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Blean Street

3rd Jan.y 3.

Sir,

My last dated 31st Ult.o goes by the same opportunity as this.

2. In my former despatch I informed you that the Tezo could be easily repaired here, but this was not correct, Mrs Nelson is badly burnt and having been on shore twice, she requires to be dry docked, enclosed is a rough copy of Mrs survey; the whole of her crew are still on board.

3. Captain Dyer requests that as far as can be seen the Decay of Ship requires to be first out, New Bulwarks, Stanchions, part of rail, caulking and new Deal, her timbers appear quite sound and her hull exceedingly strong, but Machinery is in a very bad condition from rust.

4. There being no money

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Secretary.

London.

in the Government Chest, Lieut Drury was given the enclosed order for £38 on the Admiralty for passages per 'Black Hawk'.

5 In the Stanley Journal for October you will find the sums of £94.4.3 entered to credit of Directors and £2.3.3 to their debit, These amounts should be debit £94.4.3 and credit £2.3.3 the above is an error in copying.

6. If no whiskey in cases was ordered it must have been an error in copying Indent, please send some at once also bottle Brandy

I am, Sir
Your obedient Servant
P. Langdon
Acting for F. E. Cobb
Col. Manager

Enclosures

Duplicate No 153
2nd Exchange No 213,316 for £70.10.3
Shipping Report
List of Stores required
Rough Italian Survey
Lieut Drury's certificate for passage £38.
Letter for Cobb from Bailey

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H.M.S. Scylla

6 Jan.y 5
5 A.M.

Sir,

This vessel being on the point of sailing I take the opportunity to forward triplicate of my last per 'Black Hawk'.

The 'Black Hawk' left this port at 4 A.M. on 4th instant on her first trip under the Mail contract, she carried 15 Adult passengers.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servt.

F. Langdon

Acting for A. Cahill

Col.l Manager

Enclosures

Duplicate No 154
Triplicate " 153 ...
Lieut Drury's certificate for passages
3 Bills Exchange No.s 312, 313, & 314

Manifest of Cargo

shipped on board the Schooner

'Black Swan', Campbell, master,

Falkland Islands to Montevideo.

Marks	Description	Shipped	Consigned
F°	3 casks Soda Ash	Falkland Islands Co.y	B. Mallinson Esq.r

Falkland Islands

January 2nd 1852.

Falkland Islands Co.y

J. Lawson

Acting for H. C. Watts

Col.l Manager.

2 January 9

Sir,

Understanding you have issued an order demanding a passage for W. Seymour in the 'Black Hawk' as a distressed seaman, I do not consider that this Company should be called upon to provide a man with a passage, because he was discharged from a vessel now in this harbour and having spent his wages in drink become chargeable on the Board of Trade' & therefore request that you will guarantee his passage money £3.00- and have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servt.

J. Langdon

acting for H. C. Cobb

Col. Manager

Geo. Travis Esq

Shipping Master

&c &c &c

Stanley.

Treasury of the
Roman Empire
Park Street 31st January.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your favour dated 26th November last enclosing a circular and its translation issued by His Highness the Chancellor of the Roman Empire and beg to assure you that I shall have much pleasure in

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
pp J. E. Coll
Consul
for Langdon

H. E. Wilson Esq
Consul General
of the Germanic Empire
&c &c &c

London

No
H.M.S. Pylades
via Montevideo

3rd Feb.y 5.

Sir,

Since my last dated 6th January the 'Black Hawk' completed on 30th ult.o her first trip under the Mail Contract by which opportunity I received your despatch No. 445 with enclosures.

2. The 'Francis' arrived on 9th ult.o, her passengers were in excellent health and spoke in the highest terms of the kind treatment they received from Captain Pretty.

I am sorry to report that Georgina Patterson died on the passage out, the landing certificate for the others is now returned. The 'Francis' is now ready to commence taking in the 'Vicar of Bray's' cargo, but I

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Secretary
London.

anticipate some difficulty yet with the boiler it being exceedingly awkward to handle such heavy goods with the means at my disposal, I hope however to be able to report success by the regular mail on 15th instant. You will be pleased to learn that the 'Francis' cargo came to a good market, nearly all the chief things being opened before arrival of 'Sea Witch'.

3 No. 445, 1. The Agreements came to hand with the Shepherds. Your letter dated 19th November came to hand on 30th ult. The duplicate being delivered by 'Sea Witch' on 24th.

4 No. 445, 2. Your despatches Nos 438, 439 arrived per 'Foam' on 8th inst. last. I cannot account for the omission of this vessel in shipping report in all other respects it was correct, the latter part of this paragraph shall have my attention as soon as possible.

5 № 1145, 5. The purchasers are Messrs Dean 1,000 Felton 500 Thomas 900 and Holmes & Rees 500, payment to take place on delivery about end of March.

6. The Lambs at the washing numbered 18,440 but this will doubtless be increased when the shearing is finished, particulars are enclosed, The Overseer informs me that the Wool has never been so fine in quality or so much of it as this years, as far as shearing has progressed the scab is only at the rate of six in 200 and this only very slight, none what-ever appearing among the Lambs. The Hydraulic Press acts very well but is considered too small, the box requiring to be at least 2 feet deeper and the water power is barely sufficient to get the bales to average 3/2 cwt, no more sulphur will be wanted for some time but you must keep

me well supplied with Spirits of Sal, Softsoap and Tobacco; but no more Glycerine dips; it as been tried on Greenshield's and Sharp's flocks but both have come back to Tobacco, the former tried it twice but after a very short time his sheep were worse than before and those return-ed to Darwin showing 10 per cent scab against 1/2 per cent in the Comp.ys flocks.

