

N<sup>o</sup> 399.Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

W. R. M. S. Douro.

London 8<sup>th</sup> January 1870.

Sir,

On the 15<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we received your Despatches N<sup>o</sup> 63, 63a and 64 ex R. Mail S<sup>t</sup>, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> inst<sup>o</sup> N<sup>o</sup> 65 arrived W<sup>o</sup> 'Jaena', and yesterday Original of N<sup>o</sup> 63, a. was delivered by the 'Nicola Maria'.

2. The Directors are glad to hear W. M. S. 'Beacon' has arrived and will take our Coals, the Blacksmith's Coal you desire must be sent by the next vessel.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 63a. We have been unfortunate again with the 'Nicola Maria's' Bill for £74.12.8 which Mess<sup>rs</sup> A. J. Schröder & Co<sup>o</sup> have not accepted, steps will now be taken to recover it immediately from the Captain or the vessel at Swansea as she is consigned to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Richardson & Co<sup>o</sup>, at present there is no claim for demurrage on account of the detention of the papers you had from Capt<sup>n</sup> Winker.

4. We are extremely gratified at your good fortune in obtaining the Land at Darwin Harbour upon which the Company's property is erected, and we trust you will be successful in further pressing the justice of allowing all our Land Orders to be devoted to obtaining a continuation of this land, as no doubt after the letter from the Colonial Office, upon our application of the 5<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> last (Desp<sup>n</sup> 393, 6), the Governor will allow this land to be purchased.

5. N<sup>o</sup> 64, 3. By the kindness of a friend at the Admiralty I have obtained a route list of the Flying Squadron, which shows they will remain at the Falklands four days and it is stated by the authorities that all the vessels will enter Stanley Harbour. We cannot learn anything about head quarters being established at the Falklands, nor is it considered likely to take place. The Admiralty have declined to enter into a Coal Contract at present as W. M. Vessels "are to use sails chiefly" - our offer of 60/- per ton is said to be "much too dear".

6. N<sup>o</sup> 64, 4. Capt<sup>n</sup> Purvis has come to England on leave, we have written to him enquiring what report Capt<sup>n</sup> Golliffe has made and whether he can suggest any improvements.

7. N<sup>o</sup> 64, 5. In anticipation of the want of Shepherds for the extra stock after lambing we sent W<sup>o</sup> 'Jaena' two qualified Shepherds and three Farm Laborers.

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

so we trust there will be sufficient hands for the present,  
as regards the rough Carpenter we shall not be able to send  
one till our next vessel, but we hope you will be able to get  
on with W. Mason who was told he might have to do such work.  
8. N<sup>o</sup> 64, 9. This fortunate the Board warned  
you in time not to curtail transactions with Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bertrand  
& Switzer, and as you have acted for the best to secure the  
Company's present debt they accepted your Draft for  
£441.6. to meet an instalment due to M<sup>r</sup>. Littlejohn  
of Montevideo for the purchase of the New Island property,  
it would however have afforded clearer explanation of  
the matter had you sent a statement of their Liabilities  
and Assets (this had better be done) for we cannot under-  
stand how this property can have cost them so much  
when it was hawked about in the market at £500, and  
we fear there is something still concealed as we hear of an  
instalment coming due to M<sup>r</sup>. Littlejohn in May next.  
We learn that M<sup>r</sup>. Holmsted has told his friends how  
much he is pressed for want of means and they expect to be  
able to remit him about £300 in March next, which will  
probably be paid into this Office, the expenses must be heavy  
for the West Falkland Property as they talk of a yearly rental  
of £285 to the Government. Great caution must be exercised  
in this affair but extreme measures are to be adopted if  
necessary for the protection of the Company's interests.  
Respecting your query upon the Lien given by Bertrand  
& Switzer to Littlejohn, it is the opinion of our Solicitor that  
the same would not give any power over subsequently obtained  
property, though a quibble might be raised upon the words  
"may each of them be possessed", as "may be" might be  
construed into a future tense as well as meaning the present  
possessed property.

9. The Enclosure "3<sup>rd</sup> Ex 205.6.7" was not  
found in this Despatch.

10. The "Victoria Tatham" left the Docks early on  
the 11<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> but the southwesterly gales coming on she was  
detained in the River till the 20<sup>th</sup>, and we consider Capt<sup>n</sup>.  
Macey exercised a sound discretion in lying at the Nore in  
preference to pushing on further, she passed Deal on the 22<sup>nd</sup>  
when once started commenced her voyage well by making  
her official number at Prawle Point the next day at 1.25 P.M.  
On signing the Bills of Lading it was discovered that the Lighter-  
man's note only stated 25 drums Paraffin Oil to have been sent  
on board, though the Invoice and N<sup>os</sup> 188 to 215 gave 28

drums, the B/L was accordingly endorsed that three drums were wanting and the amount has been deducted from Fenner's Account, it is believed however that there are 28 drums on board and we wish your particular report on this matter as the value must be handed to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Fenner if found.

11. When the Agreements were delivered to our people on board the 'V. J.' just as she was sailing, Emily Fry asked for a copy of hers, as there was not one ready I referred her to you, so it will be necessary to furnish her with a copy as soon as you receive this.

12. There has been some trouble about the Government Oil & Lighthouse Stores which the 'V. Tatham' could not accommodate, the Shipbroker of the Board of Trade considers we undertook to carry these goods for certain and the Board of Trade holds the Comp<sup>y</sup> answerable for all consequences & expenses on account of our breach of contract, we maintain that as the freight was only offered some time after the Broker was informed of the opportunity the C<sup>o</sup> had ordered a large quantity of Stores, we conditionally engaged to convey the Gov<sup>t</sup> goods if there was room, the Board of Trade has not communicated with us direct but has complained to the Colonial Office who have written us on the subject, so a statement of facts has been sent for the information of Carl Granville - This Oil &c will now be shipped by the 'Hamilton' from Cardiff.

13. We regret to state that 180 bales Ewe Wool ex 'V. Tatham' remain unsold, they were valued at 7 but are held for 6 $\frac{3}{4}$  though 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  would be accepted, the Wool Market is improving and we hope to clear the lot soon. The Brokers have sent particulars of a complaint about our Wool being more wasting this shipment than formerly this they attribute to the skirts & clippings being packed up with the fleece wool, this practice much be brought to M<sup>r</sup> Bertrand's notice and avoided in future, as it will be better to sell the skirts &c at a lower rate than damage the character of the bulk of our Wool by having the inferior parts of the fleece packed up with the good part - you will perceive that the Bradford Chamber of Commerce particularly recommends the packing of the various kinds of Wool in separate bales.

14. We send copy of Bradford Chamber of Commerce letter about Wool and Rams, as they now recommend the C<sup>o</sup> Blocks to be crossed with Leicesters we shall expect M<sup>r</sup> Bertrand's report upon the 3 Rams sent to 'V. J.' for M<sup>r</sup>.

Stickney which are a cross of Leicester & Lincoln and appear more suitable than pure Leicesters, Mr. Stickney reports that his Sons find these sheep answer well, we therefore beg you will look into the matter and send some account of their treatment, and they feed on 5/- for the guidance of our Board in the selection of Rams another time.

15. We are in communication <sup>with</sup> Capt. Henry B. Edenborough of the Peruvian Navy, who has a concession for 21 years from the Chilean Government for Seal & other fishing on the West Coast amongst the Archipelago South of Chiloe Island and the Magellan Straits - the Lt. 'Turly', lately a Govt. Gunboat, is now being fitted out for this purpose and Pam endeavours to induce him to draw supplies of coal from our Store and send home the surplus of his fishery by our vessel, as the L'pool & Valparaiso Steamers are to convey as much as they can from Sandy Point - he expects to leave England towards the end of March and steam direct to Stanley.

16. At the suggestion of Capt. White of the 'Moderation' we wrote to his Brother at East Cowes, the builder of Steam Launches for the Government, who recommends a diagonal built Steam Life Pinnace, 37 ft long, 6 horse power, costing £500 to 550, this is of course far beyond the Co's means, Messrs Forrest could build a serviceable boat at a cheaper rate but Capt. Edenborough says the vibration of the screw is too much for wooden boats & that iron vessels are preferable; he has told us of some taken out for the Peruvian Government now to be sold cheap at Valparaiso so we shall write Messrs Croft & Co. to enquire about some (and shall also get particulars from Messrs Dudgeon & Co. the builders), requesting them to learn if a young engineer could be picked up to go to Stanley to manage same & at what rate of wages.

17. The 'Conrad's' Despatch N.º 61 was received on 13<sup>th</sup> ult. but the anticipated 'San Fernando's' Accounts was only the summarized account, a copy of which was already in Messrs Nicholson's possession, as this one was however signed by Capt. Roberts as examined & approved we sent it to Sunderland in hopes of getting the Bill accepted but it was in vain. The last advices from the West Coast report the 'S. Fernando' at Coquimbo, Messrs Nicholson have received papers from Capt. Roberts but they are not sufficient for their Average Papers, Capt. R. complains of the extra charge for Blacksmith, which he says was included in the contract for

in the contract for repairs. Under the circumstances the Board has decided to resort to legal measures, so we hope that on arrival of N<sup>o</sup> 395 you took the precaution to forward copies of all protests, papers and accounts, should this not have been done you must set about it at once and furnish us with all evidence as to supplies & repairs to the 'San Fernando'.

18. The Brig 'Hamilton' 326 tons register, Capt. Burke, belonging to Mr. M<sup>r</sup> Geagh the owner of the 'Sea Witch' goes out to carry on the cargo of the latter to San Francisco, she has been chartered by Mr. Dean at £525 and is now loading at Greenock 120 tons House Coals, two fine spars & some timber (having a timber port) thence she proceeds to Cardiff for 270 tons Steam Coals, a quantity of Draft Beer and other goods shut out of the 'Voluna'; Mr. Dean seems to have obtained a cheap charter but that is accounted for by the vessel having to go to Stanley, he also anticipates making something by getting the business of the 'Sea Witch's' cargo, if the vessel is in your hands you will be able to transact this matter yourself as representing the Underwriters of Antwerp and Belfast, at all events care must be taken that everything is conducted in such a manner as not to bring disrepute to the Port. The 'Hamilton' will leave Cardiff towards or at the end of this month.

19. The Sch. 'Mybanwy' of 160 tons register Capt. W. A. Griffiths is about to take out some ten Welsh people for the Colony at Chupat and is loading 220 tons Steam Coals at Newport, which she may carry on to the Falklands - her charterers wished us to make an offer for these but we declined, they have now lowered their freight to £9/- per ton & the Coals cost £16, perhaps Mr. Dean may yet agree to take this cargo.

20. The Directors wish you fully to understand that having sent out two large cargoes of assorted Stores last year, besides three small shipments and a full cargo of Steam Coals, they will not forward any further supplies until the Produce to be brought back by the 'Victoria Patham' has been realized to put them in funds, for it will need all your remittances & considerable care in financing to pay for our last shipment and keep

things going. Your stock of Steam Coals is still ample for all demands and should the Flying Squadron require some you had better reduce the price to compete with Mr. Dean's later shipment than for us to send out more on speculation, and even though Mr. Dean may obtain the Coal Contract or part of it, we do not think Adm. Horaby will ignore the Company for other supplies as he has received our list of prices &c.

21. I have the pleasure of informing you that Col. D'Arcy has been appointed the new Governor of the Falklands, he was for many years Governor of Gambia and is a middle aged man inclining to elderly, he is desirous to start by the Mail of February with his wife, they have not any children, and a young man as Secretary, he knows a young Clergyman who would like to get out so I told him to day to apply immediately to the Colonial Office in case of the Rev. Bull's resignation coming in. The Rev. W. H. Pirling has been appointed Bishop of the Falkland Islands, a friend of his said he was going to call here but we presume he has been too much engaged lately with his consecration.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman

Jec<sup>rs</sup>

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 398.

Triplicates " 395, 6, 7.

Duplicate Sec<sup>rs</sup> to Cobb 10 Dec 69.

Two Bills Lading 'Victoria Tatham'

Edenborough's Letter 9 Dec 69 and Enclosure 8 Dec 69  
about Company's Wool

Bradford Chamber of Commerce Letter 10 Dec 69

Route of Flying Squadron

Account Sales of Produce ex 'V. Tatham'

Six Hide Sales

Two Wool including Waldron's & Baillon's

Sheepskins Bones

Tallow Oil

Old Iron

Account Sales rendered to Waldron for his Hides & Wool  
N.B. Brillon's Wool will be accounted for hereafter.

Journal and Ledger Entries.

Letter for Capt. Macey from Coleman

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Mr. Hamilton Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
N<sup>o</sup> 400. London 27<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1870.

Sir,

We avail of this Vessel to forward a quantity of Enclosures and to acknowledge your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 66, which will be considered at the next Board and answered by the direct Mail on the 8<sup>th</sup> proximo.

We also send a parcel containing the London Post Office Directory for 1868  
Colonial Blue Book for 1869  
Wire Tramway Co's Circular  
and a number of Price Currents.

Remain, Sir  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

Triplicate N<sup>o</sup> 393  
Duplicate " 399 } His Enclosures  
Acc<sup>t</sup>. Sales of Stickney & Baillon's }  
Wool L 34. 3. - }  
Letter from Cobb to Travis }  
received in N<sup>o</sup> 63. }

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Stanley.

N<sup>o</sup>. 401.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

M<sup>r</sup>. 'Onaida'

London 8<sup>th</sup> February 1870.

Sir,

The Directors now answer your Despatch N<sup>o</sup>. 66, which arrived on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, and are pleased that you have written so fully upon the Company's business, as it shows that you enter into your duties with energy and desire to act to the best advantage for all concerned.

2. Par 6. We could not surmise from your description that you alluded to a Carpet unused on board the 'Lotus', under the circumstances now detailed the Board thinks you will be justified in turning such a Carpet to use.

3. Par 7. This information will enable suitable arrangements to be made with artisans and shepherds, though you now approve of the latter being Scotch when good we shall continue to send some English if decent people offer. By some strange oversight we find the dimensions of the Iron Houses sent out are not in accordance with the Proclamation of 1861, but as they comprise four rooms and have larger cubical contents than the Government dimensions, we trust there will be no difficulty in these being erected on our Leased Stations. As soon as one of the books of plans &c. is done with it is to be returned with remarks for future guidance.

4. Par 9 & 20. The Board wishes every endeavour to be made to obtain the Mail Service for the 'Lotus' as they attach great importance at the present time to the improvement of Postal communication with the Falklands and to attain this end would willingly run her for a couple of years without any great profit, they would be quite content if she merely cleared expenses the first year being convinced her earnings would hereafter soon

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be enlarged through the increased facilities afforded and when once such services became indispensable better terms might be made with the Government; you say the 'Lohus' is of too deep a draught of water to be solely used for the Co's coasting trade, therefore what is there better for her to do, she may or she may not be successful on the Pealing trip you are about to despatch her, but if she pays her way at the Mail Service the Directors would be content in anticipation of the great benefit rapid intelligence would eventually cause to the Company's property.

From the alteration in the Brazil Steamers the Mail Service you propose could not be carried out, we have therefore drawn up Table A for 6 trips a year, Table B for 8 trips a year, both of which compare favorably with the old service: in the latter we have adhered to your suggestion about the 'Lohus' being at Montevideo 15 days for discharging and loading, which is the case 4 times a year, for this detention we could arrange our shipments of Stores, she will also be at the Islands 25 days for service there four times a year, twice in the winter & twice in the summer.

Provided Stores would pay going out by this route we do not see the absolute necessity of allowing 15 days at M. Video if they are obliged to be stored at the Custom House, which we believe will be the case, and have therefore drawn up Table C for a monthly communication, which allows 4 days at M. Video and 5 or 6 at Stanley, this would be a great gain and will no doubt have to be adopted eventually.

All these Tables are calculated for 10 days passages to & from M. Video, but if the 'Froom' can do it under 7 days the 'Lohus' would be able on such terms to work the service so as to allow much longer time at the Islands. We do not see that the departures from Stanley on the 8 trips being at irregular dates will create confusion, for in such a restricted community it will be easy to give notice of the Mails beforehand.

Col: D'Arcy goes out fully impressed with the great benefits to be derived from an acceleration of the Mail Service, so the Board trusts you will give him all assistance in your power for this desirable end.

5. If the foregoing cannot be carried out the Directors suggest, as you report that the 'Lohus' is not exactly suitable vessel for the Co's service & that she would fetch a high price on the West Coast, her going round to

to Valparaiso when you need Flour or have a cargo to carry on to that port, in order to enable Messrs Croft to learn what price she would fetch and if £2500 to £3000 cash down could be obtained the Directors think she ought to be sold, as this amount would enable them to fill her place with a vessel more adapted to our coasting requirements.

6. Par 12. Messrs W. Nicholson & Sons have refused acceptance of the San Fernando's Bill on our terms, the Board has therefore determined to take proceedings and trust to receive the papers necessary to substantiate the Co's claim as requested in our former Despatches.

The Board approves of your suggestion to give longer time on Bills for Ship's Repairs &c and consider that over £300 may be drawn at 60 days sight and 90 days sight for £700 and upwards.

The unfortunate circumstance of this Bill being refused renders it necessary to take precautions for the security of the Co. in future, this can only be done by Bottomry Bond to which for the credit of the port the Directors are averse, but in heavy repairs for a vessel coming to England where the owner is unknown, a Bottomry Bond might be taken at 5 or 10 per cent to be void if the draft is paid on presentation or security given for the due payment of the account should the owner require a little time. In the case of a ship going to a foreign port if the Bill was not honored we should have to wait until she returned to England, but this might be provided against by an adequate interest being entered in the Bottomry Bond, by this addition of interest &c there would be more inducement to meet the draft on presentation. In both cases the interest to be added in the ship's outlay should cover the cost of Insurance. Whenever vessels require heavy outlay the Captain should before anything is done, enter into an agreement to draw a Bill on his Owners and give Bottomry Bond on the ship to be void if Bill is met, as without such an arrangement it might be asserted that any outlay was on the personal security of the Captain.

7. Par 13. Mr. Ernest is under a misapprehension about his Stores being allowed at cost price, he was told he would be put on the same footing as our other employes, and if cost price was mentioned it was only on the supposition that the prices charged to those already at Stanley (the terms of which were not then known to this office) were about cost price, which from the present explanation would be about the fact, since if I understand the proceeding right 25 per cent is added to the prices here for freight, insurance & petty charges into Stanley Store, on this amount the Company's servants are charged 12 1/2 per cent, the Colonists & Shipping being charged 25 per cent, as there is no addition made for purchasing and superintending shipment here nor interest of money or wastage this 12 1/2 per cent would virtually bring them up to cost price, especially if the expense of the staff of Stanley officials is taken into consideration.

We have written Mr. Ernest to this effect, as per letter enclosed open for your perusal, and hope this with your explanations will set the matter in its true light: he may be allowed the reduction from the time you arranged the same until the receipt of this Despatch. Should our anticipations as to his behaviour & conduct of the Store prove correct, the Directors think they have secured his services at a low rate and wish you to hold out hopes of a rise, which they would grant on your reporting him deserving of this reward.

8. Par 19. The Directors have already expressed their gratification on your success in obtaining the Land on Section 8 and we make no doubt as the principle of purchasing on this section has been conceded, the like favor would be allowed on other sections leased under the same Proclamation, so if you have secured a sufficient plot on Section 8 to cover the approach to the Pathway leading to our Firehold Territory. If there is yet some money on the Land Orders unappropriated, it would be well to obtain some Land at Archer Cove or Mackinnon Creek - under all circumstances you must state the acres purchased, the numbers of the Orders used and the balance of Cash remaining.

9. Par 23.

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9. Par 23. We do not look upon the arrangement with Mr. Greenshield's as the experiment we wish to be tried with one of our old Shepherds, we should like a regular working man & his wife (e.g. Peter Rieve, John M<sup>r</sup>. Flinnon who are going to leave) placed on a small farm, so many sheep given into their charge on liberal terms and requisite assistance granted them to make a fair start, and then we could see what inducements might be offered to persons of small capital (or even none if known to be of good character) for as there is a great stir about emigration here, we ought to be able to take advantage of the willingness to leave England to get some to locate on the Falklands.

10. Par 25. You must not run away with the idea that the Board does not support the Island establishment, last year's outlay on Stores was the heaviest on record £15,165.17.7 and if this quite £1600 was entirely for Camp purposes, we also spent over £600 upon Rams and sent out the 'Lohus' at a great expense. The Bills received are only £43 more than last year, whilst the Bills paid are £960 more, the Cash supplied is more than double, whereas the Cash received is less than half of last year. The remainder of the Wool is sold at 6 1/2 p. pound five much for the 'N. Tatham's' Cargo will not prove so valuable as we had hoped and anticipated.

11. Par 29. We are glad to hear Mr. Bertrand's Estate will prove a good security for his debt to the Comp<sup>y</sup>, which we trust you will soon reduce, the Board is quite willing to add to the success of Settlers at the West Falkland by advice, assistance in Stores & temporary Cash advances, but our present circumstances forbid us entering into such a matter as you were induced to do with Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Bertrand & Switzer. The Board considers the Comp<sup>y</sup> has quite as much land as it can properly manage & therefore do not wish to become proposers of this property on the West Falkland, their aim should be to have their own Estate in such good working order as to set an example & attract others to the capabilities of the Islands whom they can assist to start by advice & any little assistance which does not cripple their own resources. The Company ought to be able to offer such inducements on their buying all their Stores from us as to enable them to keep a boat to draw supplies from Stanley or Darwin.

12. Par 34. Should the 'Lohus' proceed to South Georgia we trust you will have instructed Capt<sup>n</sup> Pain to search the shores for the 'Blue Jacket's' missing Boat, for tho' there is very little chance of the crew surviving so long there would still be the gold. Whilst on this subject I may

mention that Capt. Peacock part owner of the 'Maroaka' considers she may yet turn up as the Captain expressed his intention of making a more southerly passage this voyage, so she may have been caught in the ice, being embedded in which she could only be released on floating with the mass into warmer latitudes, she is an uncommon strong vessel and would float on her cargo, so if she has become a wreck and is fallen in with she would be a valuable prize having £5,000 Gold dust on board.

13. As there are no Banking facilities at the Falklands we have agreed to receive money paid in by Col. Grey to your office, so please receive any Cash from him and advise us the amounts.

14. When the Flying Squadron calls at Stanley Pam to request your kind attentions to Mr. Cecil Oldham, a Midshipman on board H.M. Frigate 'Liffey', he being a Nephew of our Vice Chairman, W. Hughes Hughes Junr. Esq.

15. I have the pleasure of stating that the 'Nicola Maria's' Bill has been paid. The 'Hamilton' sailed on the 5<sup>th</sup> inst, her Welsh Steam Coals were Powell's Duffryn double screened - the two spars were 7 1/2 feet long Red Pine, not so good as our Oregon Mast - she had 40 blds Beer & the Oil for Cape Pembroke Lighthouse. It is not yet decided whether the 'illybarrow' will go on to Stanley.

