

C.S.

Miscellaneous

1930

No.

418/30.

H.C. The Governor

SUBJECT.

1930

Previous Paper.

"Centenary of the Colony"
1833 - 1933

See m.d. 120/32

MINUTES.

① Minute from the Executive, The Gov. 10/30

bf. 31/12/31.
agg. 20/10/30.

2. Despatch to C. in C. America & West Indies Stn. 21/

~~bf. 31/12/31.~~
~~agg. 20/10/30.~~
bf. 31/12/31.
agg. 20/10/30.

3. Despatch from C. in C. Am. & W.I. Station, 3/1/31

Subsequent Paper.

Yf.

Submitted.

G.D.F.
25/4/31

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

27. 4. 31

bf 31/12/31.
G.D.F. 27/4/31.

G.D.

Draft despatch to Lord S.
at letter to the Duke who
are to be visited to serve on
be letter submitted for G.D.S. approval.

J.D.

2. 9. 31.

Extract from minutes of meeting of Executive Council
HELD ON the 1st of September, 1931.

The question of the appointment of a Committee to draft preliminary arrangements for the Centenary of the Colony in 1933 was discussed.

It was agreed to ask the following to serve as members :

The Honourable J. M. Ellis (Chairman).
" " M. C. Craigie-Halkett, J.P.,
" " J. Innes Moir, J.P., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.,
" " G. Roberts, J.P.,
" " G. Bonner, O.B.E.,
" " G. J. Felton, J.P.,
" " L. W. H. Young, J.P.,
Mr. W. H. Luxton, J.P.,
Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, J.P.,
Mr. A. I. Fleuret.
Mr. V. A. H. Biggs,
Mr. A. Newing.

Clerk, Executive Council.

✓4.	Letter to the Hon. M. G. Craigie-Halkett, J.P.	3 9 31.
✓5.	" " " " J. Innes Mair, J.P.	3 9 31.
✓6.	" " " " G. Roberts, J.P.	3 9 31.
7.	" " " " G. Bonner, O.B.E.	3 9 31.
8.	" " " " G. J. Felton, J.P.	3 9 31.
✓9.	" " " " L.W.H. Young, J.P.	3 9 31.
10.	" " Mr. W. H. Luxton, J.P.	3 9 31.
11.	" " Mr. R.C. Pole-Evans, J.P.	3 9 31.
✓12.	" " Mr. V.A. H. Biggs.	3 9 31.
✓13.	" " Mr. A. Newing	3 9 31.
14.	Despatch No. 174 to D. of D. of	3 9 31.
15.	Minute to H.E. the Governor.	4 9 31.
16.	Letter to A.R. Hoare, Esq. J.P.	5 9 31.
17.	Minute from Hon. P.M. Officer.	4 9 31.
18.	Letter from Mr. L.W.H. Young.	4 9 31.
19.	Letter from Mr. A. Newing.	4 9 31.
20.	Letter from Hon. G. Roberts.	4 9 31.

b.f. 15. 9. 31.

✓ 8. 9. 31.

21. Letter from Hon. G. Craigie-Halkett of 5/9/31.

22. Letter from Mr. V.A.H. Biggs of 4/9/31.

b.f. 22. 9. 31.

✓ 11. 9. 31.

23. Letter from Mr. A.R. Hoare of 7/9/31.

b.f. 29. 9. 31.

b.f. 9. 10. 31. 4. 6. 10. 31.
 JmS 24. 9. 31. 18 6. 10. 31.

Letter from Mr. W. H. Luxton, 25/9/31. 24.
 " " Mr. R. C. Pole Evans, 27/9/31. 25

J.R.
 Ref 25-24 submitted for information.

JmS.

3. 10. 31.

Hon C. S.

Noted

J.G.
 3-10-31

Telegram to Mr. Evans. 6th October, 1931 26

Telegram to Mr. Luxton 6th October, 1931 27.

19/10/31.
 6/10/31
 C.

28.

Telegram from Mr. Evans & Mr. Luxton

b.f. 4. 19. 10. 31.
 27. 10. 31. 18 10. 10. 31
 18 19. 10. 31

24 31-29

Y.E.
Minutes of the first
meeting of the Centenary Committee
submitted for Y.E.'s approval.
2. Draft of a dispatch
to S. of S. also submitted.

J.E.

Hon C.S.

31.10.31

The minutes of the
Centenary Committee
are full of excellent
suggestions. The draft of
dispatch to the S. of S. on
the matter sets out the case
for a monetary grant excellently.

J.E.

31.10.31

32-33.

Dispatch to S. of S. No. 219 of 31/10/31.

6/11/31

13. 11. 31.

19/11/31

20. 11. 31.

15. 11. 31

Minute from Hon Secy. 19/11/31

G. L.

34-5

Sch. 1.

These proposals

will be brought up at the
next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Hon Secy.

19/11/31

An excellent series of
suggestions particularly par. 4:

I too hope we shall not
erect another "Memorial" as I
think a "Swimming Bath" with
plaque will be a more practical
proposition and would commemorate
the occasion equally as well. In
regard to par. 6; it is all a question
of the finance at our disposal

20-11-31

C.S.O. No. 412/30

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 4

Mr. D.P.O.

Reck you : please

see Mr. P.'s mark.

Justly
Cl.

20. 11. 31.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted.

Cl. Roberts

21-11-31.

? Reck on
12/12/31

b.f. 9/12/31.
C.S.O. 20/11/31.

36. D. of D. despatch No. 129 of 18th Nov. 1931.

b.f. 6. 1. 32.

Just 29. 12. 31.

37-8. Letter from L. W. Young Esq 31/12/31

Letter to Falkland Islands Company, Ltd 8/1/32

39.

Despatch to D. of D. No. 18 of 8/1/32.

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Despatch to Commander-in-Chief. 8/1/32.

41.

b.f.

19. 1. 32.

Ind

✓ 11. 1. 32.

b.f.

27. 1. 32.

b.f.

19. 1. 32

Letter from the Manager. H.C. 12/1/32 (42)

J. L.

Submitted with a draft letter

in reply.

Ind

8.2.32

Hon C.S.

Draft of letter approved

This is indeed a generous
gift of the directors of
the F.I. Co.

J.G.
8.2.32

43 Letter to the Falkland Is. Co. 9/2/32

G.E. Draft despatch to S.F.S.

Submitted.

[Signature]

12.2.32.

Hon C. P.

Draft of dispatch.

Approved

[Signature] 12.2.32

44 Despatch to S. of S. No. 32 of 16/2/32.

G.E.

23.3.32

12

17.2.32

45.
26a.

Letter from G. Baines Esq. (Undated)

G.E.

Submitted for information.

[Signature]

G.C.S.
19.2.32.

Noted

[Signature]

19.2.32

P.A.

20/2/32

G.E. Draft despatch subthal.

Ind

21. 4. 32.

Despatch to S. of S. no. 24 of 26/4/32. 46.

b.f.

~~20. 5. 32.~~

~~20. 4. 32.~~

27/5/32
20/5/32

G.E. Letter to Mr. H. H. Biggs
Subthal for approval.

Ind

25. 5. 32

Letter to V. H. H. Biggs, Esq., of 24/5/32. 47.

P.A.
27/5/32

148. Letter from Mr. Biggs, 28/5/32.

G.2.

Submitted.

JmS

28.5.32.

Hon. C. S.

The letter of Biggs is in effect an apology. Is any further action necessary?

JmS

28.5.32

G.2.

In my view the

matter can well wait when

G.2.

JmS

30.5.32.

Hon. C. S.

I agree:

JmS

31.5.32

S. of S. Despatch No 55 of 19th April, 1932.

49.

Letter from Vice-Admiral Sir U. A. S. Haggard. 3 April, 1932. 50

Despatch to S. of S. No. 112 of 10/6/32

51-52.

Despatch to Rear-Admiral R. A. R. Plunkett-Erne-Erle-Drase. 53.

Despatch to His Lordship the Bishop. 15.6.32.

54.

Y.S.

Three despatches, to S. of S., C.-C.,
at the Lord Bishop submitted to Y.S.
signature, if approved.

Y.S.

15.6.32.

Despatch to S. of S. No. 133 of 29/6/32.

55-56

P.A.

6/7/32

Letter from Rear Admiral R. A. R. Plunkett-Erne-Erle-Drase. 57.

Despatch to Rear Admiral R. A. R. Plunkett-Erne-Erle-Drase. 58.

Y.S.

15.8.32

red (68) Letter from W. H. Luxton Esq. J.P.
18. Oct. 1932.

G.P. Red 68 Submitted with a
draft reply.

[Signature]

18. 10. 32.

Hon C. S.
Draft reply
Approved
[Signature]
31. 10. 32

Letter to Mr. W. H. Luxton, Charlton. 2/11/32.	69.
Minute to the Registrar-General. 3/11/32.	70.
Telegram from S. of S. No. 63. 3/11/32.	71.
Telegram to the Governor. 4/11/32.	72.
Telegram from the Governor. 6/11/32.	73.
Despatch to S. of S. No. 195 of 9/11/32.	74.

Y. E.

Letter to the Commodore,
S. A. Division, submitted for Y. E.'s signature
if approved.

Y. E.

4. 12. 32.

75-76 Letter to Commodore R. H. O. Lane-Poole, 3/12/32.

L. C.

Letters to attend ?

Y. E. 9/12

~~Accepted~~
Filed in
No. 35/32

47-79 Letter from Commodore H. M. S. "Durban" 8/12/32.

80

Letter from G. C. C. Bernick 24. 10. 32.

81

Draft programme. 15. 12. 32.

Y. E.

Draft programme as
passed at yesterday's meeting of
the Library Committee submitted

for Y.E.S. approved.

2. Draft telegram to the
Commodore in reply to mail 79
also submitted.

128
2.

16.12.32.

Hon E.P.
I approve:
J.G.
16.12.32

Telegram to R.R.S. "Discovery II" 16/12/32. 82.
Telegram to Commodore H.M.S. "Durban" 17/12/32. 83.
Telegram from R.R.S. "Discovery II" 17/12/32. 84.
Letter to Commanding Officer, Reina del Pacifico 21/12/32. 85.
Letter to Commodore R.H.C. Lane-Evans 21/12/32. 86.
Letter to Com-in-Chief, West Indies 22/12/32. 87.

Y.E. Two letters prepared
and submitted for Y.E.S.
signature, if approved.

2. I propose, with J.S.'s
 approval at a conference
 with a suggestion made by
 Mr. L. W. H. Young, to send a
 letter as proposed to the
 Commanding Officer of R.N.S. "Rene"
 "del Pacifico".

[Signature]

22/12/32.

(88) Letter from C.F.A. 15/11/32

89. Telegram from Col. Sec. "Lafonia" 26/12/32.

90. Telegram from Commodore "Durban" 27/12/32.

~~Telegram to Col. Sec. "Lafonia" 28/12/32.~~

92

Ref 90 submitted with
a draft telegram in reply. I
have consulted O. C. Inf. Pw and
Mr. J. Roberts as the matter.

[Signature]

2. 1. 33.

Hon C. S.

Approved
[Signature]

2-1-33

- Minute from the Governor. 2/1/33. 91
Telegram to Commodore Durban. 3/1/33. 92.
Telegram from S. of S. No. 1. of 2/1/33. 93.
Letter to the Crown Agents. 4/1/33. 94.
Letter to Commodore Durban. 4/1/33. 95.
Telegram to S. of S. No. 3. Confidential of 11/1/33. 96.
Telegram from S. of S. No. 3. of 14/1/33. 97.

42

Ref 97 submitted.

J. L.

16. 1. 33

Hon C. S.

Noted

J. L.

16. 1. 33

98. Telegram from Commodore R. H. Lane-Poole,
H.M.S. "Durban" 29/1/33

J. L.

Submitted.

J. L.

24. 1. 33.

99. Telegram from Magistrate S. G. No. 4. of 23/1/33.

Hon. C. S.

There is nothing else-but
to agree.

J. L.

24. 1. 33

100. Telegram to the Magistrate S. G. No. 6. of 25th January 1933.

Telegram to Lt. Commander Steenson 25/1/33. 101.

Letter for Mr. George Bonner, 102.

J.E. has 102 written with a
draft letter & reply.

J.E.

20/1/33.

Letter to Hon. Geo. Bonner of 8/2/33. 103.

Copy of Revival Programme 104
as at P.D. 33

Telegram from the Bishop 6/2/33. 105.

Telegram from Mr. Morris. 10/2/33. 106.

Telegram from "Durban" 13/2/33. 107.

Telegram to "Durban" 13/2/33. 108.

Telegram from Mr. L. Hansen. 13/2/33. 109.

J.E. Draft duplicate written
and also draft letters of

Association to Mr. J. Roberts et

Hon C. P.
Approved

209

27-2-33 Mr. L. W. H. Yang.

J.E.

27.2.33

110-113.

114.

115.

"6

"7

118-121

Respatch to S. of S. no. 34 of 2/3/33.

Letter to Hon. S. Roberts, 2/3/33.

— — — Hon. L. W. H. Young, 2/3/33.

Letter from Hon. L. W. H. Young 2/3/33

3 pm. to 10.15 2/3/33

Minute from Hon. D. of P. 8/3/33

G. S.

Schthal a draft letter

of appreciation and thanks to

the members at joint lun.

souvenir of the Centenary C. S. O.

J. S.

10. 3. 33.

Hon C. S.

Draft of letter
Approved

J. S.

10-3-33

Letter to Members of Centenary Committee 13/3/33. 122.
Joint Hon Secs 123

P. M. J. M. D.

13.3.33

Minute from the Hon Secs 23/3/33 (124)

✓
P. M. J. M. D.
24.3.33

Letter from Manager. H. Co. 24/3/33. (125)

P. M. J. M. D.
25.3.33

Adjustment touches. 10/3/33 13/3/33 (126)

P. M. J. M. D.
13.4.33

S. of S. despatch, no 33 of 28/4/33. 127.

✓. Submitted. Draft letter
Submitted.

M. Craigie Hather
as Sec.

Hon Alf C. P.

30.4.33

Noted & approved

30-5-33

128. Letter to Members of Centenary Committee, 27/5/33
 129. Letter from Hon Lushington 6/6/33
 130. Letter from A. Newing Esq 8/6/33

Y.E. To see.

M. Craigie Ranken
 Ag C.S.
 8.6.33

Hon Atty C.S.

Noted J.E.
 8-6-33

P.A. MCH
 8.6.33

- (131) Letter from Lt Dreyer. HMS "Durban" 19/9/33

P.A.
 14/2/34

132. Letter from Manager, S. S. C. of 14/7/53.

133.

JCS.

132 - the original correspondence is at 42-43 herein.

I think the overlapping grass is a bad commitment to the boxwood hedge Ag. Dept. No Dept. was however made responsible at the time

Q
15.7

134

AGP Be discuss with for & to. & report.

Q
13.7

135.

A.O.

would you kindly discuss at convenience.

Q
21.7

A.C.S.

We discussed by telephone.

John P. Blair 23/7/63
A.O.

29.7

137. Letter to Chairman, Town Council, of the 29.7.53.

138 Letter to Manager, Falkland Island Company, Ltd, of the 31.7.53.

28/8/53

139 Letter from Town Council of 19/9/53.

So Pro consult with A.O. &
let me have your comments

m. (39) Q
22.8

140

HCS As post have been forced to stop cars on green I suggest no further action is taken.

A.O. agrees unless you wish to pursue matter of Box Hedges etc

AGL 14/9/63

4.5

141

(132) - (139)

(42) + (43) refer. - Though I suppose this should be a responsibility of the T.C. - it was a gift to the Colony and it would probably be better preserved by Govt.

2) So far posts have been erected on the S.E. end of the green to keep cars off & the alternative now seem to be either a) do away with box hedge & keep the green moderately tidy by mowing, or b) fence it all round, replant the hedge and keep it mown.

