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Colonial Secretary.

(SUBJECT).

14 march

Previous Papers.

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(MINUTES).

H.S. I have been informed that the manager of the Cia. Argentina de Perca, which company we allow to import Whale Oil from 5th Georgia to Buenos aries, is a German. I think it might possibly be as well to make some enquiries regarding the hationality of the shareholders and personnel of this company from our minister at Buenos aires.

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Government House, Stanley.

15th March, 1916.

Sir.

I have the honour to ask you if you will be so good as to send me any information you may have at your disposal with regard to the nationality of the President, shareholders, and personnel of the Compania Argentina de Fesca of Buenos Aires.

I have been told that the President of this Company is a German subject, and in view of the fact that the Government of the Falkland Islands permits the Compania Argentina de Posca to export annually a large quantity of whale oil direct from South Georgia to Buenos Aires I am anxious to receive definite information on this matter.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient humble servant,

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His Excellency

Sir Reginald Tower, K. C. M. G.,

hc., hc., hc.,

His Britannic Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary,

Buenos Aires.

Received 25.4.16

BUENOS AIRES.

March 29th, 1916.

sir.

With reference to Your Excellency's Despatch Confidential of the 15th instant, I have the honour to inform you that all available information about the "Compañia Argentina de Pesca" was contained in my Despatch No.48 Commercial to the Foreign Office of February 24 of last year, copy of which was forwarded to Sir W.L.Allardyce on the same date.

It was on the information contained in that Despatch that His Majesty's Government decided on the present arrangement with the Argentine Fishing Company mentioned.

In February of this year the Board of the Company was reorganized. The more doubtful element disappeared with the retirement of Mr H.H.Schlieper, the President, whose place has been taken by Mr Samuel Hale Pearson who was previously on the Board.

Señor C.Pereira Pinto retired from the Board but remains as "sindico suplente" (supplementary auditor).

Mr Miles Pasman has become Vice President.

Senor Rodolfo S.Datwiler remains on the Board.

An account of these gentlemen was given in my above mentioned Despatch.

Señor J.J.Romero has retired from the Board and his place has been filled by Señor Enrique Berduc, ex-Minister of Finance. He is of French origin and his strong sympathies for

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William Douglas Young C.M.G.

Government House.

Port Stanley.

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for the Allies are beyond doubt.

Captain G.J.Nunes remains as Technical Director, and his attitude in the questions that have arisen with regard to the Company's business has been satisfactory.

The Secretary-Administrator is Señor N.J. Hammer.

The auditor (Sindico) is Mr C.P.Lumb, an Anglo-Argentine stockbroker and worthy of our confidence.

The present Board is stronger and more reliable than the preceding.

I have the honour to be.

sir.

Your Excellency's obedient, humble servant,

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Government House, Stanley.

19th May, 1916.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 29th March on the subject of the personnel of Board of the Compania Argentina de Pesca of Buenos Aires, and to thank you for the information you have been able to give me.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient,

humble servant,

Donglas Jones.

His Excellency

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

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