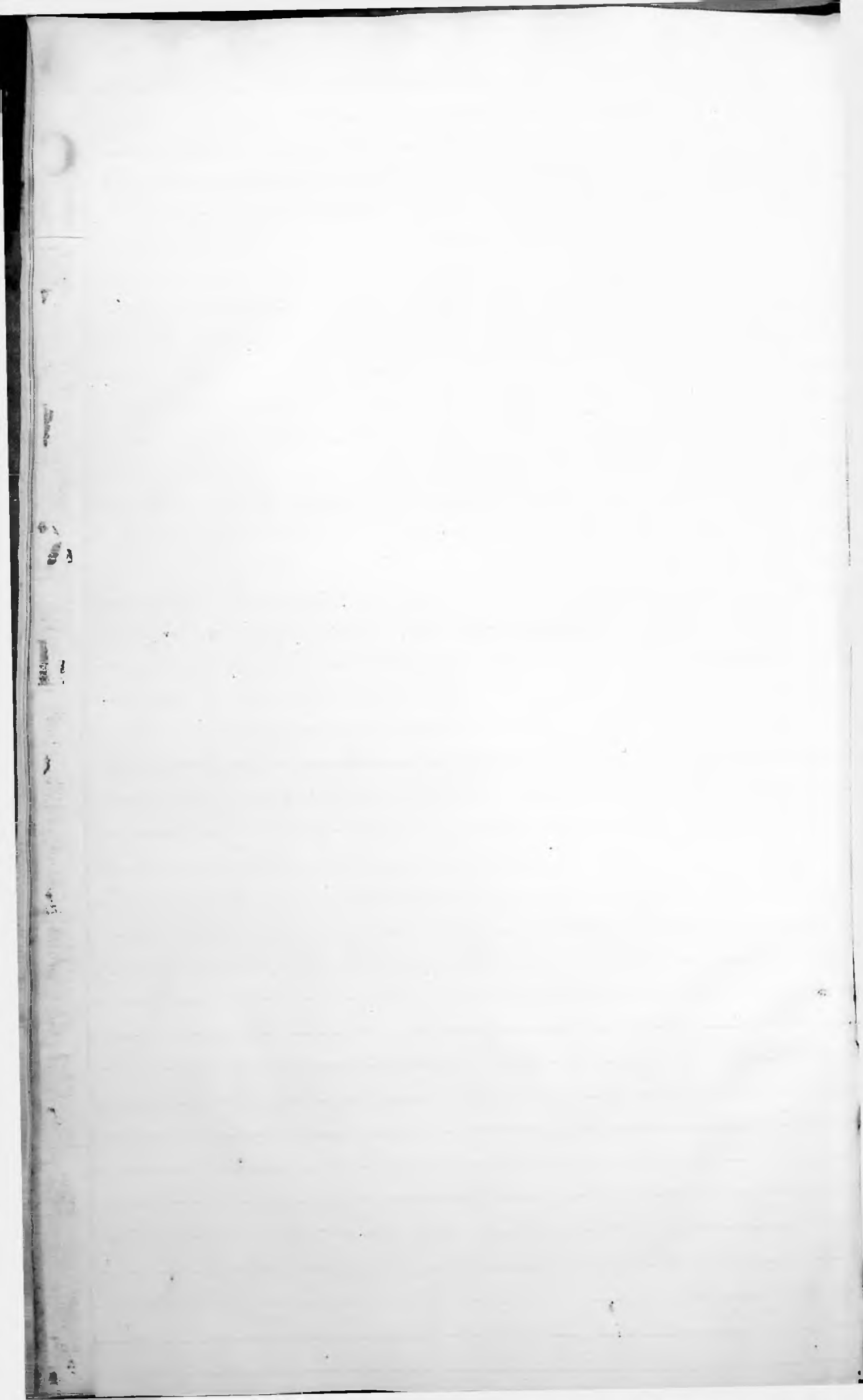
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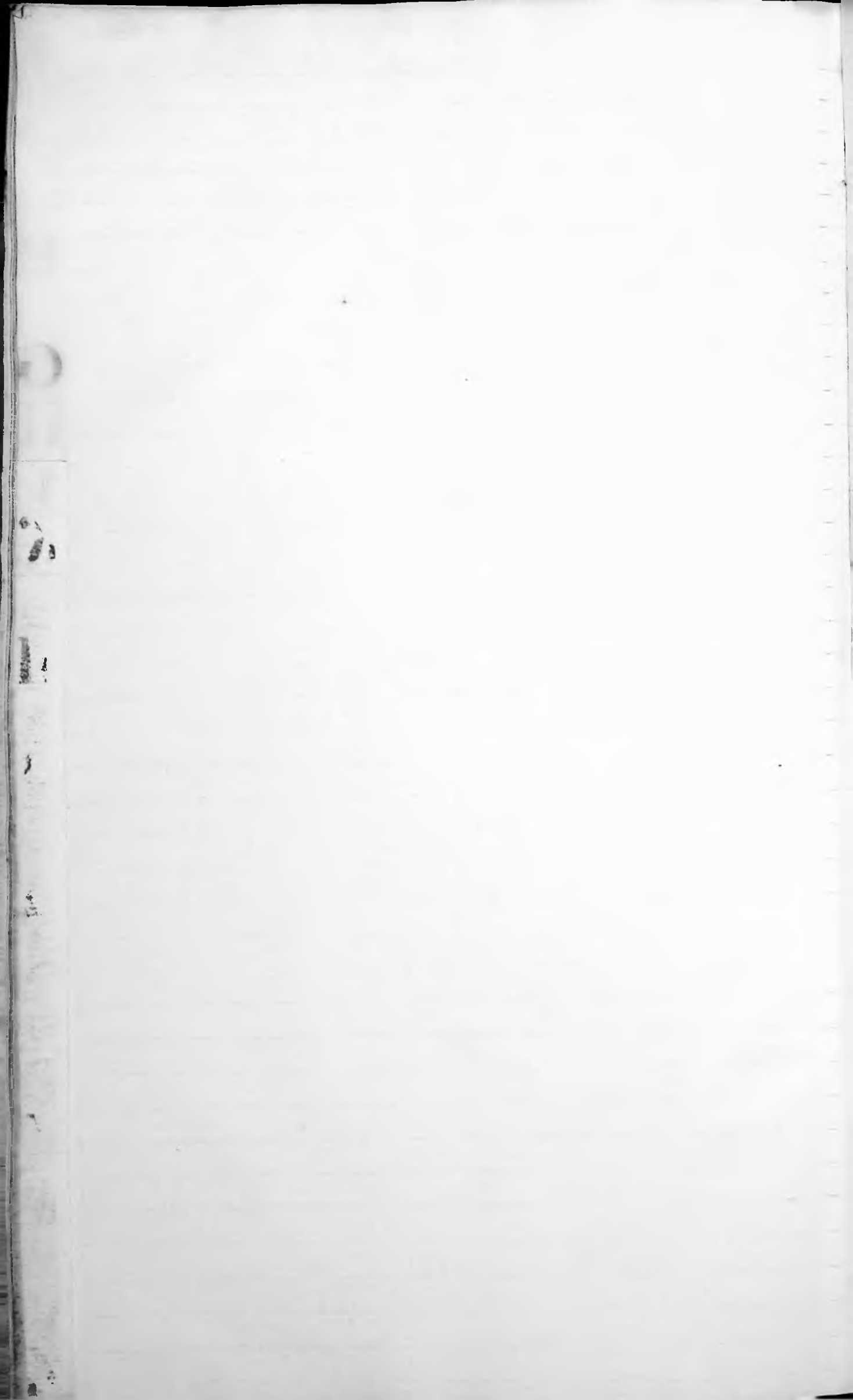
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Sir Joan. Falkland Islands
N^o 26. Stanley, 1st July 1808

Sir, Enclose duplicate of my last despatch, and Bill for £42.11.11 on a/c Raige Snow of Liverpool.

2. I am now able to reply to your despatches 359-363 and letter of 3rd March, the Joan, Athol, and Courtenay, having arrived since my last. The box with almanacks is still lying at Monte Vides, and Messrs. Hoopman & Stewart continue to take no notice of my letters, although urged to write in acknowledgement. I hope you will send me the name of a new agent by return, as it is intolerable that I should be treated in this way.

3. Desp. 360-1. I am sorry that my desp. 9. was so badly copied, and will take care it does not occur again. Par. 2. These
 J. Coleman Esq. books
 Secretary,
 London.

books are too small for our office use, but will doubtless be serviceable for Darwin or Store purposes.

4. Par. 4. The new servants are almost worse than those for Beta. I see no chance of the old woman Janet Black getting a place, and the enclosed note from Mr. Robinson will show you how useful Isabella Thomson is likely to be. On no account let us have any more unless English women with good written characters. No more shepherds are wanted either. The new people complain about "that auld humbug, Biggar", who promised them so much more than they realized, including a splendid new steamer to convey them to the Falklands!

5. 361-2. The pigeon is being weighed, but will not

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be finished in time I fear. There
will not be fifty tons. Par. 3.
I feel much indebted to the Board
for their kindness in sending
my yacht free of expence. Only
two hares arrived safely, and one
of them died a few days after land-
ing.

C. letter of March 8th. I fear
the Volantier's bill may share the
fate of the box of almanacks.
I shall be obliged to copper my
yacht, as the worms here, are perhaps
as bad as in any part of the world.
Captain Pack's friends say that
the Company broke faith about the
houses, and refused to take them.
The Government contract and
Messrs. Bertrand & Switzer will
take all the timber at once, and
we must have more. The quality
of this was not good. I note the
suggestions as to supply of meat.
We have been killing old wethers
for consumption, alternately with
beef, for some months. Not a

nothing more than necessary shall be spent on this. With regard to the Orange Nassau's cargo. I thought I had informed you that it was sold by auction.

7. 362 - 3. The letter has been forwarded to Smith. I have, as you already know, summarily discharged a man, for drunken and disorderly conduct. There was some talk of an action being brought against me, but he has thought better of it, and gone to work for Capt. Packer.

8. 363 - 3. I have received a communication from the N. Brit. & Mercantile Ins. Co. and have advertised for insurances, but not had one application. However, I do not despair of getting a few.

9. Nov. 4. My report on my camp tour was certainly meagre, and I will take care to send a complete diary of my next general visit, which I intend to make with Mr. Switzer.

in the course of a few weeks.

10. Par. 5. I think the Directors have been bamboozled for some time as to the real state of the sheep, and it gave me great pleasure to read this paragraph, as Mr. Mc. Clement's opinion so entirely tallies with that of Messrs. Beckland & Switzer, as to what should be done, that it gives me confidence to make the change in management I have spoken of in former despatches. I had determined for some time before receiving your despatch, upon turning all the sheep into Laponia, if I could get permission from the Governor to leave our lands bare. The long passage made by the Athole, alone has prevented my carrying out my plans at present; I had determined to give Mr. Switzer charge at once, until Mr. Beckland's return from Monte Pideo, and move all the sheep from Laponia to Chai-sent Sound at the commencement of winter, in order to kill the scab

on the former land, which w^d
 be done in three months of
 severe weather, - then bring
 them all to Darwin and dip
 them, passing them into Lapland
 after the second dip, for about
 six months. Mr. Switzer
 thought it very desirable that
 this should be done early, but
 I preferred waiting for the
 school, in order that I might
 have a passage at hand to
 offer Mr. Guenebield. Since
 the ship arrived however he
 has been laid up with a bad
 cold, which has turned into
 a kind of typhus fever, under
 which he is delirious; so that
 for humanity's sake I would
 not touch a subject, which, in
 his weak state, might cause a
 dangerous relapse.

