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SUBJECT.

1941.

MR. J. SUTTON, A CARPENTER

S.S. "PHILOMEL".

Previous Paper.

24th March.

MINUTES.

1-2. Letter from Mr. J. Sutton of 24. 3. 41.

Shipping brackets.

For your observations.

*C. J. J.
forcs.
28/3/41.*

Hon. Col. Sec.

The two years' agreement entered into by the crew of *Ys Philomel* expired on January 18th last. Shortly before that date the Master received instructions, through the Ministry of Shipping, to re-sign the existing crew pending the arrival of reliefs. On being informed of this the crew refused to re-sign, but agreed unanimously to extend the existing articles for three months, or until such time as the reliefs arrived, whichever period was the shorter. This was accordingly done, but when the crew came to sign the entry in the log extending

Subsequent Paper.

the articles, Sutton, the carpenter, changed his mind and refused to do so. On January 20th. he went ashore, and he has not been on board since.

(2) Shortly afterwards he came to me and demanded to be paid off. I approached the Master, who informed me of the facts and of his instructions, and told me that he considered it prejudicial to the safety of his vessel (an ammunition ship) to sail without a carpenter. As no substitute could be obtained ~~and~~ ashore I approached the N.O. i/c (the Philomel being under Admiralty charter) and asked him if he could take any action in the matter. The N.O. i/c said that he could do nothing, but at my request he agreed to telegraph the Admiralty for further instructions. This, I understand, was done, but as yet no reply has been received.

(3) On two occasions since then Sutton has approached me and demanded to be paid off, and on each occasion I have told him that nothing can be done until instructions are received from the Admiralty.

W. Mass.

SENIOR MASTER
28-3-41.

✓/E,

Peds 1 & 2 submitted as requested.

A. J. G. 28/3/41

How did the man come ashore?

W. Mass. 29/3/41

Shipping bracker.

Please say.

A. J. G. 29/3/41

Hon. Col. Sec.

On the morning of Jan. 20th. Sutton agreed to extend the articles in the manner set out in my previous report, stating at the time that it seemed to him to be the ideal way out of the difficulty. Later in the day, ~~he~~ he was asked to initial the necessary entry in the log book, but he changed his mind and said that he would only do so in the presence of the Shipping Master who, at that time, was sick. It was understood by the Master that he would sign as soon as the Hon was available. Shortly afterwards, on the same day, Sutton went ashore by the routine liberty boat, and he has not since returned to the "Pho."

W. Bass

SHIPPING MASTER

91. 3. 41.

Y/E.

Submitted.

W. Bass
31/3/41

U.S. by police - illegal landing

3.

letter to Chas. J. Sutton of 2/4/41

Customs offices,

Will you please take the action indicated under Ord. No. 3 1936.

W. Bass
31/3/41

Collecta of bustons.

Following consultations between H. S. the Governor and the Arch. Col. Sec., Sutton
was signed off the articles of the $\frac{1}{2}$ Philomel on April 30th, and left the colony
per $\frac{1}{2}$ Fitzroy the same day.

Kharr. G. W.
4-4-41.

Hares.

Seward, Juan

[Signature]
4/4/41.

P.A.

BONCHORD HOUSE,
PORT STANLEY,

Mar, 24th, 1941.

To the Colonial Secretary,

Sir,



Enclosed herewith a statement of my grievance, which, please forward to H, E, the Gov, for his consideration.

I am, Sir,

Yours Faithfully,

Mr James Sutherland

24.3.1941.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY,

Sir,

The following is for your consideration.

I joined the S/S Philomel as carpenter on the 18th, Jan 1939, for a period of two years, which expired 18th, Jan, 1941. Having placed my notice three months prior to the expiration, no indication was given that the relief would not take place at the appointed time, there was no relief and I refused to sign. The magistrates office refused to issue a summons, to bring the case to law, and in consequence I have been left stranded ashore, for the last two months. I have written to Commandor Martin, requesting him to put my case before the C in C, South Atlantic Station, and have received no acknowledgment. Due to divorce proceedings of which I was cited as co-respondent, I am morally and financially bound to meet certain obligations due the respondent. Rumour is, that the S/S Philomel is due to sail shortly, and that I will receive only two or three hours notice to that effect, this I feel is insufficient, so, I would beg your HONOUR, to use your influence, to enable me to meet myo obligations, before leaving the Islands.

I am, YOUR HONOUR,

Yours Sincerely,

James Suttow.

2nd April,

41.

Sir,

Red 2.
With reference to your letter of the 24th of March,
I am directed by the Governor to inform you that your letter
has been laid before His Excellency for his consideration.

2. I am to point out that so far as His Excellency is
aware permission has not been granted for you to land in the
Colony.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. J. P.
for Colonial Secretary.

Mr. James Sutton,
STANLEY.



NOTE OF PROTEST.

On this tenth day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and fifty five personally appeared and presented himself before me Tom Price Jones

British Consul at Punta Arenas, Chile, D.J.Sollis *
~~Notary-Public~~

Master of the British M.V. the PHILOMEL of Stanley
NOT
Official Number REGISTERED and 75 Tons Register, which sailed from
Port Stanley on or about the third day of
January, 1955, with a cargo of ballast

Chile,
bound for Punta Arenas, Chile, and arrived at Punta Arenas, on the
8th day of January, 1955 and fearing

loss or damage owing to boisterous weather, anchor with about seven
fathoms of chain was lost, whilst Government tug was alongside
with the Pilot, at 1500 hs. 8th January, 1955.

during the voyage, he hereby notes his protest against all losses, damages, &c.,
reserving right to extend the same at time and place convenient.

Signed before me. Tom P. Jones

British Consul at Punta Arenas, Chile
~~Notary-Public~~
this 10th day of January
One Thousand Nine Hundred and fifty five

D. J. Sollis

(Master.)

Tom P. Jones.

British (Consul.)

I certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the original Note of
Protest, entered in the Acts of this Consulate and copied therefrom.

British Consulate, 10th January 1955.
Punta Arenas, Chile.

[Signature] British Consul.

* Here insert Masthead
† Here describe short

and source of damage, "boisterous weather," "collision," "fire."