P.S. I am sorry to inform you that the labourers have taken it into their heads to strike for an advance of 1/- per day, leaving the Francis' when about 4 days would have finished discharging, I have therefore determined to send the House Coals round to Valparaiso, this step together with Dean and myself making it known that of course we should stop credit at the stores

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and the 'Sea Witch' commencing to discharge with only the crews of herself and the 'Orissa' brought some of them to work after a few days. I hope you will approve of my sending the Coals to Valparaiso, my reasons in addition to the strike being that Stanley is overstocked with this commodity for at least three years, the great expense of landing in small quantities owing to the rotten state of the scow and Capt^n Pretty objecting to his vessel lying on the ground alongside know Squall, and those, if any, ex 'Vicar of Bray' not being sufficient to ballast 'Francis' which requires stiffening before the boiler is attempted and unfortunately

this must be the first of the Machinery taken in, Capt.n Dyer fearing that if the other Cargo is removed first the 'Vicar' might capsize when the heavy weight is aloft.

8. Since writing the foregoing the Overseer informs me that if not objected to in London he would prefer using rope in place of Iron hooping for the Wool bales it being much quicker and he assures me saves a deal of time which in this uncertain climate is of the utmost importance so enable the shearing and dipping to be got over early. The best time for Shepherds to arrive here is about middle of September, which enables them to get a little accustomed to the ground and so riding before

the Lambing which commences about 1st October they then become useful men by shearing time, if they arrive later they are much use until the next season and are liable to get discontented during the winter, the last three lots of Shepherds are reported to be excellent men.

9. The Government are about to make an alteration in the payment of the Spirit Duty. Mr Dean having pointed out the injustice of charging for Liquors which perhaps remained in the stores for a year or two and proposed that Liquors should be deposited in the Government stores as a bonded warehouse and the duty paid on the quantities taken out for consumption, this will benefit the stores considerably for under the old arrangement, the duty had to be paid within a certain time on

all Liquors whether sold or not and therefore was really so much money lying idle as far as importers are concerned. He also opposed the Government in the following - Since the Wreck 'Antonia' His Excellency being called to an account for the carelessness in not deducting the Duty from the Salvors, asked permission from the Colonial Office to allow him to remit the duty on such Liquors if he thought proper and was referred I understand to the Legislative Council. Mr Dean and myself considered that the above if allowed would really injure the Stores, by charging its high duty while the Colony might be otherwise stocked duty free at the Governor's pleasure. I therefore allowed Mr Dean to couple the Company's name with his own firm's in opposing the foregoing, he

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he being the only member of the Council irrespective of Government Officials, fortunately Mr Bailey saw the justice of our case and through his support the Government were defeated. I hope you have taken some steps about the drawback to shipping &c.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

J. Langdon

Acting for H. E. Cobb

Colonial Manager

Enclosures.

Triplicate No 154
Duplicate " 155.
Cash Book for Dec 1872.
Journal " do
Dep Shipping Report 2 Jan 73
Shipping Report
Landing Certificate for Emigrants
Landing Report for 1872.
Cash Vouchers for Dec
List of Stores remaining on

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Black Hawk

14 Febr 3.

Sir,

Having written on the 3rd instant by H. M. S. Pylades there is very little more to communicate.

2. Just before the sailing of the Pylades I obtained a draft from the Government for £100 and forwarded the same together with two smaller ones for £10 and £15 in charge of the Paymaster to be posted at Montevideo. Lieut. Wood will forward to you after the end of present quarter £31.5- being balance of his store account.

3. The news from the Camp is very cheering, if it would only be fine for about 14 days the shearing would be through. There will I am afraid only be about 2,000 of the Company's own Hides, but I

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Secretary,

London.

understand these are chiefly Bull Hides and that great care was exercised in taking them off. There will be required by September at least 18 new Shepherds, most of whom should be single men, and each to have a good dog, the Overseer thinks it would be a good plan to compel each Shepherd to bring a good dog, making him pay his passage if it proves a bad one, giving him notice that it will be required "for running out by, or a long way off and to be easy on the sheep". The wool is allowed by everybody to have never been so good or plentiful before.

4. I am happy to say Mr Waldron ships 708 Hides and 18 bales of Wool per "Black Hawk" this ship going himself to Montevideo to see them shipped at once.

5. You will be pleased to learn that all the Machinery is now safely in the "Francis", Despatch

she will sail about end of next week, there will be about 80 or 90 tons of coals after taking the Company's 250 tons, but this is only a guess at present. Capt^n Pretty says he does not think his owners would have chartered had they known there were 1,000 kegs of Gunpowder, he is however very accommodating so far.

6. Enclosed is list of Stores handed over from the "Francis" as well as copy of His Excellency's note ordering some meat for the Church, which he wants by first opportunity.

7. Should Mr Rees require any goods shipped, I think you should refuse to find space for them, he having sold his consignment (£500) ex "Sea Witch" at from 50 to 75% below Store prices, causing great complaints at our prices and certainly stopping the sale at the Stores for the present.

8. The Owners of the "Nerzo" have I understand written the Captain to get her condemned, but this he cannot do here; I think it

would be as well to sound his owners about paying his account which with Company is over £700, actual cash being about £300 which is covered by proceeds of auction viz £330 odd, & a Bottomry bond was taken can it be insured, & am quite tired of foreign skippers.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

P. Langdon

Acting for T. E. Cobb

Col. Manager.