The sheep cannot be dipped
 until the Spring, when I con-
 fidently hope to receive the
 tobacco I ordered by last mail.

11. Par. 7. I have secured this land as it is good grazing, and also worth paying £10 a year to prevent any one from taking it up, which would seriously annoy us. Besides, a great rise is expected in the value of land shortly.

12. Par. 10. Two more letters are returned to Mr. Foster this time, one from Deerpools Esq., the other from Glasgow. They refer no doubt to the Orange Nassau, about which Foster Smith Esq. have sent Mr. Dean a string of unreasonable complaints. Letters on this subject are enclosed.

13. I have bought the Stopped Island wool, - about 3200 lb. - not so much for a speculation as to show you wool that has never been touched with any dressing. I believe some of ^{the} best fetch 10^d per lb., - the price I gave was 7^d for the best, and 6^d for the lower quality.

14. Referring to my despatch 25 par. 6 about house coals, I now increase my standing order to 50 tons by each ship. I sold the government 30 tons @ 50¢, taken from alongside the Athole at their own risk and expense; they would have taken all, but I had to reserve 10 tons for our own use, and 10 more for people to whom I had promised some. I believe I could have sold 100 tons by this time.

15. Return the emigration certificate for Athole.

16. The Athole has come alongside the snow squall which had much facilitated her discharge, and I have promised Captain Grelley the usual extra gratuity of £5.

17. James McQuire wishes you to write Mr. Biggar as to sending out his sweetheart, Agnes Hobbs, by the next vessel.

18. I am making arrangements with Mr. Waldron, and Messrs. Bailton & Sticheury to act as their agent here, as regards Government rents, &c. payments to be made quarterly by bills on England. This will be a convenient mode of making a portion of my remittances, especially as the Governor talks of having the whole Parliamentary grant sent out in sovereigns, and so will discontinue drawing.

19. The *Swift*, three masted schooner, from Buenos Ayres for Valparaiso, put in here a short time since for repairs, which I am doing. She shipped some heavy seas near Staten land, and has to be caulked about the water line. The provisions are also spoiled to a great extent. As to surveys, I am not quite clear as to what extra steps have to be taken in the case of a foreign vessel. The vessel is not insured at Lloyds', and I have

told the Captain that all that he need do is to send home and to the shippers copies of his protest, and notarial copies of the survey. - in the case of a vessel insured at Lloyds; a copy of the survey certified by Lloyds Agent would be sufficient, but there is no occasion for his interference in this case. Please inform me if the view I take is a correct one.

20. The preceding paragraph leads me to the German consulate. Captain of Zeffen informs me that from the 1st of April, the no longer man flag was hoisted, the Han-
 -over, Bremen, and other consularships abolished, and German ones created. I am inclined to hope from this, that the May mail may bring me the appointment. We certainly have more German ships here than any nation's, English excepted.

21. There still appear to be grounds for hope that we may have a monthly steamer shortly.

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I am writing to the owners in
Montevideo, and enclose a copy
of my letter.

21. The Governor has received
notice from the Colonial office that
the *Galatia* will be here in Septem-
ber, and Captain Elliot goes up
by the *Boan* this time to get furni-
ture for Government House. The
mails will thus be detained about
a fortnight, while Capt. E. is making
his purchases, - another instance
of the manner in which public
convenience is set aside to suit
the purposes of the Government.
The Governor has advertised on
the Gazette Board, hoping that
the loyal devotion to, will provide
to, - but there has been no
response to the call, as people seem
to think that beyond an address from
the inhabitants, nothing more need
be looked for in a place, ⁱⁿ which the
Government appears to consider its
own officers as the only persons
entitled to any consideration.

23. I enclose a small order for goods wanted by Mr. Switzer. If your vessel has left, perhaps Mr. Dean will take them on freight in the ship that is to be put on, when this mail gets home.

24. There is no debit in the administration account for the land orders, and other items included in the Journal entries. To prevent any confusion I have ~~on my own entries~~ made solely from the Adminⁿ entries, taking the Journal entries simply as explanatory. Probably the missing items will come by next mail. As the invoice for the Sack is included in the general one, I have got the amount transferred to my store account, which I shall pay off at the earliest opportunity. Will you oblige me by paying Messrs. Arning & Co. £10. on my account.

25. I have executed my instructions with regard to Mr. Leconte; but in a manner that

The Governor tells me Mr. Selater
 will approve of. All the seal pups
 having died, and the money spent
 thus being thrown away, I allowed
 him after an unsuccessful trip with
 a small vessel, to contract with the
 owner of a schooner for a cruise at £200
 per day if unsuccessful; £2.10. if
 successful. After an absence of 19 days
 he returned with 18 magnificent
 18 month seals, which are still alive
 and well. He then spoke to the Governor
 himself as to the voyage home, assuring
 us that he could never get them to
 England alive on board the Ashole,
 and that the only safe way of con-
 veying them was by steamer from
 Monte Video, touching at ports where
 he could get fresh fish. I felt very
 loth to depart from my instructions,
 but remembering that the chief object
 of all the expenditure was to get the
 animals safely home, and being
 assured by the Governor, who is
 writing to Mr. Selater, that that
 gentleman would sanction the change,
 I have allowed him to go for France.
 The seals have eaten nothing since
 they were caught, three weeks ago, and

would certainly have little
chance of living on a sailing vessel.

20. If you could find a
useful schooner of 20 to 300 tons,
I think you would do well to buy
it. I see now that the Fairy
would cost almost more to repair
than she is worth, and I may
very likely sell her shortly if
I get a good offer. Captain Coley
tells me that plenty of good sea-
worthy vessels come over to Liver-
pool from the States, and sell
at very moderate prices. None
with a tolerably flat floor for
the hold, so as to enable her to
carry cattle well. Part of the
expense of purchase would be
saved, if you sent her out from
home with a small general cargo.

21. I managed to get out a
short distance in the Camp
a few days ago, to Port Pleasant,
about 35 miles off. Here the
sheep were reported as being very
bad, so I determined to see for
myself. The ones I saw, are certainly

in a dreadful state, not a particle
of wool on their backs, which are
raw and cracked with frost. Three
beavers could scarcely move, and are
probably dead by this time. The
Speerschilds, according to authorities
here, made a great error in putting
hot tar and oil on bare sheep in
frosty weather, indeed the shepherd
himself. Mr. Gill, said "I knew
they were bound to die, but, as the
Speerschilds was present, it was no
business of mine." Mr. Gill is a cap-
tain, understanding sheep, and
a very trustworthy person. He had
1045 wether hogsheads counted out to him
but much less than that number
will go back. With him is his brother
in law, Wright, and he is considered
head of the district. They kill sheep
for their food, being so far from the
settlement. Johnson at Pitcairney has wethers
also, but older; about 600 were given
to him last year he had 900 wether
hogsheads, of which about 50 went back
to Dawson to be shorn.

Leaving remarks on stores to another
despatch, I remain, &c.

Your obedient servant,
Jedediah
Colonial Manager.

To John 19.

Pertham.

Tahland Islands.

No. 24.Stanley, 2nd July, 1805

Sir, The Ashole arrived on the 10th ult., and the Courtenay on the 22nd, so that we had a few Days start in the sale of the cargo. She is now discharged, and about to take in the pig iron to Mary Sparks. I now reply to your despatch 359, on the subject of stores.

2. The Tobacco is admitted to be the best ever shipped to the Colony, and sells readily at 1/ per lb. and is dearer than the other. It would be worth while to make certain of always getting this brand, - "All the Way" - Hiabig's Extra Leaf is approved of by the Doctor, who recommends it to be constantly shipped. The Spain's diamonds sent last year do well enough, - they did not understand them properly at Darwin. On James I cannot report so soon, Wolter seem the cheapest, but time will show which the public like best. Condensed milk seems more suitable than Concentrated. As to Cocoa & Milk I am unable to speak at present.

J. Coleman Esq.

Secretary,

London.

The seed potatoes will be useful. Cheap crockery is a mistake, the place is filled with that from the wreck of the Stiver Reverent. All the Deals will be absorbed, as I have before stated. Of Dinner Knives & Forks the cheapest are the most profitable. The Wash order and Wards are very satisfactory. The large sized Buckle bits are far too large. The Spurs will do very well. you can send 6 doz. of the latter. There must have been some mistake about books in some cases instead of 8 pairs of 8 sizes, there was only 1 pair each size; and this was unfortunate, as we could have sold a large quantity, especially of women's kinds. Bussow has a good name here, you had better send him the bulk of the orders, getting a few from Turner as a variety. Tricks are unusually bad, without the proper extra allowance for breakage. The Gin is not liked by the

publicans as well as the London
 Old Town. Coffee roaster will do
 well. Prepared Salmon, &c. is
 much approved of. You cannot do
 better than continue to buy of De
 Guinley. Butter and cheese very
 good, also Stamps. I am afraid
 some of the bottled beer is rather
 tart. Truman's Ale a great improve-
 ment on Stoll's. Staples are of no
 use, as the wine should pass through
 the ports. Prayer books and Bibles
 shall be distributed, but will probably
 share the fate of others that have gone
 into the Camp, and been used as
 pipe lights. Captain Elliot will
 sign Captain Gyley's Bk. - you have
 not sent me one, and he will not
 give his up, as it has a price list on
 it. Surely these Government people
 don't do their business properly.

I send a small order which
 may be in time, if not you may
 perhaps hear that the steamer is
 started, and so be able to send by her.
 The hats, &c. we could not order until
 the Athol came in.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant
 Geo. C. Cobb.
 Colonial Manager

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Colonial Remittances.



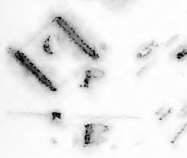
John Godwin to David Godwin,
Lower Hill, Langkhas, Dumfriesshire
L10.0.0. and

Robert Horne to John Horne, Railway
Station, Dumfries - L10.0.0.



Enclosures.

Per English mail.	Per French mail.
Darwin's store inventory.	1 st In. L42.11.11
" wages & refuon	Compt. certificat
" sub's balance	Dep. this dep.
Mrs. Robinson on servants	25.25.25
Store Cash May & June	Admiralty of
Cash Book & Journal of May	Greenwich L25.25.25
2 nd In. L42.11.11	John May 25.25.25
Mrs. W. account	June 2.11.11.
Dean to Cott 19 June	Compt. unimp.
Cott to Dean do.	Dis. no. L107.10.0
Shipping report	Bills of. do.
Produce & wages return	Stro 47.2.11
To Malden. Sunds	Publ. exp 35.16.0
Additional Indent.	Pactis 9.14.5
Letter to Major Munro	Lois 8.10
" Schult & motion	<u>95.2.5</u>

Manifest of Cargo shipped per
 Brigantine *Arcturion*, John Gordon, Master,
 Falkland Islands to London.