16. Our Brokers inform us that the Tails being sent on the skin deteriorate very much and that the Hair would fetch a better price if cut off, so this had better be done in future. You have not given the number of Sheep clipped to produce the Wool sent home per Mr. Tatham's please do so and send this information with every cargo.

17. As Capt. Surrall of the 'Satellite' does not send proper accounts to his owner, Capt. Alex. Barr goes out by this Steamer with powers to obtain possession of her, if she landed Waldron's Sheep in good order there might be a chance of her being engaged again, we wish you to learn all particulars about her.

18. Referring to 399, 400 we learn that Mr. Slickney's Rams are pure Leicester, as they thrive at the Falklands we may send some: we perceive that the Cheviot Rams per Mr. Tatham's 'West' of last year would not be put to the Cuses until next April or May, this will make them over two years old and having had 9 & 10

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months for acclimatization they ought to get some good stock - care must be taken not to use the present Cheviot Rams of 'V. Tatham' too soon, as they will not be a year old when landed and certainly ought to have some months to get acclimatized.

19. We are informed that Don Oscar Viel is the Governor at Sandy Point in case you have any transactions with the Chilian Settlement there.

20. Enclosed is a Printed List of Prices at Stanley, we shall not issue them without any person interested asks for such information, until we hear from you that they are quite correct, if you can suggest any improvement please do so.

21. As Robina Boyd has married her husband ought to pay the small balance of her advance expenses of 'Beta', which has been standing since 1867.

Remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman

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Enclosures.

Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 400.

Mail Service Tables - A for 6 trips a year  
B " 8 " "  
C " 12 " "

Schooner Service for above  
Comparison of above Services.

Epitome of Land Regulations on Reclamations  
of 1849, 1862 and 1867.

Stanley Prices, Printed List.

Journal Entries.

Letter for Ernest from Secretary

do " Capt<sup>n</sup> Macey } of V. Tatham from their Wives.  
do " W. Perry }

Specification of Oregon Masts - J. News, 3 Feb 70.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1870

No. 401

The Secretary  
of the B. & O.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 102.  
P<sup>r</sup> 'La Plata'

London 8<sup>th</sup> March 1870.

Sir, On the 17<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we received Duplicate Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 67 and 68, sent to Montevideo for the French Mail, the Original of the latter arrived the next day in the English Mail Bag, and the 'Fred Thomson' delivered the Original of N<sup>o</sup> 67 yesterday - the Duplicate of 67 was received with the duplicate.

2. I regret to inform you that Mr Thomson declined to accept the Bill for £171. 5. 8, the amount of his vessel's expenses at Stanley, as he had no Account or Letter of Advice, it will be necessary therefore in future that the Captain gives Letter of Advice in duplicate, which, with the Account in Duplicate, must be forwarded to this Office by yourself, the Originals with the first of Exchange, the Duplicates with the second of Exchange.

3. The arrangements given in last Desp<sup>t</sup> Por 6 respecting Bottomry Bonds must now be carried out for every vessel whose Account is over £100 (or even under that amount if there is any doubt about Captain or Owners) the charge on direct passage to England is to be 10% (Ten per cent), with 5% (Five per cent) for Insurance if necessary to insure the Bond through the Bill not being accepted. In the case of a vessel going to a Foreign Port where she loads for England at once the charge is to be Fifteen per cent (15%) with Ten per cent (10%) for Insurance, if bound to a port with cargo whence she would go seeking, thus delaying her return to England the charge is to be twenty per cent (20%) with fifteen per cent (15%) for insurance - you will of course exercise a discretion in carrying this out as the Board has every desire to behave liberally to Shipowners and thus increase the business of the port, but they must really protect themselves.

4. Desp<sup>t</sup> 68, 2. The Directors have carefully perused the Camp Manager's Letters I perceive that he has numerous difficulties to overcome, but they are

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley.



glad to see he acts with energy & has every desire to do his best for the Company - his requirements are heavy - we notice that more Shepherds will be needed as Mr. Bertrand now considers a qualified Shepherd is required for every 1000 Sheep, we were in hopes that a flock of 2000 Sheep could be managed by a qualified Shepherd and one Herdsman, but if qualified men are absolutely necessary steps must be taken to send some out, we have commenced enquiries for Shepherds in Scotland and if your next Despatch says they are urgently required we must engage five and despatch them by the Steamer on the 8<sup>th</sup> June next, being the only opportunity for them to arrive by September, the time Mr. Bertrand says they ought to be at the Islands.

Your Despatch 64 sent a List showing that 18 men had left and 9 were going to leave on 1<sup>st</sup> May next, with 2 dead, being a total of 29 names, which you state makes a reduction of the staff, but as explained in No. 386, 2. when you reported a reduction before, we do not find by the Camp Wages Returns that this is so, or else other men have been engaged, we send statements of the number & cost of Men and Camp Manager for the four last years, which show that the present number is one more than the number at which Mr. Bertrand commenced, though taking Shepherds, Herdsmen & General Work (some of whom could we presume on emergency be devoted to shepherding entirely) the numbers are the same. We conclude your intention of going into Camp was to inspect carefully, as you have not asked for any men yourself, so we shall look with anxiety for your report and shall not move until we hear what men are positively required.

5. After the serious loss from Fire & the precautions the Board have urged should be taken it is disappointing to hear of another narrow escape, and it will now be your duty to make strict regulations to prevent such carelessness in future, by instituting heavy fines for the improper use of lights of any kind, the Directors desire the most stringent rules to be adopted on this head as it is impossible to insure our Farm Buildings & contents. We return Mr. Bertrand's 16 letters for though you say the last two are copied, the last but one (of 24 Dec) bears your endorsement "No time to copy," so all are sent back to be on safe side.

6. 68,3. In our present state of funds it is impossible to think of an Iron Jetty but we shall look for a detailed plan with distances, dimensions, depth of water &c; in order to be prepared for getting the cost of such an erection, as the crude sketch you have sent will not be a sufficient guide; in such a windy place would the building of a Store at the sea end be advisable, as to counteract the great strain from the wind would it not be necessary to build a much heavier Jetty and thus increase the cost materially.

7. 68,4. We trust the Wool Bales by the 'V. Tatham' will be suitable for the Pref, are Mr. Bertrand's dimensions correct, 3.8 1/2 long, 2.6 1/2 wide, 3 feet deep? It will be necessary for you to send the stock of Wool Bales on hand after departure of 'V. Tatham' so that we may know what further supply should be sent. State also stock of Hide Salt and the yearly consumption to guide us in shipping some when we require ballast for a vessel. You have omitted the stock of Coals in the latter Despatches.

8. 68,5. I have written to Mr. Harrison at Liverpool who states that he has not at present made up his mind about starting Steamers round the Horn, but will bear us in mind.

9. 68,7. The Directors regret extremely to hear of the decease of their old & valued servant Mr. Putter, they quite believe your description that he was very deserving & that there are some grounds for your proposal of a pension to his widow, but they have to consider the present position of the Shareholders & must be just before they are generous: Mr. Putter drew a good salary and had the means of earning further money by pilotage as is evidenced by the money he has saved (over £377) after bringing up a large family, so his widow ought to be content with the amount of her husband's pay till the end of this quarter, which the Board trust she will consider as a liberal allowance. The "Times" office informed us your notice had not arrived so we had the death inserted in that paper & the "Mail" - by our next vessel the Directors will send out a gravestone to mark their respect to Mr. Putter.

10. 68,8. We have not been able to obtain the £10.5.6 from Messrs. Adamson & Ronaldson for Capt. White's clothing as he has left their service, they have however written to him at Sydney, as he now commands the 'Callar Co', and believe he will remit the money without delay.

11. We send statement of the Realization of the Cargo of 'Victoria Tatham', the purchases being kept distinct from the Company's Produce, it totalled £7,133.9.8 Cash, from which

has to be allowed £128. 14. 6 for Bertrand's Commission, so that we have not received near so much money as our large shipments to you would have led us to expect. From the Profit & Loss Statement of Adventures herewith you will perceive there is a gain of £53. 5. 7, which is only three per cent (3%) on the outlay and had not the Oil gauged more gallons here than at Stanley there would have been a loss - this account will be altered by the allowance to be made upon the Wool sold by Bertrand & Switzer upon weights which cannot be correct as explained in Despt. 394, 2. You acted with a good intention in filling up the vessel as far as possible but this will be a warning to you not to pay so much for Hides, the last six cargoes of Hides give an average of  $17/6$  each (seventeen shillings six pence) for gross realization and fifteen shillings six pence ( $15/6$ ) each the net proceeds.

12. The Directors wish to know the cost of each Horse shipped on board the 'Lotus' at Montevideo, proven der Expenses being included in the outlay, and the cost of each as landed, and the number & cost of the remainder when acclimatized. It would also be interesting to have your estimate of the cost of each Hide procured by the Gauchos, as we cannot calculate the various expenses on this side & such a return would enable us to see whether this part of our business pays sufficiently well to be continued, for since the last year's Profit on the Poland Administration is so small it becomes an absolute necessity to search out where the heavy expenses occur, which occasions the good profit made at the Store to be swallowed up, from all the returns of Sales of Ergo, Wages and knowing what stores are consumed in the Camp you will be able to go into the matter minutely.

13. An Action at Law has been commenced against Messrs Nicholson upon the 'San Fernando's' Bill of a Commission & the evidence at Stanley will go out by next Mail.

14. Capt. Vinke of the 'Vicola Maria' called here to say that a letter addressed to his owners, left at Stanley on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October last, has not been delivered.

15. The Board wishes to have your report upon the Liebig's Company's Extract of Meat, if much used in the Colony whether Ship Captains approve of being able to obtain a supply.

16. By first opportunity you must send about 4 lbs each of the seed of the Tuzac Grass and of the Reed & Postail Grass (*Arundo alopecurus*) collected at the right time in the most careful manner & sent home in tin for the purpose of rearing these

of rearing these grasses in England, by Book post we forward Messrs. Raynolds's Circular to guide you on this point - the grass seeds & garden seeds for yourself will be shipped by the June Mail.

17. The Harbour Department of the Board of Trade has made a claim of £15.11.10 for extra expenses on the 'Victoria Tatham' which we could not take in the 'Victoria Tatham', but a representation to them appears to have closed the matter as they have not pressed for payment: the Board wish to be informed the yearly consumption of Oil at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, how many six gallon cans are sent out, if they are returned, and what is the average yearly tonnage of the Oil & the other requirements for the Lamps &c and all particulars you can learn on the subject.

18. We have accepted Messrs. Schuch & Melian's Bill for £125.13.5 on account of expenses at all. Vider, and I am directed to inform you that our financial position looks very black, the incoming cargo is already mortgaged to the extent of fifty per cent & there is yet a large amount of Stores unpaid, we anticipated a much larger remittance last month than was received and the Directors expect you will do your utmost to send home as much money as possible, besides the Co's Produce p. 'W. Tatham', and they desire you will practise & institute in all the Company's business the greatest economy consistent with the proper working of the concern.

Remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,

J. Coleman  
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Enclosures.

Triplicates 399, 400.

Duplicates " 401.

do Gros to (16 & Jan 5 & Feb 70)

do " " Ernest " " "

Bernard's 16 Letters ex Despatch 68.

Translation of German Consular Fees.

List of Returns from Stanley, when due in London.

Realization of 'W. Tatham's' whole Cargo £740b. 2.9

Profit & Loss Statement of Adventures p. 'W. Tatham' }  
£1330. 19. "

4 years Returns of Camp Wages from 1 July 66 to 31 Dec 69.

1 " " do " Stanley do " " " " " 30 Sept "

Chart of Stanley Harbour with prices &c printed on it.

No. 402

9<sup>th</sup> March, 1890

The Secretary  
of the S.P.C.K.

N<sup>o</sup> 403.  
Mr. Douro.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 8<sup>th</sup> April 1870.

Sir, On receipt of Original Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 67 a copy of the 'Fred Thomson's' Account was sent to Mr. Turner, and the Directors have the pleasure of reporting that he thereupon accepted the Bill for £471.5.8, though the absence of this Account caused a loss of 24 days interest.

2. The Board has determined to send out five qualified Shepherds by the next direct Mail on 5<sup>th</sup> June, and should the advices due on the 18<sup>th</sup> inst. prove the urgent necessity of a Stonemason, we may be able to send one with them. As the present is about the best season of the year for engaging Shepherds in Scotland, it will be necessary for the prospective yearly requirements in sheep to be arranged for long beforehand, so that we may let our Agents have time to choose suitable men, & be able to draw them from different localities.

3. There was an error in the Wages Returns sent by last Mail in entering the whole amount of cargoes ex 'Athol' and 'Victoria T. Mann' -

The year 1867/8	instead of	7193.3.10	should be	6167.1.7
" 1868/9	"	7133.9.8	"	5173.16.2

as the Adventures in each shipment had nothing to do with the Company's Produce.

4. In N<sup>o</sup> 66, 34 you say on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1869 you would send 'Lotus' sailing next week, which would be about 15<sup>th</sup>, yet Despatch 68 of 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. does not report anything of this intention being carried out - the Shipping List enters her as sailing on 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. but destination not mentioned, this is an omission & must be avoided in future.

5. Mr. Langdon draws attention to the fact that the 'Allen Gardiner' is always consigned to Mr. Dean according to the Shipping List, if the South American Missionary Society do not put any business in our way we shall have to charge them freight on parcels & goods by our vessels.

6. We send statements of Farm Accounts for 1867/8 and 1868/9 giving credit for the respective cargoes of

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager,  
Stanley.

Produce ex 'Athole' and 'V. Tatham', the former exhibits a Loss of £263.4.5, the latter a gain of £66.7.10, the Board wish to receive your remarks and explanations on the same, for they appear to show that the Camp is not worth carrying on, since it is not charged with any rent of the Company's land nor any share of the Stanley expenses in your's and the Clerk's salaries and yet has little or no Profit. We have adhered to the figures of the Island Ledger in one column to show the accounts are made out from your own figures, only carrying out into a second column those figures which pertain to the cargo collected in the year - This principle will be continued in future and we shall be glad if the facts now brought to your notice will enable some alteration to be made, which will render the Farm profitable and so fit to be continued.

7. We also send statement of the Adventure Acc<sup>t</sup> for 1868/9 with Credit for the realization of the 'V. Tatham's' cargo entered as £1830.19.0, showing a Loss of £46.6.5 - the inside column gives the entries according to your Journal these are only carried out for the account when they relate to the year's transactions, as some of the Island entries refer to the cargoes of former years. This principle has been carried out for 1867/8 bringing to the Credit the Adventures sent home for 'Athole', from which it will be perceived that there is a Loss of £230.6.4.

8. The two statements for the year 1867/8 and the detailed realization of the 'Athole's' Cargo, as enclosed, show that your plan of roughly entering one fifth of that cargo for Adventures to save trouble did not give a true result, your figures being -

Produce	5,732.6.2	against our calculated items	6,167.1.0
Adventures	1,460.17.8	"	1,026.2.3
	<u>£ 7,193.3.10</u>		<u>£ 7,193.3.10</u>

we hope this will induce you to be more careful in future.

9. In examining the Farm Acc<sup>t</sup> we perceive that the Wages Accounts do not balance, we send statement for 1867/8 and 1868/9 giving the amounts earned, paid and due, upon which it will be necessary for you to render a full explanation.

10. From the foregoing statements of Farm & Adventure Accounts for 1868/9 we are enabled to draw up a Profit and Loss Statement for the year, which combines the figures of the Profit & Loss Statement drawn up from the Island

Ledger (as copied on the 29<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> last by Mr. Travis and taken out by him) and the results of the 'Victoria Tatham's' Cargo, this shows a net Profit of £2097.12.3, but as the Island Administration Acc<sup>t</sup> in our books only gives £1286.1.9 as Profit it must be looked upon as imaginary, for if it had really been made we should be able to show it on this side, as our account is the entry of rigid facts in all its figures, we presume you keep a counterpart of this account from the entries of our Journal as forwarded. I can therefore check the same.

11. The very little Profit realized from the Island transactions for last year has necessitated a closer inspection of the accounts, from which it is perceived that the concern is not charged for the purchase and erection of Buildings, such as Cottages for the Shepherds & others, Wool Shed &c, nor for the purchase & fitting of Plant & Utensils, such as Wool Press, Sheep Dipping Apparatus &c, and though the maintenance and repairs of such Buildings and Plant are correctly charged to revenue, the first cost of them ought to be considered an outlay of Capital.

It will therefore be necessary in future to enter such outlays to two accounts called "Buildings" and "Plant & Utensils", and the Directors wish you to make a calculation of the expenses under these two heads from the time of your commencing duties as Colonial Manager, apportioning them to the several years according to your books, and to send detailed account of same: we have gone over our shipments for last year and have debited "Buildings" £372.10.0 for Iron Houses, Doors &c, 15 per cent being charged for freight, insurance & expenses, to which you will have to put the cost of erection - "Plant & Utensils" is debited £146.1.0 for Wool Press & Tanks - these two accounts must not be heavily charged with expenses, only with the strict outlay for labour and no more, and are to be made up to the end of June in each year.

12. In consequence of the shortness of funds, our attention has been called to former arrangements that the prime cost on this side of Stores should always be remitted back, leaving the profit on the sale of Stores to go towards the expenses at the Islands in collecting the Produce, which should pay expenses here and provide



Dividend, the Board accordingly directed me to draw up an account for last year (1 July 68 to 30 June 69) to show what has been shipped to you and the amount returned for same, by the copy herewith you will see that there is a difference against the Island Administration of £ 2238. 12. 9 - This account shows that Stores to the amount of £ 9763. 7. 6 were disposed of, taking them to realize 33 1/3 per cent Profit of £ 3254 could be devoted to Island expenses, which with the Profit on Butchery, Commission, Interest, Shipping &c ought to be ample to collect the Company's Produce, which would then come home for expenses here and Dividend, as well as paying off the Debentures, this latter will have to be done or the stock of Stores reduced they being originally issued for a Store Capital. The same account has been carried out for the former year 1867/8, but the short remittance is not so much being £ 318. 7. 4 - we trust you will go thro' these accounts and verify or object to them.

13. We do not see that any money has been paid by the three women Black, M<sup>rs</sup> Kirdle & Thomson against their passages out of 'Athole', though they entered into Agreements to refund £ 15 each, have you taken any steps to recover these outlays made by the Comp<sup>y</sup> for the benefit of others?

14. When a vessel is coming out for Cargo home in quantity of Produce & Adventures, with estimate of their value, must be sent home by every Despatch to enable us to effect Insurance in a proper manner.

15. We learn that the Grover & Baker Sewing Machine Co, one of whose machines went out for W. Biggs our Carpenter in the 'V. Tatham', have addressed him at Stanley as M<sup>rs</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Riggs, if the letter has not been delivered to him he can now take measures to claim it.

16. The Admiralty furnished us with Capt<sup>r</sup> Jolliffe's address as he had not called here, and we learn from him that he was much pleased with your attentions & considers our speculation is progressing favorably, the Board is glad he can speak well of what you showed him but his opinion is not the best of success, which can only be evidenced by our books here showing we have received more money & value from the Islands than the amount of money and supplies furnished.

17. M<sup>r</sup> Griffiths, the Magistrate, & Capt<sup>r</sup> Fennell of the Mail Scho<sup>r</sup> 'Foam', are Passengers by this Steamer, the latter has kindly

latter has kindly taken charge of three parcels for you containing Clothes, Books, Music, Chart and Books.

18. We have the pleasure of enclosing packet received this day from the Chilian Minister, containing your Commission as Chilian Consul signed by the President of the Republic and the Queen's Exequatur empowering you to act in that capacity at the Falkland Islands.

19. The Directors wish you to make all Bills received for remittance to England payable in London.

I remain,  
Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
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Enclosures.

- Tarm Accounts for 1867/8 and 1868/9.
- Adventure do " do " do
- Realization of Athol's Cargo in Produce of Adventures.
- Discrepancy in Camp Wages for 1867/8 and 1868/9.
- Island Profit & Loss Statement founded on 'W. Tatham's' Cargo.
- Stores sent out and Remittances made for same 1868/9.
- do do do do 1867/8.
- Account of Bertrand's Commission on 'W. Tatham's' Produce. 1868/9.
- Wool Particulars, 12 Cargoes fr. Friday 12 July 59 to 'W. Tatham' 22 Oct 69.
- Memos on Weights of 'W. Tatham's' Wool.
- List of Charts of enlarged size for Co's Property
- Epitome of Island Administration & Est. for 1869.
- Ledger and Journal Entries.
- Remarks on Accounts.
- Printed List of Prices to be returned with Prices paid by Co's Employees.
- Letter for Miss Watts from Prague
- do " Cobb from Coleman - Private -
- do " do " do
- do " do " Chilian Minister.

P.S. In order to avoid expense of Commission to Stanley Messrs. Nicholson have paid £600 and we have allowed the matter to stand over till the 'San Fernando's' arrival now daily expected, as Capt. Roberts can produce Accounts and will be examined thereon.  
J.C.

San Francisco, 1870

No. 403

The Secretary  
of the S. S. B.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup>. 404.  
fr. 'Onaida'

London 7<sup>th</sup> May 1870.

Sir, On the 9<sup>th</sup> April your Despatch N<sup>o</sup>. 69 was delivered by the 'Golden Land' - on the 13<sup>th</sup> we received Mr. Travis' Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 70 and 71, both dated the 9<sup>th</sup> February, it might lead to confusion having two Despatches of the same date so please in future avoid this and when by a sailing vessel or steamer put underneath her destination.

2. The R. Mail Pt<sup>l</sup> delivered on 20<sup>th</sup> April Mr. Travis' Despatch N<sup>o</sup>. 72 and as the 'Foam' had not arrived at N. Water when she left, your Despatch 73 was only received on the 27<sup>th</sup> April - Duplicates of N<sup>os</sup> 69 and 71 have not been sent forward.

3. As Despatch 73 was dated 7 left Stanley five days after the regular day and the 'Foam' made an extremely long passage up, we have written to the General Post Office for information respecting these delays, but they cannot render any explanation as the 'Foam' is not under their control, the Directors did not think it well to write to the Colonial Office as the enquiry would have gone out to the new Governor and they were averse to inaugurating his Administration by a complaint, they wish your explanation of the matter for as the Mails leave Stanley only six times a year the greatest punctuality ought to be observed.

4. The Directors are disappointed that the last Despatch contained no Remittances, you speak of making up a large cargo for the 'Victoria Tatham', but as the purchase of your Adventures these two last shipments have proved a loss the Cash would have been much more acceptable, especially as having heavier liabilities your remittances in Bills have been shorter than before being to the present 1,731. - 5 against 2,513. 18. 10 in 1869 and 3,621. 11. 2 in 1868. The Board wish you to state in future what remittances may be expected.