Enclosures

Trip No. 155
Dup " 156
" Shipping Report 3 Feb
Shipping Report
Ledger Balances 31 Dec 72
Standin Wages do
Cash Vouchers Jan 73
Jrl & Cash Book do
Remarks on Accounts
Order for Stores
Governor's order
List of Provisions from Thames
2 Nl Cochrane for £104 16
do " 15

Remarks on Accounts.

In the Stanley Journal Entries for November 1872. You will find that 'Star of India' is debited with £205.17.6 while the items in credit column amounts only to £.104.17.6 the error being in credit to Debtors of Butchery which should be £35.18.0.

No notice has yet been taken of my memo dated 20th June 1872. on freight collected in London for consignments per 'Eudora' hence no freight has yet been charged here, ~~not~~ any comment on my Journal Entry for April, about realization of Produce shipped per 'Chiselhurst'.

Stanley 14 Feb 73.

J. Langdon
Acting for F. E. Coll
Col. Manager.

Manifest of Cargo shipped on board the Royal Mail Schooner "Black Hawk", Campbell, Master. Falkland Islands to Montevideo

Mark	Description	Shippers	Consignees
	708 Salted Hides	J. L. Waldron	For transhipment
	21 bales Wool	do	do
	2 Mats & axletree	Stickney	Stickney & Coates

Falkland Island

Stanley 14 Feb 73

Falkland Islands Co

J Langdon

acting for J. E. Cobb

Co'y Manager

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'Black Hawk'

14th Febr. 3.

Sir,

Since closing my former Despatch of this date I have to request you to pay the North British and Mercantile Insurance Co. £6.11.3 for premium just received here, also that you will remit free of expense to Thos Goodwin, Tower Hill, Sanquhar, Dumfriesshire, the sum of Five Pounds from his son John, this amount was to have been sent by a P.O. Order, but it escaped my memory until too late, so I have credited the Directors with the commission on the same.

2. The 'Black Hawk' carries 2 Cabin and nine Steerage passengers this trip.

3 The 'Perseverance' requires a new suit of Sails, Capt.n Dyer's draught of the same is enclosed.

I am, Sir,

F. Coleman Esq. Your obedient Servt.
Secretary,
London.

J. Langdon
Acting for J.E. Coll
Coll.e Manager

Enclosures
Duplicate N.o 157, 'Perse' sails draught.

Manifest of Sundries Shipped on board the British barque Frances Pretty, Master, Stanley & Valparaiso

Marks	Nos	Description	Shippers	Consignees
		About 80 tons Housecoal	Falkland Islands Co	Crofs & Co.
D.B	1/4	4 cases Drugs		
	7/8	8 " Acids		
	2[illegible]/	Boiler & funnel		
	[illegible]	184 pcs Machinery		
		42 Iron Wheels		
		37 Fire Bars		
		1 small Bundle		
		2 coils Wire Rope		
		1 bale Packing		
		116 Brooms		
		144 Shovels		
		7,300 Fire Bricks		
		274 large do	Falkland Islands Co	Co Ahbain Roxburgh & Co.
		60 pieces do		
		220 Tiles		
		8 cases supposed to be machinery		
		29 doz Hooks & Thimbles		
		A quantity smelting Coals		
B		565 Kegs = 11,126 lbs Mining Powder		
D	1/5	5 casks Screws		
	6/7	2 boxes Hinges		
	8/9	2 " Knives		
	10/13	4 casks Paint	J. M. Deanston	Crofs & Co.
	14/18	5 boxes Shoe Nails		
D	1/13	13 casks Soda		
D	1/XIII	7/ " Soda Ash		

Port Stanley
22 February 1873

J. Langdon
Acting for F. E. Cobb
Col. Mag. F. I. Co.

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'Frances'
via Valparaiso

24 Feby 3.

Sir,

The 'Black Hawk' sailed with my last early on 15th instant carrying two cabin and nine Steerage Passengers.

2. I am happy to inform you that the 'Frances' is now ready for sea, having all the cargo ex Vicar of Bray on board, with the exception of 250 tons of Coals retained by this Company and 435 kegs of Powder which is in such a bad condition that Capt.n Pretty refused to receive it on board, & have therefore had a survey held by the Surveyor General and Lieut.t Sweny and they report that 238 kegs have the Hoops all started, the remainder being loose and totally unfit for service and that it would being dangerous to ship it

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Secretary
London.

& Mr Reed the Carpenters but no one would risk attempting to cooper it. The old rings appear rotten, Considering the ongoing condition please inform me what is to be done with this Powder, the Government claim about £25 for rent of Magazine.

3. The 'Frances' despatch is very good only 13 days (working) being used in loading, her account to be deducted from freight is only £31. 4. 9.

Capt Pretty is to deliver freight free a manilla fall (14 fm) and two large blocks on his return to the United Kingdom which will be of further service here.

I am, Sir,

Your obed: servant

J. Langdon

Acting for F. E. Cobb

Coll Manager

Enclosures.

Triplicate No 137.
Duplicate " 138
Survey on Powder ex 'Vicar of Bray'
Receipt for Rope & Blocks

Abs
Black Hawk

1st April 3.

Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your despatches Nos 446 and 448 on 28th ult. No 447 being delivered by Capt Thomson on 28th ult.

2. No 446 Par 2. This intelligence I communicated at once to the Rev. Mr Veeman who requests you will forward to the Rev. A. Giles, Free Church Manse, Alnwick, Northumberland, N.B. the sum of Thirtyfive Pounds (£35) on his account.

3. No 447 Par 3. There will be no delay as far as the Company are concerned, but I regret to say that the 'Columbian' is leaky making about 2 inches per hour, of course this leak must be found out and stopped before I ship any cargo.