Marks and Nos	Goods	Shippers	Consignees
	2348 Cattle hides	Falkland Islands	Falkland Islands
	4 Baskets Oil	D ^o	D ^o
K 1/10 K 1/10	20 Bales Wool	D ^o	D ^o
	6 Casks Tallow	D ^o	D ^o
	A quantity of Tails	D ^o	D ^o
	2 Casks Sturgeon Oil	St. John's	St. John's
	107 Casks D ^o	D ^o	D ^o
	6 Bales Wool	Falkland Islands	Falkland Islands
	25 " D ^o	D ^o	D ^o
	25 Bags D ^o	D ^o	D ^o
	10 Baskets Sturgeon Oil	J. Surman	Long Street
	80 " D ^o D ^o	Falkland Islands	Falkland Islands
	310 Cattle hides	D ^o	D ^o
	A quantity of Sheep skins	D ^o	D ^o
	1 Bay Horse skin	D ^o	D ^o
	A quantity of Bones	D ^o	D ^o
	20 Horse hides	D ^o	D ^o
	13 Calf skins	D ^o	D ^o
	127 Seal skins	D ^o	D ^o
	1000 Sheep skins and a quantity of fish	D ^o	D ^o
No mark	21 Bales Wool	D ^o	D ^o
	25 Bags D ^o	D ^o	D ^o

FALKLAND ISLANDS
 CUSTOMS 1790
 No. 1000. 1000. 1000. 1000.
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Markets, &c.	Goods	Shippers	Consignees
Jacomte	171 Sheep skins 3 Cassia's Oil	Talkland & Sons A. Jacomte	Talkland & Sons do
	3 1/2 Bales Wool A quantity sundry as follows:	M. B. Packer Talkland & Sons	Hall, Webster Talkland & Sons
	1 Cast Old Metal 2 Ship's Hawsers 210 fathoms Chain A quantity copper bolts " " old metal loose 42 1/2 tons pig iron A quantity sunk " " Blocks Two anchor shackles 5 chain 2 " stoppers 1 ship's pump 2 breaks.		

Shankly, Falkland Islands,
22nd August, 1808.

Jed. C. Cobb.
Colonial Manager,
Falkland Islands Co.

Per Athol. Falkland Islands &c.
N^o 28. Stanley, 26th Aug. 1808.

Sir,

My last despatches went
 for Joan on the 20th ult., and I now
 have the pleasure to answer your
 desps. 364/10. which arrived by the
 mail on the 5th inst.

2. 364-2. I believe the report
 about Mr. Pique was a "canard." With
 regard to the Governor, he has been
 expecting leave of absence for some
 time, but the opinion seems to be
 now, that he will have to stay his
 time.

3. Par 5. I have written to
 the Governor on the subject of land
 orders, and shall perhaps be able
 to give you his reply by mail. As
 to purchase of land, I am endeavouring
 to get Mr. Lacy to put all holders on
 an equality, which would of course
 annul the 1000 acre clause in the
 laws of 1849.

J. Coleman. Secy.
 Secy.
London.

b. Par. 6.

4. Par. 6. Both Mr. Lempin and Mr. Dean have told me that the land was offered to them, and I could bring them to prove ^{ways} ~~things~~ do not, however, think it advisable to re open the question here, until it is necessary to take proceedings in case Mr. Foster comes here. This I am told by the Governor is likely to happen, as he writes that he has nearly got enough money for the Dock Company, and is coming out in the summer to start it. I beg to point out that a Dock Company under his management, could not fail more or less to prejudice our shipping business; I hear Mr. Dean & Co. is interested in it, and the two establishments would probably join here to oppose us. Mr. Foster's speculation is very easily proved - he took the money for his own purpose, and

never returned it, offering what he had secured with it to other parties. I believe that in the first instance he intended to act honestly, but on being superseded, thought he would do a clever trick, and over-reached himself, by forgetting to return the money, and so rendered himself liable to an action. I should think that no Dock Company would employ as Manager a man who has behaved as he has; and you would appear to me to have a good hold on him, by being able to threaten that if he throws himself in the Camp's light, his misdoings will be shown up.

5. Par. 4. It will be no consolation to the Directors to know that the wool now going home is perhaps the dirtiest and most tarry of any shipment yet made. There are 29,3 Bales against 369 last year, and this alone would warrant the change in Camp's Management I made about five weeks ago, by placing Mr. Bertrand at the head of affairs. But these Camp

matters I will enlarge on presently.

6. Par. 8. Anticipated this paragraph, by purchasing the New Island Wool of Messrs. Bertrand & Switzer, proprietors of the island, at $1\frac{1}{2}$ per lb. delivered in Stanley. Only part is pressed, and the bags are poor I believe, but the price ought to leave a good margin.

7. Par. 9. On getting the best opinions I could about the Fairy, I found that to repair her properly would cost £400 or £500. I therefore thought it prudent to get the best price for her I could. Accordingly I sold her to Messrs. Bertrand & Switzer for £600, thus paying for the New Island Wool. Besides this an excellent sale, as she wanted entirely new copper, most of her sails were worn out, her forefoot was good, the rigging had not been off the mastheads for twelve years, and she made a good deal of water, in fact had been run to pieces. To this sum

and the money her repairs would have cost, you can buy a good vessel at home. I am told that there is a person at Liverpool, whose business is to buy new vessels from the States repaired and equip them, and sell them at very moderate prices. In buying a schooner, the qualifications mentioned in Chap. 26. should be borne in mind. She must be a fast and handy craft for beating about these Lelands, and in my judgment looking at the large business we shall have with the West Falklanders, she is much wanted, and cannot be sent too soon.

8. My letter to Mr. Dean, of which I sent you a copy per mail, sufficiently refutes Mr. Fane's Knight's objections. They never said anything about the charges incurred in purchasing the Kang Staccos, when wages, according to the Governor's report were 15/- per day. I consider the whole business was done most moderately.

9. Nov. 15. Mr. Waldron is doing well; he dipped his sheep in tobacco

water, and says he has not a
 cove of seal. He found that
 bringing the Diana out was a
 great expense, which he might
 have avoided by chartering a
 vessel in Monte Video. They bought
 from 80 to 1200 sheep each trip,
 if I remember rightly. I do not
 know how many sheep he bought
 altogether; he has not yet stocked
 his land, and is going up to
 the Plate almost immediately.
 The shipments can be made
 safely between October and March.
 Mr. Waldron told me that
 he reckoned the cost, after allowing
 for deaths, at 12/6 each, landed
 on the ground. Messrs. Bailton
 & Hickney have not been so for-
 tunate - they allowed some sheep
 to escape before shipping them,
 and I hear that they have lost
 a great number. I fear that
 this may even lead to legal
 proceedings on the part of their
 neighbours, which is much to be
 regretted.

Captain Packer soon quarreled with Capt. Stoddard, and the John Walker did both intend that they would have her cargo from England.

10. I have seen Mr. Stoddard who is at New Island under Mr. Switzer - He is some ten years younger than Mr. Richard, and is only just learning his business. With regard to sheep farming on shore, since I have looked closely into the matter I feel strongly opposed to giving any of Laproia to ~~change~~ until we see what the next year brings forth. If all goes on as I expect, the sheep should begin to extend over it very rapidly.

11. I shall speak to Mr. Waldron when I see him as to the cost of the Selectina.

12. Par. 19. You can scarcely realize the enormous extent of country over which the farm extends, or I think you would agree with me that we shall have some one besides the Camp Manager continually

moving over the ground. In a
 Colonial run the size of your
 there would be three ~~the~~ four
 under overseer, besides the
 Manager. I have engaged Tell
 to assist Mr. Bechard, he is
 the best shepherd in the Island,
 and has lately left Mr. Dean
 of his own accord, because "he
 wanted to be under somebody
 who understood sheep." Mr.
 Bechard is remarkable for his
 energy, as Captain Spilley will
 tell you, and he and Tell, as
 Manager and overseer are making
 a wonderful change in the men.
 Perhaps, with a better set of men,
 such constant overlooking would
 not be necessary, but with the
 scum of the earth Mr. Bigger
 stands out it is impossible to
 be too busy. The best men we
 have are I think Norman &
 John Mackinnon, and Donald
 Mr. Donald, especially the first
 and last, and these come from
 the extensive north of Scotland.

13. 365 - 3. We have been on
 of flour for months. This question,
 viz. how to keep up the supply,
 puzzles me more than anything.
 Messrs. Cross & Co. have had my
 order for eight or nine months, and
 yet hold out no hope of being able
 to execute it. It is difficult to
 believe that, of all the ships leaving
 Valparaiso, none can be found to
 bring us goods, at European freights,
 which we would gladly pay. Surely
 a little more energy in looking up
 shipmasters would result in their
 finding some one willing to undertake
 to call here. I hope I am now in
 a fair way to get a supply however.
 A German Brigantine was here about
 six weeks ago, and I succeeded in
 making a provisional arrangement
 with the master to bring flour at
 100s. the conditions being, on my
 side, that none should have been
 already shipped, and on his, that
 permission should be obtained of his
 consignees, which he thought he
 could get. He promised faithfully

to refuse cargo for Deau, and to keep him to his word I gave him a written undertaking to pay him the usual £5 gratuity, to be increased to £15, provided the flour was brought exclusively for the Company, and was the first in the market. If this is carried through, it will pay us wonderfully; people, who cannot pay the famine price of bread made from the Govt. reserved stock, are eating biscuit, and I do not think there is a pound of flour in the Camp. I wrote to Cross H^o by this vessel, the Surgeon's Stewards, ordering 1000 bags if none were shipped for Deau, but restricting them to my former order, 400 bags, if any other shipment was made. Deau asked Captain Harison if he would bring him flour, but he shrugged his shoulders, and said "No, I won't like the Falklands." Of course no one knows of this arrangement.

I wish the Directors to consider the propriety of sending 50 to 100 barrels good flour by each vessel. I think it would pay, if there is always to be this difficulty about the Chilean flour. Drain barrels per Courtenay were very bad.

14. Nov. 4. I have exercised a little severity lately with two men named Barclay and Craig. Barclay's dogs escaped one night, and killed a number of sheep near his house. On learning the facts of the case, I instantly dismissed him; but through consideration for his wife and children offered to send him home, provided that he behaved himself. Since that, he has behaved insolently to myself and Mr. Bernhard, and having threatened an action for six months wages, so I have withdrawn the passage, unless he pays for it, telling him however that I did not wish to punish his family; and would still give them the means of getting home. To my surprise, he is going beyond them and remain

here himself. He conceived thoughts
 that they would not go without
 him. He is one of the greatest
 roundabouts in the place, and it
 was only out of compassion for his
 wife who is a decent woman, that
 I gave a passage at all. O'raig
 is a useless, idle fellow. I found
 his house at Mount Pleasant
 and found him out on a pleasure
 trip, so sent for him, and dis-
 missed him on the spot giving
 him the choice between six months
 wages and a passage home. He
 chose the former, and signed to
 the effect that he had no fur-
 ther claim on the Company.
 These dismissals have had a
 good effect. I have arranged with
 Captain Gorley that the passengers
 are to go home for the same price
 as that paid for those who came
 out, allowing him 8^s. of Bel. Meat,
 and 12 lb. of Sugar to compensate
 for the higher price of provisions.
 15. Par. 16. The meaning of my
 remark that there were 100 tons left
 for profit, related only to the Bel's

Coals, of which, roughly speaking,
 350 tons had realized the cost of
 450. This had no reference to the
 River Tath's coal, about which I do
 not think every thing was carried on
 quite straightforwardly - At any rate
 after the Captain had declared all
 the Steam Coal to be out, Rutter
 pressed him hard, and made him
 discover another lighter load. I do
 not think there is as much Coal in
 the William Shand by many tons as
 the delivery account shows; it is im-
 possible to keep quite a correct account
 owing to the enormous wastage by the
 dust which flies away whenever the
 coals are worked. All the Beta's coals
 were delivered, and there was no fear
 of foul play with that vessel, which
 had no other coal on board; with
 the River Tath, which had smelting
 coal as well, it was different.