Frederick C. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

5. N.º 69, 3. We do not exactly understand the plan of the 1000 acres Land purchased at Darwin Harb.º; it gives a boundary line running from the shore of Brenton Loch N.º. E. terminating in a pond north of the Sheep Dip House, north of this pond to the west is a dotted line running to Camilla Creek marked "the more desirable boundary line" - the extra land enclosed would perhaps be 500 acres and the Directors do not perceive why this quantity could not have been purchased, as the balance of the Land Orders on hand was £1451. 2. 3, which would admit of 3,627 acres being taken up, and the Governor having allowed 1000 acres to be purchased would doubtless have agreed to this extra quantity, as the boundary would certainly be much better defined both for the Crown and the Company. The authorities at the Colonial and Emigration Offices have been consulted and appear to be favorable to our being allowed the same privileges as granted by the Proclamation of 24 June 67, and will no doubt authorize the Governor to issue a Proclamation to this effect.

6. Mr. Travis's short Despatch N.º 70 acknowledges receipt of our Despatches 394 to 397 but we expected you would have replied more fully, the receipt of the Stores ex 'Voluna' is not alluded to, nor the North German Confederation Consulship affairs, Charts upon a large scale and other matters, which would have well borne further comment.

7. N.º 73, 2. We had heard of Mrs. Cooper's illness when the 'V. Tatham' was on the Line and are therefore gratified that she has recovered - you have not sent the Landing Certificate of these Emigrants whereby we are kept out of £50 at a time of sore need. We shall attend to your suggestion about vessels going to the mouth of the River Plate to ensure a quick run down.

8. N.º 73, 3. Respecting the sale of some Sheep the Board approve of your disposing of about 2,000 Ewes of mature age and shall be well satisfied to obtain from twenty to twenty five shillings (20/- to 25/-) each for them, but the amount obtained must be remitted intact as the Directors have so many liabilities to meet. Should our next lambing be abundant and you have more sheep than can be well taken care of it would be advisable to sell some wethers, if a good price can be obtained,

as the increase of the flocks really represents an addition to the Company's property, which if disposable might be used for a Dividend, for it is not fair towards the present Shareholders to go on accumulating property for their successors and depriving them of interest on their outlay. It must also be borne in mind that as the Company's Wool is the most suitable for the Colony, any dissemination of their sheep improves the whole breed of the Islands and brings a better name to the Falkland Wool, thereby enabling us to obtain higher prices: with this in view the Directors authorize you to sell occasionally any surplus Rams when a fair price can be obtained, upon the before mentioned condition that the proceeds are sent home at once without any deduction. On receiving your remark that the last lot of Rams *W. Tatham* were not so good as the first, we wrote to the Agents as we had already complained that those *W. West* were not equal to the first lot *W. Tatham* and learn that both other shipments were of the same stock, being heavier woolled than those *W. West* and more fitted for heavy strong land, the *West's* being more adapted to higher & barer land, so after all perhaps these latter may prove to succeed better on our pasturage.

*No. 10*  
*10.* Par 9. The Directors have carefully considered your request for eight to ten good Shepherds by September next and have determined to send out five by the Mail of 8<sup>th</sup> June to go down by *Foam* and arrive with you end of July, they cannot exceed this number on account of the expense and the risk run of the men not proceeding further than Montevideo - should it prove that the lambing is so successful as to require more men we must trust to your being able to get some of the time expired people to reengage. We shall endeavour to send out some more good men with their families by the next ship though we do not think it will be more than five, as there will be a difficulty in obtaining Shepherds in Scotland after next month.

*10.* I am extremely concerned at the discrepancy between the Wool Prefs & the Wool Bales, the measurement of the former was obtained from the maker & we ordered the latter of the sizes given us, if the dimensions in Despatch 402, 7

are correct there will always be a little extra expense in making up our bales, being different to the regular Colonial bales, which are 54 ins by 27 ins, as last sent.

11. Par 13. The Directors are glad that you have made another extended tour in Lafonia, the report of the Cattle being more numerous than expected is satisfactory and they trust every care will be taken to turn them to account as cheaply as possible, for they can hold out but little hopes at present of being able to establish a boiling-down apparatus; in face of the little Profit accruing to the Farm from the sale of Hides & Wool no extra expense must be incurred for any new matters, the Wool Shed must therefore for the present be made to answer as it is.

12. Par 14. We notice your purchase of Hides at 2s/ (two shillings) for Bulls, the Board bids me reiterate our caution not to buy at such high rates as they leave so little margin for profit, and I am to remark that as Mr. B owner was in the Company's debt you might have made better terms, since a favor was granted to him by taking Hides to get out of our debt.

13. Par 19. The Indent has come to hand it will cost nearly £3,000 and freight £600, the Directors cannot depart from their determination not to send any more Stores until they are placed in funds to do so (see N<sup>o</sup> 399, &c.), as before explained our shipments have been most heavy, it all depends upon your remittances in Bills and the sale of the Cargo whether we shall be able to send a small intermediate cargo or wait until the end of this or the beginning of next year for the Wool Vessel.

14. Since our last we have been considering the expenses of the Camp and it has struck us that there is a great outlay in providing meat for the Shepherds, by means of Gauchos employed to kill Wild Cattle & other men employed to distribute the meat of such animals, and it is imagined that this expense could be reduced by some of the Shepherds in the outlying districts being allowed to kill some of their old Sheep for consumption, such permission will have to be given with caution and only those animals likely to lose their teeth must be allowed to be killed, we think however you would be able to control such an arrangement.

15. The Board notice

Put more hives this year

More

These are not new  
purchased at  
Dunbar

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of the  
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15. The Board notice from M<sup>r</sup>. Bertrand's correspondence that the Scalp is far from cured, so they trust you will take care that the provisions of his Agreement are strictly carried out, as he was not to receive his Commission if the disease was not eradicated, nor was the Agreement to continue - the increased salary of £100 a year cannot be claimed as the Ships have not been free of Scalp for 12 months.

16. As you must be aware that we are very anxious about Bertrand & Switzer's Account, the Directors regret you have omitted to send any report upon their Estate or condition of the account, they perceive this has been increased by upwards of £221 (Two Hundred Twenty one Pounds) since the last quarter, besides a balance still against the 'Fairy', which ought to have gone to this account. Owing to the change of title of the firm "Bertrand Switzer" in the Stanley Books to "W. W. Bertrand (P. E.)" without any intimation of the same being given to this Office, the Journal entries in November to the above firm were posted in the London Island Ledger to "W. W. Bertrand's" private account, the error being discovered on checking the Quarterly Balances ex B. 73 - in future this Account should be styled "W. W. Bertrand & Co." under which title all entries must be made.

17. My attention has been directed to the amount insured on Stores & Produce on board the two Shutes in Stanley Harbour being only £700 (Seven hundred Pounds), as the latter must at times be considerable especially just before the year's cargo leaves the Islands, the Board will thank you to consider the matter, explaining what risks there are of fire, stranding and sinking, and stating whether you think it would be wise to insure a larger amount, say for four months from the end of December to the end of April in each year.

18. The Board has consented to compromise the Action with Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Nicholson & Son and have waived interest on the overdue Bill, besides paying part of our own Law Costs, so that this unfortunate dispute costs the Comp<sup>y</sup>. about £40 (Forty Pounds) - it was agreed that reference should be made to you to explain the charge of £34.9.6 for Blacksmith's work, as in both the Contracts Blacksmith's labor & expenses are included, I told them we believed it would prove to be <sup>other</sup> parts of the 'San Fernando' independent of the repairs executed by the Comp<sup>y</sup>, but if there is any error in entering this charge after it was included in the contracts some return will have to be made to them.

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19. The Bill for L465.2.10 on Messrs Baring for the 'Mary' was at first refused acceptance as they had no advice of it, fortunately we discovered that though sailing under the British Flag she belonged to a New York House, Capt. Baker M<sup>r</sup>. Near, and on the matter being explained Messrs Baring accepted - we presume you take care in such transactions to see that the Captain holds an authority giving him the power of drawing as this should always be looked to. This matter was complicated through the original Captain, Townsend, having been left ill at Honolulu, it appearing therefore that she was coming home under charge of the Mate rendered it more necessary than ever for Capt. Giles to have advised Messrs Baring that he had drawn upon them. The 'Mary' has not yet arrived at Falmouth.

20. It is a good idea of your's to give the particulars you have of vessels leaving in ballast going to any Port "seeking a freight" or otherwise, as in the case of the 'Patellite' it enabled her owners to take steps to seize her on the West Coast, Capt. Harr (mentioned in No. 401, 17) was not able to do anything as he became ill after leaving Rio de Janeiro & returned by the same Steamer. If you now send us the Shipping Report on the Lloyd's Forms you must put down to whom vessels are consigned - whenever a Ship's Account is made out it will be a good plan to give her Official Number on the same.

21. The Board is exceedingly annoyed at learning that Mr. Ernest has behaved improperly, should he again give way to insobriety we authorize you to take the proper steps for dismissing him from the Company's service, as such behaviour is most unsuitable for a Storekeeper.

22. We have received intimation from the Colonial Office that Mr. Travis has applied for the new appointment of Finance Clerk under the Colonial Government, either he has done wrong to seek other employment without apprising you of his desire to leave the Co's service, or you have omitted to state the matter, with explanations, for the Board's information.

Remain,

Sir.

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman

Secy

Enclosures.

Triplicate of No. 401.

Duplicates " " 402, 403.

do Coleman to Colb. 8 Apr

do " " " " Private

Letter " " " of this date.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 6<sup>th</sup> June 1870.

N<sup>o</sup> 405.  
P<sup>r</sup>. 'La Plata'

Sir, On the 12<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 74 reached us and the two letters for the North German Confederation were immediately sent on. The Royal Mail S<sup>r</sup>. delivered on the 16<sup>th</sup> May your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 75 and 76. The Original of N<sup>o</sup> 74 arrived on the 18<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, the Original of N<sup>o</sup> 75 on the 25<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, by which we received the 'Electric's' Bill on demand for £15.13.3, second of this Remittance ought to have been sent forward in N<sup>o</sup> 76.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 74, 2. We wait your further plans and particulars of the Woolshed as the rough sketch drawn out by M<sup>r</sup>. Bertrand is not understood.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 76, 3. The Directors note your remarks upon the Bertrand Estate Account and trust your anticipations of the Produce to be obtained from the West Falkland towards reduction of the debt may be realized - they perceive you have not complied with their request to be furnished with a Statement of Liabilities and Assets and desire that this may be done, in order that they may see how matters are likely to turn out.

4. N<sup>o</sup> 76, 15. The Board is surprised that after the manner in which they objected to your advance of cash to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Bertrand & Switzer, you should pursue the same course by advancing money to M<sup>r</sup>. Alexander Laws (to enable him to get rid of a lazy partner) on the security of the 'Fairy' - you say that circumstances will be mentioned which may render this only a temporary Loan, still knowing the great necessity of remitting money to England you should not have entered into such a matter, especially as there was a great risk whether we should have been able to insure the 'Fairy', fortunately this has been done at Six Guineas per cent upon £400 for six months from the 11<sup>th</sup> April last, the expense is £25.5. - another outlay by this Office when no funds are sent home for such charges.

5. N<sup>o</sup> 76, 16. The Directors regret you had not taken an early opportunity to pay your official visit to

Frederick C. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley

Col<sup>l</sup>: D'Arcy, the new Governor, as our Despatches informed you that we had been in communication with him and anticipated he would take great interest in the Colony whereby its advancement would be accelerated, but we suppose there must have been some reasons which prevented this visit being made.

6. N<sup>o</sup>: 76, 18. It would have been better if you had given us some idea when the 'V. Tatham' would sail for London, we are sorry to see she was delayed on her passage to Darwin. The Board trusts your fear about her not carrying all our cargo may prove unfounded, in the face of such a possibility however they do not understand your purchasing more Produce as detailed at Par 20, for at the present time any locking up of capital by purchased Adventures lying at the Islands would cause serious inconvenience.

7. N<sup>o</sup>: 76, 21. Your telegram to Lloyd's about the wreck of the 'Balcarry' at Sheeh's Bay, Tierra del Fuego, arrived at the same time with your report of the loss of the 'Maid of Athens' on Staten Island, as the latter is said to have had an especially valuable cargo we have obtained copy of her Manifest to guide you in any transactions about her. The shipper of the Iron Boilers & Machinery would like to know if there is any chance of these goods being able to be sent on to Valparaiso.

8. N<sup>o</sup>: 76, 24. The Directors regret you should have come to an open quarrel with the Rev<sup>d</sup>: C. Bell, this gentleman may be a very difficult person to transact business with, but this is the very reason for not entering upon an acrimonious correspondence with him. The Board are anxious their Manager should endeavour to be on amicable terms with all and be a peace maker as much as possible. The Directors fail to perceive that Mr Bull's Letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> March justifies the strong language which you apply to it.

9. N<sup>o</sup>: 76, 25. Respecting your request to be allowed leave of absence to visit the River Plate, the Board do not feel justified at present in granting such permission, for it would involve an absence of three months by the Mail arrangements, which during the present uncertain state of the Company might be attended with much inconvenience if not detrimental to its interests.

10. As there is an idea that the prices realized at the April & May Wool Sales are higher than those in June & July for such Wool as ours, in consequence of the English & European which compete with ours coming in at the latter sales, we should like to know the earliest time our Wool could be ready for shipment, you reported that the Hides were all ready by the end of Jan<sup>y</sup>; so that if the Wool or the great bulk of it could be shipped by the middle of February it would answer our purpose to send out the stock of Stores you have asked for by a vessel to sail the middle of October next, which under ordinary circumstances would be back here towards the end of April in time for the low Wool Sales - we may therefore endeavour to despatch a vessel by October next to decide the point and you had better prepare accordingly. The Hogget Wool ought to be kept separate.

11. From enquiries made at the Italian Consul's Office here we learn that when communicating with the authorities at Florence you should write in French, if addressing the Minister or Consul here you may use either French or English.

12. I had an interview with Gov<sup>r</sup> Robinson the other day & was pleased to hear his favorable anticipations of our Sheep prospects under your guidance: he mentioned that the notice of the Admiralty had been drawn to the necessity of moving the 'Egmont', Receiving Store Ship, from Rio de Janeiro in consequence of the unhealthiness of the station and that he should recommend Stanley for her location, this proposition will be strongly supported by the Comp<sup>y</sup> at the Admiralty as it would give the place an immense lift, the Directors wish you therefore to do all in your power to urge Col<sup>l</sup> D'Arcy to make favorable representations upon the subject, and they wish you to make a statement of the advantages this C<sup>y</sup> can offer for such a proposal. Gov<sup>r</sup> Robinson has promised to attend a Board Meeting to see the Directors.

13. Referring to your Desp<sup>t</sup>. 69, 4, I have taken the opportunity of the Shepherds & Seeds going out by this Mail to send some Books for the Camp Library and trust the selection will prove suitable.

I remain, Sir, Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

- Triplicates N<sup>os</sup> 402, 403.  
Duplicate " 404.  
do Letter Recd. to Cobb 7 May 70.  
Copy Buckland's Letter abt Oysters 29 Apr 70.  
" Fairy's Insurance Pol. £400  
" do Particulars for above  
Land Order N<sup>o</sup> 25 for £100 Part 1.  
Agreement with Emigration Comf<sup>rs</sup> for  
Five Shepherds #. 'La Plata' - 3 June 70.  
Copy 'Maid of Athens' Manifest.  
General Invoice of Stores by this Steamer  
£49.10.2 & six detailed Invoices  
Wool Circular Schwarzze 16 May 70.  
Silver's Corrections of Prices of Clothing  
dated 18 Feb 70.  
Invoice of Cobb's Clothing from M<sup>rs</sup> Alpin  
do " " Brots " Summitt  
Journal Entries  
Ledger do

The Secretary  
of the S.S.F.

N<sup>o</sup> 405

6 June, 1870

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 8<sup>th</sup> June 1840.

N<sup>o</sup>. 406.  
P<sup>r</sup>. 'La Plata'

Sir, The Board has engaged five Scotch Shepherds who proceed by this Steamer, so as to go on by the 'Foam', viz:

Andrew Hyle	from Dunse	- advanced	£10
Richard Atken	" do	"	2
John Mc Kinnell	" Dumfries	"	6
James Smrie	" do	"	1
James Campbell	" Elgin	"	5

as per Agreements & Receipts herewith. We send Landing Certificate to be returned by first opportunity as we do not have any part of the Land Order Cash returned until they reach the Colony. Rob<sup>t</sup>. Campbell whom you recommended, Brother of J<sup>r</sup>. Campbell, had engaged, but his Father would not let him go as his education was not sufficiently advanced, he & a younger Brother may perhaps be obtained in the course of next year. In all probability we shall be able to send 4 or 5 married Shepherds by the autumnal vessel.

2. At the last moment Elliott has been able to send the View Lens ordered by Biggs, the invoice £2.5.0 is enclosed, which increases the General Invoice to £52.2.9. This parcel will be in the care of one of the Shepherds.

3. These Shepherds have four good Dogs.

I remain,

Sir,  
Your obedient Serv<sup>t</sup>,

P. Coteman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

Five Agreements  
" Advance Receipts  
Landing Certificate  
Elliott's Invoice

Fred<sup>k</sup>. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

No: 406

2<sup>nd</sup> June, 1890

The Secretary  
of the S. H.

Mr. Liverpool St. Flamsteed London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 18<sup>th</sup> June 1870.  
 E.C. Falkland Islands Company.  
 N<sup>o</sup> 407.

Sir, Your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 77, 78 & 79 were delivered on the 15<sup>th</sup> inst. by the Brazil St. and I have now the pleasure of reporting that the 'Victoria Tatham' arrived in the River this day and we expect her papers in the evening.

2. The object of this Despatch is to inform you that Lloyd's Salvage Association having had a copy of your report on the 'Balcarray' (ex Despt. 79, 2) have determined to take decisive measures to prevent the great sacrifice of the cargo which would take place if the present arrangement of 75 per cent for Salvage is carried out, and in hopes that the 'Cordillera' would arrive at Montevideo in time for the 'Foam' they telegraphed yesterday to their agent at Lisbon to write you to stay all matters as Mr. Dean is not authorized to act. This morning they have determined to send a Special Agent by this Steamer who will charter a vessel at Montevideo to carry on the 'Balcarray's' salvaged cargo and the Directors wish you to render him every assistance in your power.

3. It is considered that you ought as Lloyd's Agent to have protested against such a heavy salvage as 75 per cent being allowed; we understand that in all cases relating to vessels and cargoes you would be justified in acting for the protection of all concerned though insurance may have been effected in any of the Clubs, whose Agent at Stanley puts himself forward as being the only person entitled to act in the matter.

4. N<sup>os</sup> 77, 4, 5 N<sup>os</sup> 78, 10. The Directors quite approve of your intention to get rid of Mr. Bertrand and will not at present look out for a Camp Manager believing that your proposal to undertake the supervision of the Camp yourself could be worked with great advantage; our advices of April will have confirmed you in this idea so we hope to learn by next Mail that it has been carried out.

Time will not admit of more so,  
 I remain, Sir,  
 Your obed. Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Secy.

Fred<sup>l</sup> C. Cobb Esq  
 Colonial Manager  
 Stanley.



No. 409.

18th June, 1926

The Secretary  
Gardens, etc.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 408.  
P<sup>r</sup> 'Douro'

London 8<sup>th</sup> July 1870.

Sir, The Despatch ex 'Victoria Tatham' was delivered on the 20<sup>th</sup> ult. - we had already notified her arrival by a hurried Despatch on the 18<sup>th</sup> ult., N<sup>o</sup> 407, (Dup<sup>t</sup>: enclosed) to avail of a Special Agent going out for Lloyd's Salvage Association about the Balcarr's Cargo, and can now inform you that his name is Capt<sup>m</sup> Jaffray Seales & it is to be hoped he will be able to make suitable arrangements at Montevideo to get on quickly to Stanley, so that the salvaged cargo may be forwarded to its destination.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 77, 3. Respecting the enlarged Charts we should like you to give some idea upon the tracings of the outlines of the Company's properties, where the bought freeholds are, the houses erected, position of the isthmus wall, ironfencing, extent of range of the different flocks, and any other particulars you think will be useful & enable us to understand your descriptions, all this need not be scientifically laid down & yet may be accomplished with tolerable accuracy; such information afforded from time to time would result in a better knowledge of our land on both sides, so that the best use could be made of it.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 77, 6. W. Quilley was sent home to his friends. The wages due have been paid in order to be invested in the Post Office Savings Bank for him. Capt<sup>m</sup> McCoy assures me Nine Pounds (£9) was the sum agreed upon for his provisions, not £8 as mentioned by you, this was about the price paid here so that at Stanley it is reasonable to suppose the Captain would ask more.

4. N<sup>o</sup> 78, 4, 5. The 'Lons' made a quicker passage to M. Video than the 'Foam' by 3 days 18 hours, so we hope this will be a recommendation for her getting the Mail Service, her cargo of Sealskins & Oil has been shipped to Liverpool.

5. N<sup>o</sup> 78, 6. On the absence of any statement of Mr. Bertrand's Estate we can only suppose you have acted for the best in drawing on the Directors for £441. 6. <sup>s</sup>, but they regret the necessity of meeting this bill when they are so short of funds. We anxiously await the full statement of Bertrand's affairs since the Board fears there may be yet further instalments due for the Estate of New Island.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

6. N: 78, 9. On learning that the 25 bales Wool marked S were put on board the 'V. Tatham' at the last moment for Capt: Packe we concluded the freight of 1/2 per lb would have to be collected here as they had not probably been weighed at Stanley, this was objected to & as there appears to be some mistake between the two lots  $\Delta$  of bales and S 25 bales, as regards payment of freight, we have decided not to claim any but leave the matter to be settled by yourself: the landing weight of the former is £18.2.21, of the latter £64.1.10.

7. N: 78, 10. The Board has now considered your proposal about a successor for Mr. Bertrand & the plan you broach of working the Camp yourself, and they think that as you have now obtained the experience of a New Zealand Sheep Farmer it would be preferable for the latter plan to be tried, since the practice of sheep dipping being initiated it can be continued without difficulty. The Directors trust therefore that you will have closed Mr. Bertrand's Agreement with advantage to the Comp: and that with care & energy you will succeed in getting the Farm into more economical and yet efficient working order.

8. N: 79, 5. The Board regrets you should be short of Stores when the Flying Squadron touch at Stanley, but they have done the best they could to supply you having sent out very largely rendered themselves under obligations for payments, besides incurring considerable expense for interest. When the Salvage Association were arranging about an Agent going to look after the 'Balcarrys' Cargo it was proposed to charter a vessel here & we offered freight, intending to have thrown in a small supply, as some of the 'Balcarrys' Cargo will have been sold it is as well this did not take place & we have since learned that Messrs: King & Co. have sent Messrs: Goss & Co. a small assortment via Montevideo, so the Colony will be sufficiently supplied. Referring to N: 405, 10. we now perceive that the end of February is quite early enough to expect you to be prepared with the home cargo, we must therefore for this time give up hope of getting the Wool home earlier than just accomplished & may therefore delay our cargo of Stores out until November, all will depend on the remittances between now & then and the realization of the present Produce.

