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THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I beg to report that during my recent visit to the West Falkland I found that many of the Managers on the stations were pleased to discuss and receive information on all classes of constructional works, and I am of the opinion that a visit by the Colonial Engineer to the outlying stations for the purpose of advising and assisting in any constructional work would be beneficial and appreciated by many of the Station owners and managers.

2. Time was limited during my visit; it was not possible therefore to go into the various items as I should have wished to, but I attach a list of some of the subjects touched upon at the stations.

G. Roberts.

Actg. Colonial Engineer.

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TEAL INLET, EAST FALKLAND. Renewal of pipes for hot water system.

PORT HOWARD, WEST FALKHAND. Roads. - Concrete drain pipes and culverts.

Leakage in piston of hydraulic press.

CARCASS ISLAND.
Construction of new bungalow.

Blasting operations.

Motor Lorry with broken worm wheel.

CHARTRES.
Suitable lining for bathroom.
Small bridges over streams.

Concrete blocks, paving slabs and chimney blocks.

PORT STEVENS.
Re-inforced concrete piles for jetty and underwater concrete work.

FOX BAY. Concrete water tanks and piles for jetty.

Arranged to obtain and forward the necessary fittings for improved system.

Arranged to assist with moulds and explained method of making.

Advised on method of possible prevention.

Revised the plan to advantage. Prepared specification for supply of fittings.

Explained method and promise to forward charges by ship when calling. These will be in charge of man who will demonstrate.

Arranged to supply spare part from Improvement Works stock on replacement. This will allow the season's peat to be brought in for the station.

Advised on class of material. I propose to demonstrate by constructing one in conjunction with the main bridge.

Propose to take Winget concrete block making machine to Chartres for bridge piers, and to instruct station hands duriduring spare time.

These two items were discussed at some length, but one requires to know nature of soil, site, and other details, also to give practical demonstrations. They are more the work for a skilled tradesman rather than amateurs.

G. Roberts.
Colonial Engineer.