No. Par. 17. Six Dingies are wanted.
 Dr. Watts, the Governor, himself each,
 want one, one for Darwin Harbour,
 one for going on board the hulks
 which they is too large, when one man
 could do the work, and another would

sell at once. They should vary in length from 8 ft. to 12 ft. and they not be placed near the top with light goods inside, and so be saved from charring while they would take up but little extra space?

24. As the Athole cannot possibly be home before the mail, I shall receive the accounts for the year, until the Foam goes.

Captain Elliot stayed in M. Sid nearly a fortnight, and actually bought the things for the Prince's reception, although the news of the attempted assassination had arrived there more than a month. His excuse is that "he never reads the paper", but that is a childish one, and would not serve him if the story got to head quarters. I will venture to say that in no other Colony could the public mail be delayed thirteen days, and £200 of Govt. money spent, for nothing at all. Some of the reasons

members of Parliament would
 glad to get hold of the story.

18. The Governor has placed my
 name on the Commission of the Peace
 as a Magistrate.

19. I shall conclude this des-
 patch with a few remarks on the com-
 ts., which it is necessary to make
 in the unlikely event of the vessel
 reaching home before the mail. All
 the matters I shall reserve.

I enclose the Manifest. By an
 unaccountable error I had twice
 entered the Lafonia hides in the Pedana
return, once from Spanchilde's account,
 and again when they arrived in Stanley.
 The number is therefore less than I
 had advised. The Seal Oil though
 in a small quantity will be found
 very good. The Stepfel Island wool
 is marked X, the inferior quality 2X.
Tallow is taken from the Butchery.
 I have shipped for Mr. Deau 22 Tanks
 and 127 Casks Penguin Oil, at 40s.
 per 250 Gallons, same as for Mailda.
 This is useful dead weight. The Wind.
 was bought in some penguin oil a few

months ago, just when I had not a
 farthing to spare. The vessel had
 dealt at the store, and desired to
 retain her custom, so I allowed
 James to buy it, as quite an excep-
 tional transaction, promising him
 freight free. It is consigned to Long
 & Co. I have also shipped 40
 Cask. Penguin Oil from Darwin,
 being surplus sheep dressing. It is
 useless here, and will fetch some-
 thing at home. All day sheepskins
 are sent. Those from Darwin are
 in a disgraceful state. The New
 Island Wool arrived during my
 absence at Darwin. I thought they
 would have had the sense to mark
 it, but it seems not, and when I
 returned for Athol it was too late.
 I have shipped 37 Bales Wool for
 Capt. Packer, consigned to Hall
 & Webster, @ 50/- per ton measure-
 ment. There are 42 1/2 tons pig iron.
 I have kept 2 tons, and charged them
 to myself. Secondary articles of ship's
 gear, chiefly from the Pen, and
 including her chain, are sent. I
 purchased all the property for £350

including a quantity of Limber. De-
 ducting the said $\text{£} 75$, the actual
 cost in lifting, compared with the
 value of what has been saved. The
 River Deverent's pump is the last
 article on the manifest. There are
 besides, a cask of seal skins for the
 Governor, which he wishes you to
 forward to the address, sending us our
 of charges; a box for Mr. Roberts,
 and another one for Leconte, also
 a roll of hunting, and some fine
 pots, balladed to some time ago.

20. The Arholes' certified account
 enclosed, amounts to $\text{£} 92.10.6$.
 Capt. Spoley will give you a letter for
 yourself, and a covering from Miss
 Watts. I am, Sir,

your obedient servant,
 Geo. L. Cobb.
 Colonial Manager

Enclosures.

Bills of Lading.	Gov. to Robinson.
Leconte's dup. acct. $\text{£} 52.5$.	and letters for
Certified afs. Spill. A. Newman	R. Cobb (2) Lewis,
2nd Co. 165. $\text{£} 304.3.8$. 166. $\text{£} 90.10.9$.	J. D. L. A. J. Lee.
3rd Co. 167. $\text{£} 25.16.6$ 26.	J. M. Deane. Hall
Receipts of Wood.	Wheeler.
Arholes' afs.	Ship's Manifest.
Receipts for the 166. Co.	Stock (Store) return.

Falkland Islands Co.
Stanley, 29th Aug. 1848.

Sir,

At the request of
Capt. Gealey, I beg to
inform you that 1108
Hides shipped on board
the Athole at Darwin
Harbour, were through
an accident sunk in the
Harbour before being put
on board. They were care-
fully salted after being
recovered, but if damaged
no blame should be attached
to the ship. Your obedient servant,
J. Coleman, Esq. Colonial Manager

Mr. FoxN^o 29.

Falkland Islands

Stanley 1st Sept. 1858.

Sir,

The Athole sailed last Saturday, the 29th ult., completely loaded with, I believe, the largest cargo ever shipped from these Islands. I could have had 1000 hides in addition from Mr. Dean, had there been room for them.

2. I regret to say that in leaving Darwin Harbour on the evening of the 7th ult., we got aground on a shallow patch at the entrance of the harbour. I do not think any blame should be attached to Rattle who was in charge, and who was much cut up about it. The accident occurred through the wind dying away, and not enabling us to get by the reef until it was quite dark, whereas we should have passed it in safety had the breeze kept up. Fortunately, nothing happened to the vessel or cargo, beyond the delay of 10 days in getting to Stanley, and the Perseverance, being at hand, rendered all the assistance required.

J. Coleman Esq.

Secy. London.

3. Taking advantage of the presence of three German vessels in the port, I persuaded the masters to write out and sign the enclosed paper, which, if you are applying for the German consulate for me, may be useful in helping the authorities to decide as to the usefulness of a German consul here.

4. It will be advisable for you to send my despatches by the intermediate mails to Messrs. Schuch and Melian in case any vessel should be coming down. The Louisa left for Stanley after the May mail had arrived, but the Captain only brought private letters, having refused to take the mail without payment, which Major Munro could not promise him.

5. In getting a snow load of hides alongside the Atchaf, shortly after her arrival at Darwin Harbor, a sudden squall struck the

lighter as she went alongside, and
 overtook her with 120 hides in
 3 fathom water. I cannot speak
 too highly of Capt. Spaley's admirable
 conduct on the occasion. Although not
 by any means bound to assist us,
 he got into his own boat, and for
 two days employed himself in get-
 ting up the hides with grappling
 hooks, getting soaked to the skin
 each day. He recovered all but two,
 and I felt that I could not let such
 an excellent active man without giving
 him a substantial acknowledgement,
 and I therefore made him a present
 of ten pounds, being about 5% on
 the value of the hides recovered. I
 believe that no one there could have
 got nearly the number as he required,
 as his skill and perseverance were
 extraordinary.

C. A new screen wool press must
 be sent out by the ship that comes
 for the cargo, and should be the same
 size as the one burnt, i.e. to fit the
 bales you have already been asked for.
 It should be placed at the top of
 the cargo in case we have to send it

round to Darwin immediately,
 for the rump of the screw we had
 must have been spoiled by the fire,
 and may fail altogether. Next year
 there will be a new shearing house
 at Port Pleasant.

7. I should Mr. Switzer's family
 wish to come out by our vessel,
 please arrange a passage for them,
 and in case a brother of mine
 applies for a passage also, I shall
 be glad if you will let him come,
 charging me with the cost.

8. A Mr. Williams, a friend
 of Mr. Waldron, I hear is coming
 out here, and will be one of our
 West Falkland constituents. I am
 anxious to hear what you say
 about the West Falkland store
 in conjunction with Mr. Switzer.
 Our business there will increase
 so rapidly, and we are ordinarily
 so short of stores, that I send
 another indent, for a cargo to
 come in the Wool ship. Mr. Switzer
 will supply all the sealers largely,
 and I have had spoken to him

assuring him that they will prefer getting their provisions from Port Regent to coming all round to Stanley, where most of them have hitherto dealt with Draw.

9. Will it not be of great advantage to get our wool home for the May sales? Six months interest on a cargo is no trifle to lose, and we have a month's start of bachelia on the voyage from here. The sheep will be clipped a month earlier this year, in order that Mr. Bertrand may get at the seat more easily, and by February the cargo will be waiting for shipment.

10. Mr. Waldron wishes to be supplied with 12 mos. stores, and to send his produce home by us, or sell it to us. In the same way, we shall have the refusal of most of the produce from that island, so that the schooner I have asked for will be very necessary. What freight do you wish me to charge for our constituents' produce?

11. At the last moment, yielding to the entreaties of Barclay's wife, I allowed him to pay for Abhol, on paying

15. being determined that his insolence should not go entirely unpunished. Every since he ~~came~~ that man has been a stumbling block, of a sulky, bad temper, yielding half obedience to his master, and shirking work whenever he possibly could. His dogs had previously worried sheep, and he had been warned about them, so that Leon's had discharged them when they were caught at their old work. I am only afraid that you will think I have let him off too easily.

12. The weather off Cape Horn has been fearful lately, and we have no less than six more vessels in for repair. I have not been very fortunate with them, as they cling round Lopez's head but I have the business of two, and supply five with fuel provisions.

13. I send to Green, South Melian for some necessaries, including tobacco and shingles - The tobacco must be here at any

out, a month may make the difference of a thousand lives.

14. I have to request the indulgence of the Directors for a share I have in view for myself. By my agreement I am forbidden to take up any speculation on my own account, and as I wish to start some sheep on Medall Island, under a trustworthey shepherd, I now write to ask permission to do so. I wish to begin on a small scale, and Mr. Lupton has kindly promised to overlook the place occasionally for me. I feel that I can do this without wasting any of the time I ought to devote to the business here, and if this favor is granted, it will make me still more anxious to do all I can for the Company. I feel that there will not be the difficulty of nearby neighbors to contend with on Medall Island, and that it is a chance I would not willingly lose. I took up the land in anticipation, and shall of course lose the money if any request is not granted. Half an hour after I got it, another person applied for it!

15. I have paid Mr. Byng, the sum of £66.5. which you will recover from Mr. Harper. Please remit to George Stum, Gun maker, English St. Dumfries, £15, from W. Cameron; and to John McCall, Coler. near Dumfries, £5 from Archibald McCall, also pay the N. Brit. & Merc. Ins. Co^o £4.12.3. for premiums of Insur.

16. Stock taking return went per Arkole to save postage. Other returns are sent herewith. On Camp matters I write separately.