9. We learn from the Italian Consul that there is a set of rules in French, which will be furnished to you on application to the Foreign Minister at Florence.

10. Your General Report was read at our Annual General Meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> and a Vote of Thanks passed to you as by the following extract from the records of the Meeting - "The Vice Chairman Mr. Hughes read the Colonial Managers' General Report dated at Stanley the 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1870, and the Chairman proposed a Vote of Thanks to Mr. Cobb for his zeal & energy in conducting the Company's affairs at the Falklands, which was seconded by the Vice Chairman and carried unanimously."

11. Mr. Waldron has paid £198. 14. 6 for his Brother being the amount of an account dated the 9<sup>th</sup> February last - he offered to pay interest but not knowing the terms on which this sum was to be paid here, it was arranged the matter should be left to you. We have also received Five Pounds on your account from Capt<sup>r</sup> Macey.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman

Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Duplicates Nos 405, 406, 407.

Triplicate " 404.

Duplicate Coleman to Cobb 8 June 70.

" Land Order No 25 for £100

Corrected Invoice of Stores p. 'La Plata' £52. 2. 9

Ship's Introductory Letter of Mess<sup>rs</sup> G. W. & C. Lorentzen  
New Issue of Stanley Harbour Chart, with notices on  
the track & Mail Service.

Eighteenth Annual General Report of 30 June 70.  
Journal Entries.

P.S. Your last Despatch did not contain the Live Stock Return to 31<sup>st</sup> March last - nor have you stated the number of Wool Bales on hand.

J. C.

No 408

Jan 2nd 1870

For Secretary  
of the S. S.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 8<sup>th</sup> August 1870.

N<sup>o</sup>. 409.  
M<sup>r</sup>. 'Oneida'.

Sir, On the 18<sup>th</sup> ultimo we received your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 80, 81 and 82 - the Original of the first arrived on the 25<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> so that it was a month behind time, which would be accounted for if the 'Drene' did not arrive at Sandy Point before the 19<sup>th</sup> May, we presume your Despatch after her return to Stanley will state when she delivered her Mail Bag so the point will be cleared up.

2. N<sup>o</sup>. 80. The Return of Lambs shows a good increase, the fourth column has the words "Ram Lambs Sold" and gives 400 from the Cantera Flock, does this mean sold? (if so we shall be glad to receive the money for them) - we also cannot make out the heading of the fifth column, it appears to be "Rig<sup>d</sup> Lambs" and has numbers from each flock totalling 166, does it mean that so many have been reserved for breeding purposes? The Directors trust the utmost care is taken to keep the direct male progeny of the imported Cheviot Rams by themselves for breeders, as we shall not be able to afford any money this year for Rams.

3. N<sup>o</sup>. 82. The Board is pleased to find that Col<sup>l</sup>. D'Arcy has arranged the commencement of a monthly Mail Service I trust this acquisition to the Colony will be able to be continued.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 82, 3. Respecting the Board's instructions to take Bottomry Bonds in future upon vessels running up heavy Bills, the Directors have considered the explanations you make upon this subject and are willing to rescind those orders, on the understanding that you take the greatest care in learning that every Captain whom you trust has authority to pledge his Owner's credit and that they are substantial people. Mess<sup>rs</sup>. G. W. & E. Lorentzen, Owners of the 'Valparaiso', Capt<sup>n</sup>. H. W. B. Nilsen, have opened a credit with Mess<sup>rs</sup>. F. Huth & Co. of London, so that the Capt<sup>n</sup>'s Draft on them would be promptly met.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

5. N: 82, 9. We are glad to see you will not allow the Commission of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent on the Produce to Bertrand as the Scab was not cured, we have not credited him with it but only calculated the amount on the sales of the Produce to show what the Farm Acc<sup>t</sup>. realized if it had to be paid. We quite believe that the Adventures pay more than their realization here would show, through the purchase of them at Stanley enabling our Stores to be sold at a profit, still it is necessary to draw your attention to the cash results of such transactions.

6. N: 82, 10. From your estimate of the cost of each Hide procured by the Gauchos this part of our business ought to be very profitable, we fear however that in putting down their cost at  $3/-$  each you have named too little, but even at double that price there should be a good profit and yet the Farm Account does not do well for us. You are doubtless right about the great cost of Buildings it will therefore be necessary to curtail expenses on this head in every way until we are able to turn ourselves round - it is good that you are going to bring the Wire Fencing into service by getting cheap wood posts from the South American Mission.

7. N: 82, 30. There is no other information to be obtained respecting Ship Captains than Lloyd's Captains Register sent to you on 8<sup>th</sup> June 1869, the only addition to which up to the present time, is that Francis George Gummer served as Mate in the 'Juanita' 28, 644. S. 69. S. A and was discharged 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>. 1869.

8. N: 82, 31. We have not yet heard anything about the Watsons or Goodwin, we shall endeavour to engage them as you wish, and will also send out the Mercer family by the Wool Ship if possible.

9. N: 82, 35. The Directors are pleased to find you stand on good terms with H. E. Gov<sup>t</sup>. D'Arcy & that he is going to modify the Land arrangements, which, considering the capabilities & expenses of the Colony, are onerous.

10. The Board has much pleasure in reporting that the 'Victoria Tatham's' Cargo has turned out very well & through the good prices hitherto obtained will realize more than anticipated, the Wool is certainly improved and we were so fortunate as to sell 367 bales at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  by private contract before the War was declared,

otherwise we should have had to submit to a reduction you state the number of Sheep clipped to produce this Wool was 24,432, when the tare of the bales is allowed this will give about five pounds (5 lbs) to each animal, which is a lower weight for each fleece than is generally calculated having always understood that our sheep clipped 6 to 7 lbs each all round. This cargo will just about cover what has been advanced upon it, but leaves nothing for the freight home or towards the two last Bills accepted for the Island expenses, so that you may imagine what straits we are in and that it will be difficult to obtain funds for our next cargo of Stores out.

11. On learning that the buying Brokers Messrs G. H. Cosens & Co. complained of the packing of our Wool, I met them and the selling Broker to examine certain bales and enclose Remarks made at the time on those opened at the Docks: it is important that there should be no locks or pieces put up with the fleece wool, as the bid upon a whole bale of fleece wool is lowered if a small portion of locks or pieces happen to come out with the sample. Messrs Cosens & Co. were good enough to obtain an opinion upon the Wool from the consumer, as per copy of their letter herewith, and we draw your attention to the remark on the Wool from breeding Ewes. At the examination both Brokers were of opinion that the classification of our wool might be advantageously altered from Wethers & Ewes to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Combing, thus dividing the wool according to its length, the 1<sup>st</sup> Combing being the longest, we submit this to your consideration & shall be glad to hear how the shearing is managed at present & if you think such an alteration could be made without expense, but no change is to be made until we send instructions.

12. I am sorry to have to state that nine Seal-skins (8 hair and 1 fur) and 1 cask Mercurial Ointment were short delivered by the 'D. Tatham', Capt<sup>n</sup> Macey on whom we can depend assured us all on board were delivered, and as these articles could not be used on the ship and our Wharfingers state everything on board was



received by them we have not charged the ships - from the manner in which our *Stevadore* behaved there is such an uncertainty in the matter that we cannot press such a claim: there were two Cattle Hides delivered over.

13. We have been requested by the North German Confederation Consul to state that he wrote you some three weeks since, intimating that War had broken out between his country & France and requesting you to inform all German Captains of this fact, and warn them of the danger they now incur from capture at sea.

14. We regret to state that the Owner of the *'Mary'* has been here objecting to various matters in the business transacted for his vessel by the C<sup>o</sup> in Jan & Feb<sup>o</sup> last. Capt<sup>n</sup> Necker M<sup>r</sup> Near states that the £15 entered in the account for a foretopgallant yard is totally incorrect, for this spar was made on board as proved by the Logbook & the deposition of W. W. Thomas, one of the crew, before the British Consul at Hamburg, we notice that £15 was paid on 8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>o</sup> for this spar I shall be glad to receive the voucher for this outlay.

Capt<sup>n</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Near points out an error in the charge for water, 6 1/2 tons at our printed rate of 12/6 should be 4.4.3 instead of £5 as entered. He is informed by the Mate Steward that not more than 2/3 ds of the meat charged 45.8.5 came on board, it appears a heavy outlay for the short time the vessel was in harbour - they also say that a large quantity of liquor 50 bles Whiskey, 6 cs Brandy, 4 bles Ale Porter were delivered to the *'Mary'*, these supplies are not charged in the account nor does it appear whether Capt<sup>n</sup> Giles had a private bill at the Store, this needs careful examination as it is reported that Capt<sup>n</sup> Giles had no cash when he arrived at Stanley.

Capt<sup>n</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Near points out that the Noting & Protest Charges need not have been incurred, for as the small amount of expenses could not amount to a claim on the Underwriters it was the duty of Lloyd's Agent to have notified this to the Captain. These

complaints are very serious & bring great discredit on the Port, the Directors will therefore thank you to search into the matter thoroughly and if there has been any overcharge to let them know that a return may be made to Capt<sup>n</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Near - we forward Copy of W. Thomas' Deposition.

By the Cash Book we perceive Commission amounting to £7.19. - was allowed Capt<sup>n</sup> Giles, was this on his own account or on the Ship's and upon what portion?

15. The *'Lobus'* Sealing Cargo

15. The 'Lotus' Sealing Cargo has been shipped by Messrs Schuth & Melian for 'Trinidad' to Liverpool, we do not expect it will arrive until the first week of next month.

16. We send by Book Post a few War Maps as per enclosed Invoice from Letts & Co. The postage is 6/- and forward herein the Florence Sewing Machine Needles required by Mr. Bailey, these will add 7/- to the cost of this Despatch.

17. Referring to postscript of last Despatch the Live Stock Return is now received.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman

Secy.

Enclosures.

Reports on Hides, Tallow, Horns & Bones, Wool, Sheepskins, Sealskins & Oil ex 'W. Tatham' Account of <sup>Sales</sup> Hides (five) Tallow, Bones, Wool ex F. Memo of Complaint of false packing of Co's Wool Copy of letter from Bradford Wool Supply Committee do " Cozens & Co. 23 July 27 July W. Thomas' Declaration about the 'Mary' dated in Hamburg 23 May 70

Remarks on Accounts.

Ledger & Journal Entries  
Six Packets Needles 0 to 5 & Invoice 12/-  
Letts' Invoice of War Maps £1.17.2  
Letter Coleman to Cobb

No 1009

Gen August, 1870

The Secretary  
Gen S. H. P.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 140.  
H<sup>o</sup> La Plata. London 3<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1870.

Sir, On the 16<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we received your Despatch 83 with Enclosures in order, it having come on by the Royal Mail Steamer, and were glad to hear that the late Mails have been delivered so rapidly.

2. Respecting the Mail by way of Sandy Point, which brought your Despatch 80, you have not stated when the 'Fronc' delivered her Bag as anticipated in our last, we have enquired of the Pacific Co. but have not yet received reply. Enclosed is Itinerary of this Company's Steamers which now run twice a month, it seems however to be the opinion of nautical men that the run to Sandy Point from Stanley tho' much shorter in distance would probably take a longer time than to Montevideo, through the winds being always adverse and could never be so certain, besides this there would not be any chance of purchasing Stores so often needed from Montevideo.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 83, 5. The Directors are satisfied you have done your best about the Land purchased at Darwin, we wrote under the idea that the favorable reports said to have been sent out by the Colonial & Emigration Offices had reached the Colony, as you stated in N<sup>o</sup> 32, 35 that the Governor was going to issue further regulations, we trust you have gained your point about the Darwin Land. The Board suggests it would be as well to take up all the Land purchased by the Land Orders as soon as the new arrangements are settled (if no more favorable ones are to be expected) and you have maturely considered where would be the best localities for obtaining Freeholds.

4. N<sup>o</sup> 83, 8. Paragraph 5 of our last Despatch will show you what the Board considers about the purchase of Adventures and when we warned you of the high prices paid on your side, it was not intended you should cease their purchase altogether, but that

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The matter should be looked into, carefully & all points considered when money was being laid out at a time it was so much wanted here.

5. N<sup>o</sup> 83, 12. The Insurance on Stores in the Gore Buildings has been reduced £1000 and the Stores on the Hulk's are increased by £500 - we shall probably insure Produce on the Hulk's for £2,000 from January to end of March of next year.

6. N<sup>o</sup> 83, 18. The Board regrets to learn that the expenses of the 'Lotus' at M. Vidua are so heavy, we have several times asked Messrs Schull & Melion to conduct our business as cheaply as possible, but if you find their charges still continue to be extravagant it will be necessary to leave them. We send copy of Letter from M. Tickney, dated yesterday, about the new Firm at Montevideo & Tickney Coaker & Co. of whose commencement you have doubtless received a Circular the same as ourselves. I shall feel obliged by information of the course pursued to bring the M. Viduan currency into English money when Messrs Schull's Accounts are journalized - please also state the number of English pounds in a fanega, and any other measure used in the River Plate, to enable us to compare the cost of goods there with the prices here.

7. N<sup>o</sup> 83, 19. If there is a necessity of raising Revenue at the Falkland Islands, the Directors consider a Duty on Spirits & Wines would be the proper course, and they agree with the views you express to H. C. the Governor in your Letter of 21<sup>st</sup> June last - Salt Liquors are not mentioned but we presume they would come in for a share of taxation though on a more moderate scale.

8. N<sup>o</sup> 83, 22. The Journal entries upon Produce and Cargo ex 'W. Tatham' sent in Despatch 403 are correct, the difference of £10.13.00 arises from that amount being Discount allowed on the Wool Charges paid to this Office, and being Cash it was passed direct to credit of Produce Account; this amount would have been discovered on examination of the return of the 'W. Tatham's' Cargo sent in Despatch 402, for it is entered below the Wool in the Company's Produce being part of the total of £589.13.2.

9. N<sup>o</sup> 83, 26. It is very gratifying to hear that Greenhills' Sheep are free of Scab, we trust you will soon be able to report that the Company's flocks are clean.

10. N<sup>o</sup> 83, 27. Respecting the purchase of the 'Balcarry' we believe the Agent of Lloyd's Salvage Assoc<sup>n</sup>, Capt<sup>m</sup> Iceales, will make suitable arrangements to protect the Underwriters, but in case of the vessel arriving in good condition at Stanley the Board authorize you to purchase her at about 20/- per ton (Twenty shillings) for there is always such an expense in fitting out & bringing vessels to England and then the difficulty of sale here, she being too large as a Co's ship to trade to Ipro and too small for a hulk, in the present state of the Colony we consider also that an iron ship would not suit us from the difficulty of repairs.

11. The Insurance on the 'Fairy' for £400 expired on the 4<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>s</sup>, it was not renewed as you had not sent any instructions on the subject, we hope the matter is settled & that our risk is closed.

12. The Directors have not been furnished with such a full statement of Liabilities & Assets of Berbrand's Estate as to be able to judge exactly upon the affair, but from your explanations it appears that if there are no Liabilities beyond the two instalments coming due to Littlejohn in November and May next, the Estate may yet pull through, and the Board authorize you to render such assistance as you think will be necessary to preserve the Company's lien on the Estate, and which will be covered by the securities & Assets in hand, but the utmost care must be taken not to saddle this Office with more cash payments than can be avoided. If the Wild Cattle on the Estate are to become the property of the Lessees we may as well kill off a sufficient number to realize our outlays.

13. Your Father having asked what decision the Board had arrived at upon a proposition for your two Brothers to commence a Sheep Farm on Lively Island we wrote him that the matter had not been broached by you, thereupon Mr. Rhodes Cobb called & stated that you had asked him to bring such a proposition before the Directors, which he had hesitated doing on account of the family connection with yourself as the Co's Manager.

Such an undertaking being consonant with our views and desires to establish Sheep Farms <sup>on shares</sup> on our unoccupied Land I brought the matter to the Directors' notice at the last Board

and it was resolved that you should be informed, that they wish you to enter into an equitable arrangement with your Brothers on behalf of the Company for this undertaking to rent Lively Island, or some other suitable place, and provide a certain number of Sheep, and they further desire that liberal terms rather than otherwise should be granted to Messrs Henry & George Cobb for the first two years, in order to enable them to start with hope & energy. You will of course take care that the Agreement contains powers to close the same by either party on reasonable notice, still as this will give experience to the Company for the establishment of other Sheep Farms on shares, every fair inducement should be held out to your Brothers to commence with care as soon as possible. Your Father has intimated that he would assist his younger sons with some Capital, so that they will not require advances of Cash from the Comp<sup>y</sup>, which might lead them into experiments not suitable for their position.

14. We are informed that Dr Fisher who was in the 'Pythias' has been appointed to succeed Dr Collins as Surgeon to the Royal Marines at Stanley.

15. Under present circumstances we shall not charter a vessel until November so as to start her the early part of December that she may arrive with you by the end of February, have March that April at the Islands before here by the end of June of next year, which will be in good time for the Wool Sales. Capt<sup>n</sup> Wooldridge who was wrecked in the 'Kaid of Athens' has purchased a small vessel of 177 tons register & is going out to trade at the Islands, he will take out some Coal on his own account & has asked us for some cargo, we have nothing to spare at present and hardly see the use of sending Stores before our own vessel goes out.

Remain, Sir,

Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,

J. Coleman

Enclosures.

- Account Sales Hair Sealskins,
- Cow Tails, & Wool & Copy of same for Greenhills. Sec<sup>y</sup>.
- List of West Falklanders with their Holdings & Ports.
- Pacific Steam Navigation Company's Itinerary.
- Extract of Colonial Blue Book for 1870. (C-149)
- Copy of Pickney's Letter of 7 Sep 70.

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The Department  
of the Admiralty

N<sup>o</sup>. 411.P<sup>o</sup>. 'Douro.'Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.London 8<sup>th</sup> October 1870.

Sir,

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we received your Despatches 86 and 87 and on the 27<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> those numbered 84 and 85, the 'Advance' has not yet arrived. The two former were sent on from Montevideo by a Liverpool S<sup>o</sup>, which also brought the Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup>. 87 carried up by the 'Prené'. These Despatches brought three Bills amounting to £465.11.4, which is a welcome remittance.

2. N<sup>o</sup>. 84, 1-85, 3. The analysis of the Stores ex 'V. Tatham' 10<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>. 69 is interesting, it has been carefully examined and shows that you have not had so much money value to deal with as anticipated - though your figures would be increased by the charges being added to the cost of Stores - taking into consideration the paucity of Shipping frequenting the Port, under this latter circumstance we must not send out further shipping supplies. Still seeing the large value of Stores 10,114.10.1 on hand 30<sup>th</sup> June last we fear, as you have written for such a quantity of various articles there must be a quantity of dead stock, and the Board thinks it would be better to ship some off to the River Plate or the West Coast or have a rummage sale to clear out the old useless stores, which only figure as a fictitious asset. We expect with interest the analysis of the Cash Book.

3. N<sup>o</sup>. 85, 4. We are sorry to hear the Sheep do not appear to have got rid of the Scab so much as anticipated, it is however good that the Cows are in fair order & likely to yield a good increase. The Directors are disappointed that there is no mention of the proposed sale of Sheep to Mr. Dean, they will regret if this cannot be carried out.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 87, 2. We shall bear in mind your suggestions about chartering, at present it is intended to despatch a vessel the second week of December so that she may have March & half April to load & return here by the end of June: we shall charge freight on all private goods asst. Par 22, the two cases therein mentioned N<sup>o</sup>. 842 for Smith & N<sup>o</sup>. 843 for Cameron were really on board the 'V. Tatham' in Dec<sup>r</sup>.

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lost and must have been delivered, perhaps you did not see them through their going on to Darwin.

5. N. 87, 13. The Directors agree with you in the main about taxation at the Falklands and have written to the Colonial Office, as per copy enclosed, requesting that the Spirit Duties Ordinance may not be sanctioned at present.

6. N. 87, 15. The Board considers that £1500 Cash and the Sch. 'Foam' would not be the value of the 'Lotus', for the former would not be such a serviceable vessel and by all accounts she cannot last so long, as the 'Lotus' is an excellent strong vessel we ought not to part with her except at a high profit, the Board is pleased to find from N. 85, 7 that Capt. Pain has improved and now gives you satisfaction, we trust you will be able to enter into terms with the Government for the Mail Service, we refer you to N. 401, 12 on this point & believe an attempt should be made to get small consignments out by the Montevidean Steamers, it is only an experiment which can prove whether such a course would pay, it is presumed your next will contain the Indent for the Wool vessel and in case there is a probability of the 'Lotus' getting the Mail Service you will doubtless have given us discretion to reduce certain goods, which could be sent out by Steamer to M. Video & thus a commencement be made of the system, and if a small consignment could be despatched every three or four months it would create a better sale & reduce the amount of Capital required for working the Store.

7. Par 18. It is very doubtful if we can afford such a purchase as the 'Sea Witch' for a Hulk, I have written to Mr. M. Geagh the Owner but have not yet received an answer. Is she not small for the purpose?

8. Par 21. A Cheque for £31.3. has been handed to Mr. Baillon to meet the proceeds of the five bales of Wool shipped by Messrs. Trickett & Baillon from West Falkland to 'V. Tatham' last year. Mr. Williams has received £30.1. the balance of the Cash deposited with you, he anticipates your next Despatch will bring particulars for arrangements to establish a Sheep Farm on shares on Speedwell Id.

9. P. 28, 29. The Directors have decided to send out Mr. Langdon as their Clerk at Stanley, he has been here some years understands all the business and taking a great

interest in the Company we trust the appointment will prove satisfactory, he will have a passage in our vessel with his wife and we hope you will not suffer much inconvenience if Mr. Travis ceases his duties a short time before he arrives.

10. N. 87, 36. We hear it has been proposed to prohibit the importation of Sheep from the River Plate on account of disease there, should this be carried out it will be an opening for the C. to sell some to the West Falklanders who have to stock their stations, so that if our next lambing is abundant we trust you will be able to send home some money by this means, as the C. ought to endeavour to be breeders of Sheep for others. Should want of funds or the difficulty of procuring good men prevent our sending by the wool vessel so many Shepherds as desired, there will be the more reason to dispose of some of our stock.

11. We learn from the Pacific Steam C. that at the time of the 'Irene' arriving at Sandy Point with Despatch 80 there was only one departure for England, now there are two every month. This Comp. has again informed us that on no account can we ever hope for them to be able to make arrangements for calling at Stanley.

12. The Thirtieth General Report of the Emigration Commissioners issued this<sup>rd</sup> does not contain any notice of the Falkland Islands.

13. The 'Trinidad' with the 'Lopus' cargo from M. Video arrived at Liverpool on the 24<sup>th</sup> ult. but we have not yet had any report upon her cargo. The Seal Oil ex 'S. Tatham' is sold, 51 casks @ £29, 5 casks bottoms @ £24 p. tun, the value of this article seems to be gradually falling so you must be careful in purchasing - the Mercurial Ointment is disposed of, there now only remain the 227 Fur Seal skins, for which I fear we shall have to submit to reduced prices.

