

C.S.

Sealing

1919.

No.

376.

Governor

SUBJECT.

1919

6th May.

Previous Paper.

For Sealing licences granted to Mr R. Carey & Mr J. Hansen.

MINUTES.

Office

I propose to authorize the issue of two or three licences to take fur seals during the period 1st July to 30th Sept. 1919, and enclose draft of letters to be sent to,

Mr J. Hansen, Mr J. R. Carey and to Mr J. Robertson of Port Stephens, also to Mr J. Wilson.

Mr Hansen's application M.O. 1040/16 for
Jasen Island -
Mr Carey's " " 486/18. "
Bird Island -

With regard to Mr R. Bailey's appⁿ M.O. 254/19
and Mr L. Hooley's M.O. 546/18 for Volunteer
Rocks I will consider later.

Is L. Hooley the Ed^r Carter?

Subsequent Paper.

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Letter to Mrs. J. Hansen, 6. 5. 19.
" " J. Robertson, 6. 5. 19.
" " J. Du. Wilson, 6. 5. 19.
" " J. R. Carey, 6. 5. 19.

U.E.

Letter sent off this afternoon.
S. Nooley is the Govt. cutter.

Thos.

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Vide 546/18
as regards S. Nooley.

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At an interview Mr. Jason Hansen had with me yesterday morning he informed me that it was quite impossible to carry out the conditions (a) and (b). That from his long experience in fur sealing in these Islands he has never known the young male seals to segregate themselves into separate herds, on the contrary his experience goes to show that both sexes intermingle throughout the year and that it is quite impossible at sight to pick out the young males from the females.

After considering the representations

made

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Made by Mr. Hansen, I decided, and Mr. Hansen fully concurred, that the permission to take seals should be postponed until December next, and that in the meantime an inspection of the rookeries would if possible be made when it could be ascertained whether it be a fact that young bachelors separate themselves as stated.

Inform Mr. Hansen with ref to letter of the 6th May, and to the interview he had with me on the 16th Inst, that in view of representations made to me that it is quite impossible to carry out the conditions (a) (b) and (c) it has been decided to postpone the issue of a licence to take fur seals until December next, and that

that in the meantime inspections will,
'if possible, be made of the fur seal
rookeries when it can be ascertained
whether it be a fact that young bachelors
segregate themselves into separate herds.

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Letter from Mr R. Carey 2. 6. 19.

Letter to Mrs. Hansen 17. 6. 19

" " R. Carey

" " J. Robertson

" " J. I. Wilson "

Drsg to Sec of State N^o 85 of 27 June 1919. ³⁰⁰

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H.R.

Brought up.

Thy.

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Referred to Sec. of State under
despatch no 217 20-2-20.

Thy.

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6th May, 1919.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 30th March, 1918, addressed to Mr J. Innes Wilson, late Magistrate, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that subject to the provisions of the Seal Fishery Ordinance, 1895, and to the regulations made thereunder, and the prepayment to the Colonial Treasurer of the sum of ten pounds (£10), as required by law, His Excellency is prepared to authorize the issue to you of a licence to take a limited number of fur seals, (male only,) from Bird Island during the period from the 1st July to the 30th September, 1919, on the following conditions, viz.

- (a) That no female seal shall be taken
- (b) That the catch be limited to young "bachelors" seals which segregate themselves into separate herds.
- (c) That no harpoon bull seal be taken or killed or in any way molested.
- (d) That the number of young "bachelor" seals to be taken or killed shall not exceed 100 seals in all.
- (e) That you enter into a bond with the Colonial Government to pay into the Colonial Treasury the royalty of four shillings (4/-) upon every fur seal taken, and to furnish to the Colonial Secretary an accurate account of every seal taken, showing the date and number of seals taken on each day of hunting.
- (f) That you furnish also to the Colonial Secretary written report on the estimated total number of fur seals and the condition of the respective rookeries.

Mr J. R. Carey,

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Port Stephens,
WEST FALKLAND.

A copy of this letter is being sent to
Mr J. Robertson, J.P., with the request that he will
see that the several conditions are duly observed
by you.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

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6th May, 1919.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 7th April, 1918, written by you whilst Stipendiary Magistrate, West Falkland, I am desired by the Governor to forward herewith for your information copy of a letter with its enclosure which goes to-day to Mr J. Robertson, J.P., Port Stephens, on the subject of Mr J. R. Carey's application to take fur seals from Bird Island.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

J. Innes Wilson, Esq., J.P.,

Fox Bay,

WEST FAULKLAND.