Yours &c.

Your obedient servant

Jed. Robb.

Colonel & Manager

Enclosure

English mail

Letters.

To Wm. & Co. 18 July 19 Aug.

to E. de Lanark 13 July

Bertrand 15 124 Aug.

Spencer 20 Aug 1 Sept.

Greenhill 15. 17. July

To Burnett & Co. in envelope

from Greenhill (1), Bertrand (1)

Camp notices

Agreement to Bill of Exchange

11 Bills of Exchange

Copy recommendation by General

Captain

Sup. despatches

Book accounts. Balance sheet

Journal & Cash Bk. Shipping list

Indent. Letter to Schell & Mathies

French mail.

11 Bills of Exchange

4 - Exchange

Copy Indent

German paper

Copy the despatches

Acum's ops.

Worcester papers

Steam Coals for delivery of 974 tons.

Answers to Remarks on accts.
to 364.

October store entries have been properly posted - but perhaps Mr. Travis in copying the Journal accidentally passed it. The entry is:

To Goods sold on credit	£ 165. 2. 7
D ^o for cash	300. 2. 2
	£ 766. 10. 0

£s to Gain - see my despatch 2. 200.

In Feb. 4/66. Factor posted, in error, £100 instead of £4. 2. 7 to Granchild's debit. This has been rectified.

Ann. 2^d of butchery credit sh^d be £4. 2. 6. This is in the Journal. From the rather indistinct which caused the error.

£100 is correct to debit of Director.

Oct. 25th is the date of the payments to Gilbert.

If any departure from our rule of naming the despatch by which a bill has gone has occurred, it has been an oversight.

I take the opportunity of saying that I am well pleased with Mr. Travis' correctness and think a small oversight in copying over and again a thing that can hardly be avoided.

Jos. E. Scott
Colonial Manager

Per Train.

No. 30.

Falkland Islands.
Stanley, 2nd Sept. 1869.

Sir, I am so driven for time through the continued rush of shipping, and interruptions caused by Captains coming in and out of my office, that I fear I can write but shortly on our Camp matters before the mail leaves. I will however do all in my power to give you as early as possible an account of my journey through the Camp.

I left Stanley on the 22nd July with Mr. Bertrand, and meeting with terrific weather, we were some days on the road, arriving at Darwin on the 25th. Great waste of timber and property lying about near Johnson's at Fitzroy. Saw Mc Gill's sheep at Port Pleasant, about 400 of them, 100 close, and 40 to 50 passed under our eyes - one only without scab, some with wool dragging behind them, others nearly bare. At the dressing shed at Pt. Pleasant there was a

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Secy.
London.

dead sheep and a thick mass
 of wool, oil, and tar some 6 to 9
 inches deep on the floor. Mount
 Pleasant house, undeniably filthy.
 David, being swept away on a
 pleasure trip. Coy. thrown out
 in front for dogs, a strong smell
 of urine in the house, saw meat
 burning, bad, a wet hide under
 the bed, and several hides hanging
 up to dry in sitting rooms. There
 or four cats, &c. &c. Sheep neglected
 and allowed to run wild in the
 mountains. Got up a notice
 that state of house was dis-
 graceful, and ordered Craig to
 Dawson, where I discharge him.

Patterson, Swan, Sulist, look
 after cattle - about 150 - is sup-
 plied with mutton from old women
 and has beef when he can kill
 a wild animal. 4 cows. No one
 here had looked after the sheep
 for weeks.

Kingford's cows at Boehilla
 Alta is comparatively good
 condition - he & his wife drink

no cow.

On morning after arrival at Darwin introduced Mr Bertrand to the men. Found the place in a great mess, sheep skins lying about rotting timber spoiling, everything in confusion.

It is surprising the change that Mr Bertrand has made with the men. They have been brought entirely to their senses, and openly express satisfaction at having a master now who is terribly strict, whole "kind and considerate.

A new shearing house will be built in Darwin Harbour, and saw carriage run from the Wood. The dipping trough will be in rear, across to close by, with a small hut for the men to sleep in.

In our rides, we frequently came across property left about in the most reckless manner. Barrels of tar and oil here and there, and some tons of wire fencing at Bodie Creek. In fact the magnitude of the responsibility has been too much for Greenchild, and he has lately entirely lost his head, and the place would have drifted into ruin.

The shepherd in charge of the rams
says they are so good. Mr. Green
thinks, according to many of the
men, more so. It is a real business,
but at cutting time, the men would
say that it will be a good ram
which he would reply
"You will find you may put it on
one side." The consequence is we
have a miserable lot of muttons,
bred in an inferior manner.

Mr. Ball's flock at Hope
Lodge have been allowed to stray
out of all bounds, and are scabbing
a great portion of the rams. This arises
from Mr. Greenfield's refusing the
man's property, and the fact that
the sheep about there are infected with
agony of the disease, and have had, in the
fact, that some of the rams were
killed a full year ago instead
of in October, showing that the
rams have been allowed to run
about as they liked. Mr. Ball
has already seen of some rams.
He speaks of Greenfield's about
bringing out these rams, but get
no satisfaction.

Next through the mountains

on the 1st Aug. and did not see
one sheep that was not scabby. This
year will be profitable.

On the 4th I went round the same
paddock, and again on the 10th
the paddock by the way, in which the
fencehills usual style, open at both
ends, and the wire fence is useless
& consequently a large gap always open
in the enclosure for rams, and also
other and ewes kept in the field and
rams escaped through the above
gap and reach the Orpington flock of
what are supposed to be maiden ewes,
and not weant to breed till strong enough;
but as I saw two old rams on their
ground, I have no doubt the mischief
is done. I examined one young ram
that fell down with weakness. It was
a man of scab, the hair taken clean
off the face, and the body had the
appearance of being quite rotten.

I could go on multiplying instances
of wether mismanagement, if time
permitted me - I think I must have
satisfactorily proved to the Director
that his system of cheap management
is a failure - I have only to instance
Rudd, Brown, & Spencehills, & Town

understood the deal, and it would
 be hard to calculate the loss you
 have suffered through incapacity from
 the commencement. In appointing
 Mr. Bertrand I have acted, in what
 I consider a trying emergency, on
 my own responsibility - I don't fear
 the result, but should be run
 out like the rest. Kick me out
 of my appointment as I shall deserve.
 However, this would put you
 permanently on a prosperous footing.
 I expect to get some credit for it.
 I enclose a copy of Mr. Bertrand's
 agreement, which I think a most
 favourable one for us. He goes into
 the work with great energy and
 confidence in his system, and for
 my part I thoroughly believe he
 will succeed. He will write a complete
 report as soon as he has been all
 round the property; - at present
 he has not been able to make a
 thorough inspection owing to the
 weather, and to the necessity of getting
 things straight in Dawson, and making
 arrangements for new buildings.

3. I have allowed Mr. Greenhalgh
to take the 2nd Colonial Shares.
I don't think the plan of mine was
to ~~not~~, and thought there would be
a favourable chance of seeing whether
the share system would succeed. By
the agreement copy of which is en-
closed, I have bound him down so tight
that he cannot do any harm - in
fact I wonder than any man could
possibly sign an agreement of the kind.
You will see that he is entirely
under Mr. Berkeley's thumb.

4. Mr. Berkeley's orders
come to the contrary will address him-
self entirely to me and I shall send
copies of all correspondences. I may
be allowed to say that I cannot be
looking with something after to jealousy
on letters from the Board on the Company's
business to anyone but myself here
and Mr. Berkeley quite understands my
wish that all correspondences should be
addressed to myself.

Further for Charles Jackson towards
the middle of the month.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,
Wm. Pitt Rivers
Colonial Secretary

Order of April 20th to be
with following alterations.

1. to Ojau
2. to scrubbing on shoe brushes
3. to breadst
4. 100 lb. French chocolate in
 cake. 100 lb. Indian Corn
 Meal. 100 lb. back of 24 bottles
 compressed vegetables.
5. to salt pork. Carbonate of
 soda in can. 100 lb. Cognac
 100 lb. Butter
6. 10 bags green coffee. 100 lb. small
 good currants. 100 lb. small
 muscovado if small - evening
7. 100 lb. soft. 100 lb. spring iron
 spoons. 1 doz. assortment iron
 padlocks. 1 doz. kitchen
 spades 2 to 3 ft. long. 1 doz.
 hand saw files.
8. 100 lb. brass. 100 lb. chest
 locks. brass candlesticks.
 1 doz. side on shoe chest matters.
 the copy of notices sent Aug. 20
9. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.
10. 20 doz. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.
11. 20 doz. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.
12. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.
13. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.
14. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.
15. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.
16. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.
17. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb. 100 lb.

Order of April 30th to be repeated, with following alterations.

- Sheet 3. No Cigars
 " 5 No scrubbing or shoe brushes
 " 6 No Arrowroot
 6 cwt. Trinidad chocolate in cakes - 40 lbs. Indian Corn
 3 cwt. pearl barley. 24 bottles compensers vegetables.
 " 7 No Salt pork, Carbonate of soda or case de Cologne
 30 boxes Candles.
 " 8 10 bags green coffee, 6 barrels good curants, 40 boxes loose muscadel if small - no prings
 " 9 1/2 doz. tape, doz. spring iron spoons. 1 doz. assorted iron padlocks. 1/2 doz. kitchen fenders 3 to 5 ft long. 1 doz hand saw files.
 " 10. 1/2 doz. brass screw hooks, chest locks, brass candlesticks.
 Spent order on this sheet omitted the copy of notice sent home Apr 30.
 " 12 8 doz. mens' woollen half hose
 " 14 20 doz. mens' strong worsted hose. 4 doz. pairs stout medium blankets. 10 silver thimbles
 a black or slate coloured lining
 " 16 No Arrowyp. 36 pieces wall paper 3 patterns. not too good
 No hall paper
 " 17 No flag or bunting.

Sheet 18 No saddles braces, &c.
 2 doz dog collars, chiefly
 for sheep dogs, and skins
 of corresponding strength.
 " 19 No timber as per list
 " 20/21 Omit altogether, except
 2 Australian saddles as
 before. —

Add.

2 doz Lambewool singlets
 2 " Children's knickerbocker suits
 6 " Two cheap wine biscuits
 6 " Condensed milk
 12 " Cocoa & Milk & Chocolate & Milk

The experiment should be tried of sending
 out a few articles of men's clothing of a
 somewhat superior quality. Dean has
 some very good things, and some of our
 own men will pay high prices at his
 store in preference to taking the slops
 we have for sale.

The Narcissus will be here in Jan'y.
 of February, and it would be of advantage
 to have a cargo about that time if possible,
 as she always sweeps the store pretty
 clean.

Additional alterations to indent of
 Coam. dispatched 2nd Sept. 1868.

All wine & port, &c. Only 2 doz. eachs best
 sherry, and no publicans. 20 bbls. bottled
 port. .35 cases Ninahan's white h. 25
 cases Dunvill's V. N. do. These must be
 first class. No champagnes. No public
 pale brandy.

Table cloths, good, 4 diff. sizes, 3 of each
 size, much wanted. Thin linen table
 cloths, cheap.

25 lb. paint for graining oak, and 5 gal
 suitable varnish. Set of grainer's tools, from

Getton's house we find prepared to Morton

Clothing, as mentioned before, not to be so
 sloppy.