14. The Directors perceive a Journal Entry of June last crediting yourself with £39.2.6 for extra Salary for performing Mr. Travis' duties during his absence, as Mr. Travis came to England on his own private affairs by your leave and intimated to this Office that he had made arrangements with yourself for carrying on his duties, the Directors consider any expense on this head should be borne by himself, as they allowed his full Salary to continue the whole time of his absence, they therefore request that this amount be charged to Mr. Travis before final settlement of his account.

15. We enclose Two Pounds worth of Postage

Stamps, viz: 60 @ 1, 30 @ 2, 32 @ 3, 20 @ 6 and 42 @ 7/4.  
 16. Mr. Graves going out to join Capt. Packe  
 has kindly taken charge of a parcel containing -

Triplicates N <sup>o</sup> . 405, 6.	200 Despatch Envelopes	
2 doz Seaman's Almanacks		12. -
1/2 " Illus. News	do	6. -
1 " Moore's	do	1. -
2 Diaries for Office, Lett's N <sup>o</sup> . 31,		5. -
Some Red Ink Powders		5. 6
		<u>£ 1. 9. 6</u>

I remain,  
 Sir,  
 Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman  
 Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Duplicates N<sup>o</sup>. 408, 409, 410.  
 do Secretary to Cobb, 3 July, 8 Aug  
 8, 12 Sep -  
 Copy of Letter to Colonial Office 5 Oct about  
 Spirit Duties.  
 Account Sale of Sheepskins ex 'V. Tatham'  
 Four Invoices of above Stores.  
 Remarks on Accounts  
 Postage Stamps value £2.  
 Copy of Fire Policy N<sup>o</sup>. 191 - Stores £5,000  
 Buildings 2,000  
 Letter Coleman to Cobb.

Mr. 411  
 Genl October, 1870  
 The Secretary  
 of the S. S. Co.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 8<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1870

N<sup>o</sup>. 412.  
P. 'Oneida.'

Sir,

On the 28<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> the 'Hensingo' delivered your Despatch 88 and Mr. Travis' N<sup>o</sup>. 89 with their enclosures in order - and on the 5<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>o</sup> we received your Despatch 90 by the Pacific Steamer to Liverpool, which was much beyond her time: the letters for Mr. Stephenson, Secretary of Lloyd's, and for Mr. Harper Secretary of Lloyd's Salvage Association were immediately delivered.

2. The Directors are glad to see that you have assumed direction of the Camp Management as they consider the business will be better conducted under one head, it is a pity that the report got abroad that Fell was to become the Manager, because as you will only require him for an Overseer his hopes having been raised he might refuse this situation, in such a case you will of course appoint our next best Shepherd to see your orders carried out.

3. We are pleased to find that the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Bull has acknowledged his error and trust the amicable terms of intercourse now renewed may continue uninterrupted.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 90, 3. The authorities at Lloyd's Salvage Assoc<sup>n</sup> state that they are satisfied with your explanations upon the 'Balcarry' Wreck to Capt<sup>n</sup>. Seales and they are much obliged for your attentions to him. In matters of Wrecks you must be guided by circumstances but it appears to be the opinion that you ought to put yourself forward as the great authority at the Falklands, and should at all events take steps to keep all charges on Shipping within bounds. I believe it is proposed to memorialize the Government to have the Merchant Shipping Act more thoroughly enforced at the Islands & especially for a Receiver of Wreck to be appointed.

5. N<sup>o</sup>. 90, 6. Our late advices will have told you that the statement of transactions with Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Bernhard & Switzer was not an Account of Liabilities & Assets, the Board trusts to your realizing this matter at the earliest possible moment so as to close all the Company's Liabilities

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for the Estate, and quite approves of your stopping advances and carrying Bertrand's salary to the credit of the account. You have not sent Copy of the new Land Proclamation so we cannot judge of its favourableness to this Estate, please furnish us with this.

6. N<sup>o</sup>. 90, 7. Should the vessel engaged prove short of accommodation we may despatch Mr. Langdon by the Mail Steamer on the 8<sup>th</sup> prox<sup>o</sup>, he would thus arrive with you at the end of January the time Mr. Travis' notice expires and as we hope you will take him into your confidence, for he sees everything here, the Directors trust he will prove an efficient <sup>representative</sup> when you are absent from Stanley.

7. The Indent for Stores ex N<sup>o</sup>. 89 does not state whether it supersedes the former, which you said in N<sup>o</sup>. 84, 9 was not suitable for the regular trade of the Colony, but as it does not contain Wines, Spirits, Beers, Coals &c we presume the two together are expected to be sent out: the expense of this is more than we can manage, it is therefore proposed that the following values shall be forwarded by a vessel to leave London about the 12<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> -

		Expenses.	
Provisions	240	Freight	400
Wines & Spirits	150	Insurance	40
Beers	140	2 Land Orders	200
Clothing Haberdashery	330	Emigrants Exp <sup>s</sup>	100
Provisionery	80	" Advances	50
Coals	150	Provision <sup>l</sup> Pass <sup>g</sup> s	160
Sheep Dressing	220	Contingencies	50
Timber, Lime, Salt	100		
Wool Bales	50		
Sundries	210		
	<u>L 1,700</u>		<u>L 1,300</u>

Upon this principle we hope to bring the consignments within L 3,000 by this means, as your present necessities will be met from the large stock of Stores on hand at 30<sup>th</sup> June last and we may expect remittances as well, when the Produce comes back we shall be about L 5,000 in hand towards the Debentures or to operate with for future shipments of Stores.

8. The Passengers by this vessel will probably be Mr. Langdon, Wife & Infant, Mr. Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Mercer two daughters & one son, Mr. Nall, Madeline Felton, John Goodwin & wife, Mr. & Mrs. Hardy, Infant, two boys & three girls (late by a R. Mariner, a Mason) Tho<sup>s</sup> Watson & perhaps three other Shepherds, if we can get proper men.

9. The Account of "Buildings" and "Plant and Mensils" ex N<sup>o</sup> 87 to be debited as expenditure of Capital having been examined, we make the following observations thereon. From the entry for Iron Houses J<sup>r</sup> H<sup>r</sup> W. Tatham made here on 31 Dec 69, Copy of Journal Entry being sent in N<sup>o</sup> 403, you must have seen that the Freight Expenses were put down at 15 per cent, which is a fair calculation for every vessel as regards the actual expenses out, & since it was expressly stated that these items were not to be charged heavily with expenses the extra 10% will have to be deducted next year. The goods debited to "Plant & Mensils" appear to be correct but as just remarked 25% is too much to charge for the expense of conveyance to the Islands, so 10% must be taken off and only 15% entered in future, though in calculating the costs upon Stores sent out for sale it is proper to put down 25% before adding the profit, so that any loss by wastage, deterioration &c. may be covered.

10. After our last Despatch had left England we received from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Letts H<sup>rs</sup>: a corrected invoice showing that the Red Pink Powder should have been only  $\frac{2}{3}$  instead of  $\frac{3}{4}$  per doz, the latter being the retail price.

11. In N<sup>o</sup> 402 we sent Epitome of Stanley Wages upon the quarterly Returns showing an outlay for the year to 30 June 69 of £ 1686.17.7 - it is now discovered that the Ledger Wages account is 1681.2.7 being a difference of £. 15.- less - on examination it appears that the Quarter's Return 30 Sep to 31 Dec 68 is entered as 1,36.2.10 but the three Journal entries for these months only total 1,30.7.10 so the error lies in that quarter - explanation is required on this discrepancy, it appears strange that you did not perceive the error on looking through this Epitome.

12. We have been comparing the Camp Wages Return to 30 June 70 with that to 31 March 70 & find there is only one man less - as mentioned in N<sup>o</sup> 402, 4 the reduction anticipated has not hitherto been carried out, but we are in hopes economy on this score will now really take place as you begin the quarter on 1 July 70 with 49 men, though the 5 Shepherds sent by Mail of 8 June is an addition & there will be more men by the Wood ships - the Board of course takes into consideration the increase of Sheep but it appears to them that you have a very full supply of labour. Where there are two men of the same surname with the christian name beginning

with G, John, Jos.<sup>n</sup> or J.<sup>n</sup> must be put for distinction, & if not quite alike then they must be distinguished by the addition of the name of the vessel which took them out. We send List of Shepherds who owe money to the Co.<sup>y</sup> on 30 June last, though large amounts were paid them during the quarter to that date, surely credits of this sort might be curtailed.

13. Referring to your Memo of 1 Nov 69 ex N.<sup>o</sup> 64 giving list of persons to leave Camp employment on 1 May 70 we find that the following had not left by the end of June last -

J. M.<sup>r</sup> Kinnon                      there being 3.-.8½ whic Credit  
W. M.<sup>r</sup> Gill                              who owes 4.-.4.4½ thro' Wages  
account has 23.15.2½ paid to him, why was not this sum deducted & only the balance paid him in cash. Though Joseph Thomson has left he owes 3.-.1.2½ shd this not be recovered some one must be held responsible for the loss.

14. Explanation is required upon 26.6.3 out of Ward's Invoice P.<sup>o</sup> "V. Tatham" 10 Dec 69 entered for Company's use. In future issues from Store on Co.<sup>y</sup> account to Farm, Consumption, Stanley Off.<sup>e</sup> or for Co.<sup>y</sup> use must be detailed.

15. Capt.<sup>n</sup> White has called here abt the 10.4.6 due on account of the 'Moderation's' shipwrecked crew, he states that neither Mess<sup>rs</sup> Adamson & Donaldson nor himself have any funds to meet this claim, the wages of the sailors were paid at Stanley and care should have been taken to deduct their Store accounts from this amount, we have applied to the Marine Department of the Board of Trade for particulars of the transaction but they have not received any & we fear there will be no superfluous funds to meet this claim. Capt.<sup>n</sup> White tells us that he paid his own account to the Company in addition to the allowance made him by the Government. Should we not be able to obtain the amount due it will be a loss on not to allow such another transaction to take place, we understand that the sailors <sup>were supplied</sup> with much more & better clothing than they were entitled to, hence this unpaid claim.

16. M.<sup>r</sup> C. H. Williams has entered into an Agreement with the Comp.<sup>y</sup> for a Sheep Farm on shares on Speedwell Island, 2000 clean Ewes are to be supplied him on or before the 28<sup>th</sup> February next, so you had better commence preparations at once for erecting a house 1½, the terms are on thirds

terms are on thirds, Mr. Williams providing attendance paying one third of the expense of shearing, baling and shipping and receiving one third of the net proceeds of the Wool, at the end of three years from delivery of the Ewes Mr. Williams receives one third of the increase - should we not have sufficient clean Ewes or the preparations of House &c not be ready by the 28<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> the season is to commence as soon as the arrangements are completed, the Directors wish you therefore to use every endeavour to enable Mr. Williams to begin this Sheep Farm as soon as possible. Enclosed is the stamped Agreement dated yesterday.

27. Enclosed is Ship's Introductory Letter from Mark Whitwell Son of Bristol, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> inst<sup>t</sup>, giving the names of eight of their vessels.

28. Referring to No. 27, 12 wherein you say that Mr. Duncan wishes to get out Mr. Jane Reed, we beg you will inform him that she died suddenly on 2<sup>nd</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>.

I remain, Sir,  
 Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

- Totts' corrected Invoice 2/9<sup>d</sup>
- Gilbert's Invoice of Ordnance by this Mail, 9/-  
 Postage of same being 6/6<sup>d</sup>
- Account of Average Weight & Rice of sound Hides
- Copy of Letter from British Consul of 18 Oct 70  
 about the Gov<sup>t</sup> rights on Magellan Straits.
- List of Shepherds owing money to Co<sup>y</sup>
- Introductory Ship Letter Mr. Whitwell Son
- Williams' Agreement for Speedwell Island.
- Specimen of new Charter party.
- Journal Entries.



No. 412.

8<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1870

The Secretary  
of the S. S. C.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 413.

P<sup>r</sup>. La Plata

London 8<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1840.

Sir,

Since our last Despatch on the 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we have not had the pleasure of receiving any advices from you though anxiously expecting Letters.

2. The Directors have chartered the Iron Barque 'Chiselhurst' of 352 tons as per enclosed Charter partly to convey Stores and Passengers out and return with the Co's Produce; in accordance with the suggestion in your Despatch 87, 9. we have the right of paying only for the outward passage, but it would be at a very heavy rate in consequence of the risk of the vessel having to go a long distance for a home freight so we hope you have not arranged for any other vessel to bring home the Produce. This is the first iron ship we have taken up you will therefore have to get together as many bones & thorns as possible for dunnage, so that the iron sides may not injure the hides - should the trade answer the owners ideas he would be willing to keep her in our service so we shall expect a careful report upon her accommodation & behaviour, and as it will be necessary to be very particular about her time of discharging & loading

that there may be no claim for demurrage you had better send with her a diary of occurrences at the Islands upon this subject. We intend her to leave the Docks on the 13<sup>th</sup> and Gravesend the next day if possible after inspection of passengers.

3. M<sup>r</sup>. Langdon, Wife & Infant will go by the 'Chiselhurst' and we have engaged five Shepherds, three being those returned whom you recommended being taken on again, viz: Goodwin & two Watsons, the former having got married, the new men (known to Goodwin) are Brown with four children and Smith with three children - there will also be the following Passengers M<sup>r</sup>. Williams £30, Miss Felton £30, Fred<sup>r</sup>. Hardy, Mason, a Royal Marine late of Stanley, wife & six children £40, Mercer wife and three children £85, M<sup>r</sup>. Natt £20 and Douglas Stennett a Shepherd for M<sup>r</sup>. Stickeney £22, who also ships six Leicester Rams at £3 each, a reduced rate as his last sheep did not reach his sons.

4. As explained in our last the Board has only authorized a small shipment being made of which we send

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Epitome for your guidance & printed Advertisements of the arrival of a cargo of Stores. In ordering these Stores it would have been very useful if the stock of articles for consumption issued to the Farm on hand 30<sup>th</sup> June had been known, it will therefore be desirable for this to be furnished at the next stocktaking.

5. The Fur seal skins ex 'V. Tatham' are not yet sold nor those ex 'Trinita', so these accounts cannot be closed - we can however state that the number of the latter are 1061 Hair 283 Furs being 9 less than the Bill of Lading at Montevideo, this shows a loss of 15 (fifteen) Skins upon the purchase of the 'Lotus' cargo & requires to be looked into, at all events future purchases of Adventures must be conducted with greater care as the loss invariably falls upon the Company.

6. We trust you have fully explained the closing of Mr. Bertrand's Agreement, time, manner, payment of balance &c. so that these particulars may be endorsed on the copy - the same information to be furnished when Mr. Travis' Agreement is terminated. We do not yet know the date of the delivery of Sheep to Mr. Greenfields, which determines the commencement of his Agreement, nor have you told us what Government sections he has taken up for his farm.

7. The Mr. Graves named in N<sup>o</sup>. 411, 16 is Mr. Wm. Ch. G. Lewin in whose favor we yesterday drew a Bill on you for £60 (sixty pounds) at 10 days sight being for Cash paid in here by his Mother.

8. Mr. Dean has chartered the Barque 'Delaware' 34 1/2 tons Regt., according to Lloyd's Book but really 20 tons or more less, she is said to have a full cargo and is to sail this day or by the end of the week - we understand Mr. Dean's Son is going out in her but have not heard of other passengers. Being one of Messrs. Bath & Son's vessels you can tell Capt. Morgan that when his charter is concluded, he is consigned to you and the Directors would like you to render him all needful assistance, for it would be a good thing if he were to report to his owners that Stanley is a good port for their vessels to call at. Our House Coal is very good, I was going to say superior to Mr. Dean's having been told he had shipped Inland Coal, but our Merchants who usually supply <sup>him</sup> just inform us that they have not put any on board.

9. We learn from the Admiralty that the 'Galatea' with the Duke of Edinburgh is expected to be at the Falklands the middle or end of February next, I have therefore sent you

by this Mail a case containing a Consul's Uniform for the North German Confederation. I hope it will arrive in time and give satisfaction.

10. Messrs Schuth & Melian state that they are as economical as possible with the Port Charges of the 'Lohis' and render explanations as per extract enclosed.

I remain, Sir,  
 Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Chiselhurst's Charterparty dated 16 Nov 70.  
 Land Order for £100 N<sup>o</sup>. 26. Part 4.  
 Extract of Schuth's Lr abt 'Lohis' 15 Oct 70.  
 Epitome of Cargo of Stores of 'Chiselhurst'  
 Advertisement for D<sup>r</sup>.  
 Letter Coleman to Cobb

No 413.

8th Decr 1840

The Secretary  
opposite St G

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1870

N<sup>o</sup> 414.

E.C.

pp. 'Chiselhurst' Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, This vessel being now ready for sea I have the pleasure of enclosing her Bills of Lading & the Board trusts the Stores will come to a good market. The General Invoice amounting to £1877.3.11 rather exceeds what we intended, but there have been several outlays not anticipated and we had to put 50 more tons Coals on board to bring the vessel to her proper bearings.

2. The 'Chiselhurst' has a large number of Passengers, 35 souls equal to 26 adults that had to come under the Passenger Act thus causing considerable expense, which I fear will render the transaction not profitable to the Company - on our account are -

- M<sup>r</sup>. Langdon, Wife & Infant
- John Goodwin & Wife
- James Smith, Wife, two children & infant
- James Brown, Wife, three children & infant
- Thomas and Andrew Watson

These make five Shepherds, who are Emigrants under the Commissioners, of whom you will have to send Landing Certificate, as we have obtained two Land Orders for £100 each - the other Passengers are -

- Miss Madeline Felton in the Cabin @ £30
- M<sup>r</sup>. Hardy, Wife, five child<sup>n</sup> & infant in the Cabin £70
- M<sup>rs</sup>. Natt, intermediate @ £20
- M<sup>r</sup>. Mercer, Wife, 2 daughters & 1 Son Steerage £85
- Douglas Stennett, Shepherd for M<sup>r</sup>. Shickney £22
- and M<sup>r</sup>. C. H. Williams in the Cabin at £30

3. In consequence of the Passenger Act we have had to provide an extra Boat with four oars complete costing £15 and a Fire Engine, as you wanted one for service in Stanley or at Darwin we have had one fixed in a cistern on wheels so this will combine the two services & may prove very serviceable - the ship also had to have an extra Chronometer thus we have hired from Barrard, N<sup>o</sup> 5344, at Ten Shillings per month & insurance, the value is £30 (Thirty Pounds)

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if it can be sold for Cash at Stanley the hire out will not be charged. There are also two Life Buoys, ten Buckets with lanyards & six cork life Belts, if these cannot be turned to good account at Stanley, they had better be returned for use on another occasion. The ship provisions the Passengers for £190 so there will be no surplus stores to hand over - the Fittings, Berths & Tween Deck have been paid for by the Co. so you will claim all this timber & show it to the best advantage.

4. Mr. Pickney ships three Rams & three Ewes of the Leicester breed, the pen is provided by him also the Provender so we trust there will be a quantity landed, we hope they will get out safe, we should like a report on them as Mr. Pickney states they would suit the Islands or cross well with our Cheviots.

5. Messrs. Barney & Co. having a large stock of secondhand Iron Tanks and Bins, send eleven of the former and eighteen of the latter on sale, we trust they will bear some freight & be sold at a profit, as the latter seem especially useful for country work. Mr. Ernest has also shipped some Crockery, as we had space in the vessel, this is old stock of his, invoiced at the lowest price, to which a suitable freight being added, with expenses of sale, is to be disposed of to the best possible advantage & the proceeds handed to his Son Mr. Henry Ernest, the Co's Storekeeper.

6. There are four Bills of Lading besides our own, viz. - Wine for Dr. Fisher, Wine & Leather Goods for Lieut. Grury & Lundry Goods for the Rev. Bridges on account of the South American Missionary Society - there ought to be one for three casks two cases Clothing consigned to the Officer Commanding the Royal Marines, being Admiralty Goods, but as it has not come to hand you will have to deliver to him under guarantee, all freight is to be collected here.

7. Mr. Langdon has taken with him an Epitome Book of various Island Accounts for explanation and examination with yourself, this Book is to be returned by the 'Chiselhurst' without fail.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

## Enclosures.

- Triplicates Nos 408, 9, 10 - Duplicates Nos 411, 2, 3.  
 Duplicate Letters of 8 Oct, 8 Nov, 8 Dec -  
 Chiselhurst's Charterparty  
   do Two Bills of Lading  
   do Two Receipts for Fittings & Provisions  
 Emigration Agreement of 3 Dec 70  
   do Landing Certificate  
 Land Order for £100 No. 26. Part 2.  
   do do " 100 " 27. " 1.  
 Langdon's Agreement & Receipt for £40.  
 General Invoice £1877.3.11  
 43 Detailed Invoices  
 Passenger's Agreement with Mrs. Natt  
   do do " Mr. Hardy  
   do do " " Mercer  
 Receipt from Mr. Mercer for £10 advanced.  
 Shepherd's Agreement with John Goodwin  
   do James Smith  
   do James Brown  
   do Thomas Watson  
   do Andrew Watson  
 Receipt for Advance of Wages to Smith £10  
   do Brown 10  
   do Watson J 5  
   do do A 5  
 Letter Pickney to Cobb 10 Dec 70.  
   do Coleman to Cobb, Travis, Watts, Drury  
     Bridges, Rutter.  
   do Ernest from his Brother  
   do Smallbones, Tigwell, Cooper } from  
     Phillips, Paice four } Old Basing  
 'Coquimbana' Pamphlet from Lloyd's Salvage  
 Hoare's Sale Catalogue of Dean's Wool ex 'Hunsingo'  
 List of Packages for delivery  
 Notes on Cargo.  
 Copy Letter to Cobb 13 Dec in charge of Capt. Bryson  
   about Provisions



No. 4111

13<sup>th</sup> Decr. 1890

The Secretary

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 415.

M<sup>r</sup> Douro

London 7<sup>th</sup> January 1871.

Sir, On the morning of the 15<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> I left the 'Chiselhurst' at Greenhithe proceeding to sea and found on arrival at Office your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 91, 92, 93 and 94. The 'Paraguay' delivered on the 5<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>o</sup> your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 95.

2. The 'Chiselhurst' passed Deal on the 17<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> but the Gunpowder was not shipped at Gravesend and as there was an error in Belts' Invoice we forward a corrected General Invoice £1871. 11. 11.

3. The Directors are glad to hear you have inspected the Camps so thoroughly and trust your arrangements may prove successful - should you collect a large cargo for the 'Chiselhurst' it will prove to be the turning point of the Comp<sup>y</sup>, as if sold well we should be in funds and thus able to send you a small intermediate cargo of Stores if urgently needed.

4. We trust the access of Shipping in the Port will enable the Ship's Stores to be disposed of so that you may remit the proceeds. We have written to the owners of the 'Vicar of Bray' and the 'Jhelum' but have not received any answer, so it will be necessary to exercise caution in granting supplies to these vessels. Mr Tatham's 'Pelham' has gone down from M. Video to convey 550 tons Guano from the 'Jhelum' to Dantzick for £1150.