3) b) is more attractive but if it is the fenced I don't like the T.C. idea of cement blocks & rails, ~~then~~ and think that cement posts & looped chains would be the answer.

17/4/29

CS

See my note on 132. Mr. Bauman had every reason for disgust - the present path will prevent further use by drivers but I agree with you that posts and chains would look better.

MC 17.
18

Spoke on file

BO ~~revised~~

1929

Rev. 2 weeks - wrote on file.

26/9

147

J.W.

(132) et seq.

Cement post + chain seems to be the best solution. Pae discusses and we can estimate how many can then be drawn up. K.V. Gates - type of chain.

H.C.S.

I am not aware of S.W.'s views on this. But I personally do not think that posts + chains will keep out cattle. ag. S.W. a.h. 25/8.

145

O/c A. Dept.

(132) et seq.

I would like your views, after any necessary consultation with the Common Ranger, on the type of fence or chain which might keep out cows. We can then decide which is the best aesthetically.

Q.P. 28/8

146

H. C. S.

I am definitely of the opinion that a chain fence will not keep out cattle. I would suggest a fence of concrete posts with two rails of $1\frac{1}{2}$ " galvanized piping, one rail about 2 feet from the ground and the other about 1 ft 6 in above it.

Q.P.

O/c A. Dept.

147

2/5/44

J.E. (132) et seq refers to the Green just west of the Cathedral. This problem has been dropping rather. I am not keen on cement posts + rails from the aesthetic point of view but if that is the only way to keep stock out of the town Council recommends I suggest we proceed. @ 9 painted in tarty green D.H.

Agfuo

(139) at 299

148

I approve cement posts & rails. Pre
inspect the site and prepare a rough
sketch ~~as to~~ ^{showing} how you will put this
into effect. We must have gates or
some form of 'passo libre' for people & frames.

6/9

Uel I would like to discuss with you at your convenience

149

Atk

Recalled from
S/W 29/3/55

150

119

See from (132). We are at fault
in neglecting this piece but Mr. has as yet
been unable to construct the posts. I will continue
to press him but in the meantime could you
take early steps to make keep the press
near & v. dy. There is clearly no point
in planting flowers & shrubs until the posts
are erected.

8/5/55

H.C.S.

151

Surely this should be passed to the Town
Council for their construction & maintenance?
I have no staff available to carry out
clearing etc.

S.D.

A/O.

15/7/55.

See Box marked
for Plan File
15/7/55

Y. H.

Re. see notes of meeting with Town Council at 152.

There is merit in their proposal and I would support a request for funds provided the Council will start to help themselves by increasing the rates. They operate at present on a shoe string. When the Town Council was formed in 1947 (Cap 68, page 578. Vol II) it appears that little thought was given to financial matters. If Stanley residents want to beautify the Town - it is pretty grim at present, they will have to pay for it.

I am in favour of the Council's suggestion that they be made responsible for the upkeep of the area - Government has not the labour available to do it properly. The consent of FIC would be required before we handed it over to the Town Council.

I'm not very impressed with the Town Clerk - he had no idea of the rateable assessment of Stanley or the sum received in rates each year!

R. 27/5

The situation seems to be as follows :-

- 1) There is quite clearly a strict moral and contractual obligation on Government to put the place in order. It was in the first place a gift to the public and to the Colony.
- 2) Transfer of the responsibility to the Town Council would appear to the F.I.C. as an evasion of our responsibilities, particularly as they are doubtless as little impressed with the competence and ability of the Town Council as we are.
- 3) Chain fencing would be very much more attractive (but surely the Town Council is not serious in thinking that chain link fencing would keep out children and dogs). Provided that the chain fence would keep out cattle (see Minute 146) we should go for that.

In the circumstances I wonder whether it would not be desirable to proceed on the following lines :-

- i. Town Council has already proposed to draw up total estimate of cost which should include cutting grass, flowers, shrubs and trees (if we can)
- Agricultural Department would doubtless advise and Rutter is probably the man.
- ii. On receipt of the estimate put it to the Finance Committee with the full story and history of the gift of the land - emphasize Government responsibility and ask them for the money.
- ||| iii. Regard Town Council as Government agent or contractor. In other words they would undertake to do the work - which Government would pay for - and they would undertake to keep the place in order in return for a small annual subvention. I do not think F.I.C. would object to this as control is retained by Government.

Where there is no Government obligation I am fully in sympathy with the line you take that if the Town Council wants some more money for town amenities then the rates must be adjusted accordingly. There is a limit to which we can go on milking the camp (i.e. the sheep's back) for Stanley amenities.

I am very perturbed with your comment on the Town Clerk and the fact that he apparently had no idea of the rateable assessment in Stanley, or the sum received in rates each year, is astonishing to say the least. There is a clear cut division of responsibility between Government and the Town Council. Where we have reason to believe that there is serious incompetence it seems to me that Government is justified in stepping in and I would be glad to know whether you consider there are any steps that can be taken to improve this rather sorry state of affairs.

2.6.71
28/7

B.V. 5/8 81

155. Letter from Town Clerk of 29/7/55.

Rec 2/9/55
C
248.

156. Letter from Town Clerk of 29. 8. 55.

157

W.C.

154 (iii) discussed with Mr Barton. He has no objection to the T.C. acting as Government's agent in keeping Park Green clean and tidy. As ^{Colonial Manager of the F.C.} ~~a member of the F.C.~~ he is opposed to the grandiose scheme proposed by the T.C. at 155. He favours the enclosing of the area but thinks that it should be available for children's games and that the grass should be kept reasonably short.

158 S.F.C. Memorandum of 1. 9. 55.

159. Let. from B.P.A. of 13. 9. 55.

159A. S.F.C. Minutes of 27. 10. 55.

160. Letter to Town Council of 16/9/55.

Rec 2/9/55
159
No S.F.C. minutes
see B.P.A.

161. Letter from Town Council of 23/9/55.

K.V.P.O.

S.P.W.

162

160, 161

Re. connect Town Council roads the pricing by Tele. - In view of the high fees required. I'd like an estimate of the cost. S.F.C. were told that it would be about £130.

1/332/55
refers.

163

S.P.W. reports about £130.

S. 2/9/55

412/30

164 Letter to Town Council of 7. 10. 55.

S.F.C. Minors 14/11
S.F.C. 8/12

165 Letter from Town Clerk of 20/9/56.

166
Will someone p. answer H.A.'s ? on 165

167 28.9.

167
no provisions. Ag C.T.
for 21/10/56.

was money ever provided for this?
21/10/56.

168

A.C.

You insure on reverse - this is
done for S.F.C.?

168a. Memo. No. 161¹⁴ to S.F.C.

Houca.

9/4

Yes.
9/4/52

170A

etc

165. This was considered by S.F.C. recently +
Ag. C.T. says we will meet the cost of the upkeep
but only from the 1st Jan. 1957. Draft of
if you wish to tell Town Council now. 17/10/57

A.C.S.

170

As amended. The rate should be inserted in the amended draft.
Think it was 12 p.m. but please check. S.F.C. Memo and minute extract should go on the file i.d.c.

R. J. J. J.

18.11.56

171

Letter to Town Council of 27/10/56.

See above
7/11/56

172

Record

See 29/11/56

Miss in?

AISE approved on S.F.C. on 13/10/56.

(Please see 1040/A/II/145.5)

V.M.

19/12/56.

173.

M.M.

Pl. find out who is to control vote?

W.H. 18/12/56

See 31/1/57 H.

or S.

174.

We make all the other payments to T.C.
So I suppose it will fall to us. C.T. doesn't know.
Unless Agric. Dept. should? They are in a position
to see if Govt. is getting its money's worth.

D.P.M.
2/2/57

A.O.

175

Would you make these payments at intervals
convenient to you & Council & charge to
Head X (new item) - keep Arch Green

W.H. 2/4/57

H.C.S.

176

Certainly. Payments will be made, after discussion
with the Town Council.

S.P.P. 18/2/57.

H.

- 127 Letter from Town Council of 20/6/57
178 Letter to Town Council of 21/6/57

HCS

179.

177 - 178.

Town Clerk called as a result of
my 178 & said that he still thought we
should stump up £56 in view of the
expenditure (Town Council) prior to 1st Jan., 1957.
I reminded him that Govt. had erected the
chain link fence & that £26 was all
that E.T.C. were prepared to vote & that was
that. I also reminded him that
Mr. D. J. Black attended the E.T.C. meeting
as T.C. representative.

180 J.
21/6

D.B. is also bemoaning the fact that
charitable relief payments during 1957 will
exceed the Govt. grant (£800) following
the Medicine Dept's. decision to charge then
two guineas per week for the maintenance
of poor old people in the hospital

HCS. 6/7/57. 24.6.57.
I have seen the T.C. re 179 supra. He is now satisfied
that there is no obligation on the part of Government to meet any
expenditure incurred prior to the 1st Jan. 1957, when we began
paying the £1 weekly towards the maintenance of Arkh house.
Maintenance does not really start until a project is
completed. Arkh house is far from being completed but
I informed the Town Clerk that Government did not propose
to claim a refund of the maintenance grant paid in
advance of completion.

180 was not discussed.

21/6

182 Letter from Town Clerk of 10/9/57.

Ag. C.T.

183

182. Do you have any objections pl.?

f. J. S.
12/9

Hon. C.S.

184

No objection, thank you.

185 Letter to Town Clerk of 19/9/57. L.S.

18/9/57

ACS

Voucher has been passed for
period 1/7/57 - 31/12/57

f. J. S.
186

Good - Rec. 3/1/58 for second part.

f. J. S.
187

187 Letter from Town Clerk of 27/9/57.

BU 3/1/58

ACS

188.

Voucher passed for 1/1/58 - 30/6/58.

f. J. S. 3/1/58

bu 3/7/58

189

Voucher for L26 for 1/7/58 - 31/12/58 passed

f. J. S.
24/7/58

bu 4/1/59

190 Letter from Town Clerk of 11.10.68.

191.

Offre.

1. There is no record of 190 having been acknowledged. Remedied 22/10/68
2. Pl. pass the papers to the Govt Engineer to discuss

With Mr Stan Bennett to provide material for a reply and comments on the two proposals of the Town Council (the street carmen is of course - "given the labour and the money" all things are possible)
Gay bright ideas about the repair of water at Whitehouse Park - it does rather spoil things.

Chp/1
22/10/68.

C.R.

192

As in para 2 of 191 pl.

22/10/68
22/10/68

H.S.S.

193

Have inspected sewage of water with Mr Stan Bennett and made the suggestion that a small channel be cut across the concrete path below the steps and thence to a gully connected to the road gutter by a small pipe which should deal with the situation. P.W.D. could supply the labour - a mason for 2 days.

Chp/1

C.R.

30/10/68

194

JRS

193. P.W.D. are putting a man
on this job today

Q
7.11.58

195

A.C.S.

Noted: Thank you

X1 What about grass verges?

Q
7/11/58

196.

Q
Mr. Bennett P.W.D.

X on 195?

Q
8/11/58

HCS.

197

It is quite ridiculous to remove grass
verges. What could they be replaced by? The only
satisfactory replacement which would make for
tidiness would be Tarmac. Crushed metal
or some similar material would eventually
become overgrown.

The only sensible idea that I can think
of would be to pass a local bye-law
making it the responsibility of the householder
to tend to verges. Mr. Bennett P.W.D. concurs
with these remarks.

MR

C.E.

12/11/58 813
74/11/58

198

Hrs.

Seepage of water down Arch from pipes.
I have dismounted the S.P.W. and work
will begin tomorrow (27/11/58).

P. 26/11/58

199.
200

Letter to Town Clerk of 29.11.58.

Memo to Supt. of Police dated 3.8.65.

21/1/60
(Cable per para. 2
of 1997)
P. 2

201

Increase in Wages for gardener

202.

Letter to Town Clerk dated 3.4.68.

P. 2

203

Letter from Town Clerk of 8/4/68

204

Letter to the Town Clerk of 31.5.68

P. 2

205

Re. Govt Contribution.

bu 14.1.69.

206

C.T. to Su 205

15.1.69

Closed See
2429

COCKATON ISLANDS.

40.412/30.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

27th February, 1931.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that this Colony will be celebrating its centenary during the year 1933 and that so far as can be anticipated at this date arrangements will be drawn up to hold the appropriate functions in the early months of the year, say, between January and March.

2. I have to state that it would be considered a high honour if the Commander-in-Chief of the America and West Indies Station could make it convenient to visit the Colony for the occasion.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

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the Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies Station,
in H.M.S. 'Despatch'
at Stanley.

H.M.S. "Despatch",
at sea.

3rd March, 1931.

AWI.36/1/2.



Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's letter No.412/30 of 27th February, 1931, informing me that it is proposed to celebrate at some time between January and March 1933 the centenary of the colony, and expressing the hope that the Commander-in-Chief, America and West Indies Station, will be able to be present.

2. I have given directions for a note of the matter to be made, and I feel sure that, if circumstances permit, my successor will make every endeavour to be present in his flagship, and should this not be possible that some other ship belonging to the Squadron will be detailed for the occasion.

3. When the arrangements are more advanced and it is possible to decide on the approximate date, I request that Your Excellency will communicate it to me or to my successor.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "L. H. Staggan". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name of the Vice-Admiral.

VICE-ADMIRAL,
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

His Excellency J.M. Ellis,
Acting Governor and Commander-in-Chief,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

412/30.

3rd September,

31

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that the Colony will attain its Centenary during the year 1933 and that it is proposed to celebrate the occasion in a fitting manner.

2. I am to say that as a first step His Excellency is proceeding to the appointment of a Committee under myself as Chairman with the duty of considering the necessary arrangements and to enquire whether you are willing to lend your services on it.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

7.56,
The Honourable
M.C. Craigie-Halkett, J.P.,
STANLEY.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

3rd September, 1931.

FAIRLAND ISLANDS.

No. 174.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that this Colony will attain its centenary in January, 1933, and that it is proposed to celebrate the occasion in a fitting manner.

2. I am appointing with the advice of the Executive Council a Committee to consider the necessary arrangements and to draft a provisional programme, which I shall not fail to submit to you in due course. The appointment of a Committee may seem early but it cannot at present meet frequently. Even so it will take some months, probably to the end of the year 1931, before any proposals in rough outline will eventuate.

3. I trust that the action contemplated in this connection meets with your approval.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

LE RIGHT HONOURABLE
J. H. THOMAS, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

15
y. E.

I think that Mr. H. R. Hoge

would be also a very

useful member of the C^lce.

Mr. Treas. at Mr. P. O. agree

with me. Will y. E. approve

additionally his appointment?

The C^lce will not be unduly

large as many of its members

will find it impossible
to attend all the meetings
at this time, I fear, will tend
largely to be "sleeping" members.

Hon C. S.
yes: certainly.
add Mr Hoare
to Committee

JMS

4.9.31

JMS
4-9-31



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

C.S. No.....

MEMO.

Departmental Number.

From..... *P. M. O.*.....

Date..... *4/9/31*.....

To..... *Hon. Col. Secy.*.....

Centenary of Falkland Islands.

Reference
Numbers.

{ *412/30*

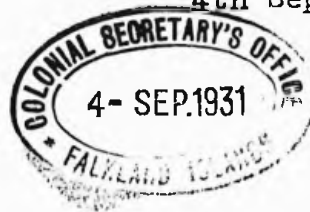
*I am in receipt of your invitation to
serve on the Centenary Committee
for which permit me to express my
thanks.*

*It gives me great pleasure to accept
this invitation to serve on the Committee.*

J. James Moir.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

4th September, 1931.



Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 412-30 dated the 3rd instant.

I thank you for the invitation to serve on the Centenary Committee, which I am most pleased to accept.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "W. J. ...", written over the typed words "your obedient servant".

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary.

Stanley.