T. Coleman Esq
Secretary
London.

5 No 448 Page. Mr Williams's farm is I understand going on very well, the sheep shears I sent by the first chance, but Wool Bales were not obtainable for my own use. He made very quer arrangements about his affairs here, viz: Partly with myself, partly with Mr Dean and partly with Capt Wright of the Brent who has just been to over £[illegible] expenses for just landing some wood from Stanley and a few wethers from the Boca. I am told on good authority that it is Mr Williams's intention to do all his business with Mr Dean on his return, giving his reason as "that Dean's schooner going so near his station he shall be able to get his stores landing free of freight."

6. No 448 Page 2. I have no doubt that the 'Black Hawk' will pay, she has done very fairly so far, as you are aware she is obliged to carry cargo at 35/- per ton, but this will not answer for small

boxes, & have therefore fixed the rate at 5/- each, were the measurement would be about half that amount so increase according to size. His Excellency, Gov.r Darcy made her a present of one of the Fours' brass guns, that vessel having become the property of Petalega.

7. You will be pleased to hear that Mr. Waldron's rams have arrived in excellent condition, and you may depend on my giving proper attention to them.

8. H. M. S. 'Cossack' has taken 148 tons of Coals which I contracted for at £3; this according to the coal account should leave about 300 tons on hand, whereas Capt.n Dyer estimates the quantity in Hulk at from 150 to 200 tons of Dust entirely unfit for sale, in fact the last 5 tons or so of that taken by the 'Cossack' was nearly all dust.

9. The 'Mandarin' was sold at Public Auction yesterday and purchased by Mr. Dean at £405.

10. The Shipping has been

exceptionally good this season, I was in hopes to have forwarded this mail the wool weights but owing to the packs running short of the number required this cannot be done, the dipping will be finished in about 10 days. It will be exceedingly annoying if the leak in Humbleton's is not discovered quickly for I have been pushing matters forward as fast as possible to give her quick dispatch. The following sheep have been delivered viz Felton 500 Ewes and 10 Ram Lambs for which draft is enclosed, Bonner 1,000 and Chamosa 203 payment to be made out of proceeds of hides. Dean will not draw this mail it being impossible for him to remove his sheep at present. The schooners are all otherwise employed, but I shall try him again before Black Hawk leaves and if not successful then for the Cossack in about a week.

Mr Secretary

11. I have issued my warrant to the following persons Humphrey Bradley for £400 Edward Rudge for £200 Richard Hall for £200. Richard Hall for £100 Richard Hall for £100. Jonathan Hopkins for £200.

12. I am obliged to recommend to recommend for Mr Hodges, Mr Hodges, Mr Hodges, Mr Hodges being good men and well qualified for the service for which they are recommended.

13 I request to see the warrant which will pay for, with the bill of lading specifying the several large orders mentioned in the letter,

I cannot now give you the information you desire, it being impossible to do so without the assistance of the other members of the Board.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Vous voudrez bien devant

M. Langdon

Notaire à [illegible]

[illegible]

Enclosures

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Sundries

Remarks on Mode for Trade

Coal. Very good. Burgoo Boots considered dear, the children boots were just the thing but more strong leather boots for girls than required. Clothing. Exactly the goods wanted, with the exception of the jackets which being made of very inferior cloth will not sell, a few really good and latest fashions would sell well. Drapery. Hats not liked, might be obtained more fashionable and better quality, price should not exceed Crops. Pickles, Jams &c sell well. Tea Matching always ready. Provisions considered best, the sample coal from Hounsell having no much dust in it. Ironmongery Hounsell It is decided that this firms Canvas is preferable. Grocery. Chocolate sells well. Hosiery Stationery appears dear, Playing Cards not so good as Letts (Christmas) and dearer, Copying Ink not as ordered.

[illegible] body, and
[illegible] clay-coated roots, and was
[illegible] all over in England
having been known and since
[illegible] all showing signs of
[illegible] immediately after storming
[illegible] really too bad. Wheat would
[illegible] whole good. Second Point
[illegible] descriptions required. Roumon
[illegible] are always considered as
[illegible] for the grazing, the Hay
[illegible] roots was broken, the
[illegible] in good condition, and the
[illegible] is of opinion it would
[illegible] done in planting potatoes
[illegible] would be made to taking
[illegible] repair. Report. When used
[illegible] small quantity to passing away
[illegible] the manure would have found
[illegible]. Subject. Was often seen
[illegible] grazing. Elephant has a badly
[illegible] while one piece is in high
[illegible] quality [illegible] being

particulars and much cheaper.
Furniture by this vessel is still on hand and under Above is an error in price of Corsets & Chains are labelled to remain, One Drawers & Wash Stands are all more or less broken, one sailors beds appear to have been packed damp, so being perfectly rotten and had to be thrown away
Stephenson's cabin bread just on hand sold directly, do not send any more provisions, the barrels are preferable. Westnorp Bros Ales have not yet come to hand. Wild Liquors have sold well, One Whisky more required for. Oats. This firms good are without exception good and carefully packed, Bacon, Cheese, Hams & Butter especially.

Stanley 31 March 93

P: Langdon
Acting for F.F. Coll
Coll Mag[r]

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H.M.S. Cossack

6th April 3.

Sir,

My last went per 'Black Hawk' on 2nd instant and this vessel leaving early tomorrow (monday) I avail myself of the opportunity to forward seconds of exchange. In my last I omitted to inform you that in part payment of wages Capt.n Dyer has a draft on the Directors for £50 Fifty Pounds which please do the needful so. I am still dreadfully put about for cash and there are orders for over £500 which have been presented over and over again and will doubtless be nearly doubled during this month for collection of Produce &c.