2 Bolts white duck for boat's sails. 4 Bolts
 best duck as before.

Miscellaneous. 100 tons boards boards
 No more charts, reconnoitres, or coast
 stands. No hall paper, Butcher's or grocer's
 baskets, flags or bunting, no salt spoons, egg
 spoons, or boat elm. 40 Bags shot,
 (38, 1, 1 as before) 6 flasks and belts.
 15,000 stack bricks. 6 Carpenter's rules.

Seeds for 1869/70 to be sent by Sumner

Mr Charles Jackson.

No. 21.

Falkland Islands Co.
Stanley, 11th Sept. 1848.

Sir. The above named vessel leaves tomorrow, having completed her repairs greatly to Capt. Staines's satisfaction; she was the last vessel in, and being the first to leave, the matter has provoked some discontent among the other shipmasters, who complain that they cannot get despatch with Dean, and wish they had come to this end of the town. Messrs. J. St. Leger & Co have at least 40 ships passing and repassing the Falklands annually, and on Capt. Staines's recommendation perhaps an arrangement might be made with them by one of our Liverpool Directors, for taking charge of any of their vessels calling here. I hold a letter from Messrs. James Ferguson & Co requesting the Company to attend to any of their ships; and a few agencies of the kind from such firms as the above, and Bath & Son, and Richardsons of Swansea, Gibbs & Bright & Co of Liverpool and others trading extensively round the Horn, would be of great service to us. Perhaps you may think it advisable to act on this suggestion.

J. Coleman, Esq.
Secy. London.

2. The press of business just as the mail was leaving rendered a matter of difficulty to get my despatches off at all, indeed they were late for the post, and I had to smuggle them on board the *Torow* under care of Mr. Waldron. I never allow anyone to see my despatches, ~~to~~ copy them myself, and in my hurry with N^o. 30. I seem to have omitted to put the first page through the press, as I found the next morning that the despatch commenced with the words, "dead sheep, and a thick mass", - please send me a copy of the matter that preceded this.

3. We have after all a fair share of the business of the vessels now in harbour, we supply all with meat, and I think the *Charles Jackson's* repairs are the heaviest of all.

4. I enclosed a copy of the Governor's reply to my letter of the 20th ult. - his policy ^{is your} of procrastination, and I despair of getting any satisfaction about the purchase question.

5. I send a few corrections of my indent per Board. The question of supply of sheep dressing I leave for your consideration. The quantity sent for ~~the~~ to Monte Video exceeds the amount originally named, because the sheep are in a much worse state on examination than was supposed, and, not only this, but the ground has been so pervasively scabbed, both inside and outside Laponia, that a greater number of dressings may be necessary. In my judgment, you should send 5 tons of Tobacco, 1 ton Flour of Sulphur, and 100 gal. each of Sp. Tar and Sp. Turpentine. The demand is likely to be great, all new settlers will be wanting it, and I have a suspicion that Capt. Parks is going to try it. The tobacco should be as rank and common as possible, such as I see quoted from 3/2 to 5.

6. We shall be short of rams, and must get sound new blood. To breed with the young ones saved at last cutting time, would be to perpetuate scab, and increase the in-breeding. I have arranged to give about 100 in exchange for rams from New Zealand.

and take as many more of the
 superior rams from that island ^{as we may require}
 each to be delivered free at the Board.
 This will be a great saving to us, as
 it will introduce a fine wool in to our
 sheep which they want much, and
 fresh blood which they want more,
 and the rams acclimatized as they
 are will cost one fifth of what we
 should probably have to pay else-
 where for imported stock. The rams
 are to be selected by Tall, and are to
 be as nearly as possible divided between
 2, 4 & 6 to each sheep.

3. - I leave in your mind whether
 it is necessary in a point of law, for
 the surveyors of a vessel to state at
 the end that they are ready to affirm
 their opinion on oath if required -
 I think not, and that a plain state-
 ment of damage, and of their recom-
 mendations is all that is actually
 required.

I am, Sir,
 your obedient servant,
 Geo. E. Cobb.
 Colonial Manager of

Enclosures.

Supplement to Incident

Geo. E. Cobb 1. 10. Sept.

3rd Jan. 1854-6.

C. Jackson a/c.

Letter for Solicitor General & Mr. Cobb.

P. S. 12th Sept.

Loss the storekeeper & publican died last night. His affairs are much involved, and he would have probably been sold up by Snyper's administrators, had he lived. He has been drinking hard for some years, and died from the effects of it.

Please send me by next vessel 50 sheets Murty's Metal - 18 - for my yacht - also tell Gilbert to stop "The Times", and send me "The Mail."

Edw. E. Jobb.

Mr Antonio Vincent. of
N^o 32 Falkland Islands.
 Stanley, 14th Sept. 1803

Sir,
 I confirm my despatch N^o 31.
 for Charles Jackson, duplicate
 of which is enclosed. The last
 mentioned vessel has not yet left
 the harbour owing to a northerly
 gale that has been blowing for
 some days, and it is possible that
 this despatch may be home first.

2. In the item of pilotage in
 the Athol's account, there is a mis-
 take of one pound: it should be
 £4. 3s. for pilotage, and £6 as steve-
 dor; the last mentioned sum
 was agreed upon between Captain
 Gyles and Nutter, but £5 only
 charged. Please recover this for
 the latter if possible.

3. Can you arrange with the
 Captain of any vessel coming out for
 us in future, to hoist the Company
 flag at the mains on coming round
 Point William? It is more satis-
 factory to know at once, instead
 of having to wait perhaps five or
 six hours.

J. Coleman, Secy.
 Secy. Loudon.

4. The Shaftesbury leaves in a few days. her bill will be considerably over £100 I think.

5. Captain Storn of the Charles Jackson has given me the name of Mr. Popp. South Castle St. Liverpool, as a man from whom you are likely to get a schooner cheap. He has an establishment in St. Edward's St^s, where he builds vessels, which he sends across to Liverpool. there he refashens and coppers them, selling them at very moderate prices.

6. I give Tain, who was in charge of the Fairy a letter of introduction to yourself. There were rumours about the place of a good deal of roguery connected with the Fairy's last cruise, especially with regard to the wrecking of the River Derwent. I took some trouble to sift the matter, and am bound to say that Tain has in my opinion cleared himself

from any imputation of dishonesty
in the matter.

7. Please enlighten me on the
following point. Supposing a vessel
incured at Lloyd's comes on here on
dishes, and the Captain distinctly
declines any communication with
Lloyd's Agent, even refusing to have
the survey certified by him. If
the surveyors are bona fide ship-
master and a shipwright, would not
the underwriters be bound to acknow-
ledge the validity of the survey, altho
without Lloyd's Agent's certificate?
This has been the case with the Charles
Jackson, Captain Thorne having,
as he expressed it, a horror of getting
into the clutches of Lloyd's Agent.

8. I have as yet said nothing
on the subject of the expence of enter-
taining Captains and others - Con-
sidering the numbers of men of war
we have had since I arrived, and
consequently the number of dinners
I had to give, besides the dinners
and odd "drinks" I have to give to
the masters of vessels, I doubt if

I should cover the expenses
 to which I have been put. I believe
 that an allowance of £200 per
 annum on his salary of £600. for
 to be allowed for expenses. This was
 for expenses in the march. but I
 shall be glad to hear that the
 Directors are prepared to make
 me some allowance for the money
 I have spent in the interest of
 the Company during the past
 year.

G. Capt. McArthur of this
 vessel had a quarrel with Dean
 on settling up, he complains of
 the charges, and will recommend
 his owners Messrs. Richardson &
 of Swansea, to order their masters
 to come here. Enclosed is a letter
 I have written to G. N. Searcy & Co.,
 and Captain Horns intends to
 put a few words in some nautical
 magazine, as to his quick despatch
 here.

I am, Sir,
 your obedient servant,
 Geo. E. Foot.
 Colonial Manager.

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Dup. No. 31. 200 Rs. 109.
 Dup. of letter to Searcy & Coleman.
 Dup. of letter to Searcy & Coleman.

Falkland Islands.
Stanley, 14th Sept 1880.

Sir,
I beg to introduce
to your favourable
notice the bearer Henry
Pain, lately master of
the 'Fairy', who goes
home by the 'Antonia
Vincent' to pass his
vacation here. Consider-
ing the number of years
he has served the company
I shall be glad if you can
be of any assistance to
him. Your obedient servant

Geo. E. Cobb.
J. Coleman Esq. Colonial Manager
Stanley.

Falkland Islands O
 Stanley. 19 Sept. 1858.

Sir, I am informed that the schooner
 Johann Hermann is leaving almost
 immediately for Monte Video, and,
 as she may possibly catch the
 English mail, or at any rate the next
 one via Bordeaux, I shall be glad
 to learn if it is Your Excellency's
 intention to send a bag by her.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Exc^y's very obedient servant,

J. R. E. Cobb.

Colonial Manager of

This Excellency
 Governor Robinson.

h. h. h.

Falkland Islands Co.
 Stanley, 19th Sept. 1858.

Sir,

I regret to learn that some of the wood furnished for the building of the Gaol is rotten, and have given the storekeeper orders to serve out an equal quantity of good timber, upon that complained of by the Surveyor General being returned.

I return that gentleman's letter, and have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's very obed^t. servant,

Jed. C. Cobb.
 Colonial Manager

His Excellency

Governor Robinson.

to. to. to.

For Johann Hermann,
via Monte Video.

Falkland Islands
Stanley, 22nd Sept. 1822

N^o 33

Sir,
I avail myself of the opportunity of this schooner going to Monte Video to send you remittances on account of the Shaftesbury and Volador, the latter vessel bound to Valparaiso having arrived yesterday short of provisions and water.

I have remarked before on the inferior quality of our timber from Buenos Aires; I now enclose copies of letters which have passed between the Government and myself on the same subject. The matter is much to be regretted, since it may renew the feeling of suspicion or dislike of the Company on the part of the officials, which I have always endeavoured and with some success to remove.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Edw. E. Cobb.

Colonial Manager

Enclosure

Dup. No. 32
Shaftesbury of
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Imp. Addition
to Indant.

J. Coleman, Esq.
St. London.

Imp. to 19 Sept.
Let. Gov.
1822

Let. to
Schultze

Falkland Islands Co.
Stanley, 23rd Sept. 1864

Sir
I have the honour to acknow-
ledge receipt of your Excellency's
letter of this date.

It appears to have escaped
your Excellency's observation, that
"the unrightly heap" to which it
refers, was removed some days
ago.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's very obedient servant,

Geo. E. Cobb.
Colonial Manager.

His Excellency
Governor Robinson.
L. L. L.

Stanley, Falkland Islands,
24th September, 1858.

Sir,

We have the honour to address Your Excellency on a subject of considerable importance to the landholders on the West Falklands, — indeed to the Colony in general, and trust that as we represent large interests on this island, and have not a small stake on the other, Your Excellency will give the matter the fullest consideration.

We refer to the length of time allowed by the Proclamation of June 24th, 1857, for stocking land on the other island, and, in respectfully asking Your Excellency to amend the Proclamation by increasing the period to two years will, as briefly as possible, state our reason for making this request.

