

COLONSAY

The *Colonsay*, a British ship of 598 tons under Captain McAlister with 18 crew and 1 passenger 34 days out from Callao bound for Cork with a cargo of guano, was wrecked when she struck heavily at 2am on the 16th of August 1860 on Speedwell Island. At the time of the wreck the course was NE & by N (with variation NE & by E). With great difficulty the crew & one passenger, the Captain's wife, were saved. The *Malvina* arrived in Stanley 29 July 1860 with the crew, captain and his wife and 1 ¼ tons of copper.

Francis/Frank Theodore RYLANDER/ROWLANDS was one of the crew on board and settled in the Falkland Islands. He still has descendants living here to date.

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Government House
Stanley 24th Sep^r. 1860.

Sir,

I request you will afford Steerage passages in the Mail Packet to the six men named in the margin, at the expense of the Government; - leaving it open to substitute other men for those named if occasion should require it.

Samuel Ellis
Henry Miller
John Stanley
W^m Gould
Jacob Vetterse
Dick Vetterse

Yours
P.
T. D. L. Moore
R^r

James Lane Esq
F. I. Company
Stanley.

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Sir

Govt. house 27 Sept. 1860

I beg to acknowledge yr. letter of yesterday's date relative to papers for the wrecked sailors of the Colonsay & Miranda: ^{crew of the Pilgrim taken to Long's Vico in the} If (as was done in the case of the Anne & Sophia) you will take all the shipwrecked sailors to Long's Vico for the allowance prescribed by law namely 1/- a day each (Act 17 & 18 Vic cap 104 Sec: 212) to be paid by the Board of Trade in England I will direct them to prepare to embark and give you the necessary requisitions to recover the money in England. Otherwise the ordinary course will be followed.

I am &c
Wm
Jr

James Dundas

Govt House 29 Sept. 1880

No 259.

Sir

I beg to acknowledge y^r letter of yesterday's date.

2. Under the peculiar circumstances of y^r case I will undertake the payment of y^r passage 14⁵ by wife & 2 children: y^r apprentices will be provided with a passage in the first ship which leaves this Port for the United Kingdom pursuant to the ordinary course and will be meanwhile supported

I will

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3. I will recommend your case to the consideration of the British Consul as you request.

Thank

W. M. M. M.

Jr

John MacLellan

late

Ship Colonsay

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C.S. Office Falkland Isl.^s
29 Sept. 1860

Sir

I have the honour to enclose herewith the article of the *Bonquet Alexander* of Liverpool N. 11925 which ship was totally wrecked off this Port on the night of the 4th instant. The ship's register has been sent to the Registrar of the Port of Liverpool.

The British Ship *Colonsay* of Glasgow was totally wrecked at these Islands on the night of the 11th ultimo but no papers or anything else was saved.

I have to

J. W. Murray
C. S.

J. W. Murray Esq
Registrar Gen. of Seamen
Alderman Place
London Bridge

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Sir

Govt. House F. I. 10th Nov. 1860

I have been requested by Captain MacAlister late Master of the British Ship *Colonsay* 598 tons totally wrecked on this Island in August last to request that you will give him such assistance as may be in your power to reach England.

2. The Wreck of the *Colonsay* took place at night and the Captain and crew escaped with difficulty. The crew & in number were received as distressed British Seamen clothed and properly provided for and will as usual be sent home by the first direct opportunity. The Captain however has requested me to send him by way of Monte Video as he is anxious to reach England as soon as possible and I have accordingly forwarded him by the mail steamer with his wife.

3. I have also paid passages for six men (partly

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belonging to the (Dmsay and partly to the Alexander
a barge subsequently wrecked here) who have
represented that they are acquainted with the
port of Monte Video and can obtain work
there. I have accordingly sent them instead
of retaining them here until the departure
of a ship for the United Kingdom.

I think it right to add that I have
been verbally requested applied to by Mr
W R Bartlett, for a passage for himself & wife;
but as I have been officially informed
that he has received upwards of £200 for
have considered myself unable to treat
him as a distressed British subject.

I am &c
Wm Wood
fr

Wm Pittman Esq
A.M.'s Charge d'Affaires
or
Monte Video

Master of
the Alexander

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Stanley Sept 28th/60

Sr.

At my interview yesterday with
you, and to which my Mate and Boy were
present, you desired to forward my Carpenter
& distress? Maimed: Mr. Fairy to Monte Video
therefore beg to notify you, that if any loss temporary
pecuniary should accrue to me, by the
absence in England, of my Carpenter, I
shall hold you responsible for the same
with regard to my Apprentices, their cases with
you, will be laid before the "Horn" authorities

Yours Obedient
servant
Wm. G. Fairlie

Mate & Boy of the
late "Wagon" vessel

Wm. G. Fairlie
Apprentice

Cape Hotel
Sept 28th 1860

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Sir I am persuaded that your
excellency will kindly consider my case
distinct from that of the Ship
Alexander Mrs M^r M^r M^r & myself were
landed here without cloths & I find
that after paying all reasonable expenses
in this place I shall have about
£10 to secure the passage of my wife
& myself to England. I am quite willing
& anxious not to throw myself
unecessarily upon the government but
if your Excellency will be pleased
write to the Consul at Monte Video
requesting him to do all that may lay
his power for us. per £40

I do not think that I can secure
a passage from Montevideo to England
for my wife & myself.

If your Excellency would
forward the two Boys one of whom
is an orphan by an the same terms
as they are destitute I should feel
that your Excellency had done them
A Christian kindness

I am Sir

Your Excellency's Obedt^t Servant

Daniel Mc Nister

Amount of Sal	
Whic ^k £ 122	
plus	10
Money at Loging	16
Bank Bill	20
Expanses	10
Wardens	4
Charred Sundry	15
v. Malinas	
75 Balance	£ 49