STANLEY,

4th September, 1931.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.412/30 of the 3rd inst. and in reply thereto, beg to inform you that I am willing to serve on a Committee to be appointed in connection with arrangements to be made to celebrate the Centenary of the Colony during the year 1933.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mewin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

THE HONOURABLE

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY.



Public Works Office,
Stanley.

4th September, 1931.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd September, 1931, No.412/30, regarding the appointment of a Committee for the proposed Centenary celebrations, and to assure you that it will give me great pleasure to assist in any way you may think fit.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "C. Roberts". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over the typed name.

Director Public Works.

The Honourable

Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.



Stanley, Falkland Islands,
5th September 1931.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.412/30 dated the 3rd instant and to inform you, in reply, that I shall be glad to lend my services on the Committee which is being appointed to consider arrangements for the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony during the year 1933.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

M. Craigie Hackett

Colonial Treasurer.

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

&c., &c., &c.,

Stanley.



Harbour View House.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

September 4th. 1931.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of
your letter No.412/30. of 3rd.September.

I shall have much pleasure in assisting as a member of
the Committee which His Excellency is proceeding to
appoint to celebrate the Centenary of the Colony in 1933.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J.M. Ellis", written over the typed name.

The Honourable J.M.Ellis

Colonial Secretary.

Stanley, F.I.

Stanley,

7th September 1931

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the
5th September 1931, C.S. 412/30, I have the honour
to inform you that I shall be glad to serve on the
Committee in connexion with the Colony's centenary
celebrations.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. H. Hare

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.



The Chartres

West Falklands

Sept 25th 1931

Sir

In reference to your letter of the 3rd inst No 412/30

I shall be pleased to do whatever I can towards assisting
the Centenary of the Colony.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

William H. Veech

Honourable Colonial Secretary

STANLEY



Port Howard
Falkland Islands
Sept 27th 31.

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 412/30 of the 3rd instant in reference to the ~~Centenary~~ of the Colony during the year 1933.

I shall be only too pleased to lend my services to any committee, with you as Chairman, to endeavour to make the celebrations a success, and I should also like to state, I am ~~so~~ certain my firm in London will give any assistance they can, as they have been connected with the Colony for such a number of years.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. B. Pollock

The Honourable

J. M. Ellis

Colonial Secretary
Stanley.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

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6/10/31.

To EVANS
PORT HOWARD.

PROPOSE TO HOLD FIRST MEETING OF CENTENARY COMMITTEE ABOUT
OCTOBER 21ST STOP HOPE THAT YOU MAY BE ABLE TO ARRANGE TO
BE PRESENT STOP IF NOT SHALL BE GLAD TO RECEIVE ANY
SUGGESTIONS BY LETTER OR BY TELMOGRAM.

SECRETARY.

Time

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				6/10/31.

To LUXTON
CHARTRES.

PROPOSE TO HOLD FIRST MEETING OF CENTENARY COMMITTEE ABOUT
OCTOBER 21ST STOP HOPE THAT YOU MAY BE ABLE TO ARRANGE TO
BE PRESENT STOP IF NOT SHALL BE GLAD TO RECEIVE ANY
SUGGESTIONS BY LETTER OR BY TELEGRAM.

SECRETARY.

Time

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Mr. Luxton and Mr. Evans.

To Colonial Secretary.

Despatched: 9th October, 19 El. *Time:*

Received: 19 *Time:*

We regret unable to attend centenary meeting 21st we cannot
give any suggestions until we have some idea as to lines His
Excellency and yourself wish taken in the matter.

Luxton Evans.

MINUTES OF CENTENARY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

ON THE 20TH OF OCTOBER, 1931.

Present : The Hon. J.M. Ellis, Chairman.
The Hon. M.C. Craigie-Halkett, J.P.
The Hon. J. Innes Moir, J.P., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.
The Hon. G. Roberts, J.P.
The Hon. G.J. Felton, J.P.,
The Hon. L.W.H. Young, J.P.
Mr. A. R. Hoare, J.P.
Mr. V.A.H. Biggs,
Mr. A. Newing.
Mr. A.I. Fleuret.

1. The Chairman informed those present that the Colony would attain its Centenary in the year 1933 and that it was proposed to celebrate the occasion in a fitting manner. The task before the Committee was to draw up preliminary arrangements in this connection for the Governor's consideration.
2. Messrs. A. Newing and A. I. Fleuret were elected Joint Honorary Secretaries.
3. It was agreed that the most suitable time to hold the celebrations would be about the middle of February, 1933, and the second week in February was accordingly fixed provisionally.
4. FINANCE.

The question of finance was discussed and it was decided to ask His Excellency the Governor if he would be so good as to approach the Secretary of State with a view to obtaining a grant from the Research and Development Fund in the sum of £10,000 or such other sum as His Excellency thought fit.

*Praty good -
Dan money*

It was also suggested that a public appeal for fund should be made but this matter was left over for discussion at a subsequent meeting.

(30)

5. The Chairman then asked for suggestions as to the form of celebrations to be held and the following proposals were made :

- (i) A day excursion by sea to Port Louis.
 - (ii) To approach the Stanley Sports Association through Mr. Biggs and Mr. Newing with a view to arranging a half-day Sports Meeting.
 - (iii) A Fireworks Display.
 - (iv) The Hon. G. J. Felton proposed that a Pageant be held. It was agreed, however, that on account of climatic conditions this proposal was scarcely practicable but that a series of Tableaux illustrative of the Colony's history should be given, for example, in conjunction with some concert or other theatrical entertainment.
- Mr. Hoare was unanimously elected Chairman of any sub-committee which might be appointed for this special purpose.

6. ERECTION OF MEMORIALS, &c.

The Committee further discussed the question of the erection of Memorials, etc., and it was proposed by the Hon. G. Roberts and unanimously agreed that provided the money could be found a Swimming Bath should be erected in Stanley in commemoration of the Centenary.

*They decided
get for water
then.*

It was also suggested that the public might wish to erect some form of memorial by public subscription.

It was agreed that the Cemetery at Port Louis and in particular Brisbane's Grave should be done up. The erection of a head stone at the grave was also suggested.

7. The Committee decided to recommend that the Colony should issue a set of Centenary Stamps and the following sub-committee was appointed to consider details :

Hon./

Hon. M. C. Craigie-Halkett, Chairman.
Hon. G. Roberts.
Hon. L.W.H. Young.
Mr. V.A.H. Biggs.
and one of the Joint Hon. Secretaries.

To assist the Sub-Committee the following designs for the Stamps were suggested :

- (i) An old time Frigate ('Clio')
- (ii) Arms or Seal of Colony.
- (iii) Battle Memorial.
- (iv) Map of Colony.
- (v) Sheep - Ram's Head.
- (vi) Penguin.
- (vii) Whale Catcher.
- (viii) Seal.
- (ix) The 'Great Britain'.
- (x) A Horseman.
- (xi) Government House, the Cathedral or the Town Hall.

8. The Chairman intimated that arrangements had been made with the Commander-in-Chief of the America and West Indies Station for one of His Majesty's Ships to be present during the celebrations.

It was hoped further that the Commander-in-Chief would be able personally to be present.

The Hon. L.W.H. Young also said that he had written to the Pacific Steam Navigation Company asking whether they would allow their passenger vessel which was due to arrive at Stanley during the time of the Centenary celebrations, to remain at Stanley for a day longer than scheduled.

Read and confirmed this day of 193

Joint Hon. Secretaries.

Chairman.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

5th November, 1931.

PALKLAD LANDS.No. 19.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to my despatch No. 174 of the 3rd of September, 1931, and to say that the Committee appointed to draft the provisional programme for the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony in 1933 has held its first meeting and that one of the matters to which it gave its primary attention was necessarily that of finance.

2. It was the unanimous resolution of the Committee that I should, if I thought proper, approach you with the object of obtaining a grant from the revenues of the Dependencies, or alternatively from the Research and Development Fund, towards the heavy expenses which will have to be met, if the celebrations are to take a fitting form.

3. It was another unanimous resolution of the Committee that, if the necessary money could be made available, the construction of public swimming baths in Stanley should be undertaken as a permanent memorial of the Centenary.

4. I have much pleasure in submitting to you these recommendations on the part of the Committee and I have earnestly to ask that they may receive your favourable consideration.

5./

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

J. H. THOMAS, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

5. You will be aware already that the problem of unemployment has assumed serious proportions in the Colony and that the greatest care had to be exercised in order to frame a balanced budget for the coming year. It has been possible for the revenue ordinarily accruing to bear the expenditure extraordinarily imposed solely by reason of the fact that the Colony's investments in the Land Sales Fund and in the Reserve Fund are productive of relatively large sums. And for this very reason I do not consider that it will be proper to encroach on these reserves for the particular purpose of the Centenary celebrations except in last resort.

6. I do not doubt, however, that you will sympathize readily with the strong wish of the Colony to draw up and to carry out arrangements worthy of this historic occasion and that you will be anxious equally with myself to ensure that everything possible is done to render them amply successful.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

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MINUTE.



19th November, 1931

To

From Director Public Works,

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I beg to report that whilst visiting Port Howard I discussed the proposed Centenary celebrations with Mr. R.C. Pole-Evans, and he wishes me to put forward the following remarks and proposals to you. These suggestions were also discussed with Mr. W.H. Luxton of Chartres, who is in agreement with Mr Pole-Evans.

- (1). Not in agreement with money being spent on a Memorial, but agrees to a plaque being placed in the new Swimming Bath building, if erected.
- (2). A light to be erected on Mc.Bride's Head, if funds are available.
- (3). Willing to cancel the West Falkland Sports for 1933 and combine with the East Falkland, so that one good day's sports might be held in Stanley.
- (4). As this is a sheep breeding and stock raising country, suggested that a Stock Show be held at Port Stanley. This to be well advertised in South America, and the farmers to have ample notice to enable them to prepare stock for the show.
- (5). Holiday for the Centenary should be extended to one week. Two days not considered sufficient.
- (6). A ship be sent to say two of the main ports on the West Falkland Island to pick up passengers

and

and stock; also that, as many people cannot afford to pay fares, they should either travel free or at a very small charge. This would enable all to participate in the celebrations.

A. Roberts.

Director Public Works.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

NO. 129

DOWNING STREET,

18 November, 1931.



Sir,

Red 14.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 174 of the 3rd of September, and to inform you that I approve the action you contemplate in connection with the celebration of the Colony's Centenary in January, 1933.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

(Sgd.) P. CUNLIFFE-LISTER.

GOVERNOR,

SIR JAMES O'GRADY, K.C.M.G.

etc., etc., etc.

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11/1/30

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.

REGISTERED 1902.

Stanley.

AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TELEGRAMS: FLEETWING PORT STANLEY VIA RADIO.

31st December, 1931.



Sir,

FALKLAND ISLANDS CENTENARY 1933.

I enclose copy of a letter dated 13th ultimo from The Pacific Steam Navigation Company, Liverpool, for your information.

A copy has been sent to the Honorary Secretary of the Centenary Committee.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "W. J. ...", written over a horizontal line.

Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary.

Stanley.

CC

THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

LIVERPOOL, 13th November, 1931.

The Falkland Islands Co.Ltd.
Port Stanley.

Dear Sirs,

FALKLAND ISLANDS CENTENARY 1933.

We have to thank you for your letter of 26th August bringing to our notice the fact that the Colony will be celebrating its Centenary during 1933, together with your own suggestion that it would be fitting if the call of our ship making the Special Annual Tour Round South America that year coincided with the celebrations.

You will, no doubt, understand that we have not yet looked into our programme so far ahead, but we value your having brought this special matter to our notice, and can assure you that it will be kept well in mind when we are dealing with the T.R.S.A. Itinerary for 1933.

We will appreciate any further details you are able to send us of personages proceeding from the United Kingdom to the Falkland Islands.

Also, we shall be glad to receive in due course, details of the functions etc. which are to be held on Shore in connection with the Centenary, so as to enable us to judge as to the possibility of detaining our vessel in port, which delay as you will appreciate would be a matter of considerable expense.

Yours faithfully,

THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,

(Signed) Ernest de Ritter

for the General Manager.

412/50.

8th January,

52.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of the 31st of December, 1951, enclosing a copy of a letter received by you from the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, Limited, Liverpool.

2. I am to say that His Excellency is glad to learn that the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, Limited, is prepared to consider the matter of detaining their tourist vessel at Stanley in connection with the celebrations to be held on the occasion of the Centenary of the Colony in February, 1952.

3. I am to add that further particulars as desired will be communicated to you at as early a date as possible either by myself or by the Honorary Secretary of the Centenary Committee.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,
The Falkland Islands Company, Ltd.,
Stanley.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 18.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

8th January, 1932.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 129 of the 18th of November, 1931, conveying your approval of the action contemplated in connection with the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony in 1933, I have the honour to inform you that it is proposed to arrange for the various functions which will be held on the occasion to take place during the second week of February from the 12th of the month onwards.

2. I have to ask that, if you think fit, the Admiralty may be approached with the view of one or more of His Majesty's ships being present at the time.

3. In this connection I would state that the Commander-in-Chief of the America and West Indies Station has been already invited to be present and has intimated that he feels sure that, if circumstances permit, his successor will make every endeavour to be present in his flagship and that should this not be possible some other ship belonging to the Squadron will be detailed for the occasion.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
G.B.E., P.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

FAIKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 412/30.

8th January, 1932.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. AWL. 36/1/2 of the 3rd of March, 1931, I have the honour to inform you that it has now been decided to celebrate the Centenary of the Colony in 1933 during the second week in February from the 12th of the month onwards.

2. I have to express the hope that it may be possible for the Commander-in-Chief, America and West Indies Station, yourself or your successor, to be present in the flagship for the occasion.

3. I shall not fail to communicate to you the programme of the proposed arrangements as soon as it has been drawn up in detail.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION,
ADMIRALTY HOUSE,
BERMUDA.

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The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.

REGISTERED 1902.

AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.



Stanley.

22nd January, 1932.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that to commemorate the Centenary of the Colony in 1933 my Directors propose to mark the occasion by making a gift to the Colony of the plot of land known as the Church Green, at present the property of the Company, consisting of portions of Lots 9 and 10, Crown Grants 26 and 11 respectively.

The only conditions ~~that~~ are that the land is retained as a permanent open space and is kept in good order at the Public expense. If this is acceptable I shall be pleased to discuss the matter with you further at your convenience.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

[Signature]

Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary.

Stanley.

*See
MS
120/32*

412/30.

9th February,

32.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd of January, 1952, and to say that this Government will be most grateful to accept the generous gift offered to the Colony by the Directors of your Company of the plot of land known as the Church Green with the view to marking the occasion of the Centenary of the Colony and with the object of retaining the land as a permanent open space which will be kept in good order at the public expense.

2. I am to request that you will convey to your Directors the expression of His Excellency's sincere gratitude for this munificent action on their part which, there is no doubt, will be warmly appreciated throughout the Colony.

3. I am to add that I shall be happy, as you suggest, to discuss the matter with you further at a convenient opportunity.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W

Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,
The Falkland Islands Company, Ltd.,
STANLEY.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

16th February, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 32.

Sir,

With reference to my despatch No. 12 of the 8th of January, 1932, on the subject of the Centenary of the Colony in February, 1933, I have the honour to inform you that among the events and functions, which it is proposed to arrange for the occasion, are a stock show with sheep dog trials and a theatrical production including scenes representative of the Colony's history.

2. I have to say that the elaboration of detailed suggestions in these two matters ^{has} ~~have~~ been delegated to sub-committees appointed by the Centenary Committee that, when prepared, the programmes will be submitted to you in draft form.