This Excellency,

Governor Robinson,

to. to. to.

Your

Your Excellency is doubtless aware that sheep can only be imported here with safety, during three months in the year, and also that the number required to stock the lands lately taken up, is greatly in excess of what can be obtained in the Colony: to stock a large section of land, therefore, in the time laid down by the Proclamation, cannot but entail on the landholder such haste and expense, as Your Excellency, taking an interest in the Colony, must we feel sure, be loathe to inflict.

We are aware that it is just possible to stock the lands with cattle in the required time; but this we put aside altogether, as sheep farming is certain to be the chief business carried on in the West Falklands, and we learn from the Blue Book

lately published that Your
 Excellency assumes that cattle
 will eventually give way to sheep,
 correctly observing that the latter
 are more lucrative and suitable.

We would only remark
 in conclusion that, at the present
 time, when the Islands are bidding
 fair to rise to a position little
 hoped for, or expected, a few years
 ago, the granting of this request
 will have an excellent effect; in
 showing that the Government are
 sincerely desirous of cooperating
 with and assisting those, whose
 desire is bona fide to establish
 sheep farming in the Falklands,
 on a permanent and lucrative
 basis.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient
 humble servants,

Adm. Comd. Georg. M. Dean

Falkland Islands
Stanley 25 Sept 1881.

Sir,

With reference to our letter of yesterday and conversation of this morning we feel ourselves in a position to assure Your Excellency that our wish with regard to the extension of time for stocking land on the West Falklands is shared in by the majority of the present leaseholders there; and we are able with confidence to mention the names of Messrs. Waldron, ~~Baker~~ Smithe & Bailton, having each had conversations with these gentlemen separately on the subject.

We have the honour to be

Sir

Your Excellency's most obedient
humble servants

Edward E. Cobb.

His Excellency signed George W. Deane.
Governor Robinson
to. to. to.

Gen. Men Lamb. Falkland Islands.
N^o 34. Stanley, 23rd Oct. 1862

Sir,

I last wrote via Monte video
 per Johann Hermann, and am
 now able to reply to your despatches
 367-8, which arrived per Hoam
 on the 3rd inst.

2. N^o 367-4. I am glad to
 learn that the Directors are fully
 alive to the necessity of a change
 in the Camp Management. As they
 appear to have wished, however, that
 I should make the change subject
 to their approval, an explanation
 of what may be considered undue
 haste on my part will no doubt
 be looked for. I beg, then, to
 assure them that nothing but
 the greatest necessity could have
 induced me to make the change
 without referring home; but feeling
 convinced as I did that Mr. Herbert

F. Coleman Esq.

Secretary
 London.

was the very man for us, and
 that an immediate change might
 save the Company a large sum
 of money, he being besides,
 unwilling to give up his own
 arrangements unless a definite
 agreement was made at once
 instead of waiting five months,
 I considered it my duty to do
 with him upon the ^{best} terms I could.
 The Directors remark that from
 £150 to £400 is a great increase,
 supposing it to be given to a
 person of Greenchild's class, it
 would be; but having so con-
 clusively proved that cheap and
 bad management is the dearest
 in the end, we are right, I think,
 in getting a man of superior
 attainments, education and in-
 tellect, at a higher rate, even if
 it is only for an experiment.
 Managers in the Colonies on runs
 out so large as ours get their

£1000 a year, and I hope that in five or ten years' time you may be able to afford this sum to the Camp Managers, indeed I am sanguine about it. With regard to the per centage, I must be allowed to express my decided opinion that it is of the greatest importance, as being the best spur that can be devised to urge on a Manager's exertions. You will find on enquiry that the system ^{is} in universal use in Australia, where its success has been proved over and over again.

Mr. Kentland has gone into his work with a vigour that augurs well for the future; Darwin is a different place, the men are working cheerfully and well, and all who come in tell us of the satisfaction expressed all over the Camp, and the goodwill felt towards the new managers.

3. Par. 5. I believe from this that my arrangement with Mr. Greenhields will meet with the Directors approval. Par. 6. We burnt a large quantity of grass last year, as is invariably done every summer.

4. I am glad to have the goods shipped per City of Brussels which arrived a short time ago per Friedrich Hermann. I have already informed you that Mr. Bertrand finds it necessary on inspecting the sheep, to give them more dressings than he at first thought of. Copies of correspondence with Messrs. Schuth & Helian are enclosed, by which you will see that I learnt that you advised them of the likelihood of my writing for tobacco to Monte Video. I did so, thinking that you would not ship from England, but as it happens it is fortunate

that you had so, as I. O. A. sent
 only half the quantity ordered.
 You are mistaken about the team.
 She has no hold whatever and
 can only carry about five tons in
 the main cabin. The freight I had
 to pay for the vessel *Chermara*
 was rather high, but it was a
 necessary expense. Brazilian
 tobacco is superior to Virginia
 for shipping.

5. - Nov. 10. The lumber is
 useful, and I am obliged for them.
 Messrs. Boardman and Lintze
 have the whole of the land to the
 westward of Messrs. M^r. Blymont
 and Waldron, extending to West
 Point. They are also proprietors
 of *Sanctus* and *Sanctus*. I
 will send some sketches of the
Tatlands by the team.

5. - Nov. 11. I am much gratified
 at the confidence the Directors and
 Shareholders have kindly expressed
 in me, and trust that I may con-
 tinue to deserve it.

was 293. 17 burnt and 25 left
by the Matilda. I should estimate
the value of the property destroyed,
viz. Shed, wool press and screw
and 17 bales wool at £500.

9. Mar. 15. J. E. Lee was in
partnership with a Mr. M. the
harbourmaster some twenty five
years ago; they became bank-
rupt and lost the little property
they had. Lee drank heavily and
one winter night he went into the
Camp by himself supposed to be
in a fit of delirium tremens and
was never again heard of nor was
his body ever found.

10. 358. Mar. 1. I have at last
received by the Ellen Lamb a con-
signment from Cross & Co. of 500
bags of Flour; but having now
been without it for nearly half
a year, the supply will barely
last four months; especially with
the improved demand from the
West Island for all stores. The
consumption

7. Tho' the Alien law is still in force, and every alien has to obtain permission to live here and to pay £20 of the price of a steering passagage to North Bideford as security against his becoming chargeable to the Government. I should be glad to see more skilled labourers coming out but would not advise the Directors ever again to make advances of money to persons not actually engaged to serve the Company. I may have some difficulty yet with the female servants about their advances. People here pay their debts when they like. The Magistrate a swaddling old woman, takes their part always and it does not pay to imprison them for debt as the persecutor has to pay for the debtors' maintenance in gaol.

8. I never had a correct return of wool from Greenhields - the number of bales as you are now aware

of Flour alone being likely to
 reach 12 or 13 tons per annum.
 I have therefore written to Messrs.
 Cross & Co. to send 600 bags more
 by first opportunity and when
 this arrives, as the price was
 falling in Talparais, I may
 be able to undersell Dean, who
 has 1200 bags by the Elfin Lamb,
 and will not want more for some
 time. I shall endeavour to get
 out of Dean's hands the contract
 for the Marines' rations, which
 he has enjoyed for some years,
 and which I have been unable
 to try for through not having
 enough flour in store. The account
 reaches over £1000 a year I believe.
 Owing to a violent quarrel between
 the Governor & Capt. Pache, I may
 be able to regain the supply of
 beef to the Marines, which, as
 well as the store contract, was
 taken away from the Company
 when Mr. Lane was at loggerhead
 with the Government. Freight

per Mr Lamb was made payable in cash or bills at the master's option, and Captain Mraithwait having this morning asked for a Bill. Have to advise my draft no. 172 @ 60s. for £90. favours of Dowd & Dickson & Co., being for 22½ tons @ 80s.

11. Par. 3. I still think that I acted prudently in selling the Fairy. Mr Switzer told me a few days ago that the repairs he was obliged to do in order to make her even safe have cost him £200, and that he will have to run to Monte Video or Rio next autumn to have her overhauled and re-coppered, the expence of which can hardly be calculated. Had he not wanted a vessel to move sheep at the time that she was the only vessel for sale, I could not have realized the price I got.

12. Par. 5. Mr. Switzer is personally acquainted with Mr. Carr.
Par. 6. Laponia is in some parts unfit for sheep, owing to the absence of shelter; but we shall get more on in due time. Choiseul strand

is by no means heavily stocked yet, and the abundance and success of Greenhills' system of building a number of new houses, and putting two men in each to look after about 500 sheep is too apparent.

13. Par. 7. A chart is already published on an enlarged scale of Port Egmont and Heffel Sound. The place is by no means difficult of access, the passage between Saunders and Heffel Islands being an excellent one.

14. Par. 8. I shall have a large cargo ready for shipment in February Shop. Besides about 2000 hides, our own wool, and roughly speaking 1000 @ 1200 sheepskins, I shall have a large cargo of good penguin oil from Messrs. Bernhard Switzer's rookery in New Island, all this hides and wool, as well as the produce from Messrs. Waldron & Bailion. Besides the importance

of getting wool home for the May sales. it is desirable that the oil should be home in the warm weather. I am particularly anxious that the next cargo should get to market as soon as possible, as my cash arrangements have prevented my purchasing any bills lately, and a few drafts more than usual have been passed on the Directors.

15. Par. 9. Mr. Bertrand considers Cheviots the best sheep for the country, and there were some good ones for Beta; but Greenhills instead of preparing a stud flock turned them among the others, and so they were as likely as not to be the worst ewes. It is scarcely an exaggeration to say that we have no rams fit for next season, and, as I wrote before, I am obliged to look to New Island to get what we want. Men of experience say that a ram is never quite himself after an ocean voyage.

10. Par. 12. I shall send an application for Lloyds' Agency by the French mail. I had a letter by the J. Hermann from M. Carr of the Narcissus, who was in charge of the wrecking party, and received his congratulations on my appointment, of which he had heard from Capt. Miller; but this is of course premature. As it not possible, that if representations were prudently made, that the agency of the Topsham Clubs, following that of Lloyds' might be transferred to me, - also that of the Liverpool Underwriters? I throw this out as a suggestion.

17. Par. 13. The mention of the Alert must have been a slip of the pen, as she had arrived home before this despatch was written. I hold a letter of introduction to the Taymaster of the Scout from Taymaster Burns of the first mentioned ship.

18. Par. 16. I have again lost a fine chance through the

want of a Hulk. The Southampton U. S. Ship arrived about 3 weeks ago very leaky, and had to discharge 1000 tons of coal. Dean's hulk Charles Cooper would hold all, and the Margaret with some risk about 500 tons, consequently I was powerless, and Dean has got a vessel whose account will probably exceed £1000. This is only a repetition of the cases of the *Ultinia* and *Johanna* certainly the most profitable vessels we have had in since my arrival.

19. Par. 18. No arrangement has ever been made for paying the passages of women coming out to be married, and men would consider themselves hardly used in being compelled to pay now, after others have been sent out free. Besides, it is worth the money to get the men steadily settled. I do not quite understand the land order arrangement. Does not the land obtained compensate for the passage?

20. Par. 20. It is not true that any letters left here on May 22nd. The *Louisa* left on the 20th, and the next chance was per steam on July 1st.