5. The Directors regret you have drawn upon them for Bertrand's Estate, but as the Cash Acc<sup>t</sup> shows you were short of funds and it is presumed to be a case of necessity to secure the Co<sup>y</sup>'s former outlay they have accepted the Bill for £173 - we have also paid the North British Fire Office £53. 16. 3 on your own private account in anticipation that the next Mail may bring heavy remittances.

6. Referring to N<sup>o</sup> 67 wherein you advise having drawn on the Directors for £43. 12. 4 in favor of Capt. Brown

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of the 'Fred Thomson' we have to state that these Bills have never <sup>been</sup> presented as Capt. Brown died before reaching England, this sum has therefore been paid to his widow under guarantee from herself and Mr. W. Thomson the owner of the 'Fred Thomson'.

7. We note that the Canvas bought for you by Messrs. Schuth & Co. at M. Video will be due on the 8<sup>th</sup> April, we trust you will remit them for this as the Directors ought not to accept their Bills if you do not make remittances here.

8. The Board has carefully perused your reply to the Owners complaints upon the transactions of the 'Bge Mary' at Stanley in Jan. & Feb. of last year & is sorry to see that the accusations of Capt. McNear are verified. The Directors regret extremely that such dishonorable transactions have occurred at their Store, in allowing the cost of liquors supplied to Capt. Giles to be entered to his vessels account as rope & canvas, and they desire that this be never again permitted, though Captains may act dishonorably towards their Owners it must not be with the connivance of this Comp<sup>y</sup>. and the most the Board can sanction is that they be allowed, if necessary, a commission of five per cent on stores needed for their vessels, you will therefore set your face against all acts of bribery as the Directors would rather lose the business of any vessel than be guilty of assisting Captains to impose on their Owners. The Chairman stated at the last Meeting on behalf of himself and Co-Directors that he was not aware you had ever been told it would be necessary to use 'palm oil' in dealing with ship captains and observed that if Lloyd's were aware of the 'Mary's' transactions you would certainly not hold the office of Agent.

9. The Representative here of Messrs. Cory Bro<sup>s</sup> & Co. of Cardiff, Mr. Benj<sup>n</sup>. Jenkins, has called to say that they have established Agencies in various parts of the world for the supply of Steam Coal and that Messrs. F. L. Merchant & Co. of New York, Boston & Philadelphia, have on their behalf mentioned this Co's depot of Steam Coal at Stanley to the authorities of the United States Navy Department, and that instructions are given to all American Men of War to coal with us. In May last we wrote letters to the heads of the Navy Department at Washington, sending Charts

and Cards, to which we received favorable replies, viz:

George M. Robeson	Secy. of the Navy
Commodore Melancthon Smith	Chief of Bureau of Equipment
" Geo F. Emmons	Hydrographic Dept.
Capt. R. H. Wymen	" "
" J. H. Patterson	Navy Yard
Prof. J. H. C. Coffin	Nautical Almanack

and others, we must therefore this will lead to business.

10. The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement of your Administration to 30<sup>th</sup> June last have been made up here some time, but we refrained sending them expecting to have had them from you with remarks, we now forward them and are disappointed to see that the Store shows a Loss of £691. 6. 4. one of your letters to me said you were examining into this and really the matter ought to be thoroughly probed, we must therefore your next advices will contain an explanation on this, as well as the Cash Analysis promised in N<sup>o</sup>. 85, 3.

11. The Directors wish for your report upon Douglas Stennett, Mr. Stickeney's Shepherd of 'Chiselhurst', his Wages are £25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 40 per annum being engaged for 6 years, I could not learn what rations he is allowed but as Mr. Stickeney says the terms are much lower than ours & that he could get several such men, we ought to embrace the offer if Stennett is a good workman, his behaviour here & on board with his Sheep was very proper & industrious.

12. Capt. Peter Predale, owner of the 'Calcebar' is not satisfied with the behaviour of Capt. G. L. Pringle and wishes to know how he conducted himself at Stanley.

13. The Board wishes to have a list of the Census of the Falkland Islands inhabitants.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 414

do 2 Bills Lading of 'Chiselhurst'

Land Order N<sup>o</sup>. 27. Part 2 £100

General Invoice £1874. 11. 11

'Gooch House's' Wool Importations for 1870.

Journal Entries

Letter for Capt. Bryson from G. H. Payne & Co.

Stanley Balance Sheet & Profit and Loss Statement.

4<sup>th</sup> Albany. 1841.

No. 415

The Secretary  
of the B. & O.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 8<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1871.

N<sup>o</sup> 416.  
P<sup>r</sup> 'Onaida'

Sir, On the 13<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> we received your Despatches N<sup>o</sup> 96 and 97, the former with Original of N<sup>o</sup> 95 having been posted by the Queen of Nations at Rio de Janeiro where she put in teaky on the 1<sup>st</sup> December. On the 31<sup>st</sup> ult. the 'Calabar' delivered Original of N<sup>o</sup> 92. On the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 98 p. N. M. S. 'Reindeer' and on the 4<sup>th</sup> N<sup>o</sup> 99 came by the Pacific S<sup>t</sup>. 'Caldera' to Liverpool, the 'Foam' having been too late for the R. Mail S<sup>t</sup>. at M. Video.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 96, 4. The Directors have carefully considered the new Land Ordinance N<sup>o</sup> 6, dated 20<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1870, and as there was a point or two which appeared rather unjust to the old settlers instructed an application to the Colonial Sec<sup>y</sup> of State, as per copy of letter to the Earl of Kimberley enclosed, to which we have had a reply stating that Her Majesty will not allow this Ordinance to become Law that the Governor has been instructed to send home for approval a draft of any alterations which may be contemplated. It is rumoured that objections are raised by the Colonial Office to the price of land being reduced to two shillings an acre and it is expected the cost of land will not be allowed to be less than four shillings an acre, we trust therefore you have expended the greater portion of the Land Orders in your possession, which represent 1351.2.3 or upwards of 13,500 acres - this being a large quantity of land we expect you have secured some in different parts of Choiseul Sound, not forgetting the shore opposite Seal Island & up the Swan Inlet - the land around Candera House must also be much improved being the oldest Section grazed by the Co<sup>s</sup> Sheep.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 96, 8. Since you must know that the Comp<sup>y</sup> is not paying its way the Directors regret you should ask for an increase of Salary, you may not be aware of it but you are by far the highest remunerated official connected with the Co<sup>s</sup>, after more than eighteen years service here I get £300 (Three Hundred Pounds) a year whereas you have £550 (Five hundred & Fifty) with House & Furniture provided, no Income Tax to pay nor any expenses in getting to office as you reside on the spot - the Board has also allowed you the fees from Lloyd's Agency, the Consulships & the Insurance Agency they

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have obtained for you, though this work is performed in the Company's time. Although you have now more duties thro' managing the Camp as well your travelling expenses to & fro are provided by the C<sup>o</sup> and meat is furnished you when at the Farm, the Directors are quite aware there are unpleasant inconveniences attending the Camp duties, but if you had not undertaken this department in order to endeavour to bring the C<sup>o</sup> into success we should have been obliged to appoint some one else or the concern must be wound up, so that under either circumstance you would have lost your situation - as before stated the Board will be most happy to increase the pay of those whose exertions tend to the C<sup>o</sup>'s welfare as soon as the speculation is successful, but until then you must not look for an extension of your present handsome allowance.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 98, 4. We have insured £1000 worth of Produce from Lafonia to Hulkos You board same in Stanley Harbour to the 31<sup>st</sup> March.

5. N<sup>o</sup>. 98, 11. We are sorry to learn two packages per 'V. Tatham' were not delivered and do not understand why you hesitated to make Cap<sup>t</sup>. Macey or the vessel liable as the former was not exonerated by us here & had signed Bills of Lading - the first intimation we had of the affair was your Despatch 8<sup>th</sup>, 22 received 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup>. 1870, the second half of the 'V. Tatham's' Freight having been paid on the 29<sup>th</sup> August so that her Charterparty was settled & closed. Should the Company be saddled with any expenses the amount must be debited to the officer who reported to you that the outward cargo had been properly delivered, as you wrote in N<sup>o</sup>. 72, 2. that the 'V. T.' had discharged all her cargo but the bricks: we have applied to Mr. Tatham but he cannot at present give any answer as Cap<sup>t</sup>. Macey is absent.

6. N<sup>o</sup>. 98, 14. The Directors believe that Mr. Laughton will soon be able to take charge during your absence provided he knows all your arrangements & intentions, for without you place this confidence in him it will be impossible to exercise his judgment or devote his entire energy & interest to the C<sup>o</sup> as we expect he will readily do.

7. N<sup>o</sup>. 98, 19. Mr. C. A. C. Potcher of Hamburg is the Owner of the 'M. Hilde', we learn he is a reliable man if he put his name to a Bill, but if the amount prove large he might decline accepting, fortunately she is bound to England so that steps can be taken against the vessel if necessary.

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8. N<sup>o</sup>. 99. The Board is sorry to find you have been obliged to draw on them for another of Mr. Bertrand's Instalments to Littlejohn, but must you have ample security in the Title Deeds of the Estate & a Lien on all other property connected with it. Mr. A. J. Lee, Uncle to Mr. Bertrand, has called here having had a letter from his Nephew dated 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. last, soliciting him to intercede in his behalf & obtain longer terms for the repayment of his debt to the C<sup>o</sup>: from the particulars Mr. Lee read to me it seems that the last instalment £441.6.0 will be due to Mr. Littlejohn on the 15<sup>th</sup> May next, that he is going to give up 41,000 acres of land which will reduce the rent to Government, that there are 3,000 Sheep & 40 Horses on the Estate, that the Wild Cattle will be killed off, the Produce for next year being estimated at £800 against £300 for expenses, all which Mr. Lee asserted tended to show that if time is given the Estate will pull through. I declined to enter into any arrangement, as the Board had left it to your decision being the only person capable of judging how we can best secure ourselves, but I stated that we would instruct you to act as favorably as possible towards Mr. Bertrand, as the C<sup>o</sup>: can have no notice for crushing a settler but of course we must protect ourselves & had no business to find Capital for others, to all this Mr. Lee agreed & considered that his Nephew had no cause of complaint against the C<sup>o</sup>: so we hope you will be able to bring the matter to an amicable settlement. Mr. Bertrand wrote that there was a person ready to take a third share for £1200 and would pay down £600 at once if the C<sup>o</sup>: would guarantee two years for the payment of the debt due to them, but to do this in the face of the instalment due next May we ought to have the whole of this cash and undeniable security on the Estate with the right to see that it is worked properly.

9. The Board considers your plan of sending Reports on Sheep and Cattle on sheets separate to the Despatch is good and must it will be confirmed: the two last ex N<sup>o</sup>. 93 have enabled us to learn more of the Camp than usual & we have therefore drawn up a List of the Stations with the Shepherds attached to each, with other particulars, which you will please fill up and return with the number of Sheep at each



so that we may be kept acquainted with all proceedings in the Camp. In studying the new Land Ordinance we had to look up the bases of our Government Stations so have entered the particulars known here and wish you to return the List, with the addition of the dates not entered & any other particulars you deem will make it more perfect. Who now keeps the Breeding Mares at Ceritos, Murdoch being transferred to Bodie Creek?

10. Referring to N<sup>o</sup>. 412, 12 we find our anticipations of a reduction in the Camp Staff have not been fully realized, for though you began on 1 July 70 with 49 men the five Shepherds ex 'La Plata' were an addition & we perceive you took on 2 Boatmen, 2 Gauchos and 1 Mason (please explain the duties of two boatmen in an Agricultural Establishment) besides each a payments to 8 men, who have now left, commencing with J. Goodwin & ending with J. M. Gowan, totalling 42.18.2 1/2. From the last Wages Returns ex 93 & 96 we have been enabled to draw up a List of Employes on 1 Oct 70 with their duties & salaries, showing that 3 (seventy three) persons, besides Crews of Boats, are on the fixed staff & draw yearly salaries amounting to 4996.16.-, besides Extra Wages certainly upwards of a Thousand Pounds a year, rations, houses or lodgings, this makes a terrible total outlay & fully accounts for the poverty & distress we are in, as the yearly collections of Produce & Adventures do not realize here more than £7656 a year on the average of the last four years.

As to the Wages the cost of Sheep Dip, Materials, Limes & Expenses are added it will be at once evident how it is that there is so little profit from the Farm - before the Buildings and Plant were credited there was a loss of £242.18.- for the working of 1869/70, and as two-thirds of these Capitalizations pertain to former years you will perceive what a fictitious amount is the present Debit of £2330.-.10 for Profit on the Island Administration 1869/70.

11. You state that some men will come home by the 'Chisclhurst' but as she carries out five Shepherds, 3 at high wages being old servants, we fear there will not be any reduction of establishment for your autumn quarter, still the Board desire you will diminish the expense on this head as much as possible. I have determined not to send any more Shepherds until there is a real need by the accomplished <sup>interests</sup> of our flocks, for the general men must now have learned sufficient of Sheep to be capable of these duties in company with a qualified Shepherd. We consider this year to be a turning point for the Comp<sup>y</sup>, if you can keep on without drawing on the Directors and send a good cargo of Produce the limited cargo, out

limited cargo out will be paid off & we shall be enabled to forward a small shipment in August or September next mainly in order to supply the sheep remedies early that the dipping may be attended to early & thoroughly before the winter & thus the sheep may have a better chance of thriving & increasing the quantity of wool.

12. We instructed in N<sup>o</sup>. 387, 3 that the working account of the 'Lotus' should be kept separate to enable us to see what were her expenses, this has not been attended to but must be carried out in future - the depreciation ought to have gone down to the vessel's account and the interest should have been debited to her working account but credited to Directors, not to the Island Interest account as your cash did not buy her. We send accounts made up from your figures for future guidance, showing that she was worked at a loss of 50.13.6 last year and wish you to inform Mr. Langdon that as he knows how to arrange these matters they must now be carried out properly - it would be more correct to debit Capt<sup>r</sup>. Pain with his half salary paid here & credit him with full salary for 'Lotus'. As this vessel is not suitable for us & there might be a good chance of sale at Valparaiso it would have been a favorable opportunity to have offered her at a reasonable freight for part of Balcarray's cargo to that port, whence if not sold she could have brought back flour & lumber and thus been usefully employed. We have just received letter from Capt<sup>r</sup>. Pain, dated Sandy Point 11<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1870, stating that he had not been successful in sealing in the Straits I was going to Patagonia for another trial, but being disappointed with sealing wished to give up command at the time allowed by his Agreement the early part of April next, we have therefore accepted his resignation. Capt<sup>r</sup>. Pain says he spoke to you about leaving before sailing from Stanley, this would bring it to about the right time for giving six months notice as per agreement, for legally it should have been done on the 8<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup>. 1870, but as we think a more energetic & economical man could be appointed to the 'Lotus' this point might be waived, as by leaving before 3 years the C<sup>o</sup>. has not to provide a passage to England: we have asked him to continue in charge until a successor is appointed & hope that if there is not any one at Stanley fit to command her Capt<sup>r</sup>. Dyer may arrive by the end of May, as in accordance with your note of 5<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>. last we shall endeavour to engage him on his return from the West Indies being due in about a fortnight. We shall pay Capt<sup>r</sup>. Pain's half Pay £5 for May on

1<sup>st</sup> June for the last time. As the 'Lotus' may be laid up occasionally during next year precaution will be taken to have a clause in the new policy of Insurance for return of part of the premium upon the time she is unemployed.

13. You will be sorry to hear that there is no sale for Fur Seal skins at present, those ex 'V. Tatham' & 'Trinita' were put up on the 18<sup>th</sup> ult. together with those belonging to Mr. Dean ex 'Hursingo' and there was no bid for them: in order to close the shipments we have valued at their present uncertain rate being about half what they fetched formerly, and it will be necessary for you to give much lower prices for these articles since our Brokers state that so long as the N. American Fur Seal skins come to this market, it would not be safe to expect more than a third of their former values. Mr. Dean tells me that he has instructed his Son to this effect, so that if you both offer lower figures the sealers will not be able to pit one against the other as has so frequently occurred. We send a priced Catalogue to show what low rates other Seal skins fetched.

14. Respecting the fence you propose from North West Arm to Flores Harbour it is presumed you will be guided in fixing the House needed there by the requirements of Mr. Williams, who stated you intended to build a cottage somewhere near that point in order to be able to communicate with Speedwell Isd. In reply to N. 93, 13 from explanations given by Mr. Williams to the Directors they believe he will be anxious to give prompt effect to the agreement for a Farm on shares with the Company.

15. The balance of Farm Acc. is said to be 594.13.2 the Wages due to Camp Men being entered as 492.19.7, but the detailed account of wages due to and balances owing by men from Darwin ex N. 87 gives this amount as 491.15.7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, this difference must be explained.

16. On Dr. Fisher's appointment as Surgeon to the Marines we wrote to the Post Office to add his name to the list of inhabitants of the Falklands for whose postage we are answerable, and learn that neither Letters nor Book packets are now detained for incorrect postage, though Newspapers are not forwarded unless properly paid for.

17. The Iron Bins & Tanks sent out fr. 'Chiselhurst' by Messrs. Burney & Co. on sale are not to be returned: if you deem it absolutely necessary to have more Boiling Tanks for the Sheep Dips you had better give us early intimation.

18. We are informed that a new Lighthouse Keeper has been appointed I have offered our services in getting him out.

19. Mr. Seymour sold the 'Vicar of Bray' to Messrs Inworthwaite & Co. Holmes' Wharf, Sunderland, whose Clerk Mr. Garrick owns a large portion, we wrote to the Firm offering services & the latter person writes this morning to enquire the next Mail in as he can do nothing in the absence of estimates for repairs. We are told she is a good vessel though old: you must be careful to be well secured for heavy repairs.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman

Enclosures.

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| Acc <sup>t</sup> Sales Seal Oil ex V. Tatham | 308. 3. 4  |
| do " Trinita                                 | 167. 7. 8  |
| Sealskins " do                               | 377. 17. " |
| Wool Error                                   | 2. "       |
- F. S. Co<sup>s</sup> Employes their Salaries on 1 Oct 70.  
do Sheep & Cattle Stations 31 Jan 71  
do Lands leased from Government 8 Feb 71  
Lorus' Accounts to 30 June 70 from Dist<sup>r</sup> Ledger  
Ledger and Journal Entries  
Letter to Col<sup>l</sup> Off<sup>r</sup> about Land Ordinance 20 Jan 71  
Reply from D<sup>o</sup> " " " 26 " "  
Letter " Rev<sup>d</sup> Kirby 17 Dec 70 about Endowment  
Fund for Bishopric of the Falkland Islands  
Subscription List for D<sup>o</sup> D<sup>o</sup>  
Secretary's Reply upon above dated 6 Jan 71.  
Dickelmañ's Ships Introductory Letter.

Jec<sup>r</sup>.

No. 416

Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

The Secretary  
of the F. I. Co.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London

N<sup>o</sup>. 417.

H<sup>o</sup>. 'La Plata'

Corporation of the

Falkland Islands Co.

London 8<sup>th</sup> March 1871.

Sir, Since our last on the 8<sup>th</sup> ultimo, contents of which are confirmed, there has been no communication from the Colony and as the uncertainty & paucity of the Postal Service must be detrimental to the Company's interests, the Directors have decided that it will be necessary to devote the 'Lotus' to this purpose. By all accounts this vessel is not suitable for close work in shore but is well adapted for going up & down to M. Video with Passengers & Cargo, and as the 'Perseverance' is after the late repairs quite enough for sending stores to Darwin & picking up produce there & in Lafovia, the Board wish you to offer the 'Lotus' to the Government at a reasonable subsidy for the Mail Service, since as she is now worked at a loss without any future benefit to the Co., it will be wiser to let her lose the same amount at the Postal Service, which will improve the whole Colony & thus be of advantage to the Co. She is too large & expensive for sealing & this trade will never be what it was formerly, as all the late purchases of Adventures have resulted in a loss however you may consider there is a profit on the Stores sold to the sealers. We have therefore written to H. C. Col. D'Arcy stating that you are instructed to enter into any arrangement which he can manage, as the anticipation that a Steamer would be sent out to replace the 'Drene' will not for the present be carried out. We believe that £1200 is allowed by Government for the Mail Service so that if £700 or 800 could be obtained for the 'Lotus' making 9 or 12 trips a year, the remainder would keep up the 'Foam' for Government & at times she could make a trip; the freight of Goods from M. Video would help towards the expenses as you must not object to convey for other Storekeepers & there would also be an amount for Passengers, which with such accommodation as the 'Lotus' has would increase year by year. The minimum subsidy is to be Seven Hundred Pounds (£700) and the Agreement must

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have a clause to end same at four or six months notice; as soon as we learn the contract is entered into & the dates fixed we shall despatch a small consignment of saleable goods to meet the 'Lohis' and continue this plan at intervals, reserving the yearly Produce vessels for House Coals, Timber and rough freight.

2. Despatch 99 states that the advance to Mr. Bertrand of £441. 6. - to meet a liability to Mr. Littlejohn was against the Wool of his Estate, but this produce is already charged with a lien for the debt owing to the Company for former advances, so that if you have not received any other pledge this account is increased without further security: the Board is anxious about this debt & hope a great number of Cattle have been killed for their Hides.

3. The first sale of Mr. Dean's Penguin Oil ex 'Hunsingo' took place about the 22<sup>d</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, a few of the best casks having fetched £28 per tun, this shows how low prices are and the Board desires therefore that you will not purchase any of this Oil except at a much cheaper rate than heretofore & then only when it can be despatched to this country in a short time.

4. In making up the Adventure Account per 'D. Tatham' we perceive that Mr. Bertrand's Wool was bought at 5 per lb on the Landing Weight, so send the London Dock Landing Account showing the weight was 126. 3. 17 - the tare of the 49 bales being 3. 1. 21 to be deducted: in case the 253 Hides are purchased from him on the same terms the Landing Account is sent showing they weighed 107. 5. 16.

The purchase of 110 Hides from Mr. Greenshields by entry in June Journal 87. 1. 9 states that we paid for 6,431 lbs @ 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  per lb, but as the Landing Account shows we received only 6,201 lbs Mr. Greenshields must be debited with the difference of 230 lbs @ 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ , equal to £ 3. 2. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

5. On the 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1867 it was instructed that all entries of Accounts relating to the Directors were to be made in full and the date of the transactions in London was to be given, this has not been carried out in the Credit entry of 11. 17. - in July last & we require the details of the said entry.

London 11. June 6/70

6. Enclosed is List of Island Vessels as far as known here, this is to be corrected & returned with all other particulars necessary to keep us well acquainted with this matter, and we wish to have a yearly return say on the 30<sup>th</sup> June of each year.