3. I have also to say that the Stanley Sports Association has offered to postpone its annual and gymkhana meeting from the previous Christmas week in February fixed for the celebrations that for the first time in the Colony's history West Falkland farmers and the Falkland Islands employees at Darwin and in Lafonia are cancelling their own separate meetings and are combining with the Sports Association in the promotion of one joint

I have the honour

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
G.B.E., P.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

JAMES

417/30

(25)
Ep Auckland Islands Bt.
61 Gracechurch St
London E.C. 3

Colonial Secretary
Stanley.

Sir.

I thank you for your
letter of the 3rd September last.
in which His Excellency, the
Governor, directs you to in-
form me that on the Colony
attaining its Centenary during

the year 1933, it is proposed
to celebrate the occasion
in a fitting manner -

I am quite willing to
lend my services on the
Committee and to do any-
thing in my power to make
the celebrations a success -
and worthy of this great event
in the history of the Islands.

I am, Sir

Your Obedient Servant

Geo. Bunner

File in vain
If any play please
p2 16/2

C/o Falkland Islands Club
61 Gracechurch St
London E.C. 3

17th January 1932

Chairman

Canterbury Committee
Standy

Sir. I am much obliged for
your letter 31st Oct. last and
the enclosed Minutes of the
1st Meeting of the Canterbury Com^{tee}.

I agree that the middle of
February 1933 is a very suitable time
for the Celebrations -

The question of Finance, I
leave in your very Capable hands.
But, if I may Comment on
the question, I would suggest
a much less figure than ~~£10,000~~.

It is unfortunate that our
Centenary should happen in this
time of so great a crisis - but
we hope by next year that the
Crisis may be overcome -

The form of Celebrations will
no doubt be ably carried out
by your Committee. I think
the suggestions put forward at
your Meeting are worthy of
your consideration -

The issue of a set of Centenary
Stamps would be very interesting,
and should be some financial
assistance also -

I am glad the Commander
in-Chief of the American & West
Indies Station is arranging
for one of His Majesty's Ships
to be present during the Celebrations.

I am sure the Colony will
very much appreciate his personal
attendance - if possible -
and if we also have the P.S.M.C.
boat - "Reina del Pacifico" for a
couple of nights in harbour
on her holiday trip, it would

and greatly to our festivities.

I will do all I can to help
your Committee and Mr. Bonner
myself intend to be in Stanley
for the Centenary Celebrations -

I would suggest you have
a Committee meeting whilst the
Two Directors of the Auckland
Islands Company are in Stanley
when the mail arrives and
get their support -

I am

Yours faithfully

Geo. Bonner

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

STANLEY.

26th April, 1933.

LANDS.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the previous correspondence on the subject of the Centenary of the Colony which it is proposed to celebrate in the second week of February, 1933, and to enquire with every respect whether it would be permissible to invite His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales or a member of the Royal Family to be present in Stanley on the occasion.

2. So far as I am aware, neither the Sovereign nor the Heir Apparent nor any younger son of the Sovereign has set foot at any time in the islands.

3. May I stress the fact, of which doubtless you are aware, that the Falkland Islands is the only Colony under the Crown whose population are entirely white and ninety-nine per cent British? Moreover it is the furthest South organised British community and you will, I am sure, gather from this statement how keen we feel on the matter.

4. I do not wish in the least degree to appear importunate or to exceed the bounds of propriety. I beg leave, however, in a few words to instance the deep joy which such a visit would give the loyal people of this far dependency and also to remark its inestimable value from both the political and the social aspect.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

YR HONOURABLE
PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
B.E., B.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

JAMES O'CONNOR

412/30.

27th May, 32.

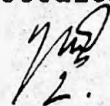
Sir,

Having regard to the suggestion made by you in a public speech at the Town Hall on May the 26th last as to the Colony being in control of the Argentine Republic next year, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that you are relieved of your appointment as a member of the Centenary Committee on and from this date.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

V. A. H. Biggs, Esq.,
STANLEY.



Stanley, Falkland Islands.

May 28th. 1932.

The Honourable Colonial Secretary.

Stanley, F.I.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of letter No.412/30 of May 27th.1932.

I am sorry that His Excellency took objection to part of a speech made by me on the 23rd.of May, by my mentioning the standing joke in the Falkland Islands re being under the Argentine Flag.

I further state that no offence was intended.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. St. Leger

FALKLAND ISLANDS

NO. 55



DOWNING STREET,

19 April, 1932.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 219 of the 5th of November last with regard to the arrangements for the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony in 1933.

2. I am fully in accord with the desire that the Centenary should be celebrated in a fitting manner, but I consider that the celebrations should be confined to the Colony, and that no contribution towards the cost should be looked for from the revenues of the Dependencies, or the Research and Development Fund. There will, however, be no objection to a small contribution, not exceeding £100, from the funds of the Dependencies, to cover the expenses of sending a representative to attend the celebrations, or for some other specific purpose.

3. I note the recommendation of the Committee with regard to the construction of public swimming baths in Stanley, but the scheme would appear, in present circumstances, to be quite beyond the resources of the Colony.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

humble servant,

GOVERNOR

(Sgd.) P. CUNLIFFE-LISTER.

SIR JAMES O'GRADY, K.C.M.G.,
etc., etc., etc.,

(50)

Postal address:—
The British Naval Commander-in-Chief,
America & West Indies Station,
c/o H.B.M. Consul-General,
New York.

Telegraphic address:—
NAVYCOM, BERMUDA.

Admiralty House, Bermuda.

3rd April, 1932.

AWI.No.36/1/2.

Sir,

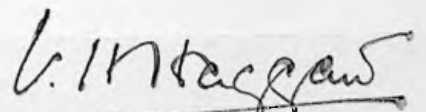
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's letter No.412/30 dated 8th January 1932, informing me that it has now been decided to celebrate the Centenary of the Falkland Islands Colony in 1933 during the second week in February from the 12th of the month onwards.

Since, however, I am being relieved on the 11th May 1932 by Rear Admiral The Honourable R.A.R.Plunkett-Erle-Drax, C.B., D.S.O., a decision as to the practicability of the Commander-in-Chief, America and West Indies Station, being present in the flagship for the occasion must be deferred until my successor has had time to consider the matter, when a further communication will be made.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient servant,


VICE-ADMIRAL.

His Excellency Sir James O'Grady, K.C.M.G.,
Governor and Commander-in-Chief of
the Falkland Islands.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

10th June, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 112.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit a copy of the provisional programme for the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony during the week from the 12th to the 18th of February, 1933, which has been drawn up by the Committee appointed for the purpose.

In duplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
G.B.E., P.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

CENTENARY OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

1833 - 1933

Provisional Programme of Arrangements for the
week 12th to 18th of February, 1933.

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|------------------------|--|
| <u>Sunday 12th.</u> | Church Parade and Commemoration
Service at the Cathedral 10.30 a.m. |
| <u>Monday 13th.</u> | Colony Dance in the Town Hall 9 p.m. |
| <u>Tuesday 14th.</u> | "Reina del Pacifico" arrives a.m.
Stock Show 10. a.m.
Sheep Dog Trials 3 p.m.
Laying by the Governor of Foundation
Stone of Swimming Bath to be erected
as financial circumstances permit. 6 p.m. |
| <u>Wednesday 15th.</u> | Horse Races 10. a.m.
Theatrical Entertainment 8.30 p.m.
Including Tableaux illustrative of the
Colony's History.
Fireworks and Floodlighting Display. 11 p.m. |
| <u>Thursday 16th.</u> | Gymkhana Meeting 10.0 a.m.
Old People's Dinner 6.30 p.m. |
| <u>Friday 17th.</u> | Horse Races 10.0 a.m. |
| <u>Saturday 18th</u> | Steer Riding 3 p.m.
Children's Tea 4.30 p.m.
Farewell Dance 9.0 p.m. |

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 412/30.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

14th June, 1932.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to Vice-Admiral Sir Vernon Haggard's despatch No. A.W.I. No 36/1/2 of the 3rd of April, 1932, and to express the hope that you will find it possible to be present at Stanley in your flagship for the Centenary of the Colony of the Falkland Islands, which it is proposed to celebrate during the second week of February, 1933.

2. I enclose for your information, a copy of the provisional programme which has been drawn up for the occasion.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

REAR ADMIRAL
R.A.R. PLUNKETT-ERNLE-ERLE-DRAX, C.B., D.S.O.,
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION,
c/o H.M. CONSUL GENERAL, NEW YORK.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 412/30.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

14th June, 1932.

My Lord,

I have the honour to enclose, for Your Lordship's information, a copy of the provisional programme which has been drawn up for the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony during the second week of February, 1933.

2. I have to renew the hope already expressed in person that Your Lordship will find it possible to be present at Stanley on the occasion.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's obedient
servant,

HIS LORDSHIP
THE BISHOP OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS,
CASILLA 1380, VALPARAISO.

(5)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

29th June, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 133.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 55 of the 19th of April, 1932, I have the honour to address you further with regard to the arrangements for the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony in 1933.

2. I feel sure that you will pardon me again pressing that some moderate amount from the Research and Development Fund should be granted in order that a permanent memorial of the Centenary of the Colony may be erected to commemorate such an auspicious occasion.

3. The Research and Development Fund, which stood on the 1st of January last in the sum of £426,751, has been created by the Colony, wisely and necessarily I think, and no doubt the Colony has received some benefit from the work of the ships and men operating under the "Discovery" Expedition; so too and to a much greater degree has the general body of scientific knowledge benefitted from the work undertaken. Now that such work has ceased for the time being in the sea area controlled by the Colony it seems to me that a claim for the cost of a swimming pool costing £7,500 is not unreasonable in view of the large sum available in the Research and Development Fund. I have the rough plan of a swimming pool and an estimate in round figures of the cost of erection and I propose anyway to lay the foundation/

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
SIR PHILIP CUMMINGS-LISTER,
G.B.E., P.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

foundation stone of such during the Centenary celebrations even though it may take years to complete the structure.

4. May I stress another and important point in this matter? It is that of a people living in an area surrounded by seas and using small ketches and boats in their daily occupations ninety-five per cent are unable to swim. Then again while on this matter it is rather disquieting to realize that the children in the Government School and those in the Roman Catholic School are without opportunity to learn to swim or indulge in the splendid physical recreation that a swimming pool would provide.

5. I am able to assure you that the farmers, their families and farm hands strongly favour the erection of a swimming pool and would look forward with pleasurable anticipation of using the pool when in Stanley during the slack period of farming.

6. Finally there is the aid that a swimming pool, in laying down and erection, would give us in dealing with unemployment which, now that farmers are economising by dismissal of men, is assuming serious proportions.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

Postal address :—
The British Naval Commander-in-Chief,
America & West Indies Station,
c/o H.B.M. Consul-General,
New York.

Telegraphic address :—
NAVYCOM, BERMUDA.

Admiralty House,
Bermuda.

18th June, 1932.

AWI.No.36/1/2.



Sir,

Recd 50

With reference to my predecessor's letter AWI.No.36/1/2 dated 3rd April 1932, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that in view of the urgent need for economy in oil fuel, it is not now contemplated to arrange a visit of the flagship to South America before 1934. As regards the ships of the South American Division, only a serious dislocation of existing arrangements would permit of either H.M.S. "Durban" or H.M.S. "Dauntless" being at Port Stanley in February 1933; in addition, H.M.S. "Durban" recently received immediate Admiralty instructions to proceed to Callao for an indefinite period. This has already disorganised her prearranged programme and her future movements cannot even be anticipated.

It is with the greatest reluctance that I must therefore inform Your Excellency that it will not be practicable for one of H.M. Ships to be present for the Falkland Islands Centenary Celebrations. I should like, however, to be allowed to express my appreciation of Your Excellency's cordial invitation and my personal regret that circumstances preclude its acceptance.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R.D. Brown", written over a horizontal line.

REAR-ADMIRAL,
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

His Excellency
Sir James O'Grady, K.C.M.G.,

Governor and Commander-in-Chief
of the Falkland Islands.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

NO. 412/30.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

13th August, 1932.

Sir,

Red. 57. I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. A.W.I. 36/1/2 of the 18th of June, 1932, and to say that it is with a great sense of disappointment that I learn that it will not be possible for you to be present in the flagship for the Centenary of the Colony in February, 1933, nor for a ship or ships of the South American Division to visit Stanley on the occasion.

2. I continue to hold the hope, however, that the programme of H.M.S. "Durban" having been already disorganised its re-adjustment may be made in such a manner as to permit the satisfaction of the Colony's very keen desire in this matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

REAR ADMIRAL

R.A.R. PLUNKETT-ERNLE-ERLE-DRAX, C.B., D.S.O.,

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,

AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION,

c/o H.M. CONSUL GENERAL,
NEW YORK.

412/30.

12th September, 32.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Governor to request that you will forward to the Colony by the first opportunity, either direct or via Montevideo, a silver cup for presentation by this Government at the forthcoming Centenary Race Meeting, engraved as follows :

STANLEY SPORTS ASSOCIATION
CENTENARY MEETING 1933
PRESENTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COLONY.

2. I am to state that the cost of the cup including engraving and postage should not exceed £15.

3. I am to request that you will render your account in this connection to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, 4, Millbank, Westminster, London, S.W. 1., who have been instructed to effect settlement.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

Way and Everitt Penn, Ltd.,
14 and 15 Panton Street,
Haymarket,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

412/30.

12th September, 32.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Governor to attach herewith a copy of a letter which has been addressed to Messrs. Way and Everitt Penn, Limited, on the subject of the supply of a silver cup for presentation by this Government at the forthcoming Centenary Race Meeting, and to request that you will be so good as to effect settlement of their account when presented to you.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies,
4. Millbank, Westminster,
LONDON, S.W. 1.



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

NO. 92.

DOWNING STREET,

13 July, 1932.

412/30

Sir,

Red 46. I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 87 of the 26th April, suggesting that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, or another member of the Royal Family, should be invited to be present in Stanley at the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony in February 1933.

2. I have submitted your suggestion to His Majesty the King. He commands me to express to you the gratification with which he received such an invitation from the people of the Falkland Islands, whose remarkable history is well known to him and of whose loyalty to his Throne and Person he is well aware. His Majesty regrets, however, that, having regard to the great distance of the Colony from England, it would not be practicable to arrange for a member of the Royal Family to be present at the Centenary celebrations.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

(Sgd.) P. GUNLIFFE-LISTER.

GOVERNOR

SIR JAMES O' GRADY, K.C.M.G.

etc., etc., etc.,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 116



Downing Street,

29 August, 1932.

Sir,

Red 40

I have the honour to refer to your despatch No.18 of the 6th January, and to inform you that it has been represented to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty that the presence of one of His Majesty's Ships would be of the utmost benefit to the centenary celebrations of the Falkland Islands which constitute a very special occasion in the history of the Colony.

2. Their Lordships have replied to the effect that they are in communication with the Commander-in-Chief, America and West Indies Station, on the matter, but that owing to the present disturbed conditions in South America it is unlikely, as far as can at present be foreseen, that a visit to Port Stanley during the celebrations can be arranged.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,
humble servant,

(for the Secretary of State)
(Signed) R. W. HAMILTON.

GOVERNOR

SIR JAMES O'GRADY, K.C.M.G.,

etc., etc., etc.,

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.)

REGISTERED 1902.

Stanley

AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORT STANLEY" VIA RADIO.

18th October

1932

412/30

Sir,


In continuation of our letter of 22nd January last, I now beg to enclose Conveyance in respect of the plot of land known as Church Green.

2. You will doubtless observe that this document requires dating and signing on behalf of the Colonial Government.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.



P.P. Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

412/30.

19th October,

32.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter No. 412/30 of the 18th of October, 1932, and of the enclosed conveyance of the plot of land known as the Church Green, which has been presented so generously to the Colony by your directors on the occasion of the Centenary of the Colony.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,
The Falkland Islands Company, Limited,
STANLEY.

C/o Falkland Islands Co Ltd,
London

TEL. KINGSTON 3060.