2 I am greatly surprised

T. Coleman Esq.

Secretary

London.

verified by the Invoices that Some coal is sent and at such exorbitant price, when the stock on hand will last at least 3 years and should a steamer come in & could not supply it see No. 160 Paragraph 8.

3. The 'Humbleton' is discharging quickly, Capt.n Sorenson rendering every assistance, the leak will probably be discovered tomorrow as now she is lightening the water can be heard rushing in. Capt.n Packe complains that all his goods are damaged but this I do not believe having inspected nearly every thing myself that has come at present and not anything appears to have been wet, please increase Mr. Waldron's insurance to £3500 and insure Mr. Greenshield's produce as usual).

4. The Allen Gardiner

was about to be sold to Capt.n Packe
but His Lordship the Bishop found
after negociating several days &
on applying to have the transfer
made out at Government Office that
he could not complete the sale
having no power from the Owner,
so the sale has fallen through
for the present.

5. Smallbones has
requested to leave the Company
saying he had engaged to come
back for Mr. M.c Clymont but
having no funds engaged with Co
this & refused telling him that
the Company were not to be made
tools of for other persons advantage.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Serv.t
P Langdon
Acting for F. C Coll.r
Col.l Mag.e

Enclosure.

Trip.e V.o 159.
Sup.a " 160
2.nd Exchange N.os 321, 322, 4, 5 & 6.

Italian Consulate
Stanley 2 April 1873.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that by this mail fifteen Italian subjects leave for your port, being Non Officers and Seamen of the Italian Navyne Terzo, they have each a bill on Livorni Scheiffino of Montevideo for their wages and that person is instructed by Capt.n Deagostino to send any of the above men to Italy if necessary at the vessels expense

I have the honour to be
Your Excellency's
Most obedient Serv.t
Wm H. E. Cobb
Consul

His Excellency
The Italian Consul
J. Langton

&c &c &c

Montevideo

7 April 3.

Sir,

Would you kindly allow one of the Marines (a Blacksmith) to do a little repairing at Mr Cobb's house (Which I understand would do) the only two civilians able to do the work being engaged by contract. If you can grant me the above favour I shall be greatly obliged.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's

Most obed.t & humble Serv.t

J. Langdon

acting for R.E Coll.t

Coll.t Marsh.t

His Excellency

Coll.t D'Arcy

Governor

&. &. &.

M.r Arey

24 March 3.

Sir,

I am prepared to supply Her Majesty's Ship 'Cossack' with the best Powell's Duffryn Steam Coals at 60/- per ton on the same condition as H.M.S Scout (which vessel took 278 tons under contract with the Admiralty) viz that our Hulk is removed with the assistance of your crew (being the usual custom in this port) or there is plenty of water for H.M.S 'Cossack' alongside the Hulk. I cannot state the date of arrival it being in my predecessor's time but believe it to be about end of 1870, the Bill of Lading was produced to H.M.S. Scout & Reindeer but lost in Sept last on board the German Corvette Hertha while she was coaling. I may add that this Company invariably supply all H.M Ships when direct from England.

I am Sir

Your obedient Servt

P. Langdon

acting for P. & C. Co

Coll Manager

The Paymaster

H.M.S. Cossack

Stanley.

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Via Ostend. 21st April 3

Sir,

This vessel being now ready for sea I take the opportunity to send duplicate of my last dated 6th inst.

2. The leak in the Humbleton was discovered as anticipated on 8th inst. it being caused by the omission of a bunnail, she is now tight. I regret to say that owing to bad weather only ten days have been fit for working since the 'Humbleton' arrived, I am doing my best to get her away, she will have about 1,000 hides on board.

3. The ship 'Canning' belonging to the Merchants Shipping Co. of London put in here on 15th inst having been in collision with the iron barque 'Valdera', but although I produced the introductory letter from the Owners for this country to transact their business the

H. Coleman Esq

Secretary

London

Captain preferred doing his business with Mr Dean assigning no reason beyond "that he was his own agent". I have since learned that the Director signing our letter is dead and that in the Captain's instructions the Company are not named in the list of Agents, this ought to be seen into for it is no use being agents if the business is to be done by others. A vessel bottom up with one side stove in is lying off Port Pleasant, it is reported that two life buoys bearing the name 'Neptune' have been washed on shore, she is supposed to have struck on the reef outside the above port on Good Friday and to have capsized at once.

4. Mr Dean has allowed me to send the range intended for my house by this vessel freight free. The Blacksmith reports it broken in five places (and cannot be repaired here) through careless packing, some parts which should have been separate had been tied together and of course

Colonial Secretary, you will send a reply as soon as possible.

5. Referring to my despatch No. 156 paragraph nine, I learn on applying to the collector of Customs that Mr. Dean was mistaken about the payment of the spirit duty, the Governor only consenting to the proposal as far as storage is concerned the duty having to be paid as before. As this would only put the Company to considerable extra expense without any advantage to be gained of course I have landed my liquors into the store as before. Mr. Dean still maintains that he was right and intends trying the point at the next council.

6. The 'Mandarin' has been resold to Capt. Sillock a passenger per 'Canning' for £525. He intends taking her to Australia. The 'Egeria' is being stripped and her sails and part of gear have been already sold at Auction. She would make a fine hulk.

7. The Engineer informs me that the Donkey Engine will not answer for the circular saw, but that it will require a portable engine.