21. Jan. 21. I am very glad to learn that the Matilda is coming out, as the supplies by the Athol are nearly exhausted. Owing to the poor supplies Mr. Dean sends out now, we shall probably dispose of most of this cargo in three or four months.

22. Jan. 23. I suppose you had your information about Capt. Spain from Capt. Reynolds. He spread the report here, but I did not think it worth repeating, and some of the Ida Fiegler's passengers told me that he was in the habit of letting his imagination prey upon his veracity to a considerable extent.

23. I have no key to the payment of £100 to Mr. Lane on 36^y. Pending explanation I have charged it to Stanley Office.

24. I forgot in a previous despatch to advise the following Colonial Remittances: - J. W. Smallbones £5, and W. Quilley £3, to Mrs Smallbones (wife of Brickmaker) and Mrs Judith Quilley respectively, both

of old Basing, Hants. (By the
 by, our three Hampshire men,
 Smallbones, Quilley, and Phillips
 are worth ten Scotchmen.)

25. I beg to call your attention
 to my letter to Cross & Co., and shall
 be glad if you will give them a general
 confirmation of my orders. The course
 of post is so long, that while they
 are waiting for your advice, they
 may lose an opportunity of shipping.
 It is curious that Mr. Dear should
 have been the only person in Stanley
 to know that I had endeavoured to
 get a supply of flour exclusively for
 the Company, and so command the
 market; and I was vexed with Messrs.
 Cross & Co., thinking that it was rather
 a breach of confidence on their part,
 to inform him of the arrangement,
 which I conclude they must have
 done.

26. Since writing par. 8. I have
 referred to Greenfield's letters, and
 find in his report (already sent home)
 that there were 20,044 sheep clipped,
 making about 310 bales. Deducting
 the 14 burnt, this appears to be
 correct. I send copies of the two letters.

overlooked, which are of no importance

27. I should like to have the views of the Directors as to the West Falkland Store, under Mr. Switzger's superintendance, and what terms they would propose to make either with regard to a commission on sales, or co-partnership.

28. Owing to the great demand for building materials, the wood for Athol is all used, and that for Matilda will not meet our requirements. The Barque Banchee having lately put in with a deck load of excellent Michigan white pine lumber, chiefly 1 in. boarding I have bought it, at a price upon which I can get 50% profit, and having to find cash next month for about 10,000 or 15,000 gallons perquin oil, I have given Capt. Messam a draft @ 60 s/s. on the Directors in part payment, for £215. As this has to go to New York, it is practically at a longer date.

The wood was so much wanted that I believe the Directors will not disapprove of this course. I shall send per Loan for an increased supply of builders' ironmongery as it is much wanted.

29. The new wool shed at Darwin is progressing satisfactorily. I note your remarks with regard to concentration; but I think we shall have to shear all sheep east of Swan Inlet at Port Pleasant next year, as the injury the sheep receive in being driven 40 miles or so more than counterbalances the cost of an extra shed.

30. I shall send my first general report at the end of the year.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Red & E. G. G.

Colonial Manager

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Duplicate of 4:33.

2nd En. 170. 171.

Cobb to Schuth Sept. 2nd

Schuth to Cobb 22. 23 July. 16. 30. Sept.

Cobb to Cross Co. 13. 24. Oct.

Cross to Cobb. Aug 8. 30. Sept. 14

Pancho's net.

Per Board. Falkland Islands Co.
No. 35. Stanley, 2nd Nov. 1858.

Sir,

I send by French mail duplicate of my last per Ellen Lamb, to which I have not much to add.

2. James Stoking, the gaoler, wants his sister Ann Stoking sent out by the first vessel. I told him you would communicate with her, but that I could not promise that she should come out free as an emigrant, as he expected. She is a single middle aged woman, and a domestic servant, the sort I fancy that we want here. Her address is, care of Mrs. Burton, Trevelmond, near Liskeard, Cornwall.

3. The ship Malvern of Liverpool for San Francisco anchored off Sea Lion Islands on the 28th, on fire; the crew arrived here on the evening of the 29th in the long boat & spinnaker. She is to be sold at sea today; but I
 F. Coleman Esq.
 Secy. London.

do not suppose she will fetch much.

4. The acreage of Mr. Dean's land is 90,400. Hammond's 70,680.

5. The Neptun's repairs are concluded - she belongs to Valparaiso, and I shall send the bill on her owner to Messrs. Cross & Co. The David Livingstone I am repairing - Her account will be a good one. Capt. Fisher will draw on Gwyn & Slater, Liverpool.

6. Mr. Bailey, who bought the Florence Sewing Machine, says that the lever marked I in the drawing was not sent with it. Please obtain this from the manufacturers.

7. Mr. Bertrand is pursuing his work with great energy. The wool shed is getting on, and shearing will shortly commence. The Quakers are about to leave for Lapona, to kill off about 1200

old animals, including cows past breeding. I enclose a copy of the contract for rams, which I look upon as very favourable, although I deplore the necessity forced upon us by ignorant management. The payment is taken in stores. I have also exchanged an entire horse from Laponia for one from New Island, this being mutually advantageous.

8. I enclose a letter applying for Lloyd's Agency. I hope that if granted I shall receive full instructions, which, no doubt, are issued to all agents, scale of fees, &c. &c. If there is any flag belonging to Lloyd's, and used by Agents, please send it by post mail, as well as the German flag, if I am appointed Consul. Capt. Smithen will do all he can in bringing me parcels.

I am, Sir

your obedient servant,

Edw. E. Cobb.

Colonial Manager

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Enclosures.

Per French Mail

Per English Mail.

Dep. last despatch
24th Sept. 1701 & 171.
List of Tools
Application for Lloyd's
Regency
Additions to Indent
same for drawing

Copies Arch. H. H. Aff.
Aug. Sept.
Balances 30 Sept.
Store cash vouchers
Order for seeds
Bertrand to Cobb
Sept. 14(2). 18. 20. 26. 27.
28(2) Oct. 10. 11. 24. 27. 28.
Cobb to Bertrand Sep. 25.
Oct. 5. 12. 16. 21. 22. Nov. 2.
To Regy. Nov. 2. From him 2.
Shipping report
Dep. letter to Lloyd's.
Barr contract Sep. 12.
Valuation of old house Sep. 20
Copy of Addit^l Indent
1 letter for Coleman
Letters for Holmsted
& W. also

Colonial Remittances. -

James Smith to Daniel Currie, Hope St.
Gasque for purchase of Tools as per list.
£ 15.

Juan Schandier }
William Tell } L. Mr. Coleman, by each,
for purchase of two strong
low double cased watches.

Steam Coals on hand 969 tons

Landry additions to last Indent.

Miscellaneous

- 1 doz Carpenters rules assorted
 2 " Post bars 14. 15. 20 feet
 2 " American tomahawks & hatchets
 2 " Spades each No 1 & 2 -
 1 " Shovels No 2.
 2 " Galvanized Buckets
 2 cat sills food for Infants strongly recommended
 by Dr. Mac Clinton.
 2 gross small brass headed tacks
 1 stove like that sent for 'Fairy' of 'Aholu'
 For Mr. Savidge
 One small lightest form top cart broad wheel.

to Blacksmith's Ironmongery

- 6 Bars $\frac{3}{4}$ inch round iron
 2 doz " " " "
 2 " $\frac{7}{8}$ " " "
 1 " $\frac{7}{8}$ " " "
 3 Bundles $\frac{3}{8}$ " " "
 3 " $\frac{1}{2}$ " " "
 3 " $\frac{3}{8}$ " " "
 3 " $\frac{1}{2}$ " " "
 6 Bars 1 inch square iron
 6 " $\frac{3}{4}$ " " "
 1 " Blister steel
 1 " Cast steel 8" square
 If not too late all ships bread to be sent in
 100 gallon tanks to be used for penguin oil

Stanley 2 Nov. 1888.

Ballantyne & Co.
 Stanley, 28th Nov. 1868.

Sir,

I have received your letter of this day date and to show you that you have gathered an erroneous impression from the letters referred to, give you the following two extracts, which are all I have written home on the subject.

Decr 30th " A number of letters addressed to Mr. Forster as Manager of the Company have been sent to him, according to his order, although I have claimed them, and offered to hold myself responsible for any action.

Among other firms whose letters have gone back are Forbes & Knight & Co., De Groot, Roslands & Co., and Faulkner Bell & Co. San Francisco, all doubtless referring to the *Trang* *Narcans* *corp.*

cargo."

1st July. "Two more letters are returned to Mr. Forster this time, one from De Groot & Co. the other from Glasgow. They refer, no doubt, to the Orange Nassau."

And from Mr. Coleman:-

8th March. Letters addressed to Forster up to Friday he had not sent them, but I shall write him to let us have them.

8th April. Application has been made to Mr. Forster for the letters said to be returned, but he informs us that he has not received any; we have therefore written to the Post Office on the subject, and learn that we shall have to apply to the Colonial Office."

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Jed. E. Cobb.

Colonial Secretary.

St. Augustine,
Palm Beach,
to. to. to.

Instructions for Mr. Travis during my absence.

Open Mr. Herbert's letter by Perseverance and send by her without any delay the goods he may ask for.

The crew are to be shipped for 3 mos. from the date they sailed; but if Mr. Dard was not promised a 3 mos. engagement, I should prefer some one being shipped in his place. Tell Stephens this privately.

Diggs goes on with the greenboard, and if Milton and Andrew have to do with the Eliza put them on it too.

Send for Perseverance all the boiler gates Sharp can get finished in time.

Settle David Lymington's account with Capt. Fisher and don't omit to charge 10¢ per day for the lighter, 20¢ per 7½¢ water 10¢ if supplied by us, and let him draw for the full amount on his owners @ 30¢ per cent. in favor of the Company as usual.

Should any whales come in, take

the opportunity of buying some dark tobacco, suitable for chewing, but don't exceed 2/ per lb.

Send timely notice to Mr. Ser. hand when sheep or cattle are getting scarce taking the opportunity of some one going out to the Camp.

Should any man appear come in coals are not to be less than 60/ per ton for the Shanda's 50/ for those in the Margaret.

If a ship wants a hulk, you can offer the Margaret @ £1 per day, but the oil must be at hand for shipping, and would perhaps be best brought aboard.

Give Greenhields and family no credit except for provisions and on no account advanced him the smallest sum of money.

Pay Dean's £100 directly you can do it in half crowns.

Pay Dyer his gratuity of £5, and extra £5 for coming alongside Snowsfall,

and deliver up W^{ch}. if all is correct.

If Mr. K. finds nothing for the men to do send the Lily to Port Louis for hides, and take care to ask George Smith when next in, how many tin milk sicks he can do with, and send the number accordingly.

Don't pay the Camp Men money without orders, and to this rule make an exception.

Show yourself about the store at one o'clock, so that there may be no loafing about when the work should be begun.

Get all the Nov. accounts posted, and credit Bertrand Helwitzer with the no. of lbs. New Island wool. James will give you @ 6¹/₂ per lb. debiting adventure a/c. ~~also~~, also credit and debit the said a/c. with 8 hides, 75 lbs. @ 3¹/₄ per lb.

Geo. Lobb.
Colonial Manager.

Stanley, 8th Dec. 1878.