STATIONS { MALDEN
 { RAYNES PARK

COOMBE HILL GOLF CLUB. 5 MINUTES.

COOMBE COTTAGE PRIVATE HOTEL

COOMBE HILL,

NEAR KINGSTON,
SURREY.

Dear Sir,

19. 8. 32

Centenary Celebration Committee
Stanley

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your
letter of the 18th June and the
enclosed copy of the minutes
of the Third Meeting of the
above Committee (31st May. 32)

It is all most interesting to
me and I congratulate the
Committee on the fact they
show in trying to make

The Canterbury such a success
that it will go down to
posterity as a great "Red
Letter Day" in the annals
of the Colony. My only
regret is that Mr. Roumer
myself will not be with
you all to enjoy the
celebrations and take an
active part in trying to add
to the pleasures of the Falkland
Islanders and any friends
who may be in the
Colony at that time.

It is only the unprecedented
crisis in wool prices which
prevents us being with you -
and, at the moment, future
prices are still very un-
certain. I am sure very
soon you will do all we can from
San Carlos, both with stock
and produce exhibits, and
personal assistance if re-
quired, to make the Show
a success - and you
can depend ^{on} me giving
my usual support to
the "Sports Committee" and

any other entertainment - and
I read your minutes of the
Meeting (31st May last) to the
"Island Islands Chapter
Association" recently and they
wish me to convey to you
their sincere congratulations
for the success of the
Centenary and, like myself,
regret it has just happened
when there is such a World
wide financial Crisis taking
place. I shall look forward
to hearing again from you
as you know how interested
I am in the Islands

Yours faithfully

Geo. Rosmer

FROM

THE RIGHT REV. THE BISHOP OF THE FALKLAND ISLES

CASILLA No. 1380

VALPARAISO



August 30 1932.

Your Excellency

I shall make every endeavour to be present at the Centenary Celebrations in February.

My only chance is to come via Magallanes as the Andes route is not yet very dependable. Unfortunately the "Reina del Pacifico" does not get to Stanley till after the Sunday.

May I congratulate you and all concerned on the excellent programme arranged for the Centenary week.

Wishing Your Excellency all success and with all good wishes,

I have the honour to be

Your Excellency

Your Excellency's obedient servant

+ *H.S. Falkland Isles*

His Excellency

Sir James O'Grady K.C.M.G.

Government House

Falkland Islands.

Stanley

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

19th October, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 412/30.

My Lord,

I have had your letter of the 30th of August, 1932, and I would assure you of my real pleasure in hearing that you hope to be with us for the Centenary Celebrations in February next. I am glad that you think the programme so good and I trust that we shall be able to carry it through in its entirety with complete success. According to our latest information the "Reina del Pacifico" is due at Stanley from Montevideo on Sunday the 12th February. There will be, probably, a chance to return to Montevideo by the "Lafonia" about the middle of March and it is quite possible also that the "Lafonia" may make another trip to Magallanes some time in April. I much appreciate the interest which you are taking in the Centenary and I thank you personally for your good wishes which I reciprocate in all sincerity.

I have the honour to be,

Your Lordship's
obedient servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

HIS LORDSHIP
THE BISHOP OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS,
CASILLA 1380, VALPARAISO.

68

The Chartres

West Falklands

October 18th 1932

Sir

I have been asked to approach you by some married men on on the WEST FALKLANDS whether they will be able to have the use of the house in Fox Bay known as the Post Office to use as sleeping quarters for their family's the night before they sail from Fox Bay for the Centenary. Fox Bay has very little accommodation for family's and at that time there might be a lot of people, if you agree to this will you be able to let the Postmaster at Fox Bay know.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant

W. V. V. V.

Honourable Colonial Secretary

STANLEY

412/30.

2nd November,

32.

Sir,

Red 68.

In reply to your letter of the 18th of October, 1932, I am directed to inform you that the Governor is pleased to accede to the request that the house at Fox Bay known as the Post Office should be made available as temporary sleeping quarters for the families of married men on their way to and from Stanley in order to attend the Centenary Celebrations in February next.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

W.H. Luxton Esq., J.P.,
The Chartres,
West Falkland.

No. 412/30.

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

MINUTE.

3rd November, 19 32.

From


THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Registrar-General.

Stanley.

I am directed to forward to you, for retention with your records and for such other action as may be necessary, the enclosed conveyance of the land known as the Church Green which has been presented to the Colony on the occasion of the Centenary of the Colony.


Colonial Secretary.

DECODE.

412/30

TELEGRAM.

From The Secretary of State.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched : 3rd November, 19 32. *Time :* 9.30

Received : 4th November, 19 32. *Time :* 10.45

Red 62. No. 63. My despatch No. 116 His Majesty's Ship "Dauntless"
will arrive Stanley 8th February for celebrations.

Secretary of State.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

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				4/11/32.
<i>To</i>				
Governor				
Lafonia				

Glad to report receipt to-day of a telegram from the Secretary of State intimating that H.M.S. "Dauntless" will arrive at Stanley on February 8th for the Centenary. Celebrations. Colonial Secretary.

Time

DECODE.

412/30.

TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor.

To The Colonial Secretary, Stanley.

Despatched : 6th November, 19 32. *Time* : 12.40

Received : 7th November, 19 32. *Time* : 10.45 .

Red 11.
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Statement from Secretary of State that H.M.S. "Dauntless"
will be at Centenary received with great pleasure by
Westers and myself.

Governor.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

9th November, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 195.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram No. 63 of the 3rd of November, 1932, informing me that H.M.S. "Dauntless" will arrive at Stanley on the 8th of February for the Centenary celebrations, and to express my thanks for the measures taken to this end.

2. The announcement that H.M.S. "Dauntless" will participate in the celebrations has been received with great pleasure throughout the Colony. There is no doubt that her presence will contribute largely to the success of the occasion.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
G.B.E., P.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

5th December, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 412/30.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward, for your information, a copy of the programme of arrangements which has been drawn up in connection with the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony between the 12th and the 18th of February, 1933.

2. I have learned with very real pleasure that H.M.S. "Dauntless" of the South American division under your command will be present at Stanley for the occasion and I shall be most grateful for the kind co-operation of her Commanding Officer in carrying out the programme generally and more particularly under the following items :-

- (i) By sending a party of officers and men to the Church Parade and Commemoration Service on Sunday the 12th of February.
- (ii) By furnishing a Guard of Honour at the laying of the foundation stone of the swimming pool on Tuesday the 14th of February.
- (iii) By giving a searchlight display in conjunction with the Colony's fireworks display on Wednesday the 15th of February.
- (iv) By allowing the ship's band to play at the Race and Gymkhana Meeting between Wednesday the 15th and Friday the 17th of February.
- (v) By opening the ship to visitors on a convenient day or days with special regard to visitors from the "Camp".
- (vi) By illuminating ship on a convenient night, if practicable.

Commodore R. H. O. Lane-Poole, O.B.E.,
in H.M.S. "Durban",
at STANLEY.

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3. In due course invitations will be sent to the Commanding Officer, H.M.S. "Dauntless", his officers and ship's company to participate in the various social functions, such as the Colony Dance on Monday the 13th of February.

4. Needless to say I shall welcome any suggestion which you may be good enough to make in this connection.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H.M.S. "Durban",

at Port Stanley.

8th December, 1932.

No.1209/310.

Sir,

Red 76.

In reply to your letter of 5th December, I have every hope that H.M.S. "Dauntless" will be able to visit Port Stanley for the Colony's Centenary celebrations, arriving on 8th and sailing on 20th February, and there should be no difficulty about her participation in the manner you propose.

2. With regard to the details of your programme the only important proposal I have to make is that there should be a ceremonial opening to the Centenary Week, and that this should take the form of a simple review by Your Excellency, of the Falkland Islands Defence Force and Naval and Royal Marine detachment and Band from H.M.S. "Dauntless", under arms on the football ground before church on Sunday, 12th February.

I enclose a proposed plan for this, drawn up in consultation with the Officer Commanding, Falkland Islands Defence Force.

3. Should the review take place, I would suggest that "Dauntless" co-operation at the laying of the foundation stone on 14th February might more appropriately be a short boxing and gymnastic display, rather than a Guard of Honour.

4. Wednesday, 15th February appears to be the most convenient night to illuminate ship, as the firework and searchlight display will be taking place then.

5. Other suggestions are football matches starting 3 p.m. on Sundays 12th and 19th February, "Dauntless" versus the Defence Force and "Discovery" II respectively, and rifle shooting on Monday afternoon 13th February, "Dauntless" versus the Defence Force. The most suitable days and times for "Dauntless" to be open to visitors can be arranged on her arrival.

6. I should be grateful if you would inform "Dauntless" in due course how many of her men are expected at the Commemoration Service on Sunday, 12th February. The naval and marine detachments paraded for the review would total about one hundred, but I suggest that not more than half these should attend church, so as to leave sufficient accommodation for the civilian community.

7. Detailed proposals for the defence exercise with "Dauntless" were forwarded to you in my letter No.0162/310 of 5th December.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

His Excellency, the Governor,
Port Stanley.


Commodore.

Postal address:—

The British Naval Commander-in-Chief,
America & West Indies Station.
c/o H.B.M. Consul-General,
New York.

Admiralty House,

AWI.No.36/1/2.

Telegraphic address:—

NAVYCOM, BERMUDA.

Bermuda.

24th October 1932.

Sir,

Recd 28

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No.412/30 dated 13th August 1932 regarding the possibility of the visit of one of H.M.Ships to Port Stanley for the Falkland Islands Centenary Celebrations.

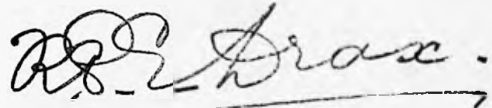
Since I wrote my letter of 16th June, the cruise programmes of "Durban" and "Dauntless" have had to be considerably revised more than once and I am now happy to say that I hope to be able to arrange for one of those ships to visit Port Stanley in February. I have directed the Commodore of the South American Division to arrange this if it is possible and to inform you accordingly.

Your Excellency will appreciate, however, that the constantly changing conditions in the various countries of South America may necessitate alterations to any pre-arranged cruise programme at very short notice.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient servant,



Vice-Admiral,
Commander-in-Chief.

His Excellency
Sir James O'Grady, K.C.M.G.,

Governor and Commander-in-Chief of
the Falkland Islands.

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CENTENARY OF THE FAULKLAND ISLANDS

1833 - 1933

Programme of Arrangements from the 12th to the 19th of February, 1933.

Sunday 12th.

Review on Government Paddock 9.45 a.m.
Commemoration Service at Cathedral 10.30 a.m.
Football Match : Falkland Islands Defence Force
versus H.M.S. "Dauntless" 3.0 p.m.

Monday 13th.

Colony Dance in the Town Hall 9 p.m.
Rifle Match : Falkland Islands Defence Force versus
H.M.S. "Dauntless" 3 p.m.

Tuesday 14th.

Stock Show 9 a.m.
Sheep Dog Trials 3 p.m.
Laying by the Governor of Foundation Stone of
Swimming Pool in Public Baths and Gymnasium and
Boxing and Gymnastic Display by H.M.S. "Dauntless" 6.p.m.
R.R.S. "Discovery II" Dance 9 p.m.

Wednesday 15th.

Horse Races 10. a.m.
Searchlight and Fireworks Display
H.M.S. "Dauntless" will illuminate ship 11 p.m.

Thursday 16th.

Gymkhana Meeting 10.0 a.m.
Old People's Dinner 6.30 p.m.
Stanley Sports Association Dance 9 p.m.

Friday 17th.

Horse Races 10.0 a.m.

Saturday 18th.

Steer Riding 3 p.m.
Children's Tea 4.30 p.m.
Stanley Sports Association Concert and Distribution
of Prizes 8 p.m.

Sunday. 19th.

Football Match : H.M.S. "Dauntless" versus R.R.S.
"Discovery II".

(As drawn up at a meeting of the C/Com. C/Sec.
on 15.12.32.)

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary

To The R.R.S. "Discovery II"

Despatched: 16th December, 19 32. *Time:* 15.00

Received: 19 *Time:*

In connection with your visit to Stanley for the Centenary in February can you give approximate dates of
1. leaving South Georgia. 2. arriving Stanley. 3. leaving Stanley and 4. arriving South Georgia.

Secretary.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

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17/12/52.

To

Commodore

"Durban"

Your letter 1209/310 of 8th December proposed arrangements for H.M.S. "Dauntless" are acceptable in every particular fullstop I am very grateful for your valuable help in this matter.

Governor.

Time

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TELEGRAM.

From Commander Carey. "Discovery II"

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched: 17th December, 1932. *Time:* 19.00

Received: 18th December, 1932. *Time:* 11.00

Redes. Your telegram of 16th December. Leave South Georgia 23th December arrive Stanley 11th February leave Stanley 20th February arrive South Georgia 25th February then sailing for South and Cape Town.

Carey.

412/30.

21st December,

32.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to state that on the occasion of the Centenary of the Colony a Review and Commemorative Service are being held at Stanley on Sunday, the 12th of February, 1933. The review will take place at Government House at 9.45 a.m. and the Commemorative Service at the Cathedral at 10.30 a.m.

2. I am to invite you on behalf of His Excellency to be present with your officers.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

The Commanding Officer,

R.M.S. "Reina del Pacifico"

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

21st December, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 412/30.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1209/310 of the 8th of December, 1932, and to confirm my telegram of the 17th of December, 1932, relative to the participation of H.M.S. "Dauntless" in the Centenary celebrations.

2. The arrangements which you propose are acceptable in every particular and I am sure that their execution will add materially to the success of the celebrations.

3. I would express to you my sincere thanks for your valuable help in the matter..

4. I enclose for your information a copy of the revised programme which has been drawn up.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Commodore R. H. O. Lane-Poole, O.B.E., R.N.,
H.M.S. "DURBAN".

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

22nd December, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 412/30.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter No. AWI.36/1/2 of the 24th of October, 1932, informing me that the Commodore of the South American Division had been instructed to arrange, if possible, for one of H.M. Ships "Durban" or "Dauntless" to visit Stanley on the occasion of the Centenary of the Colony. You are aware of course that the arrangement now is that H.M.S. "Dauntless" shall be at Stanley from the 8th to the 20th of February, 1933.

2. The announcement that H.M.S. "Dauntless" will be present for the Centenary celebrations has been received with great pleasure throughout the Colony and there is no doubt that her presence will contribute largely to their success. At the same time I regret that you have not found it possible on this occasion yourself to make the long journey to the Falkland Islands.

3. I enclose in case it may be of interest to you a copy of the programme which has been drawn up for the celebrations. I am very grateful to the Commodore of the South American Division for his valuable help in this matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

VICE-ADMIRAL

R.A.R. PLUNKETT-ERNLE-ERLE-DRAX, C.B., D.S.O.,

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,

AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION,

C/o. H.M. CONSUL GENERAL,

NEW YORK.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

132 G/320.

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN. LONDON."

TELEPHONE: 7730 VICTORIA



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

15th November, 1932.

Sir,

Red 60
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th September, No.412/30, and to inform you that we will pay Messrs. Way & Everitt Penn Ltd. as requested for the silver cup ordered for the Centenary Race Meeting.

We suggest that some economy might have been effected if the cup had been ordered through us in the usual way, as we should have placed the order direct with one of the recognised silversmiths, who give us special terms.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. L. Mansel
for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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TELEGRAM.

From Secretary. "Lafonia"

To Colonial Secretary. Stanley.

Despatched: 26th December, 19 32. *Time:* 14.30

Received: 27th December, 19 32. *Time:* 11.00

Please instruct Parkinson to prepare wreath for His Excellency to lay on 1st January.

Secretary.

Parkinson informed by 'phone 27/12/32.

A.S.S.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From COMMODORE H.M.S. "DURBAN"

To GOVERNOR. FAIRLAND ISLANDS.