7. As H. M. S. 'Scout' is ordered to the Pacific we have written to the Admiralty requesting that she may be ordered to call at Stanley, in order to deliver letters to you as the Mail communication is so irregular, and in anticipation of this being allowed I went yesterday to Sheerness to see the Officers & explained matters to Capt<sup>m</sup> Cator and Nav<sup>y</sup> Lieut<sup>t</sup> Clapps, also to the Chief Eng<sup>r</sup> Mr. Pinger, so that if she calls in you will easily get her business.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

- Duplicates of Nos 415, 416.
- Account of W. Tatham's Cargo £193. 1. 9
- Adventure Account for 1869/70 pt. 'W. Tatham'
- Epitome of Acc<sup>t</sup> of Camp Wages 1869/70. £6481. 16. 11
- do do Stanley do do £2597. 2. 2
- List of Vessels at the Falklands
- Wharf Weights of Berhard's & Greenshield's Hides ex 'W. Tatham'
- London Docks Weights of Berhard's Wool 49 bales ex D.
- Copy of Dreyfus' Charter party for Peruvian Guano



No. 417

San Manuel, 1871.

The Secretary  
of the S. H. Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 418.

H. K. M. S. 'Scout'.

Corporation of the

Falkland Islands Co.

London 15<sup>th</sup> March 1874.

Sir, This vessel being bound to the Pacific Station the Directors requested that the Admiralty would order her to call at Stanley to deliver Despatches as the Mails are so irregular now, I have fortunately succeeded in obtaining this concession for vessels going out never touch at the Falklands.

2. In order to obtain this favor we agreed to supply three days fuel at the Rio contract price and learn from the Admiralty that the additional consumption of Coal for the 'Scout' would amount to about 108 (one hundred & eight) tons and the price at Rio de Janeiro is, delivered at the Wharf £2.11.9 per ton  
" on board the Ship 2.14.0 " " (two pounds fourteen Shillings) so you must be guided by the wishes of the Captain & the Engineer as to the plan of delivery: since this price would pay the cost of our Coals and a dead stock is realized we trust a larger quantity will be needed.

3. As this vessel calling may be a precedent we wish you to show every attention to Capt. Cator & his Officers and to explain to the Board any circumstance favorable to future callings, I also state how many days this deviation from the regular <sup>route</sup> will cause the 'Scout' to be delayed in getting to her destination, and let us have any hints which might assist a future application to the Admiralty.

4. We were in hopes of being able to acknowledge a Despatch by some sailing vessel - the 'Douro' from M. Vidoe was at Lisbon yesterday with advices from Stanley but her letters cannot be delivered here until the 18<sup>th</sup> inst.

Enclosing Duplicate of Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 417,

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman

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Fred<sup>o</sup> E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 6<sup>th</sup> April 1871.

N<sup>o</sup>. 419.  
P. R. M. S. 'Douro'

Sir, On the 17<sup>th</sup> ult. your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 100 and 101 were delivered by a Liverpool Steamer and on the next day P. R. Mail N<sup>os</sup> 102 and 103, the former in duplicate, the original coming on the 20<sup>th</sup> ult., a remittance of £612.13.8 in four bills ex N<sup>o</sup> 103 being extremely welcome.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 100, 2 & 101. The Directors are much pleased with your management of the Wreck of the N. German Sch. 'Dampyr' and trust there will be a reasonable profit left for the Company, if you can learn the position of the unknown danger, which occasioned her destruction, it will be best to let us know the particulars so that the Admiralty Charts may be corrected. The Board is desirous of marking their appreciation of Capt. Campbell's conduct in so skillfully towing the Mast into Stanley Harbour for sale to the 'Victor', I have resolved to present him with a gratuity of Five Pounds, which you will please hand to him with due acknowledgments for his active services in command of the 'Perseverance'.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 100, 4. The Board considers you have acted properly in discharging Mr. Ernest for habitual drunkenness and are glad you have appointed Mr. Cameron to be Storekeeper at Stanley, for such promotions of old employes have a good effect upon the Company's service.

4. N<sup>o</sup> 100, 6. Mr. Garrick owner of the 'Vicar of Bray' wrote to Mr. Duncan for Chief Officer by N. M. S. 'Scout' & will also send intelligence by this Mail - Messrs. Bath & Co. consider the sale of their House Coal ex 'Henry Bath' at 4/6 to be very remunerative, so that in future such purchases might be made at a lower rate.

5. N<sup>o</sup> 102, 4. With regard to Mr. Bertrand's Estate you must have perceived that the Board was not satisfied with your having undertaken such a matter, the explanations received from you were not sufficiently explicit to enable us to come to a positive decision, therefore we could only leave it to your judgment to get out of it safely as soon as possible, our instructions have always been to this effect and the Directors will be relieved when they hear

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that this debt has been closed without loss to the Company. We have now the pleasure of reporting that Mr. Holmsted's Father has paid to the credit of his Son, with Mr. Bertrand, £580 (Five Hundred & Eighty Pounds) viz: £75 on the 24<sup>th</sup> ult. and £505 on the 4<sup>th</sup> instant, so that this amount will come to the credit of this Account.

6. N<sup>o</sup>. 102, 7. Though you may now have less Men in the Camp in proportion to the number of Sheep & Cattle than <sup>formerly the</sup> business does not pay and in spite of your assertion we still believe there are quite men enough, at all events no more Shepherds will be sent out without some well founded reasons as the speculation does not answer, if every increase of Sheep or Cattle occasions a commensurate expenditure where is the use of continuing to breed them, it almost appears as if the concern will not give any profitable return until there is a sale for the increase, we shall therefore hail Mr. Waldron's proposal to buy a number of sheep with satisfaction.

7. By the Wages Returns for Quarter to 31 Dec 70 we perceive that 6 new hands are in the camp, 4 general men & 2 boatmen - and that the extra Wages at Stanley were nearly double being 196.5.7 the highest of all but three quarters before, whilst the permanent wages at Stanley are much increased. On both these points we refer you to former Despatches, almost each of our later ones having insisted economy and referred to the heavy expense of the Co<sup>'s</sup> standing staff of employes.

8. We understand the Board of Trade are sending by the present Mail the Lighthouse keeper Mr. Brown with his Wife and child, also the usual supply of Oil & necessaries, so we hope the 'Lohis' may be <sup>at Montevideo</sup> to obtain this freight.

I remain,  
Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 418

do Letters 15, 18, 28 Mch 71.

Ledger & Journal Entries

Gold Pen for Cobb.

Silver's Corrected Invoice for Cobb 1.15.9

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Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 420.  
J<sup>r</sup>. R. M. J<sup>r</sup>. Oneida. London 8<sup>th</sup> May 1871.

Sir, On the 20<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we received your short communication of 3<sup>rd</sup> March (with semi official letter of 1<sup>st</sup> March J<sup>r</sup>. H. M. S. 'Galatea') now marked N<sup>o</sup>. 105 a, with Duplicate of Despatch 105 of the 16<sup>th</sup> February, and on the 1<sup>st</sup> instant the 'Mathilde' delivered Despatch 104 of the 4<sup>th</sup> February, together with another Despatch of the same date, to enclose the 'Henry Bath's' Bill, numbered by M<sup>r</sup>. Travis 105 but now marked 104 a, as he could not have told you of this Despatch. Original of your N<sup>o</sup>. 105 J<sup>r</sup>. 'Guldfaxe' reached us on the 1<sup>st</sup> instant.

2. The remittances 810.10.11 for 'Mathilde' and 243.1.- for 'H. Bath' are very welcome, it is a pity N<sup>o</sup>. 105 a did not contain the thirds of these drafts as we should have obtained our money earlier, on looking into the matter I find you do not send forward the thirds of Bills, please do so in future as they are not required in your Office the fly leaf of the bill form being sufficient memo of them, and the amounts of all Bills must be given instead of your numbers, as at List of Enclosures in N<sup>o</sup>. 105, which do not give the information we require. N<sup>o</sup>. 105 did not give the date of the 'Mathilde's' Despatch, which would have shown the time of her sailing, so we could not calculate when her Bill might come to hand.

3. N<sup>o</sup>. 105, 3. The 'Chiselhurst' has certainly made a wonderful passage out, we are sorry to hear of the death of one of M<sup>r</sup>. Hardy's children - another time if any death occurs on board our vessels the christian name, age and cause of decease must be given. As M<sup>r</sup>. Pickney shipped three Leicester Rams and three Leicester Ewes you ought to have reported the sex of the sheep which died.

4. Par M. The Board considers M<sup>r</sup>. Travis has been overpaid for the work he has done, from all accounts he took very little interest in the Comp<sup>y</sup>. and being ill adapted to our work is well rid of. We are sorry to find you are adopting the old system of making new comers dissatisfied with their position by intimating to M<sup>r</sup>. Langdon that he would not be able to live on his salary, he accepted £160 a year with residence knowing all prices & circumstances of the Colony, being well

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disposed and without silly or extravagant habits and having a careful wife I do not see why his income should not meet his expenses.

5. Par 14. The 'Lotus' having again had a bad sealing expedition will, we trust, show you that for the present this trade must not be attempted, it is well she has brought some cargo from the wreck of the 'Antonia' and we hope it will sell at good prices to leave her a good salvage. The Directors consider you have done right to put yourself forward as Lloyd's Agent, but the Merchant Shipping Act being in force at the Falklands the Governor was clearly right to become the Receiver, especially since we learn that Williams the Portuguese has been imprisoned for stealing some of this cargo from the 'Lotus', you have not reported this but it shows how carelessly things are managed for one of the Company's <sup>vessels</sup> to be left unprotected. The papers you sent on this matter ex 105<sup>s</sup> were submitted to Lloyd's Salvage Association, copy of their letter of the 3<sup>rd</sup> inst. on the subject is enclosed. By Bookpost we forward Edwards Jones' Law of Salvage.

6. Par 15. We are glad to find so much will be saved out of the wreck of the 'Dampyr' and hope you will keep a regular account to show what profit the C<sup>o</sup> realizes - as you had already rewarded Capt. Campbell for his energetic services in the 'Perseverance', the gratuity of £100 voted to him by the Board, as mentioned in No. 419, 2, falls to the ground.

7. Par 17. I believe the result will show that the Board exercised a wise discretion in stopping the large supplies, as the Store does not pay no sane person could expect us to continue shipping heavily. Respecting the loss of 691.2.8 at the Store, which, with the profit of £1500 that might reasonably have been expected, makes a deficiency of over £2000 in last year's Accounts, the Directors are much disappointed and vexed that you state in your letter of 1<sup>st</sup> March that you "cannot fathom (it) at all", such a confession shows there cannot be any kind of check at the Store and that the necessary books are not in existence or have not been kept up. The Board trust you will feel it an incumbent duty to look most closely into the matter and institute such alterations & regulations as will prevent losses in future: the Auditors of the Company have proposed the appointment of an Auditor at the Falklands but the Directors do not wish at present to ask the Government if one of their Officers could be allowed to undertake this duty or appoint any one else, though if things do not at once take a turn for the better some supervision must be established. When orders are given by individuals this should be stated as the C<sup>o</sup> would then be safe in sending them, since the persons ordering would be answerable for cost and expenses.

8. The Accounts for last year have been audited enclosed is explanation showing that the Profit made at the Islands can only be estimated at £607.11.8 and as the Interest for keeping up the payments on account of the Island Administration and for providing a Store Capital amounts to £715.14.7 the Directors are again under the necessity of meeting the Shareholders without being able to report anything favorable; in addition to this as the Company's Debentures will become due in July I regret to inform you that the Board has been reluctantly compelled to make a Call of Ten Pounds per share, the General Meeting is fixed for the 21<sup>st</sup> prox<sup>o</sup>, we hope before that time to have partially realized the large cargo ex 'Chiselhurst' and that your Annual General Report will show better progress, otherwise the Proprietors will be very disappointed and might consider the concern not worth carrying on.

9. The Lighthouse Oil Stores were not shipped off 'Douro' last month, they have gone off 'St. Lucydon' to M. V. she also has a parcel of Boots for Turner from Burrows value about £60, this with other goods will be the shipment we heard was to be sent direct to Mr. Turner.

10. As the Earl De La Warr was fearful his letters for H. C. Gov. D'Arcy were not delivered he wishes us to enclose one for him - this applies to Mr. Lewin who sends one for her son, which you will please forward to Fox Bay by first opportunity, together with all letters which may be at the Post Office for him, please ask M. Langdon whether he delivered the parcel he had on board the 'Chiselhurst' for Mr. Lewin.

11. We have only heard this morning that the 'Mathilde's' Bill is accepted, this is most fortunate, there are no accounts of her outlay.

12. It is reported there is Burr in Mr. Dean's Wool you must therefore be very careful about communication with Pebble Island or any of Mr. Dean's Sheep Stations for fear of this weed being introduced upon the Co's Land.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

- Correspondence with Bradford Chamber of Commerce on Wool, 6 & 26 Apr 71.
- Copy of Letter from Salvage Association about Wrecked Goods ex 'Antonia', 3 May 71.
- Journal Entries - Explanations of Island Profit & Loss.
- Journal Entry 33. 4. 4 of 31 Dec 70 returned.
- Letter for Col. D'Arcy from Earl De La Warr.
- " " Mr. W. Lewin " his Mother.

No. 420

8th May, 1891

The Secretary

of the S. V. B.

Mr. Langdon will be sorry to hear  
that Mr. Estlin has been absent from  
home all with small boy back, the  
same is now for the no going  
on forwardly.



London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 8<sup>th</sup> June 1844.

N<sup>o</sup> 421. E.C.

M<sup>r</sup> 'La Plata' Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was written on the 8<sup>th</sup> ultimo - on the 16<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we received your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 107 of the 30<sup>th</sup> March, with Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 106 of 20<sup>th</sup> March, these were partially acknowledged on the 19<sup>th</sup> May via Liverpool, which we hope will reach you before the present Mail as it gave notice of the engagement of Cpt<sup>r</sup> Dyer. On the 30<sup>th</sup> ultimo M<sup>r</sup> Langdon's Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 108 of 4<sup>th</sup> April last arrived by a Liverpool Steamer.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 106, 11. The Board has always been of opinion that the desire for Government Land led the Co's Managers to neglect our own Freehold and considering that we already possess so much land on the North Peninsula, which is being improved for the benefit of the followers of our leases, the Directors would regret if your attention should be turned to obtaining more, but under the circumstances you state that it can be usefully employed and can be obtained from M<sup>r</sup> Dean for some Sheep, they would agree to such an exchange, though they do not obtain cash for their surplus Sheep, which must be their future aim, but it will show Settlers that the Co<sup>s</sup> is ready to part with sheep, still we hope others will be induced to buy some out & out, so if M<sup>r</sup> Bonner will give Cash for 200 Ewes in the autumn pray let him have them even at a lower figure - this applies to M<sup>r</sup> Williams, the Board instructs you to sell him for Cash as many Sheep or Lambs as he requires and sooner than let him obtain them elsewhere we must lower the price to induce him to take ours, for as the increase of our Flocks has not hitherto proved commercially successful we must make profits out of the sale of them instead of keeping them and adding to our expenses.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 107, 6. The Indent is large & expensive, but as the 'Chiselhurst's' Cargo will leave a surplus we are enabled to execute it, and the Board has decided to send off a vessel between the end of this month & the middle of July - there is a great quantity of Stores the cost of which will be sunk in consumption but we trust the profit on the saleable portion will pay for the expenses of the Island Establishment, as the Board make it an indispen-

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-able arrangement that the cost price of all saleable  
Stores, as delivered at Stanley, shall be remitted home in  
Bills or purchases of Hides & Wool at reasonable rates,  
the former are preferred in consequence of the time to  
wait for the Produce. As this will be a large con-  
-signment there will not be much to send out by the  
Produce Ship, so it is doubtful whether we ought to  
charter here for that purpose or leave you to obtain  
freight from Montevideo, unfortunately the uncertainty  
of the Mails prevents us calculating when to expect  
answers to our Despatches or we might lay down a  
course to be carried out on hearing your replies to this  
and former letters, as your last gives hopes of the 'Sobro'  
working the Mails we shall delay instructions till  
next month, trusting by that time something defi-  
-nite will be fixed and that you have given the Board  
your ideas as to future business & movements.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 107, 11. We think it would be a good  
thing to boil down some old Swes but doubt the advisa-  
-bility of putting sheep on Swan Island for this purpose  
because the cost of the operation will be thereby much  
increased, the removal will cost something, the placing  
the apparatus there will be more expensive than upon  
the shores of Choiseul Sound, all the fuel must be taken  
there by a long sea route and then the tallow has to be  
brought to a port for shipment, what is there to pre-  
-vent it being done near Darwin Harbour or some  
other spot more convenient of access than an island on  
the other side of our main property only accessible by  
water. Capt<sup>m</sup> Dyer & myself have inspected some boiling  
apparatus and we shall endeavour to send a boiler  
and some jacket pans, in order to melt by steam, if  
the produce vessel is despatched from here.

5. N<sup>o</sup>. 107, 12. The Directors are much gratified  
at hearing that Mr. Lewin will join Mr. Holmsted, as  
thus with the cash received from the latter's Father the  
debt upon the Bertrand Estate may be extinguished  
without loss. Should Mr. Lewin decline settling at the  
Falklands his Mother will be answerable for any expenses  
he may incur for his return to England.

6. N<sup>o</sup>. 107, 13. The Board fears the expense of  
eight Houses will be too much and looking to the fact that

sales & killings for preserving & boiling down will reduce the number of sheep they have determined not to send more than six, even if they can afford that, and decidedly object to engaging more Shepherds at present, should we find that the clip ex 'Chiselhurst' produces more wool per sheep than former shipments and realizes a better figure per pound, it may be worth our while to continue to increase our flocks - after all the objections we have made to the Farm accounts I am surprised you have never made & sent home a calculation of the cost of our sheep, whereby a B. H. statement could have been drawn up showing the result of the Wool sale, this is a matter that we on this side cannot conduct or I should have gone into it myself, the Board now wishes that as you have the assistance of Mr. Langdon versed in the getting of the many statements which have emanated from this office, you will prepare a statement of the cost of our sheep, or at all events of one or two well kept flocks, to show what is done and whether any improvement may be looked for that shall induce us to continue breeding.

7. N. 107, 14. The cost of a Telegraph is far beyond our means, £30 (thirty pounds) per mile on post, if insulated for burying more, besides the freight on such bulky articles as posts & wire.

8. Enclosed is copy of a new Policy N. 201 for the Fire Insurance of Cacha Stores £2,000 to 28 Apr 72. Precapitulate our present Insurances, which seem heavy for our business and income, so that you may consider whether any saving can be effected on this outlay -

Buildings	2,000	} Pol <sup>o</sup> expires 4 Sep 71	cost £73.10."
Stores in Store	5,000		
do extra do	2,000	201	" 28 Apr 72 " 21."
do in hulks } & produce }	1,200	} 200	" 26 " " " 45.15."
Hulks	800		
Lotus	1,500	185,9	" 14 June 71 " 171.7.6"

9. In accordance with your recommendation we have engaged Capt. Dyer as Marine Superintendent & for three years certain at £150 (one hundred & fifty pounds) a year, as per enclosed Agreement, and the Directors hope that as he has always taken a great interest in the Colony this will prove a good arrangement; he goes out by present mail.

10. I regret exceedingly to have to inform you that the "Chiselhurst" has not yet arrived, we have had a long succession of easterly winds which doubtless keep her out but the delay is most unfortunate, as I want to consult with Ernest Murdock about the Houses, Stores &c., it may prevent our vessel getting away as early as anticipated. Mr. Cameron's Brother will go out in her as Storekeeper for Darwin.

11. We send some Seeds and Cotton Wicks for Lamps as per Invoices enclosed.

I remain,

Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 419.

do Coleman to Cobb 12 Apr & 19 May 71.

Copy Policy N<sup>o</sup>. 201.

Dyer's Agreement

Barr Hugden's Seed Invoice 3.11.9

Taylor's Lamp Wick " " 8.6

Letter for Mr. Lewin from his Mother.

P. S. It will be necessary to send home the full accounts of the "Mathilde" as the Owner has applied for particulars. You have not reported that Stanley is no longer a Free Port as the Government has instituted a Port Charge of Six pence per ton, till we have your official notification we cannot alter our Charts but it will be a necessity to do so as we must not deceive Shipowners.

J. C.

The Secretary  
John S. L. P.

Gen June 2, 1871

N<sup>o</sup>. 421.

N<sup>o</sup> 422.London, 39 A. Gracchurh St. 8<sup>th</sup> July 1871.  
E.C.

Mr. W. Douro, Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. - On the 3<sup>rd</sup> inst<sup>o</sup> we received your Despatches N<sup>o</sup> 109 & 110 of the 13<sup>th</sup> April and the 2<sup>nd</sup> May, with enclosures, containing two Bills Receivable amounting to £193.17.2.

2. I have the pleasure of reporting that the 'Chiselhurst' arrived here on the 12<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> with a large cargo which has come to an excellent market, the Wool is most favorably reported on and we are happy to say has realized 11<sup>o</sup> and 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> a lb, even the locks have fetched 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, this will make a great addition to our means & shows the effect of careful getting up & the benefit of dividing the Wool & sending home the locks separate, the Board is much pleased with this improvement in their wool and desires me to thank you and all who have assisted towards this end, I beg therefore you will intimate to Mr. Fell & the head shepherds the success which has attended their efforts.

3. We transmitted to Mr. Ernest the claim made on him for £9.5.10 on account of the Foam's Store Bills and he has replied, stating that he has not received any further sums than what are entered in the Store Cash Book, the explanation, as per copy of his letter of 21<sup>st</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> herewith, is a long one & we hope it will prove correct.

Mr. Ernest has sent in a claim for 3 months' Salary as per Letter of 21<sup>st</sup> June, you have not reported how his Agreement was closed, he received 6 months notice on 15 Dec 70 was paid to 19 Mch 71 at £150 a year and considers he is entitled to the full salary for the 6 months to the 15<sup>th</sup> June - the Board cannot decide the matter without your explanation.

4. N<sup>o</sup> 110, 3. The Board has not yet received sufficient explanations or reasons to alter their determination not to send more Shepherds, if the general men cannot be promoted to look after sheep the regular shepherds must be paid extra if they attend to a larger number than a full complement in a flock, mind we do not say a greater number than they manage at present believing that more could well be attended to, what we mean is that a system of rewards should be held out to induce men to offer to do more for extra pay than can be demanded of

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them, but before this is done we wish you to insist upon a full amount of work being got out of each Shepherd the bad habit of doing as little as possible being unhappily the custom of the establishment. The Comp<sup>y</sup>. has all the trouble & expense of introducing labor while other people reap the benefit of it, if you are really pushed for assistance M<sup>r</sup>. Donald at your Brother's and than with M<sup>r</sup>. Williams could have been retained in the Co's. service at the same rate as strangers pay them, the Co. keep them during the time of their being initiated into colonial ways & then when educated for the place strangers get hold of them.