8. I now send a corrected statement of the Sawing for 1892 showing a grand total of 19,486.

9 I by the regular mail I hope to remit about £900

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servt.

J Langdon

Acting for F. E. Cobb

Col. Manager

Enclosures.

Insp. No. 160
Insp. " 161
Sawing 1892.
Insp. Shipping Report 1 Apl. 93
Shipping Report
3rd of Exchange No. 321, 323, 325.

Falkland Islands Company

Lambs 1872.

Name of Flock	Ewe	Wether	Riglings	Ram	Total
Carrera	889	839	20		1,748
High Hill	1,687	1,552	29		3,268
Laguna Isla	661	616	8		1,285
Swan Inlet	610	579	13		1.202
Bluff Creek	1.001	906	16		1,923
Teal Creek	1.243	1,086	18		2,347
Hope Cottage	1,669	1,624	25		3,318
Miles Creek	347	367	10		724
Walker Creek	669	606	13		1,288
Seal Cove	628	553	11		1,192
Bodie Creek	557	97	3	464	1,121
	9,961	8,825	166	464	19,416

J. Langdon
Acting for F. E. Cobb
Col. Manager

13 May 3.

Sir,

I am under the impression that a seaman left at this port can only be put on board an English Vessel when bound to the United Kingdom or the terms named in the order sent Capt.n Campbell, & as the 'Black Hawk' is bound to a foreign port I must request you to guarantee this Company the sum of Three Pounds ten Shillings (£3.10/-) before I grant a passage to N Robert Marshall to Montevideo.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

J. Langdon

Geo Travis Esq acting for H. C. Cobb

Shipping Master Colt. Manager

&c &c &c

Stanley

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Black Hawk 14th May 3.

Sir.

Since my last dated 21st ult.o I received on 2nd instant your despatch No. 449.

2. No. 449. 3. It was always arranged that the 'Lotus' was to run the mail for £760 and the Governor assured me when I pressed for £800 that he could only give the subsidy offered to the 'Lotus' and if I declined that the 'Foam' would have to continue running while he corresponded with the Colonial Office in London. After consideration I thought it better to close at once seeing the passenger money the

H. Coleman Esq,

Secretary,

London.

first trip was considerable. The freight you name for small packages shall be charged but it is certainly too high. Please inform me if the Government can force the 'Black Hawk' to carry distressed seamen on the 'Board of Trade' allowance viz 1/6 per day as I am under the impression that it can only be forced on British Vessels when bound to the United Kingdom. The shipping master has attended the above duties and I have refused with success so far.

3 No. 449. These returns have been handed to Capt.n Campbell and will be forwarded as requested.

The suggestion about liquors shall be carried out.

4. No. 449. When I wrote about the spars they had all been carefully examined and

the Pitch Pine yards were in some parts affected with dry rot and although Mr. Peabody cannot understand it, it is nevertheless the fact that the Oregon Masts had heart rents right through the butt for at least 8 feet at each end rendering them almost valueless, the largest one being scarcely fit for a yard.

5. No 449, 7. This route will doubtless answer, but many of the goods appear to have been broached.

6. No 449, 8. The landing certificate of these persons is herewith returned.

7. No 449. 10. The sheep sold are as follows viz Dean 1,000, Bonner 1,000, Felton 500 and 10 Ram lambs, Chamosa 203, Sharp 100.

Mr Rees brought it to Nestor to delay

purchasing until next season. I believe Capt.n Packe intends taking 1000 ewes in July.

8. The Humbleton left this harbour on Friday last, but only sailed from Port William early on Monday for Darwin leaving Hides &c on board as per annexed bill of lading, & expect over 4000 more hides if they arrive at Darwin in time, the weather being so very bad for schooners work, the Company's own wool Nos 5 by bales which will be increased by about 14 not yet weighted) weighing 231,713 lbs besides which the Humbleton will if she can carry have Messrs Cobb, Williams, Greenhill & Malcom's wool consigned to the Company. Mess.rs Rees & Boulton as

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pleased to hear that Camp
matters are at least three month.
in advance of last year, the
dipping being finished on 9th inst.
This the Overseer accounts for as
follows, first having extra and
good men, which enabled the
shearing to be got through in
good time, secondly the sheep
were so free of scab that once
dipping was sufficient except
in a very few cases thus saving
both time and materials, at
the dipping those infected with
scab averaged 1 3/4 per cent, includ.
those sheep which appeared likely
to suffer but not actually broken out

while the sheep returned by Mr Greenshields averaged 10 per cent

9 The Engineer complains that the Donkey Engine is an almost useless article, "it being only an apology for an engine", it requires some extra gear as per enclosed list.

10. I have to request you to pay the North British and Mercantile Insurance Co. Ten Guineas premium received here, also please pay Mrs Langdon Ten Pounds on my account.

11. The Colonial Secretary informs me that the Government of Montevideo have made a law that all letters passing through that country shall pay the postage case of that port, with the exception of Government Despatches, as this will make the mail uncertain of

ever reaching its destination I shall forward all correspondence for the present through Mr Melian.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
J. Langdon
acting for T. E. Cobb
Col. Manager.

Enclosures.

Trip No 161
Duplicate " 162
" Shipping Report 22 Apl 73
" Landing a/c
" of Sub Lieut Beavers draft.
Shipping Report.
Stanley Cash Book for Mch & April
" Jrl for Mch
" Ledger Balances 31 Mch 73
" Cash Vouchers Mch & April
Black Hawks' voyage report
Emigrants Landing Certificate
1st Exc Dean on Dean £825.0.0
1st " on Hon Paymaster 95.0.0
1st " Allick on Barclay 120 0 0
£1040.0.0

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Humbleton

14th Feb.ry 3.