Despatched: 27th December, 19 32. *Time:* 11.00

Received: 28th December, 19 32. *Time:* 11.00

Owing to alterations in ships' programme "Durban" will not now visit Port Stanley on 25th January nor "Dauntless" on 8th February instead "Durban" will arrive 10th and sail 19th February suggest exercises should commence between midnight 9th and midnight 10th other arrangements remaining unchanged if desired my Gunnery Officer could proceed Port Stanley in "Lafonia" understood to be leaving Montevideo about 22nd January to drill crews and umpire exercises but cost of his passage cannot be paid by Admiralty.

Commodore "Durban"

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Gunnery Officer can proceed
Stanley by Laprice as you
suggest the cost of his
passage being met by this
Government

Yours

Hon C. S.

I have already said that I
do not think this Government should
bear the expense of this Officer to
Stanley as it is a much broader issue
than the defence of the Falklands. The
Authorities at home should be made
aware of that fact. However in view
of our Centenary Celebrations I do not
press my objection on this occasion

J. G.

2-1-33

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

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To COMMODORE

H.M.S. "DURBAN"

Red 90. Your telegram 27th December it has given me much pleasure to learn that you will be present yourself in Durban for our ~~Centenary~~ Centenary celebrations fullstop I agree to exercise being held in February between midnight 9th and midnight 10th with other arrangements unchanged fullstop I shall be grateful if your gunnery officer can proceed Stanley by "Laonia" as you suggest the cost of his passage being met by this Government.

Governor.

Time

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched : 2nd January, 19 35 *Time :* 13.00

Received : 3rd January, 19 35 *Time :* 11.00

Reds No. 1.
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Your despatch No. 133. I cannot express definite opinion on Swimming Pool project until scheme has been fully worked out and submitted with estimate of capital and running costs. I am unable to accept suggestion that funds for the work should be obtained from Research and Development Fund.

Secretary of State.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 412/30.

4th January, 1933.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to my letter No. *Red 86*. 412/30 of the 21st of December, 1932, and to *Red 91*, confirm my telegram of the 3rd of January, 1933, *Red 90*. in reply to your telegram of the 27th of December, 1932.

2. I am gratified to know that you will be with us in person in H.M.S. "Durban" for the Centenary celebrations and I can assure you of a hearty welcome on your return from the Colony as a whole.

3. I am proceeding on the assumption that H.M.S. "Durban" will co-operate in the celebrations in the same manner as already arranged for H.M.S. "Dauntless".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(sp) James O'Keefe

dore R.H.O. Lane-Poole, O.B.E., R.N.,
H.M.S. "DURBAN".

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TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor.

To The Secretary of State.

Despatched: 11th January, 19 33 *Time:* 14.15

Received: 19 *Time:*

No. 3. Confidential. Our Centenary celebrations begin on February 12th fullstop The people of the Colony would be rejoiced to receive a message from the King.

Governor.

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TELEGRAM.

From The Secretary of State.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: 14th January, 19 33. *Time:* 20.00

Received: 15th January, 19 33 *Time:* 11.00

Red 74. No. 3. Your despatch of 9th November No. 195. H.M.S. "Durban" will visit Stanley from 10th February to 19th February instead of H.M.S. "Dauntless".

Secretary of State.

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TELEGRAM.

From The Commodore, H.M.S. "Durban"

To The Governor. Stanley.

Despatched : 25rd January, 19 53. *Time* : 17.53

Received : 24th January, 19 53. *Time* : 11.00

Lieutenant Commander Steemson sailed in Lafonia your letter 4th January confirmed "Durban" will carry out programme arranged for "Dauntless".

Commodore Warship "Durban"

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Magistrate, South Georgia.

To The Colonial Secretary. Stanley.

Despatched: 23rd January 1933. *Time:* 23.30

Received: 24th January 1933. *Time:* 11.30

No.7. I have been asked by Mr. Leganger Hansen to convey to you his sincere regret for his inability to proceed to Stanley for Centenary celebrations fullstop The arrival of a tanker at factories on the 5th of February makes it impossible for him to return here in time for "Fleurus". With regard to my proposed visit to Stanley I would be grateful if I may be allowed to remain here for arrival of my wife by "Harpon" on or about 16th February.

Magistrate.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary.

To The Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched : 25th January, 1933. *Time :* 12.30.

Received : 19 *Time :*

Red 44. No. 6. Your telegram 25rd January No. 7 please inform Mr. Hansen of my real disappointment at his inability to come to Stanley for the Centenary celebrations fullstop His Excellency is pleased to agree with regret to your request to remain in South Georgia so as to be able to meet your wife on arrival

Secretary.

H.O. A/c.

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

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To	Steemson			
	Lafonia			

Will come for your at 8.30 to-morrow morning fullstop Shall be
glad to see you again

Ellis

Time

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HILLSBOROUGH HOUSE

"The Falkland Islands Sheep-Owners Association"

Hon. J.M.Ellis

Colonial Secretary.
Stanley.

"HILLSBOROUGH HOUSE",

ST. ANN'S HILL,

CHERTSEY.

17th. Nov. 1932.

Dear Sir,

I am asked by the above Association to convey to the Governor, Colonial Officials, and the Centenary Committees, their hearty approval and appreciation of your efforts to make the Celebration of the Centenary of our permanent occupation of the Islands a success and most of us regret that on account of the unusual crisis through which we are now passing, due to the low price for wool, it is impossible for us to join in your celebrations and pleasures in Stanley next February.

I have personally interviewed several in the Colonial Office in London and they have concurred with my wish that if possible, a Naval Ship should visit the Islands at this time and they have forwarded a letter to the Naval Authorities concerned, but up to the present I have had no definite reply.

I also interviewed the Managers of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company in Liverpool and asked them as a "special favour" to arrange for the Reina Del Pacifico to remain in Stanley, over Monday, (13th. Feb.) as I understand she is to arrive on Sunday, and I am sure most of the passengers will be pleased to see our delightful British Colony "En Fête" in the South Atlantic, about which they know so little.

The Royal Empire Society is arranging a Dinner in London for Monday, 13th. Feb. to celebrate the Centenary, which will be supported by all Falkland Islanders who can attend with their friends,

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully

Geo. Bonner

412/30.

8th February,

33.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th of November, 1932, and to thank you for your appreciation of the measures which are being taken to ensure the success of the Centenary celebrations.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable George Bonner, O.B.E., M.E.C.,
"Hillsborough House",
St. Ann's Hill,
CHERTSEY.

CENTENARY OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.1855 - 1955.

Programme of Arrangements from Sunday the 12th to Sunday the 19th of February 1955.

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- Sunday 12th. Review on Government Paddock 9.45 a.m.
Commemoration Service at the Cathedral 10.30 a.m.
Football Match: H.M.S. "Durban" versus R.R.S.
"Discovery II" 3.0 p.m.
- Monday 13th. Rifle Shooting Match: Falkland Islands Defence Force versus H.M.S. "Durban" on the open range 3 p.m.
Broadcast Talk from London 7.30 p.m.
Colony Dance 9.0 p.m.
- Tuesday 14th. Stock Show 10.0 a.m.
Sheep Dog Trials 3.0 p.m.
Laying of Foundation Stone of Swimming Pool 5.45 p.m.
Assault at Arms by H.M.S. "Durban" 6.0 p.m.
R.R.S. "Discovery II" Dance 9.0 p.m.
- Wednesday 15th. Horse Races 10.0 a.m.
Searchlight and Fireworks Display
H.M.S. "Durban" illuminates ship 11.0 p.m.
- Thursday 16th. Gymkhana Meeting 10.0 a.m.
Old People's Dinner 6.30 p.m.
Stanley Sports Association Dance 9.0 p.m.
- Friday 17th. Horse Races 10.0 a.m.
H.M.S. "Durban" Dance 9.0 p.m.
- Saturday 18th. Steer Riding 3 p.m.
Children's Tea 4.30 p.m.
Stanley Sports Association Concert and Distribution of Prizes 8.0 p.m.
- Sunday 19th. Football Match: Falkland Islands Defence Force versus H.M.S. "Durban" 3.0 p.m.

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TELEGRAM.

From His Lordship the Bishop.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched : 6th February, 19 33. *Time :* 11.10

Received : 8th February, 19 33. *Time :* 11.00

In Reina delighted accept invitation Government House.

Bishop

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TELEGRAM.

From Mr. Norris.

To The Governor.

Despatched : 10th February, 19 33 Time : 13.30

Received : 11th February, 19 33. Time : 11.00

Thankfully accept kind invitation.

Norris

Tan Norris from Patagonia.
authentically as sheep.

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TELEGRAM.

From The "Durban"

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched : 13th February, 19 35. *Time :* 10.00

Received : 13th February, 19 33. *Time :* 11.00

If desired ship can be open to public from 4 to 6 on Wednesday
Afternoon visitors using shore boat

Durban

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

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To DUBBAN

Wednesday is first day of race meeting fullstop Would Thursday
be equally convenient to open ship ?

Secretary.

Time

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

2nd March, 1933.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 34.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the arrangements for the celebration of the Centenary of the Colony were carried out with complete success between the 12th and the 18th of February, 1933, in accordance with the programme finally drawn up, of which I annex a copy.

In duplicate.

2. In commenting generally on the celebration a word must be said in the first place in praise of the weather. So propitious were the elements that the week may be fairly described as the finest of the century. You will appreciate how important a factor this was from a realisation that the greater part of the functions and festivities took place in the open air.

3. A remarkable feature of the occasion was the concourse of people gathered in Stanley. Never in its history can the town have accommodated a larger number. Besides an almost entire migration of farmers and shepherds from the East and West Falklands life was lent by the presence in the port throughout the week of H.M.S. "Durban" and R.R.S. "Discovery II". It is to be regretted, however, that with the exception of His Lordship the Bishop and Mr. Tom. C. Morris of Buenos Aires, who acted as Judge for the Stock Show, no visitors/

RT HONOURABLE
PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
B.E., P.C., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

visitors were attracted from overseas and that the tourist liner R.M.S. "Reina del Pacifico" called only for the few hours of Sunday the 12th of February. I am gratified to say that the behaviour of the people, one and all, was exemplary and that no case came before the Magistrate as the result of over-exuberance.

4. If I am to select items on the programme for special comment, I would mention the Review and Commemoration Service, which were rendered the more impressive by the participation therein of a landing party from H.M.S. "Durban", the Broadcast Talk, in regard to which I have reported already in my telegram of the 18th of February, the Colony Dance, which proved an unqualified success, the Stock Show, as to which I am reporting by separate despatch, and the Fireworks Display, which provided a brilliant spectacle under ideal conditions. Furthermore the Horse Races were admirably organised and conducted by the Stanley Sports Association and were productive of keen rivalry in particular as between the East and West Falklands.

5. In my view the proper celebration of the Centenary has been of inestimable value from many aspects to the Colony as a whole. It has brought together, in a way never before attempted, the several sections of the community, officials and farmers, townsfolk and campers, Easterns and Westerns, it has made for the free exchange of ideas and the sloughing of apathy and prejudice, and it has given a much need stimulus to trade. I am proud of my intimate association in it and I rejoice at its ample fulfilment.

6. I have to bring to your notice the names of the following officers as having rendered especially good service in connection with the Centenary celebrations :-

Mr. M. C. Craigie-Halkett, Treasurer, as a member of the Centenary Committee and as having been in charge of the arrangements for the Fireworks Display.

Mr. G. Roberts, Director of Public Works, as a member of the Centenary Committee, as having been in charge of the arrangements for the Old People's Dinner and the Children's Tea and as having worked indefatigably throughout often behind the scene.

Mr. J. Morton, M.R.C.V.S., Veterinary Officer, as a member of the Stock Show sub-committee and as having been in charge of the arrangements for the Stock Show and the Sheep Dog Trials.

Mr. A. I. Fleuret, Chief Clerk, Colonial Secretary's Office, as one of the Joint Honorary Secretaries of the Centenary Committee.

7. I have also to bring to your notice the names of the following gentlemen who gave their voluntary services :-

Mr. L. W. H. Young, M.L.C., J.P., Manager of the Falkland Islands Company, as a most helpful and enthusiastic member of the Centenary Committee.

Mr. W. H. Luxton, J.P., of the Chartres, West Falkland, as a member of the Centenary Committee and a staunch supporter of those responsible for the various arrangements made.

Mr. R. C. Pole-Evans, J.P., of Port Howard, West

Falkland

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Falkland, as a member of the Centenary Committee, as Judge in the Sheep Dog Trials and as the principal exhibitor and prize-winner at the Stock Show.

Mr. A. Newing, of Stanley, as one of the Joint Honorary Secretaries of the Centenary Committee, as Honorary Secretary of the Stock Show sub-committee and as one of the Joint Honorary Secretaries of the Stanley Sports Association. In each of the above capacities Mr. Newing showed considerable energy and resource in addition to performing in an unostentatious manner a great amount of detailed spadework.

Mr. J. Bonner, of San Carlos, and Mr. N. K. Cameron, of Port San Carlos, East Falkland, as members of the Stock Show sub-committee and as large exhibitors in the Stock Show.

8. I would express my sincere appreciation of the ready co-operation afforded me by Commodore R. H. O. Lane-Poole, O.B.E., R.N., in H.M.S. "Durban". I count it a fortunate circumstance which brought this courteous and able officer to the Colony for the occasion. I would record too my real satisfaction at having obtained the services of Mr. Tom. C. Morris as Judge for the Stock Show. Mr. Morris until recently was manager of the Argentine Southern Land Company and made a very painstaking and popular Judge.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

ENCLOSURE IN FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 34
of the 2nd MARCH, 1933.

CENTENARY OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS 1833 - 1933.

Programme of Arrangements from Sunday the 12th to Saturday the 18th of February, 1933.

Sunday 12th. Review on Government Paddock 9.45 a.m.
Commemoration Service at the Cathedral 10.30 a.m.
Football Match : H.M.S. "Durban" versus R.R.S.
"Discovery II" 3.0 p.m.

Monday 13th. Broadcast Talk from London 7.30 p.m.
Colony Dance 9.0 p.m.

Tuesday 14th. Stock Show 9.0 a.m.
Sheep Dog Trials 2.0 p.m.
Laying of Foundation Stone of Swimming Pool 5.45 p.m.
Assault-at-Arms by H.M.S. "Durban" 6.0 p.m.
R.R.S. "Discovery II" Dance 9.0 p.m.

Wednesday
15th. Horse Races 10.0 a.m.
Searchlight and Fireworks Display
H.M.S. "Durban" illuminates ship 11.0 p.m.

Thursday
16th. Gymkhana Meeting 10.0 a.m.
Old People's Dinner 6.30 p.m.
Stanley Sports Association Dance 9.0 p.m.

Friday 17th. Horse Races 10.0 a.m.
H.M.S. "Durban" Dance 9.0 p.m.

Saturday 18th. Steer Riding 3 p.m.
Children's Tea 4.30 p.m.
Stanley Sports Association Concert and
Distribution of prizes 8.0 p.m.

412/30.

2nd March,

33.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to convey to you the expression of His Excellency's thanks for and appreciation of the indefatigable service rendered by you and the personnel of the Public Works Department in connection with the Centenary celebrations.

2. I am to add that His Excellency realises that much of this service was performed, as it were, behind the scene and I am to assure you that it is not on that account any the less valued.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable G. Roberts,
Director of Public Works,
STANLEY.

412/30.

2nd March,

33.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to convey to you His Excellency's very sincere thanks for and appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered by yourself personally and by your Company in connection with the successful organisation and execution of the Centenary celebrations. His Excellency is well aware that without your whole-hearted co-operation it would have been difficult to carry out the arrangements, as they were carried out, to the full satisfaction of all concerned.

