

C.S.

MISCELLANEOUS
No. 479/25

1925.

Crown Agents

SUBJECT.

1925

28th May

Previous Paper.

Forwards request for supply of Seed Heads
of "Poa Flabellata" (*Tussac*)

MINUTES.

Crown Agents Letter of 28th May 1925 Rule ①

Forest Officer

Will you please say if 300 lbs
of tussac grass seed could be collected
and the estimated cost of collection.

*Di. Sec.
17 July 1925.*

Di. Sec.

Yes. I believe 300 lbs. of tussac heads
could be collected from the Islands in the
vicinity of Stanley.

2/ The cost would probably be from £15
to £20. landed in Stanley.

*J. Reid.
Forest Officer
23 July 1925*

Subsequent Paper.

Cover

Y.B.
Submitted.

I have spoken to Mr. Reed on this matter
his estimate is not what it would cost the
Government to collect the seed heads but what
local cuttermen would charge for supplying
the seed. He estimates that the cost to the
Government would be considerably more than

~~£15~~ to ~~£20~~.

2. I understand from Mr. Reed that local
cuttermen could not be relied upon to collect
the seed heads in the way they should be collected
and also that he has doubts whether the quantity
could be obtained from the islands.

3. Mr. Reed has received a letter from the
gentleman whom he believes to be the customer
referred to by Messrs. Carter & Co.

Y.B.

Di/Sec

29 July 1925.

O.S.C./C.S.O.

(by telephone)
Will you please ascertain from F.I. Co. what would
be cost of freight of a package say ~~£~~ 350 lbs.

Y.B.

5 Aug 1925

Y.B.
Submitted.

The freight on a package of 350 lbs. would
be £2.10/-

Y.B.

Di/Sec

6 August 1925.

Inside Minute Paper.

visited Kidney Island with Chief Inspector
Shelton from office on 23rd September. The seed
heads were not ripe for picking: afternoon with
make another visit in November.

Sh.
25 Sept 1925

O.I.C./C.S.O.

Letter is in draft can go to Crown agents
& I propose to visit Kidney Island again
in November.

Sh.
8 Oct 1925.

② Letter to Crown agents, 8 Oct. 1925. ②

Extract from Governor's minute of 25th February, 1926
in M. P. 273/25.

Application from Carter & Company (479/25) for
seed is on behalf of Lord Enniskillen with whom I have
been in correspondence. The supply is sent in order
to enable them to carry out threshing and cleaning:
after this they can carry out such experiment as they
wish to.

.....

③ Letter to Messrs. Carter & Company 1st March, 1926.

Colonial Engineer.

A sack containing tussack seed
and addressed to Messrs J Carter & Co
Rayner Park Caudon was sent to your
office to day. Would you be so kind
as to arrange for its shipment by the
mail on 1st March 1926.

Hon. Col. Secretary.

Particulars of shipment were sent to your Office
this morning. under separate cover.

Anscombe
Colonial Engineer.

5th March. 1926.

Minute from Colonial Engineer of 5 March. 1926. 4-5.
Letter from James Carter & Co. of 9 June. 1926. 6.

28.
Submitted with package of seeds received
from Messrs. James Carter & Co.

M.L.S.
Off. Sect.
5 Aug 1926.

Off. Sect. The package of seeds has been handed
over to the Govt. House gardener for trial in
the gardens here

2. Please acknowledge and thank.

D.
6 Aug. 1926
Letter to Jas. Carter & Co. dated 9th Sep. 1926. 7.

7A



①

ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED,
AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE: 79 O/Misc. 330.
TELEGRAMS, "CROWN, LONDON."
TELEPHONE, 7730 VICTORIA.

4, MILLBANK,
WESTMINSTER,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

28th May, 1925.

Sir,

26.5.25.

I have the honour to enclose a copy of a letter received from Messrs James Carter & Company, and to enquire whether the Colonial Government would be prepared to arrange for the collection in the Colony of the 300 lbs. (approximately) of seed heads of "Poa Flabellata" which are required. If so, it is requested that we may be furnished with an estimate of the cost, including freight to the United Kingdom, for transmission to the firm, with a view to ascertaining whether they desire the supply to be made.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

W.A. Birchall
for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

r

FGB

ts

MESSRS JAMES CARTER & COMPANY TO THE CROWN AGENTS.

Raynes Park,
S.W.20.

26th May, 1925.