Sir,

This vessel being now ready for sea I have the pleasure to acknowledge your despatch No. 600 which arrived per 'Scotia' on 6th inst.

2. No. 450, 4. I expect the Overseer in Stanley in a few days and will let you know by the mail the quantity of Dipping Materials required.

3. No. 450, 5. My calculation was made from information received from the Camp, but I am happy to say the 'Humbleton' carries four thousand six hundred & thirty eight (4,638) hides consigned to the Camp.

F. Coleman Esq

Secretary

London.

4. No 450, 6. I will get out all the information possible when Mr Waldron returns from Montevideo

5. No 450, 7. The Books I have overhauled and the account sent you is correct, the last payment made by Mr Griffiths was on the 6th Sept. 1845. I have remitted as much as possible, the expenses here are all available cash, the hire of Schooners this last year has been high, owing to the buildings having to be landed at different parts of Laguna.

6. No 450, 8. Respecting the D. H. Dodd she required to be put into dry dock, the Captain therefore left this port for Rio de Janeiro I forwarded all particulars to his Owners; part of her Cargo being damaged and not worth much

hire was sold, but the iron & bricks still remain here in the Company hands, the Captain left this port without making any final arrangements about this portion of his cargo. & remained silent believing it does the Company more harm than good to give information when all particulars have been forwarded to the interested parties.

2d No. 450. 9. & did order the Flour the Colony being quite out, it was only the usual quantity and will only last about a year.

8. This vessel carries a most valuable cargo, as per enclosed Manifest and Bills of Lading, she will sail as soon as wind will permit, the Company's own flocks produce 245,184 lbs of wool

averaging nearly 5¾ lbs per sheep,
the number shorn being 13,490.

I regret to report that
Capt.n Dyer gave way so much to
drink as to be quite mad and
incapable of performing his
duty, I had therefore to look
for some one else to stow the
wool and fortunately Hawkes
perfectly understands screwing,
I order Capt.n Dyer into Stanley
and it affords me pleasure to
report that Hawkes succeeded
remarkably well. I shall refrain
from saying any more on this
painful subject, for had it been
his first offence I should have
allowed it to pass without
troubling you, he is certainly the

Newcastle

many reason for his position here
and a great liar when drunk. I
must say that Capt.n Sorensen has
rendered me great assistance even
so far as working in the hold at
times. I have given him a gratuity
of Ten Pounds

10 The outward Cargo was
not stowed as carefully as you wrote
Me Church & mouse had to be all
moved, some of Mr Tuckers Number
being mixed with Mr Thorne.

11 Please insure for Thirty
Pound one barrel of Sealskins for
Mr Holmsted.

12 I regret to inform you
that the Humbleton claims
days on demurrage, which could
not be avoided, four lay days being
far too few for this time of the year.

The Passengers by this vessel are Andrew Carlyle, wife and three daughters. I have arranged for the Ship to provision them for £ [illegible]. It is likely Carlyle will apply to come out again, but the Overseer informs me that he was the most discontented person in the Companys employ and ought not to be re-engaged on an account. I have been obliged to give him an order for £100 for sundry cash orders drawn him and balance of wages.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servt
R. Langdon
Acting for Pickett
Col. Stage

Enclosures

Duplicate No. 163
Trip: " 162
2nd Exchange No. 328, 329, 330, 331.
Replies to Memo on accounts

Manifest of Humbleson's Cargo
5 Bills of Lading for do
Remarks on Cargo.
Wool Weights
List of Freight & Advertisers
Letter to Coleman from McCall
Journal & Cash Book for April
Cash Vouchers for April
Duplicate Shipping Report Sketchley
Letter for Addition from Langdon
do " Lieut Tucker R.N. do
Humbleson's certificate for £76.4.4
Order for Garden Seeds
Letter for G.M. Dean Esq
" to Coleman from Revdy

10th June 3.

Replies to remarks on Accounts.

In reply to your memo of 8th April, the error in journal entries of October last was discovered directly it was made and I wrote the word credit against the items in debit column and debit in credit column, therefore they were correctly posted to my Ledger, if I omitted doing the same in copy sent to London I much regret the omission.

I am sorry for the carelessness in Mrs Deans entry of Nov. it should have been as follows:-

Dear Son 112. 18. 3		
To Drs of Store		106. 1. 5
" Drs of Nsur		7. 16. 10
For following 'Forest'	2. 4. 4	
Jas Mirch	1. 5. 0	
Donaldey	2. 8. 10	
Ulrisa	1. 18. 8	
	7. 16. 10	

in your memo you have "Store" instead of "More Drs" I hope my copy of Bk is not incorrect in that also, they being two distinct accounts.

J. Langdon
Acting for T. C. Cobb
Col. Manager.

Manifest of Cargo shipped on board the British Barque Hermitage Sorensen, master. Falkland Islands to London.