2. I am to add that in particular His Excellency has in mind the arduous services performed so willingly and efficiently by Captain D. W. Roberts and the crew of s.s. "Lañonia".

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable L. W. H. Young,
Manager,
Falkland Islands Company, Limited,
S T A N L E Y.

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The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.

REGISTERED 1902.

AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TELEGRAMS: FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY VIA RADIO.

Stanley

3rd March, 1933.

Sir,

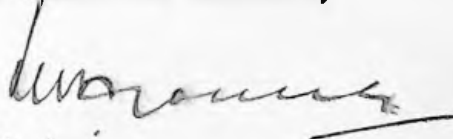
I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 412/30 dated 2nd instant, contents of which are noted with many thanks.

2. The contents of paragraph 2 have been conveyed to Captain Roberts and he requests me to convey to you the thanks of himself and his crew.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,



Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary.

Stanley.

41730. (17)

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

The Colonial Secretary presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies and has the honour to forward the under-mentioned document, in duplicate, as an additional enclosure to the Governor's despatch No. 34 of the 2nd of March, 1933 :-

Newspaper "Penguin" Centenary number.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
STANLEY.
3rd March, 1933.

No.

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

MINUTE.

8th March, 1933

~~From~~ To~~From~~ From Director Public Works,

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS.

I beg to attach an account from Messrs Falkland Islands Company for 29 Cine films @ 1/10¹/₂ ea. £2. 14. 5.

2. The camera used during the Centenary Celebrations was loaned by the Manager, Messrs Falkland Islands Co, and of the 29 films, 11 were used and 18 returned to the Manager on the 28th February, 1933.

3. The expenditure incurred under Appendix I by this Department is as follows, and no further expenditure is foreseen under the Fin. Req'ns taken out by this Dept.

<u>Requisition & Work.</u>	<u>Amount of Req'n.</u>	<u>Expenditure.</u>	<u>Balance.</u>
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
<u>Item 4. Stock Show.</u>			
F.R.9. Corrals, stands, etc.	120. 0. 0.	119. 8. 8.	- 11. 4
<u>Item 5. Fireworks.</u>			
F.R.11. Fireworks, frame-work, shed etc.	62. 0. 0.	61. 14. 1.	- 5. 11
<u>Item 7. Holidays.</u>			
F.R.17. Holidays for men.	155. 0. 0.	155. 0. 0.	Nil.
<u>Item 8. Miscellaneous.</u>			
F.R.10. Foundation Stone.	6. 0. 0.	6. 0. 0.	Nil
F.R.18. Decorations, preparations for festivities etc.	30. 0. 0.	29. 11. 10.	- 8. 2
F.R.19. Preparing Government Paddock.	4. 6. 0.	4. 6. 0.	Nil.

4. In addition to the above expenditure as follows was incurred by this Department under requisitions taken out by other Departments.

<u>Item 4. Stock Show.</u>			
F.R.16. Sheep pens etc.	125. 0. 0.	100. 17. 11.	
<u>Item 5. Fireworks.</u>			
F.R.15. Electric Lighting.	?	5. 4. 0	

5. A small expenditure of £13. 8. 2. has been incurred under Item 2 "Improvements to Cathedral Green" and no expenditure under Item 3 "Improvements to Cemetery, Port Louis".

6. Can the attached account be paid for under Item 4 "Stock Show", Financial requisition 16 Sheep pens etc, please?

T. Roberts,
Director Public Works.

Spoke Mr. J. Roberts

Account paid for

10/11 18 "Miscell."

10/11

10. 3. 33.

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Stanley, Jan 30th

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~~XXXXXX~~ The Colonial Government

To the Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

To Cost of Films purchased in Montevideo

29 @ 1/10½

£ 2 14 5 ✓

11 Paid
to Stanley, Jan 30th 1923

412/30.

13th March, 33.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to convey to you His Excellency's grateful appreciation of your services as a member of the Centenary Committee.

2. At the same time I am to express His Excellency's sincere congratulations to the Centenary Committee as a whole on the complete success of the arrangements as planned and executed.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

The Hon. M. C. Craigie-Halkett.
The Hon. J. Innes Moir.
The Hon. L. W. H. Young.
The Hon. G. J. Felton.
The Hon. G. Roberts.
R. C. Pole-Evans, Esq., J.P.
W. H. Luxton, Esq., J.P.
A. R. Hoare, Esq., J.P.

412/30.

13th March, 33.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to convey to you His Excellency's grateful appreciation of your services as a Joint Honorary Secretary of the Centenary Committee.

2. At the same time I am to express His Excellency's sincere congratulations to the Centenary Committee as a whole on the complete success of the arrangements as planned and executed.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Colonial Secretary.

A. Hewing, Esq., &
A. I. Fleuret, Esq.,
STANLEY.

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The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.)

REGISTERED 1902.

AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

TELEGRAMS, FLEETWING PORT STANLEY VIA RADIO

Stanley

24th March, 1933.

Sir,

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I have to acknowledge receipt of your
letters 21 - 32 and 412 - 30 both dated 13th inst.,
contents of which are noted with thanks.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Manager

Manager.

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary.

Copy filed in M.D. 21/33

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

(C.O.R. 322)

ADJUSTMENT VOUCHER.

No. 2/33

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

Please note, sign and return this voucher.

Dr. **APPENDIX 1.**

4. Stock Show.

with the sum of Fourteen pounds one shilling and elevenpence.

being amount of advance outstanding against the Centenary Committee in respect of cost of Silver Cup presented in connection with the Centenary Celebrations, now to be charged as indicated above.

(C.S. 412/30.)

£14-1-11.....

Noted

Colonial Secretary.

Head of Department.

13/4
13.4.1933.

Cr. **ADVANCES REPAID.**

Centenary Committee.

with the sum of Fourteen pounds one shilling and elevenpence.

W. Deanshure
for Treasurer.

Dated

12th April, 1933.



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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Downing Street,

No. 33.

28 April, 1933.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 34 of the 2nd March, reporting upon the Centenary celebrations.

2. I have been much gratified to learn of the success which attended the celebrations and I shall be glad if you will convey to the Members and Secretaries of the Centenary Committee and the Stock Show Sub-Committee, and to Mr. T.C. Morris, an expression of my appreciation of the services rendered by them.

3. The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are being informed of your expression of appreciation of the assistance afforded by Commodore R.N.C. Lane-Poole, R.N., D.S.T., in H.M.S. "Durban".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

(for the Secretary of State)

(Signed) PLYMOUTH

GOVERNOR

SIR JAMES O'GRADY, R.C.M.C.,

etc., etc., etc.,

412/30.

31st May, 33.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been much gratified to learn of the success which attended the Centenary Celebrations recently held in the Colony, and has directed that an expression of his appreciation of your services should be conveyed to you.

2. I am to add that it gives His Excellency much pleasure to cause this well merited appreciation of your services to be conveyed to you.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

M. Craigie Halkett

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Hon. J. M. Ellis, C.B.E.
Hon. M. Craigie-Halkett.
Hon. J. Innes Moir, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.
Hon. G. Roberts.
Hon. J. G. Felton, J.P.
Hon. L. W. M. Young, J.P.
A. R. Hoare., Esq., J.P.
J. Morton, Esq., M.R.C.V.S.
A. I. Fleuret, Esq.
A. G. Barton, Esq., J.P.
J. F. Bonner, Esq.
N. K. Cameron, Esq.
G. M. Goddard, Esq., J.P.
H. Harding, Esq.
W. H. Luxton, Esq., J.P.
R. C. Pole-Evans, Esq., J.P.
A. Hewing, Esq.

Tom C. Morris, Esq.

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STANLEY.

6th June, 1933.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 31st May. I am much gratified by the expression of appreciation so kindly made by The Secretary of State for the Colonies and would request you to respectfully convey my thanks to His Excellency the Governor for his action in the matter.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY,

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STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

8th June, 1933.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 412/30, of the 31st of May, 1933, conveying an expression of appreciation of the Secretary of State for the Colonies of services rendered by me during the Centenary Celebrations recently held in the Colony.

I much appreciate the expression of the Secretary of State as well as the pleasure expressed by His Excellency the Governor, and in tendering my thanks would beg to add; that it has been both an honour and pleasure to me to have had the opportunity of serving on the Centenary Committee.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

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THE HONOURABLE

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY.

H. M. S. DURBAN,

SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION.

at Ibicury

19th Sept 1933

Dear Mr Ellis,

a few days ago I received a clock which was my prize for winning the ~~the~~ Officers' race at the Stanley Race meeting in February last. I imagine it must have got lost or held up in the post as I heard that it was coming several months ago.

I don't know exactly who was kind enough to present it so I am writing to you ~~to thank you~~ to ask you to thank whoever it ~~was~~ very much indeed on my behalf for such a generous & useful prize. It keeps very good time and ^{has a} nice open face which I much appreciate.

I am sorry to bother you in this matter but feel sure that you will ^{not} mind assisting me in this matter.

I see that the Dauntless visit to Port
Stanley has again been cut down a bit
but even so seven weeks should be
sufficient to get to know them pretty well.

yours sincerely

H. Dreyer.

Mr. L. S.

This relates to
a prize won by Lt. J.
Dreyer of H.M.S. "Duke"
at the Centenary Sports
Meeting, 1923.

Yours
H. Dreyer

12.2.34

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The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.)

REGISTERED 1902.

AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

Stanley,

14th July

1953.

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Sir,

Church (or Arch) Green.

We desire to call your attention to the deplorable condition to which this once pleasant open space has come.

It is used as a Car Park and as a convenient place to turn for vehicles coming down between the School Yard and Church House. Grass is overlapping the concrete kerb all round and on the south side is gradually obliterating the pathway, also built of concrete.

A few uncared-for boxwood bushes between Whalebone Arch and Ross Road merely accentuate the dilapidated state of the whole Green, and we think these should be removed and a new hedge of box seedlings planted this Spring at each side of the steps leading up to the Arch. These must be protected against the depredations of stray cattle which nowadays appear to roam the streets at will.

Our authority for reporting this nuisance to you is contained in the conditions under which the Company conveyed the land to Government as a free gift in 1932, namely that it should be retained as a permanent open space and kept in good order at the Public Expense.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

A. G. Dainton

MANAGER.

I had myself not seen 132 but had noted the condition to which Mr. Dainton refers that unobstructed s/w to prevent the further use of this open space as a parking & turning place for vehicles -

ACS
Pre show me original agreement & who is responsible for maintaining this open space

14/7

Reply at 138

29th July,

53.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that Government has received justifiable complaints regarding the state of preservation of church (or Arch) Green.

2. As an initial step towards improvement it is proposed to debar motor vehicles from turning or parking on the Green and the Chief Constable by copy of this letter is requested to take the necessary action.

3. As a further step some tidying up of the grass verges is required and the Agricultural officer by copy of this letter is also requested to take action.

4. It is difficult to effect further improvements such as hedge planting etc., unless and until it is possible to exclude stray cattle from this Green and I am to enquire whether your Council can suggest a suitable type of railing or fences which might be installed.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) C. Campbell.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Reply at 137

Chairman,
Stanley Town Council,

412/30.

138

31st July, 53.

Sir,

132 I am directed to refer to your letter of the 14th of July, 1953, on the subject of Church Green and to advise you that action is being taken to improve the standard of upkeep of this open space.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) C. Campbell.
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Manager,
Falkland Islands Company, Ltd.,
STANLEY.

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The Town Council of Stanley

(CONSTITUTED 1947)

[TELEPHONE 117]



Town Council Office,
Town Hall,
Stanley,

19th August 1953

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter 412/30 of 29th July. The matter was discussed at a recent Town Council meeting and it was felt that the most suitable type of fencing for Arch Green would be cement blocks and rails, similar to that at present in use on the Government jetty. It was felt that this would exclude stray animals and at the same time enable the Public to still enjoy the use of the Green.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Ada Lucko

TOWN CLERK.

ADL

Notes on meeting held in C.S. Office on
Wednesday, 27th July, 1955.

Present: H.S., S.P.W., Chairman, Stanley
 Town Council, Mr. D. G. Clark, & the Town Clerk

Arch Green was discussed. The area was
 a gift to the Colony by the F.I.C. Ltd in 1902 on
 the condition that the land be retained as a
 permanent open space & kept in good order
 at the Public expense (42 & 43 refer).

The area was neglected for many years &
 complaints about its preservation were received.
 (132). The Town Council were asked at (137)
 for suggestions, resulting in (139) in which it
 was proposed that it be enclosed with cement
 blocks and rails. Other relevant minutes are
 at (143) to (151).

The S.P.W. has suitable concrete posts and
 galvanised piping and can erect in September,
 1955.

The present Town Council are strongly opposed
 to erecting posts & rails. They consider that
 chain link fencing should be erected
 around the Green to keep out not only
 cattle but children & dogs. They wish
 to convert the area into a small public
 park with flowers, paths and a few seats
 but point out that this would be impossible
 with children and dogs having free access
 as would be the case with concrete posts
 and a single galvanised rail. The cost
 of a link fence would be about £200
 perhaps more.

Asked if they had funds to pay for this, the Council representatives said they had not and thought that Government should foot the bill. Apparently the Council have funds barely sufficient to meet day to day expenses.

The A.C.S. suggested that the rates be increased (at present 2/- in the £). An increase of 1/- would bring in an estimated £600 extra each year. (Mr Clark favours a higher rate).

The A.C.S. said he was unable to commit Government in any way as regards additional financial assistance to the Town Council but any official requests would be considered.

The Town Council are prepared to undertake the maintenance of Arch Green provided Government will make an annual grant towards the cost equal to what Government would have spent if it had been kept up in accordance with the terms of the gift. (An unknown figure as very little has been done over the years).

The Agricultural Department has no staff available to maintain the Green.

The Town Council will submit a formal request for financial help. It is their wish to have the area fenced, tidied and planted for the arrival of the Reina del Pacifico in February, 1956.

R. 27/7

Town Council Office.

Stanley.

29th July 1955.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.



Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter 412/30 of the 29th of July 1953 and Council's reply of the 19th of August 1953 regarding Arch Green.

As it is proposed to improve Arch Green by making flower beds, etc, the present Council feel that the type of fencing suggested at that time would be inadequate for the purpose of keeping out children and the smaller kind of animals such as dogs and think that Chain link fencing might prove more suitable.

As it has been impossible to do anything about the upkeep of Arch Green for some considerable time it is estimated that the cost of this work will be about three hundred pounds and I am to enquire if Government will consider making the Council a grant of this amount plus a small annual grant for future upkeep.

See 160

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Martin W.H. Biggs
Town Clerk.

T.C. is reconsidering this request. It may be revised. In any event a plan is required. T.C. have been asked to submit.

NFA pro tem

B.W. 2/9.

Town Council Office.

Stanley.

29th August 1955.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary.
Stanley.



Sir,

At the interview granted by you to a deputation from the Town Council on July 27th, members were under the impression that you were in favour of their scheme for tidying up the town of Stanley and were surprised to learn from the Chairman that Government could not support their request for financial assistance with regard to the improving of Arch Green.

I am directed to request that you will place before the Stanley Finance Committee my letter of the 29th of July together with the accompanying plan of the proposed improvements.

I will be grateful if the plan can be returned when you have finished with it.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Martin W. H. Biggs

Town Clerk.

Reply at 160

J. Lee & Co.

Plan at 6.1. P.
29.8.

MEMORANDUM.

158

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

1st September 1955.

To: All Members of Standing Finance Committee.

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Improvements to Arch Green, Stanley.

155
A request has been received from the Town Council for a grant of £500 to improve Arch Green, Stanley, and for a small annual grant to meet the cost of future upkeep. The Town Council propose to lay flower beds, lawns, proper paths and to surround the Green with chain link fencing to keep out children and dogs.