Gentlemen,

A customer of ours is anxious to obtain 50 lbs. of seed of "Poa Flabellata" which we understand is only procurable from the Falkland Islands, and he suggests that the proper person to approach is the Forest Officer, Scientific Department, Port Stanley. Our customer suggests that he should be asked if he could collect about 300 lbs of seed heads when they are ripe (about Xmas) and that the threshing and cleaning should be carried out by us here. As however our firm may be quite unknown to this gentleman, we wonder whether it would be in order to ask you to be good enough to put the enquiry through for us, asking him whether it is practicable, and a rough estimate of the cost.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

(Sd) James Carter & Co.

{Intld} F.H.L.

479/25.

8th October,

25

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 79 O/Misc. 330 of the 28th of May, on the subject of the supply of seed heads of *Poa Flabellata*.

2. It is regretted that in December next the Forest Officer will be employed in a district of the Colony where very little, if any, tussac grass grows and that it is not practicable for him to collect the seed.

3. Enquiry has been made from those who are engaged in cutting the tussac grass which is sold in Stanley as fodder and the price which is asked for collecting 300 lbs of seed heads is £20. The agents of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company state that the freight on this to England would amount to £2. 10. 0.

4. I am to add that as several requests have been received for tussac seed for experimental purposes arrangements are being made for seed heads to be collected when they are ripe and a small quantity will be sent to Messrs Carter & Company for experimental purposes and for which no charge will be made.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

The Crown Agents
for the Colonies,

4, Millbank, Westminster,

London, S.W. 1.

G. R. L. Brown.

for Colonial Secretary.

479/25.

3

1st March,

26.

Gentlemen,

With reference to your letter to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, dated the 26th of May, 1925, requesting that arrangements might be made to supply you with a quantity of tussock grass seed from this Colony, I am directed by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to inform you that a sack of this seed is being sent to you by the s.s. "Magellan" on the 8th inst. No charge is being made for the seed.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

Messrs. Carter & Company,
Raynes Park,
London, S. W. 20.

5

No. _____

(It is requested that, in any reference to this letter, the above Number and the date may be quoted.)



11 March 1926.....19

From Colonial Engineer...

To

.....Letter "S".....

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I beg to submit herewith copy of shipping particulars sent to Messrs The Falkland Islands Co, in respect of one bag of grass seed.

R. Brasley

Colonial Engineer.

5/3/26.

(Copy)

Sirs.

The following are particulars of a package which the
Government wishes to ship per S.S.Magellan.
as (Ships Parcel)

Mark	No.	Contents.	Measurements.	Consignee.
	1.	Grass Seed.	1'3"x1'3"x1'9"	Messrs James Carter & Co Raynes Park London S.W. 20

2. Freight charges in connection with the above package should be
rendered to the Hon.Col.Secretary.

I am.

Sirs.

Your Obedient Servant.

(Sgd) R.B.Baseley

Colonial Engineer

Messrs The Falkland Islands Company.
Shipping Agents.
Stanley.



Branches:

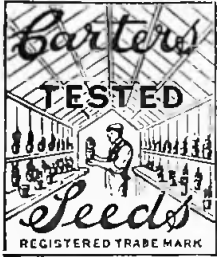
134, REGENT STREET, W. 1.
237 & 288, HIGH HOLBORN, W.C. 1.
53a, QUEEN VICTORIA STREET, E.C. 4.
HOUSTON ROAD, FOREST HILL, S.E. 23.



Telegrams:
"CARTER, 'PHONE, LONDON,"
Cables "CARTER, LONDON,"
Telephone 1100 Wimbledon
5 Lines.

G. E. C. BEALE,
W. H. GUNNETT.

SEEDSMEN BY APPOINTMENT TO HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE V.



James Carter & Co.,

Established in the Reign of KING WILLIAM IV.

Raynes Park, London, S.W., 20.

Ref. F.H.L.
9th. June. 1926.

The Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of March 1st.
Ref. 479/25 we beg to thank you for the sack of Tussock
Grass Seed which His Excellency the Governor of the
Falkland Islands has directed you to send us, which
duly arrived per S/S "MAGELLAN".

As a slight return for the trouble you
have taken in the matter we have much pleasure in
asking your acceptance of a collection of Vegetable
and Flower Seeds which we hope will be of service.

Yours faithfully,

James Carter & Co.

7

479/25.

9th August, 26.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th of June and to inform you that the package of vegetable and flower seeds which you were so good as to send was delivered safely. I am to express His Excellency's thanks for your kindness in forwarding these seeds.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

Messrs. James Carter & Company,
Raynes Park,
LONDON, S.W.20.