

C. S.

INDUSTRIES.
(Miscellaneous)

19 46

No. 17/46

The Secretary of State.

SUBJECT.

1946

Kelp, utilization of
(Macrocystis pyrifera)

5th February

SEAWEED REQUIRED BY THE COLONIAL OFFICE. + done

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

1. Telegram No. 21 from S. of S. of 5. 2. 46
(2)

Mr. Hamilton I believe H.C. has discussed red (1)
with you.

B.H. Jones.
14. 3. 46.

H.C.S. (3)
I collected, or rather had collected, about
half a carload of kelp which is
now dry, but in that state weighs only
abt. 40 lbs. As the telegram is not quite
clear as to whether it is wet or dry
weight I am wrapping it up and sending
it.

2/ I have a barrell half filled with
salted kelp. If necessary I could
get Mr. A. Bennett to have it filled
and sent on but do not propose this
action until I have seen the Fisheries
Advisor myself.

3/ I told the Company's Shipping Office
to refer to you abt. any thing that
should arise.

X The drying was finished by artificial
heat.

Subsequent Paper.

(Telegram No. 68 from S. of S. of 21. 4. 46. 4)
FILED IN M.P. 52/46.

Telegram No. 123 to S. of S. of 26. 4. 46. 4

" " 73 from S. of S. of 30. 4. 46. 5

" " 132 to " " " 2. 5. 46. 6

" " 105 from S. of S. of 11. 6. 46. 7

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HE.

Red 5-7

Don't keep him for comm. As to

(a) 1 spoke to S.E.T.

(b) " " E.E.

(c) " " N.O.I.C. - to Creame (F.I.C.).

2. As to §2, D: Hamilton, ~~is~~ sailed for
Lumberville about mid-May, in passenger-
carr ship.

ASL
13.6.46

Telegram No. 177 to S. of S. of 15-6-46. 9

Letter from HC enclosing letter from F.A. Edwards 10.
letter to HC from K.A. Edwards dated 23rd May. 10a.
letter to Mr. K.A. Edwards dated 9th August 1967. 11.

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DECODE.

No. 14 DC 35.

TELEGRAM.

M.P. 17/46.

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From..... The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To..... His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched : February 5th 19 46 *Time* : 11.00.

Received : February 6th 19 46 *Time* : 09.30.

No. 21. I should be grateful if you would arrange for collection and delivery of one hundredweight of *Macrocystis Pyrifera* which should be sent to my Fisheries Adviser and shipped to Crown Agents.

2. This seaweed should be collected from growing beds and not from flotsam. Drying should be as when drying linen and plant should be left hanging about a week in dry weather. When dry plant should be cut into short lengths and put in sack which should be kept dry on voyage.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

G. T. C.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

M. P. 17/46.

(4)

From His Excellency the Governor.

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: April 26th 19 46 Time: 14.30.

Received: 19 Time:

Recd.

No. 123. Your telegram No. 21. Seaweed has been shipped in personal care of Doctor J.E. Hamilton who will arrange for delivery to Crown Agents on arrival in England.

GOVERNOR.

P/L.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 19.

From The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched : April 30th 1946 Time : 23.10.

Received : May 2nd 1946 Time : 09.30.

Recd.
No. 73. My telegram No. ²¹ 71. 'Please' telegraph:-

- (a) whether electric or other power is available if so in what quantities of kilowatts or horse-power
- (b) whether fresh water is available if so in what number of gallons per hour
- (c) what is the cost of fuel oil and coal for vessels calling at Port Stanley.

Reply at Recd 2

SECRETARY OF STATE.

G. T. C.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

M.P. 18/46.

From His Excellency the Governor.

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: June 15th 19 46 Time: 12.00.

Received: 19 Time:

Red 5

No. 177. Your telegram No. 73.

- (a) two 65 one thirty one twenty kilowatt plants 24 hour service no surplus
- (b) 24,000 gallons per day almost all absorbed by Town supply but could be augmented with additional pipe-line and works from new site 6-7 miles away
- (c) gas oil 1s/7d per gallon in 40 gallon containers fuel oil nil Admiral-ty stocks only held coal £12 per ton small stocks held by Falkland Islands Company.
- Red 7* (d) Your telegram No. 105 paragraph 2. Hamilton should have reached United Kingdom by now.

GOVERNOR.

G.T.C.

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

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REGISTERED OFFICE

AGENTS FOR LLOYDS

TELEGRAMS: FALKLANDS COMPANY LIMITED

Stanley.

AS/CMB



2nd August, 1967

The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

102a.

We enclose a letter received this mail from F.A. Edwards of Panama, on the subject of kelp harvesting.

Yours faithfully,

COLONIAL MANAGER

F. A. EDWARDS
Apartado 90
Panama 1, Rep. de Panama

COLONIAL 850
-5 AUG 1967
FALKLAND ISLES
102a.
10a

bal. Sec.

May 23, 1967

Falkland Islands Company
Falkland Islands

Gentlemen:

While reading an article in the local paper concerning the dispute between Britain and Argentina over the ownership of the Falkland Islands, I could not overlook the reference to the natives being known as "Kelpers".

I have been in search of commercial quantities of varieties of the RED SEAWEED FAMILY for the past few years but find that most countries harvest it for their own use and prohibit its exportation. Some time ago I secured a book from the Canal Zone Library which was written in 1939 which indicated that this type of seaweed was found in substantial quantities from the Cape of Good Hope to Cape Horn.

Generally, this seaweed is used as a food additive. My interest, however, is as procurement agent for a manufacturer in which this product is highly and extensively processed to obtain their finished product.

If you should have any specie of this RED SEAWEED family in your vicinity I would appreciate your sending a 3 pound, sun-dried sample of each type available. If laboratory analysis is satisfactory, I will also want quotations per ton, in 50 pound bales, sun dried weed.

Trusting that this may be the start of a continued relationship, I remain,

Yours Very Truly,

F. A. Edwards
F. A. Edwards

Reply at 11.

O/e BAS

Have you anyone who could identify, collect + analyse seaweed mentioned pl? Any help for can offer in this field wd. be greatly appreciated.

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ACS.

We follow register now until November.

P. Q. H.
95117

9th August,

67.

Dear Sir,

10a.

Your letter of May 23rd addressed to the Falkland Islands Company Limited has been passed to this office for attention.

It is true that there are large deposits of seaweed around our coasts and I shall be pleased to send you samples. Unfortunately we have nobody here at the moment conversant with the collection and preservation of the weed but I will ask one of the scientific staff with the British Antarctic Survey to collect some for you when they arrive about the end of the year. Meanwhile perhaps you could specify the type you need. You refer to red seaweed and I assume you mean the variety known scientifically as *D'Urvillea utilis* but we also have tree kelp (*Lessonia fuscus*).

Yours faithfully,

H. L. Bound

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

Mr. F. A. Edwards,
Apartado 90,
Panama 1,
Rep. de Panama.

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