2. Honourable Members may wish to have some background information about Arch Green in order to reach a decision.

See 132
3. Arch Green was a gift to the Colony by the Falkland Islands Company, Limited, in 1932, and it was given on condition that the area be retained as a permanent open space and kept in good order at the public expense. The area was neglected for many years and in 1953 the Falkland Islands Company drew Government's attention to its deplorable condition. In July of that year the Town Council were invited to put forward their views on the most suitable type of railing or fences which might be installed, primarily to exclude stray cattle. The Council replied, saying that cement posts and rails would serve the purpose, at the same time enabling the public to enjoy the use of the Green. Concrete posts were made by the Public Works Department and galvanised rails are available. The fence has not been erected, however, owing to pressure of other more important work.

See 134
4. The Agricultural Department was asked early this year to keep Arch Green neat and tidy but with the small labour force available no work has been possible.

5. The present Town Council are opposed to the erection of the concrete posts and galvanised railings as suggested by their predecessors and the request for £500 includes the cost of chain and link fencing.

6. There is clearly a strict moral and contractual obligation on Government to put Arch Green in order as it was in the first place a gift to the public and to the Colony. Transfer of the responsibility to the Town Council, acting as agents for Government, has been discussed with Mr. A.G. Barton and he has no objection to the Council undertaking such work on behalf of Government with whom the ultimate responsibility lies. His personal views, as Colonial Manager of the Company which donated the land, are that the area should be enclosed but that it should be used for children's games and the grass kept short. Children's games will obviously not be possible if it is intended to plant flowers and shrubs. Mr. Barton suggested also that the path made by churchgoers crossing the Green might be put into better condition than at present.

7. As Acting Colonial Secretary, I personally am opposed to spending £300 of Government funds on Arch Green as suggested by the Town Council but would be prepared to consider financial assistance up to £100 to assist in a simplified scheme such as the erection of the concrete posts now in stock with galvanised rails between, the cutting of the grass and re-seeding or laying turf where necessary and perhaps the laying of a diagonal path from the south-west corner of Arch Green to the Cathedral entrance.

8. It is considered, however, that provided Honourable Members have no objection, a representative of the Town Council might be invited to attend the meeting when this request is discussed to put forward the views of the Council. Do Honourable Members have any objection?

9. It would be convenient at the same time to discuss the amount of the annual grant to be made available to the Town Council for the upkeep of the area. A sum of £50 per annum is suggested.

10. A plan of the layout of Arch Green, as proposed by the Town Council, will be available for inspection at the forthcoming meeting of Standing Finance Committee.



ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

RECEIVED

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
113	Foxbay stat	18	0900	13.9.55.

To

Col Sec Stanley

158 Reference your finance committee memorandum about Arch Green agree
your paragraphs seven and nine

Blake

but Tracy
13/9

Time

RRB/B.

412/30

160

16th September,

55.

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Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter of 29th August, 1955, and to previous correspondence in connexion with the application of the Stanley Town Council for a grant of £300 to improve Arch Green, together with a small annual contribution towards maintaining the area.

2. The application has been considered by the Standing Finance Committee, before whom Mr. D.J. Clark appeared to state the Council's case, and I am to inform you that while unable to meet the request for £300, the Committee has agreed that Government should purchase and erect chain link fencing to surround Arch Green. I am to request, therefore, that the necessary arrangements be made with the Superintendent of Works, Public Works Department, who has been notified accordingly.

3. As regards upkeep and maintenance, Government has agreed to contribute a sum of \$1 weekly towards the cost, beginning from the date when work on the area is considered necessary.

4. The plan which accompanied your letter under reference is returned, as requested.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Copies to: Supt. Works, Public Works
Department; Ag. Colonial Treasurer,
Audit.

Audit.

The Town Clerk,
Stanley Town Council,

STANLEY.

(Sgd) S. S. Trees

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

sent via

See 177

Reply at 161

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161.
Town Council Office.

Stanley.

23rd September 1955.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Sir,

160.
I am directed to refer to your letter 412/30 of the 16th of September 1955 in which you state that the Standing Finance Committee has agreed that Government should purchase and erect chain link fencing to surround Arch Green and to request that the fencing may be ordered by telegram the cost of which is to be charged to the Town Council. (the cost of the fence).

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Martin W.H. Biggs.

Town Clerk.

HCB

This cannot be ordered by telegram. Detailed drawing have to be prepared and sent to the C.A. I will do this by the next mail.

Insert paper

AGH.

27/9/55

Reply at 164

412/30

164

7th October,

55.

Sir,

161
I am directed to refer to your letter of
23rd September, 1955, and to inform you that
the necessary order for supplying chain link
fencing to surround Arch Green has now been
placed with the Crown Agents.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) S.E. Trees

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Town Clerk,
Stanley Town Council,
STANLEY.

SGT/VP



Town Council Office,
Stanley,

26th September, 1956.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

160
Sir,

I have to refer to your letter 412/30 dated 16th September, 1955 in connexion with the upkeep and maintenance of Arch Green and to enquire from what date can Council expect the Government contribution to be payable.

Work commenced on the renovation of Arch Green on 30th July, 1956.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Town Clerk.

How we get the money?

G. G. F.

29/9/56

*Rec'd
27/9/56*

Reply at 171.

MEMORANDUM NO. 14 TO STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEEArch Green.

At a meeting of Standing Finance Committee held on the 14th September, 1955, it was agreed that Government should meet the cost of purchasing and erecting a chain link fence to surround Arch Green and that a grant of £1 weekly be made to the Town Council to assist in meeting the cost of maintaining the gardens to be made within the area.

No funds were provided at the time of the meeting as the cost of the fence was not known, neither was it known when the gardens would be completed.

The cost of purchasing and erecting the fence amounts to £163. 1s. 9d. (The Town Council originally requested £300). Although the gardens are still unfinished, they will be ready in time for the tree-planting ceremony by the Duke of Edinburgh on the 7th January next. Subject to the approval of Standing Finance Committee it is proposed that the grant of £1 weekly should be paid with effect from the first week in January, 1957.

Honourable Members are asked, therefore, to make the following financial provision as agreed by the previous Standing Finance Committee :-

Cost of fence and erecting	£ 163. 1s. 9d.
Maintenance, 26 weeks from 7th	
January to 30th June, 1957 at	
£1 weekly	26. -. -. <u> </u>
	£ 189. 1s. 9d.
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W. J. H. H. H. H. H.
COLONIAL SECRETARY

27th October, 56.

Sir,

165

I am directed to refer to your letter of 26th September, 1956, regarding the upkeep and maintenance of Arch Green and to inform you that the Standing Finance Committee has approved the expenditure of funds for the upkeep of the Arch Green at the rate of £1 per week as from 1st January, 1957.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sd/-) J. J. Penton-Thompson

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Town Clerk,
Stanley Town Council,
STANLEY.

Reply at 177
See 178

Town Council Office,

177

Stanley.

TC/54

20th June, 1957.

Sir,

160 ~~17~~ I refer to your letter 412/30 dated 16th September, 1955 and in particular to para 3 on the subject of the maintenance of Arch Green.

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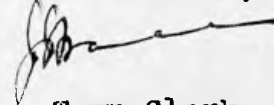
2. According to para/of the above mentioned letter Government has agreed to contribute £1.0.0d weekly beginning from the date when work on the Green was considered necessary.

3. My records shew that work was begun in the first week of June, 1956 and in that month alone a total of £30.2.0d was spent on Arch Green. It would seem, therefore, that the 1st of June, 1956 can be considered to be the date on which work began.

4. From the 1st June, 1956 to the 30th June, 1957 is 56 (fifty six) weeks. I suggest that the Government contribution now due is £56.0.0d.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Town Clerk.

The Honourable
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Reply at 178

21st June,

57

Sir,

178 I am directed to refer to your letter TC/54 of 20th June, 1957, regarding Government's contribution towards the upkeep and maintenance of Arch Green and to inform you that Government agreed to pay its contribution at the rate of \$1 per week with effect from 1st January, 1957 (my letter 442/30 of 27th October, 1956 refers).
171 The contribution for the current financial year therefore amounts to \$26 and a voucher for this sum will be passed to the Treasury for payment accordingly.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J. Bound.

✓ COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Town Clerk,
Stanley Town Council,
STANLEY.

JB/UF

Copies to: Treasury
Audit
Agricultural Officer.

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Town Council Office,

Stanley.

TC/54



10th September, 1957

Sir,

It would be much appreciated if the Government's contribution of £1.0.0d per week could be made payable to the Town Council at the beginning of each six monthly period i.e. the sum of £26.0.0d on the 1st July and the 1st January in each year, in respect of the maintenance and upkeep of Arch Green.

2. The advancement of the payments would facilitate the payments from this office.

I am, Sir,

Reply at 185

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
Town Clerk.

The Honourable
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

*If the Treasury see no objection.
I have noted.*

[Signature]
11.9.57.

19th September,

57

Sir,

182

I am directed to refer to your letter TC/54 of the 10th September, 1957, and to inform you that there is no objection to the payment of Government's contribution towards the maintenance of Arch Green at the beginning of each six monthly period. Arrangements are being made accordingly.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J. Bound.

f COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Town Clerk,
Stanley Town Council,
STANLEY.

Copy to Treasury.

J/MF

412/30
0452/11

STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

190

Stanley, October 11th 1958

TC/3-54



Sir,

I am directed to write to Colonial Government and request if they may consider the following two suggestions submitted, and approved by the Stanley Town Council, at a general meeting held on the 6th. inst.

Extracted
to
0452/11

2.- a) The removal of grass verges on Stanley Roads and footpaths where considered necessary, in order to maintain them in a tidy condition.

3.- b) Work to be undertaken to eliminate a seepage of water through one of the concrete steps leading up to Whalebone Arch, and consequently, running over the footpath on Ross Road. I am to respectfully beg that perhaps a suitable pit could be placed under this particular step, in order to receive the water, which would then be led through pipes down one side of the steps and under the footpath.

4.- It was felt by members that the cause may apparently be an underground spring coming from the South of Stanley, following this same course over a considerable number of years.

Thanking you in anticipation for your reply.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
V. B. Smith
Town Clerk.

The Honourable
Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office.
Stanley.

191

Plg/M
13/10/58

Reply at 199.

29th November,

58

Sir,

190

I am directed to refer to your letter of the 11th October, in connection with two suggestions that have been put forward by the Stanley Town Council.

2. The first suggestion proposes the removal of grass verges on Stanley roads and footpaths were considered necessary in order to maintain them in a tidy condition. As you will appreciate much of the grass verge to Stanley roads is gradually being eliminated as new footpaths are constructed. Apart from the fact that it is difficult to see what could satisfactorily replace grass, it is regretted that no funds are available for extended work of this nature and such labour as is available is required for very much more important and urgent projects. The matter will, however, be reviewed after the completion of the Stanley roads programme.

3. The second suggestion is connected with the seepage of water through one of the concrete steps leading up to Whalebone Arch. It is very much regretted that there has been so much delay in dealing with this matter but instructions have been issued for work to start forthwith. It is agreed that this is a seepage that must if possible be eliminated.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) A. G. Denton- Thompson.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Town Clerk,
Stanley Town Council,
STANLEY.

AGDT/MF

3rd August,

65.

To: Superintendent of Police,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY

Smashed Fence: Arch Green.

Some time ago you told me the culprit would be repairing this fence. Nothing has been done and it is still very unsightly.

Please prosecute, chase, annoy, or do something to obtain early and complete satisfaction.

W. H. T.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

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STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL,
FALKLAND ISLANDS,

TC/2

2nd April. 1968.

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3/4

Dear Sir,

The cost of maintaining Arch Green has risen steadily, to the point where the Government contribution of £1 weekly, which commenced in January, 1957, is out of all proportion to current expenditure.

Council have now been fortunate in obtaining a zealous worker to maintain the green, but it will be impossible to retain her services unless she is paid a wage commensurate with today's cost of living. An increase from £6 to £8 per month has already been granted by Council, but this is still far short of a satisfactory wage for the work entailed in maintaining the flower beds, rockeries and lawn of Arch Green.

Accordingly, I am directed to request that Government double their contribution toward Arch Green maintenance, thereby enabling Council to raise the Caretaker's wage to an adequate level.

Yours faithfully,

Ronald
Town Clerk.

The Honourable, the Colonial Secretary,
Secretariat,
Stanley.

Reply at 202. 6/4 15 April

412/30

3rd April, 68.

Dear Sir,

201.

Thank you for your letter of the 2nd April, concerning the Government contribution towards the maintenance of Arch Green.

I would point out to you that this contribution was in no way related to salaries.

At the forthcoming Budget Meeting of the Legislative Council I will ask whether any extension to the present contribution can be granted but, in the meantime, I shall be obliged for a statement as to what proportion of any increase your Council is prepared to supply.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. THOMPSON)
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Town Clerk,
Stanley.

SC

See 203

STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL,
FALKLAND ISLANDS,

TC/2

8th April, 1968.



Dear Sir,

Arch Green Maintenance

With regard to your letter of 3rd April, I am directed to reply as follows:

During the year ended 31st March, 1968, Council incurred the following costs for Arch Green:

Wages	£85. 15. 3.
Other Maintenance Expenses.....	79. 2. 1.
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	£164. 17. 4.

As a basis of comparison, it is interesting to note that the total expenditure on Arch Green for the four-year period from 1959 to 1962 inclusive amounted to £166. 3. 8.

In general, maintenance costs aside from wages should fall considerably below the amount incurred in the year cited above, as this included mower repairs, £27. 13. 8., and purchase of a new mower, £35. -. -. However, in view of the frequency with which mowing machines appear to require overhaul and parts replacement, this type of expenditure may be expected to recur fairly regularly.

As to the Caretaker's wage, Council would like to be able to raise this from £8 to £12 monthly, or £144 per annum. It seems reasonable to expect expenditure aside from wages to average £30 annually for the next few years, so that a total annual expenditure on Arch Green of £174 may be anticipated. If Government's annual contribution ^{is} increased from £52 to £104, Council would assume responsibility for the remainder.

Yours faithfully,

R. Leonard
Town Clerk.

The Honourable, the Colonial Secretary,
Secretariat,
Stanley.

Reply at 204

31st May,

68.

Dear Sir,

I am pleased to be able to inform you that the Falkland Islands Government has been able to obtain a grant in aid from the Colonial Development and Welfare funds to make possible the purchase of the Firefly Fire Fighting equipment requested in your letter of the 7th November, 1967.

Government will undertake to purchase the equipment up to a total value of £2,200, on the understanding that if prices have increased since the original quotation was made, or should freights be in excess of those estimated, your Council will carry the balance.

Please let me have confirmation of your acceptance as soon as may be possible.

203

In response to your letter of the 8th April, I very much regret that Government is unable to increase its annual contribution towards the maintenance of Arch Green.

Taking into account the provision of water supply and other items, and read against the background of present finances, it is considered that your own Council should undertake the extra cost of maintenance. The balance in your funds is considered to be sufficient for you to undertake this without any undue hardship.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. THOMPSON)
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Town Clerk,
Stanley.

SC

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Copy to file on which Arch Green request was made

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412/30



STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL,
FALKLAND ISLANDS,

TC/1

.....3rd January,..... 1969.

Dear Sir,

See p.
201, 202
204.
Payment
now outstanding

May I bring to your attention the fact that, whereas the Government contribution toward Arch Green maintenance has been set at £1 per week, only half this sum was paid during the calendar year ended 31st December, 1968. A payment of £26, received on 18th July, 1968, was the only payment toward this head during the year. A total of £78 is therefore due for the year ending 31st December, 1969.

On the other hand, expenses for Government Charitable Relief have substantially decreased. It is now possible to reduce the Government payment toward this fund to £1000 per annum, and if the present rate of expenditure is maintained, it will be possible to reduce this still further at the end of 1969.

Yours faithfully,

John Leonard
Town Clerk.

The Honourable, the Colonial Secretary,
Secretariat,
Stanley.

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