Marks	Nos	Goods	Shippers	Consignees	Tons
No Mark &c		2,465 Salted Hides	Falkland Islds Co	Falkland Islds Co	4
1 No		327 do	do	do	"
B		2⅞ do	J. Stevens	do	"
E.S.		152 do	F. J. Pl	do	"
H		56 do	Falkland Islds Co	do	"
O	5/5	3 Sks Tallow	F. J. Co	do	"
M.R.	3/3	3 do	J. Stevens	do	"
H.R.		1 Bale Skins	do	do	"
No Mark		1 quantity Skins	F. J. Co	do	"
do		262 Salted Hides	do	do	2
E.S.		274 do	do	do	"
B		294 do	J. Stevens	do	"
W		622 do	J. L. Watson	do	"
"		2 Bags do	do	do	"
No Mark		3 Small Bones	F. J. Co	do	"
do		63 Horns	do	do	"
E.S.		½ do	J. Stevens	do	"
L.I.		6 do	F.J. Co	do	"
W		1 Bale do	J. L. Watson	do	"
		1 Bale do	do	do	"
No Mark		1 quantity Bones	F. J. Co	do	"
do		do Horns	do	do	"
		2 Bags Hair	do	do	"
do 5/5		2 Bags Tallow	do	do	"
Falkland Islands Co	2/593	593 Salted Hides	do	do	3
do L.I.	593/631	63 do	do	do	"
H.S.	2/2	2 do	H. S. Rees	do	4
J.L.W	3/3	3 do	J. L. Watson	do	"

Mark	Nos	Goods	Shippers	Consignees	Weight
R. S	1/35	35 bales Wool	R. Greenfields	W. J. & Co	lb
C.H.W.	1/29	29 do	H. Williams	do	"
	3	3 ces old Metal	T. S. & Co	do	5
	1/11	2 Cks do	do	do	"
		16 Bags Shearings	do	do	"
		a quantity old bags	do	do	"
		4 bullock Hd & horns	F. L. Walshon	do	"
		1 Cag Wheel	do	do	"
J L W		4 Cks Beef (empty)	do	do	"
H		2 - Seal Skins	Holmester	do	"
△ KS	3 lb	1 bale Wool	R. C. Roche	Hoare Hudson	1
△ K	3 5	2 do	do	do	"
△	36/7	2 do	do	do	"
△	38	1 - Sheepskins	do	do	"
		31 Salted Hides	do	Anningtell	1
		8 Dry do	do	do	"
C	1/20	20 bales Wool	Baillon Stichney	L. Baillon Jun	8
"	21/2	2 - Sheepskins	do	do	"
CC	1/33	33 - Wool	do	do	"
CCC	2	2 - do	do	do	"
C		3 Kgs Tallow	do	do	"
		1 box Private Effects	do	do	"
		23 bales Wool	J. J. Rees	Little & Co	9

Stanley 12 June 1/3

J. Langdon
Acting for F. G. Cott
Esq. Manager
F. I. Co.

12 June 3.

Remarks on Homeward Cargo per Hornbleton.

The Company's wool consists of 636 bales, but under this heading come also the slip from Lively Island distinguished by the letters L.I. The above wool is very carefully put up and I believe will prove the best yet shipped from the Falklands.

There are three hides on board belonging to Messrs Bailon & Stickney included with the Company's.

The old metal is the gatherings from time to time round the Store being waste off ships.

The small cask (No 6) of Tallow I should like specially reported on.

Mr Holmested wished the barrel of Sealskins sent to your care for his brother C. W. Holmested.

G. Langdon
Acting for P. Colb
Colt Mag.

List of Purchases and Freight per Humbleton

From whom purchased	Goods	Rate	Amount	Remarks
Greenshields	452 Hides wg 52801bs	3d/p	£82 10 -	
	255 lbs Tails	3/p	3 12 11	
"	278 Hides	3d/p		
Chamorro	208 Hides (118)	20/pa	118 - -	
	209 "	12/6	111 - 6	
	42 lbs Hair	3/2	13 8/2	
	147 " Tails	"	2 3 2	
	709 " Tallow	"	13 5 1/2	
J Bonner	1100 " Tails	"	5 16 8	

NB. Greenshields second lot of hides were rec^d at Darwin wg 278 and omitted to be weighed, please send landing weight that he may have credit for the same.

Shippers	Goods	Freight		Where to be paid
		ton		London
J Bonner	592 Hides	50/-25%	per ton	Nett of Proceeds
Holmes Lee Rees	54 do	do	do	
	3 cks Tallow	do	do	do
	1 bdle Tails	£1 85%	" ton	
	2 bales Wool			
J. L Waldron	520 Hides	50/-25%	" ton	
	1 bale Sheepskins	£1 85%	" ton	do
	1 bdle do			
	30 bales Wool			
	2 cks Beef	50/35%	" ton	perhaps might be allowed free
Greenshields	87 Sheepskins	£1 85%	" ton	
	35 bales Wool			Nett of Proceeds
C M Williams	29 do do	do	do	do
L. S. Rees	23 do do	do	do	From Consignees

Shippers	Goods	Rate	Remarks
H. & Lawes	6 bales Wool	£3 6/ pkt	To be paid in London
	2 . Sheepskins	do	do
	2 Hides	6/-3 6/ pkt	do
Cullen & Haig	5 bales Wool	£3 6/ pkt	do
	3 brls Tallow	6/3 6/ pkt	do
J. M. Dean	1 box Books	21/-	do

The box of Books was sent to the Office at the last moment & is not on Manifest or Bills of Lading.

J. Longden
Acting for P. R. Cobb
Col. Manager

Falkland Islands. 6th
Stanley, 30th June, 1873.

Sir,

According to the provisions of the Mail contract between the Government and this Company, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that I am not prepared to continue the contract for another year upon the present terms.

I shall however, feel myself at liberty to make another contract provided that the subsidy be increased to (£800) Eight hundred pounds per annum, and that a clause be introduced terminating the liability of the Company in the event of the loss of the Black Hawk.

I have the honour to be
Sir.
Your Excellency's most obedient
humble servant
Chas. E. Goor.
Colonial Manager

His Excellency
Colonel D'Arcy,
Governor,
&c. &c. &c.