246/19.

6th May, 1919.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you with reference to an application made last year by Mr J. R. Carey through Mr J. Innes Wilson, the then Magistrate, West Falkland, for a licence to take fur seals from Bird Island, that His Excellency is prepared to authorize the issue of a licence to Mr Carey on the terms set forth in a letter which has been addressed to him, of which I am to enclose a copy for your information.

As the Justice of the Peace resident in the District, the Governor hopes that you will be willing to give your assistance and supervision in the matter, and satisfy yourself that the conditions laid down in the letter to Mr Carey are duly observed.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

J. Robertson, Esq., J.P.,
Port Stephens,
WEST FALKLAND.

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6th May, 1919.

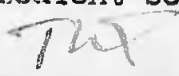
Sir,

With reference to my letter No. 1040/16 of the 31st October, 1916, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that subject to the provisions of the Seal Fishery Ordinance, 1899, and the regulations made thereunder, and to the prepayment to the Colonial Treasurer of the sum of ten pounds (£10), as required by law, His Excellency is prepared to authorize the issue to you of a licence to take a limited number of fur seals, (male only,) from the Jason Islands during the period from the 1st July to the 30th September, 1919, on the following conditions, viz.

- (a) That no female seal shall be taken
- (b) That the catch be limited to young "bachelors" seals which segregate themselves into separate herds.
- (c) That no harem bull seal be taken or killed or in any way be molested.
- (d) That the number of young "bachelor" seals to be taken or killed shall not exceed 250 seals in all.
- (e) That you enter into a bond with the Colonial Government to pay into the Colonial Treasury the royalty of four shillings (4/-) upon every fur seal taken, and to furnish to the Colonial Secretary an accurate account of every seal taken, shewing the date and number of seals taken on each day of hunting.
- (f) That you furnish also to the Colonial Secretary written report on the estimated total number of fur seals and the condition of the respective rookeries.

Mr Jason Hansen,
Carcass Island.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,


for Colonial Secretary.



Port Stephens Station,
West Falkland Island.

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2nd June, 1919.

Sir,

I have the honour to thank His Excellency the Governor
for granting me the license for Fur Sealing on Bird Island.

And promise to comply with the regulations stated in
your letter of 6th May.

Herewith enclose cheque amounting to Ten Pounds (£10).
for same.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant

J. R. Carey

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

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Mr Carey's application to take Fur seals.

Please inform Mr Carey, with ref to previous letter, in terms similar to letter to be addressed to Mr Bailey - See M.O. 254/19

Send copy of letter to Mr J. Wilson and Mr Robertson for their information with ref to previous letter.

To go by S.S. Falkland tomorrow morning.

17. 6. 19 ^{157.} / _{for}

373/13.

17th June, 1919.

Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 8th May, 1919, I am directed by the Governor to forward to you herewith a copy of a letter which I have today addressed to Mr J. R. Carey on the subject of the issue of a licence to take fur seal from Bird Island.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



For Colonial Secretary.

J. I. Wilson, Esq.,¹⁰ Fox Bay,

James Robertson, Esq., J.P.,

Port Stephens,

WEST FALKLAND.

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17th June, 1919.

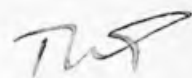
Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 6th May, 1919, and to the interview you had with His Excellency yesterday, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that in view of representations made to His Excellency that it is quite impossible to carry out the conditions (a), (b), and (c) contained in the above mentioned letter of the 6th May, it has been decided to postpone the issue of a licence to take fur seals until December next and that in the meantime inspection will, if possible, be made of the fur seal rookeries when it can be ascertained whether it be a fact that young bachelors segregate themselves into separate herds.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

Jason Hansen, Esq.,

Stanley.

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17th
~~20th~~ June, 1913.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant enclosing a cheque for the sum of £10. 0. 0. in respect of a licence to take fur seal from Bird Island during the period 1st July to 30th September, 1913. I am to inform you that in view of representations made to His Excellency that it is quite impossible to carry out the conditions (a), (b), and (c) contained in the above mentioned letter of the 5th May, it has been decided to postpone the issue of a licence to take fur seals until December next and that in the meantime inspection will, if possible, be made of the fur seal rookeries when it can be ascertained whether it be a fact that young bachelors segregate themselves into separate herds.

2. I am therefore to return to you your cheque for the sum of £10 pending His Excellency's further instructions in the matter when the result of such inspection may be known.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Mr. J. R. Carey,
Port Stephens,
West Falkland.

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for Colonial Secretary.