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SUBJECT.

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17th August.

PROPOSED ORNITHOLOGICAL EXPEDITION TO THE
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Previous Paper.

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1-3. S of S Despatch No. 78 of 17th August, 1939.

4. Letter from Col. Acheson, Esq. Col. Office

J.H.
The leader of the Expedition
addressed this Office and was
given permission for the Expedition
to visit the Colony.

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Govt. Naturalist,

To see.

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Subsequent Paper.

A.C.S. been, thank you. It might be desirable to limit licenses to a stated number of specimens of the various species and to inspect the collections when made.

J. Hamilton
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Letter to Mr. A. B. Hatcher of 17.10.39

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CARLETON COLLEGE.

Northfield, Minnesota.

Department of Zoology.

July 11, 1939.

Colonial Office,
Whitehall,
London, England.

Dear Sir,

In October, 1940, I desire to undertake an eight-month ornithological expedition to the Falkland Islands. The purposes of this expedition are three-fold: (1) I wish to make an intensive sociological study of penguins, (2) I wish to continue the ornithological surveys made on these islands by former expeditions, (3) I wish also to obtain a motion picture record of the bird life of this region.

Two persons would accompany me on this expedition namely, my wife and an assistant. The expedition would be backed in part by Carleton College.

May I not only have the permission of the Colonial Office to visit these islands but may I also have your assistance in placing me in touch with persons living on the Falklands who can give me the necessary information concerning living quarters and expenses, facilities for visiting various parts of the islands, etc.? Any possible help that you can give me will be greatly appreciated.

Very sincerely Yours

(Signed) Olin Sewall Pettingill Jr.,

Olin Sewall Pettingill, Jr., Ph.D.

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11 August, 1939.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr. Secretary MacDonald to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 11th July concerning a projected ornithological expedition to the Falkland Islands, and to transmit to you, for your information, a pamphlet on the Conditions and Cost of Living in that Colony.

2. I am to state that, so far as Mr. MacDonald is aware, there would be no objection to your expedition visiting the Colony provided its members are in possession of passports valid for entry into the Falkland Islands, but communications on this subject or further general enquiries should be addressed to the Colonial Secretary, Port Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Michael A. B. Acheson.

Reference to previous correspondence :-

Secretary of State's despatch No.
Governor's

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of _____

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 78 _____

DOWNING STREET,

17th August, 1939.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you, for your information,
copies of the paper noted below ~~on the subject of~~

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant.

MALCOLM MACDONALD.

The Officer Administering
the Government.

Name and Date.	Subject.
From Mr. Olin Sewall Pettingill 11th July, 1939.	Proposed ornithological expedition to the Falkland Islands.
To " " " " 11th August, 1939.	



Downing Street.

88023/31/39.

14 August, 1939.

Dear Craigie-Halkett,

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We are sending you by this mail a copy of correspondence about an ornithological expedition to the Falkland Islands which is being undertaken by an American Mr. O.S. Pettingill, with the assistance of Carleton College, Minnesota. It may be useful for you to know at the same time, that there has recently been a case of a most reputable American scientific expedition shooting rare protected game apparently indiscriminately in the so-called interests of science. We would suggest, therefore, that if this expedition is given any authority under Sections 5 and 6 of Ordinance No.1 of 1913, or under Section 12 of No.9 of 1914, such authority should be given sparingly and that the activities of the expedition should, as far as possible, be watched.

Yours sincerely

A.B. Fildes

M.C. CRAIGIE-HALKETT, ESQ., O.B.E.

Colonial Secretary's Office

Stanley,

17th October, 1939

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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Dear Mr. Acheson,

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Thank you for your letter regarding the ornithological expedition to this Colony which is being undertaken by an American Mr. O. S. Pettingill. Prior to the receipt of the correspondence from the Secretary of State the expedition had applied for and received permission to visit the Colony for the purpose of carrying out scientific work. As suggested, authority will be given sparingly and Hamilton, Government Naturalist, will keep an eye on the activities of the expedition.

Yours sincerely,

MCH

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