5. N<sup>o</sup>. 110, 4. We are sorry to hear that it is doubtful if the Government will accept our offer of the 'Lotos' for Mail Service, the uncertainty of postal communication is very detrimental to the Colony so the Board trusts you will not relax your endeavours to obtain some fixed regularity. The departure of the 'Chiselhurst' is purposely fixed for the 17<sup>th</sup> to enable us to reply to the Mail which ought to be here on the 15<sup>th</sup>, we can detain her yet another day or two at Gravesend.

6. N<sup>o</sup>. 110 encl. - Upon the Agreement dated 3 Apr<sup>y</sup> 1781 with your Brother M<sup>r</sup>. H. C. Cobb for a Sheep Farm on shares upon Lively Island, the Board remarks that they think it would have been better to have devoted himself to Lively Island only and not meddled with Phillimore and Middle Islands, it is too much the habit of the Colony to extend matters without adhering to one thing & doing it thoroughly - they also consider the rent of £20 to be paid at the end of three years for Lively & other islands is small for a lease of 7, 14 or 21 years - but these matters can be decided when we see how the speculation progresses and before the lease is drawn up for Lively Island.

7. We have chartered the 'Chiselhurst' for £800 and ballast at Stanley and are putting a valuable cargo of Stores on board with the intention of despatching her on the 17<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>o</sup> she will convey M<sup>r</sup>. Cameron, M<sup>r</sup>. Turner's Brother and 5 Royal Marines, 3 married with families. M<sup>r</sup>. G. H. Payne & M<sup>r</sup>. The Owners have given a letter dated the 2<sup>d</sup> June by which we have the right of chartering her home for £800 but they since strongly object to Guaho being shipped and even go so far as to say they will instruct Capt. Bryson to refuse such a cargo at all risks, we have written them that we should not wish to injure their vessel & that you are to avoid if possible such a cargo, still you must not waive our right to the vessel for a home charter if good

terms are offered, we do not believe granow would injure her if proper precautions are taken in stowing. Unfortunately we find she will <sup>not</sup> carry all the Stores ordered, an assortment will be made & either sent on to Montevideo or by a vessel going round the Horn, the wood houses have taken up more space than anticipated, we shall endeavour to let you know what is decided by a letter per Pacific Mail P.M. on the 12<sup>th</sup> instant.

8. The Board makes this consignment of Stores on the express condition that the cost price of all saleable articles, with 20 percent for freight, insurance & expenses paid here (to allow a good margin we ought almost to say 25%) is to be remitted here as soon after sale as possible in hard cash or Government Bills, or other safe Bills, no purchases of adventures, produce or things of that sort - the proceeds of which we do not handle for months, this must be strictly attended to & we shall expect a return by first opportunity showing what amount we may look forward to and by what mails, for I fear from the voices coming in that the shipment will prove more expensive than anticipated & that for some portion Bills must be accepted, the clear profit will well keep you going & we trust the expenses for Sheep Dip &c. will in future be reduced.

9. Now comes the difficulty of remittance as it appears the Gov<sup>t</sup>. do not draw on the Treasury here so freely as formerly, we have written to Mr. Melian about your sending Specie to Montevideo when once there of course Bills on London can be obtained but it would not be safe without insurance, this can be done at Lloyd's on amounts to be declared: we shall write to the Admiralty to ask that Men of War may be instructed to receive specie & what would be the freight to Montevideo or England.

10. By arrangement with Capt<sup>n</sup> Dyer we pay his Wife Six Pounds on the 9<sup>th</sup> of every month, commencing tomorrow, and advanced him £10 towards his pay on the 8<sup>th</sup> ult.

11. There is no account of the cost of Adventures by the 'Chiselhurst' - nor have you given the number of Sheep clipped which produced her Wool so we cannot calculate the yield of a Sheep.

I remain,  
 Sir,  
 Your obed. Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Secy.

Enclosures.

Chiselhurst's Charter Out 10 June 71

Letter for Dr. Stone 12 " "

Correspondence with Mr. Ernest about claim

Copies Reports on Cargo of 'Chiselhurst'

7 casks Tallow

75 Dry Hides

4277 Pattes do

1683 Sheepskins

490 bales Wool

Pickney's do

Howe's Reports on Co's Wool

Waldron's do

Pickney's do

Copy Bullivant's Letter on Telegraph 26 June 71

Memos on Stores now being shipped

Triplicate Invoices Copestake

Croffe

Fairbairns

Rowison

Journal Entries

No 422

8th July, 1871

The Secretary

John G. D. O.



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London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 15<sup>th</sup> July 1871

E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup>. 423.

S<sup>r</sup>. 'Chiselhurst'

Sir,

According to arrangement we now send a most valuable cargo of Stores amounting to £287.1.10 and trust the same will speedily arrive and be turned to good advantage.

2. This vessel has the following Passengers, Alex<sup>r</sup>. Cameron for Storekeeper at Darwin Mr. George Turner to join his Brother, having paid £20 Mr. Grosmith, Mr. Langdon's Brother in law, and five Royal Marines with three wives & six children on account of the Admiralty, of whose embarkation you will have to return a Certificate to enable us to obtain the balance, one third, of their passage money - these people being 27 souls equal to 14 adults are provisioned by the Co. and the Board expects a careful return & valuation of the surplus provisions landed as 110 days supply is put on board, full details & memos are sent to enable this to be done properly.

3. Our last informed you that she would be delayed a couple of days in order to answer Despatches from Stanley to the 1<sup>st</sup> ult. which ought to have arrived to-day unfortunately the 'Onaida' will not deliver her letters until the morning of the 18<sup>th</sup>, at which time the 'Chiselhurst' ought to leave Gravesend, circumstances may still favor us with a little delay, but if the Steamer is not to her time or there is no Falkland Mail Bag it will be most unfortunate.

4. We learn from the Brokers that the long Tails ought to be cut off the Stides, as it detracts from the value being looked on as offal, whereas the Hair would fetch a good price if sold as such.

5. The Wool Sale Catalogues herewith will show that Waldron's & Hickney's Wool ex 'Chiselhurst' have fetched good prices this week, this will be very assuring to them.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,

J. Coleman  
Secy.

Fred<sup>r</sup>. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager,  
Stanley.

Enclosures.

- Duplicates Nos 420, 421, 422.
- " Letters to Cobb 12 June, 12 & 14 July -
- Chiselhurst's Charterparty Out 10 June 71
- Payne & Co.'s Letter on Stone &c. 12 " "
- General Invoice £9,287.1.10 - 69 Suppliers -
- 77 Detailed Invoices - One Bill of Lading.
- Memos on Stores seven pages.
- do " Passengers & Provisions
- Act: M. Cameron's Agreement
- Reports on Cargo home of 'Chiselhurst'
- 4277 Tanned 75 Dry Hides 22 June 71.
- Edenborough's Letter on Wool 21 " "
- do Report 490 bales do 22 " "
- Three Reports from Hoare on the same
- 7 Cask's Tallow 22 " "
- 1683 Sheepskins 4 " "
- Bullivant & Allen's Letter on Telegraph 26 " "
- Company's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Report for Cobb
- do do do " Langdon
- Copy Correspondence with Ernest
- Specification for Shepherd's Houses
- Plan of above on Linen Paper
- Particulars of packages of Bagridge's Houses
- Copy of Barge Notes of Timber, part on board
- Letts' Letter Invoice of Diaries - these to be returned with report on sale &c
- Ledger Entries
- Notice to Mariners N. 40 about Mission Pt. in Beagle Channel
- Copies of Policies on Lotus Nos 202, 203.
- Royal College of Surgeons Report of Museum Conservator 3 July 71.
- Notes on Carabida, New Beetle discovered at Falklands
- Coleman to Payne & Co. 12 July about Provisions &c
- Yates' Invoice of Provisions by Contract 79.9.0
- do do do extra 16.14.2
- do List of Stores required by Admiralty Scale
- do do put on board
- Simmitt's Invoice of Cobb's Boots £9
- Letters for Cobb - Langdon 4 - Dyer 2
- Col: Secretary - Col: D'Arcy -
- Drury - Cooper - Mercer - Poice -
- Campbell, - Sigwell - Williams -
- Small Parcel for Watts from his Brother

No. 1128

13<sup>th</sup> July, 1891

The Secretary  
of the F. & A. C.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup>. 424.  
P. R. M. W. 'Neva' London 8<sup>th</sup> August 1871.

Sir, Our last was dated the 15<sup>th</sup> ult. P. 'Chiselhurst', she passed Deal on the evening of the 19<sup>th</sup> and I trust she has had a good run out of the Channel, we enclose Duplicates of her Despatch & Enclosures, Bill of Lading and Letters.

2. On the 18<sup>th</sup> ult. we received your Despatch N<sup>o</sup>. 111 of the 25<sup>th</sup> May and the letters of the 2<sup>nd</sup> June P. F. B. M. S. 'Scout' via Magellan Straits, now numbered N<sup>o</sup>. 111 a, the Navy Bills were very welcome, application is made to the Admiralty for the extra Coals to the 'Scout' but the amount is not yet received, the Board is satisfied with the sale of these Coals I trust you will not hesitate to sell at reduced prices to realize our over stock of Coals.

3. The Directors read with much interest your General Report & Notes on the Camp and Sheep, the last Cargo has turned out remarkably well, it gives great hopes for the future, they still impress the necessity of economy & care with the Wool, this is well reported on by the Bradford Chamber of Commerce as per Copy of Letter of 26<sup>th</sup> ult. herewith.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 111, 4. We regret Mr. Bertrand has not yet obtained a partner with Cash to reduce our Acc<sup>t</sup>, he ought to do his utmost to send Hides to get out of our debt and we request you will attend to this with care. Mr. Williams must pay at Stanley as he goes on, or give good Bills on England, we cannot afford to find Capital for others.

5. 111, 10. We are sorry to hear some of the 'Times' have not been delivered, they are posted here in bundles, so you ought to be able to make a formal complaint to the Post Office of the numbers which have been abstracted.

6. 111, 12. No efforts should be spared to obtain a fixed Mail Service and if the Government cannot really afford to give more than £500 a year for nine mails I think the Board would approve of your accepting it (upon full explanations) if the times were arranged for her.

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley

to be able to do some work for the Camp or otherwise, there is no doubt a Mail Service would greatly benefit the Colony, you will now have Capt. Dyer's advice & assistance in arranging such a matter.

7. We have this day paid Messrs H. Clarkson & Co. £819.5.8 for the 'Vampyr's' Account, so trust you will be sending by every Mail what money you can, the River Plate say their Bank will receive Specie invest it in their Bills at current drawing rate charging a commission of one quarter per cent ( $\frac{1}{4}\%$ ), if it is desired to send the Specie to England they would charge half per cent ( $\frac{1}{2}\%$ )

8. Messrs G. W. and E. Lorentzen of Altona have recommended the Company to their friends Messrs Holtzapffel & Schotte of Valparaiso, who are chartering vessels to Europe and wish to have an Agent at the Falklands, they expect that a part of the Customary Commission will be returned to them, so we have told them that the usual share will be allowed, they will no doubt write to you on the subject.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Copies Account Sales,  
226 Fur Seal skins ex 'St. Jatham'  
283 " " " Trinidad  
365 " " " Chiselhurst  
262 Hair " " do  
1,683 Sheepskins " do  
a quantity Tails " do  
62 Hides W " do  
48 bales Wool RG " do  
25 " do Waldron's " do  
23 " do Stickney's " do  
Error in Co's Hides " do

Bradford Chamber of Commerce Letter 26 July 71.  
Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 423 and Enclosures  
do Bill of Lading of Chiselhurst's Cargo 15 July 71.  
do Letters to Cobb 16 & 18 July 71  
do " Langdon 15 " "  
do " Dyer " " "  
Letters for Bryng & S. Fisher from  
Dr. M. Clinton

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1875.

N<sup>o</sup>: 425.

M<sup>r</sup>. 'Oneida'

Sir,

Our last went forward on the 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>.  
On the 1<sup>st</sup> inst<sup>o</sup> we received your Despatches N<sup>o</sup>: 112  
and 113, of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July, viâ Sandy Point &  
M. Video, both coming home by the Pacific Steamer  
to Liverpool.

2. 112, 6. I regret to inform you that the  
Salted Meats M<sup>r</sup>. 'Chiselhurst' are pronounced unsaleable  
so that we must now direct our attention to boiling down  
for Tallow, we are gleaning information about the best plan  
and if a vessel is taken up in November for the Produce home  
a boiler will be sent for generating steam and some pans  
with jackets for boiling by steam in order to keep the fat of a  
good color, as in establishing such a business it will be neces-  
sary to commence in a proper manner - one of the expenses  
will be fuel so that care must be taken to preserve all the slack  
of the Steam Coals as we shall obtain a boiler which will  
burn anything.

3. 112, 10. Matters have been explained to the Sal-  
vage Association about the 'Antonia', but they will not be able  
to give an opinion until the proceeds are received from the  
Government. I was told it is arranged that the 'Vicar of  
Bray' is to discharge 250 tons Coals and proceed with her  
remaining cargo to Valparaiso, where the owner can sell  
her more favorably than at Stanley: these are Smelting  
Coals so in anticipation of fuel requirements for boiling down  
you could perhaps purchase at a trifling rate.

4. 113, 1, 5. We are glad to hear you have obtained  
the repairs of the 'Sumanuel' at a profitable rate, pray be  
careful in these matters, we learn from the Swedish Consul  
that M<sup>r</sup>. L. M. Albin of Sundswall is a reliable man being  
the owner of 13 vessels.

5. 113, 3. I hope you were able to despatch the  
'Lohus' at once so as to secure the freight of the shipwrecked  
Mariners to M. Video, having to call at Port Purvis might  
prevent her earning this money, in such a case M<sup>r</sup>. Waldron's  
700 Hides must be charged a good freight - these will be  
very acceptable, Insurance is effected for £1300 @ 4% - as I see  
our Bulls fetched nearly 4% each, of course they are ordered to London.

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

6. We have paid Capt. Pain £4. 7. on your account, there is no information as to the closing of his agreement, please furnish this. Mr. Langdon wished us to apply to Mr. Lewin for 10/6 for knives, Mr. Lewin states that this amount was paid to yourself by Capt. Herschel of the 'Eagle' in which he came back.

7. The Cargo of the 'Chiselmhurst' has realized remarkably well, we have received £14,654. 14. (freight, insurance & expenses to be deducted) and if the bank of Oil were sold the accounts could be made up: the prices secured and the improved quality of the Wool make us look more hopefully to the future and if your anticipations of the next cargo can be realized the Company will then be able to commence paying dividends. Under such encouraging circumstances we shall send four or five Shepherds, unmarried, by the produce vessel or if not under any arrangements you make, as per N. 421, 3, Men by Steamer or vessel as soon after that period as possible.

8. The South American Missionary Society have enquired of me for an outlet for their Sheep, which though increased in number do not return much value in Wool, & could hold out no hopes of sale of the live animals so sold them they would have to resort to boiling down and that as we were about to commence such operations you would be able to do this for them at so much per head, or you might buy the sheep & boil down for ourselves, since it must be borne in mind that any quantity of Tallow can be readily sold in this market. The above applies to other settlers who will have to reduce stocks unless they import labour of which we hear nothing and the Board trusts you will not allow any of our good hands to enter the service of other Sheep Farmers.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Report by Edenborough

on 23 bales Wool, Attekney's, ex 'Chiselmhurst'

Acc. Sales of 11 " do 190. 7. 9 " do

do Horns & Bones 17. 9. 10 " do

Ledger & Journal Entries

Letter Coleman to Colb of this date.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1874.

E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup> 426.

J. R. M. P. 'Douro'

Sir,

N<sup>o</sup> 425 was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>; since then we have received your Despatches 114 of the 22<sup>nd</sup> July on the 12<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, and N<sup>o</sup> 117 of the 10<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> on the 29<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, this contained Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 116 which I regret to say is mostly illegible, there is no account of N<sup>o</sup> 115 so it will be better in future to commence each Despatch with a summary of your former communications.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 114, 3. We have carefully perused your Notes on Store and though you have made out a good case for the Island Establishment you have not controverted our assertion that it does not pay for the C<sup>o</sup>, that is that whatever profits there are, and of course some are made, the Board get no benefit thereby, we are quite aware that in our former days this branch kept us going, but now that the Sheep have increased and should pay their expenses we ought to obtain the Store profits, which before went to pay the loss on the Farm, and we are pleased to see that the stoppage of supplies to the Store has made you look closely into the matter. Through the short shipments last year and the large cargo ex 'Chiselhurst' being sold at such improved prices we are in a much better position than formerly, and as you now see the necessity of economy if you can continue in the same manner the Comp<sup>y</sup> is certain of success - our large supply of Stores fr<sup>m</sup> 'Chiselhurst' would support you well and must have come to a good market, so we expect this time to share the profits realized, because the camp staff being under better management will not require extraneous support, but will supply sufficient produce to meet its own cost and leave something for distribution to the Proprietors.

3. 114, 5. Mr. Holmsted has not yet been here, we shall be most happy to discuss the whole matter

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with him, trusting he will be prepared with full accounts of the partnership matters and the Liabilities and Assets of the Bertrand Estate - you ought to have sent Copy of their Account to the last date, the Island Journal in our possession not extending beyond April.

4. N<sup>o</sup> 114, 6. Capt. Pain was paid £4.7.<sup>0</sup> as your letter to me mentioned that amount, he has now returned the shilling, which is sent to you in Postage Stamps so that the accounts may not be confused.

5. N<sup>o</sup> 114, 8. The Board has instructed me to send if possible some Galvanized Iron Roofing, Iron Pillars, wire rods &c for Shearing Shed upon Lafohia, it is all a question of what we can afford and will depend upon the outlay for the Roiding down apparatus, Woolpress &c.

6. The Agreement with Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sharp & Robson of 24<sup>th</sup> July 1871 for hire of 500 Ewes, sent in your note of that date, is now labelled as an Enclosure of N<sup>o</sup> 114 - the Directors are satisfied that some of our Sheep are worned to account without the expense of the Co<sup>y</sup> keeping them, they perceive that if any die they are to be paid for at 25/- each or ewes of the first lambing are to be returned instead, they would have preferred the cash for them and if a reduction of price would be an inducement to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sharp & Robson to buy these 500 Ewes, the Board authorizes you to dispose of any number above 200 and under 300 at 22/- each or the 500 @ 20/- (one pound each) for cash down or at a short date upon substantial convertible security.

7. N<sup>o</sup> 116. From what can be read this appears to report the loss of the 'Little Edith', we see that the 'Lotus' is engaged in saving cargo so that Mr. Waldron's Hides will be indefinitely delayed, this is unfortunate as the proceeds would have been useful for the next cargo out.

8. N<sup>o</sup> 117, 2. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Richardson Bro<sup>s</sup> of Swansea have written to say they are satisfied with Capt. M. Auliffe having put the 'Galatea' into the Co<sup>y</sup>'s hands & trust every despatch & economy will be used, please attend to this as they will be quite prepared to accept the Bill for her exp<sup>s</sup>. The Shipping Report was not enclosed in this Despatch.

9. My letter of the 19<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> forwarded a letter

from Mr. Albin for Capt<sup>m</sup> Stromberg of the Immanuel and I am happy to report that the Bill for this vessel will be made payable at Messrs L. Engstrom & Browning & Co of 60 Old Broad St., and Mr. Albin wishes to know what discount would be allowed for prompt payment, I believe the Board will agree to this. I also asked you to send information about the 'Propontis' abandoned at sea and the crew brought into Stanley by the Admt. Fitzroy, as Mr. J. Matth Gildemeister of Bremen, who loaded her for Iquique, requires protest of the Captain or one of the crew to obtain his insurance, extract of his letter of 16 Sep 71 was forwarded.

10. Mr. Dean has chartered the 'Golden Bleece' 381 tons @ £830 to convey some Shepherds and a cargo of Stores to Stanley, she is to sail on the 10<sup>th</sup> prox<sup>o</sup>. He has offered to take our cargo shut out of the 'Chisalthurst' but it is decided to retain this for our own vessel; we shall await your replies to our remarks upon this matter but according to present appearances we think of despatching the Produce vessel of 380 or 400 tons from middle to end of December with five single Shepherds, any passengers who will pay and some stores, so as to return here by the end of June of next year, we want the Wool at that time and yet do not wish her to leave the Islands before the end of your summer being the collecting season, and the later she arrives with you the quicker despatch she would get & the better sale there would be for the stores out, as Mr. Dean's would have been partially sold off.

11. Capt<sup>m</sup> A. N. Nicholas sailed on the 29<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> per Pacific Steamer to command the 'Allen Gardiner' for the South American Missionary Society, he took out a parcel of Nautical Almanacks 1872, Capt<sup>m</sup> Campbell's Gun (sent here by Capt<sup>m</sup> Bain of the 'Victor') &c.

12. In reply to your Letter of 10<sup>th</sup> August last about the German Shipwrecked Seamen ex 'Mary' thrown on your hands, we forwarded the papers to Prince Bismarck stating that we were authorized to receive the £14 you had expended for them.

13. The Shipping Reports last received do not mention the 'Scout's' arrival or departure, though they are dated after she went away.

I remain,

Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
J. C.

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 424.

do Letters 19 & 25 Sep 71.

Ledger Entries.

Journal do

Remarks on Accounts.

Cobb's Penny Postage Stamps

Coleman to Cobb of this date.

N<sup>o</sup> 426

Jan Dec 1871

The Secretary

Genl. J. J. Co.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 427.  
P. Golden Fleece. London 6<sup>th</sup> November 1875.

Sir, As this vessel goes out direct for Mr. Dean we write our Mail Despatch by her and shall send Duplicate on the 8<sup>th</sup> instant.

2. Your Despatch 116 was delivered by the 'Annie Story' on the 20<sup>th</sup> ult. with Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 115 - and I am now directed to return the Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 116 received in N<sup>o</sup> 117 to show you how illegible the greater portion is, with the Board's orders that whenever press copies are so badly taken the Despatches must be copied again, there was ample time between the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>r</sup> to have made good this defect and the Directors are surprised it was not done.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 116, 3. The Mail Service is a constant source of annoyance to us and a serious drawback to the Colony, it is useless expecting steam communication can be obtained for the amount devoted to Postal Service, therefore the most strenuous exertions ought to be devoted to making the present resources of the Colony available, if the Government cannot sell the 'Foam' in order to employ the 'Lotus' they should make fixed arrangements for the former, if this is not done soon we shall bring the matter to the notice of the Colonial Office, for the authorities there quite agree with me that as the 'Foam' belongs to the Government for this purpose, and there is a subsidy allowed for her support, she ought to run the Mails at regular fixed intervals. We learn from the Pacific Steam Navigation Co. that H. E. Colb's D. Grey has not been in correspondence with them, though enquiries have been made by the General Post Office, who were informed that the P. S. N. Co. could not undertake such a service unless at a very much higher amount than is devoted to the Islands.

4. N<sup>o</sup> 116, 4. Your memo of Tallow obtained from a Sheep shows good results, but the Board has decided not to incur any expense for a Boiling down Apparatus at present, though they wish you to boil down the old Sheep whenever opportunity offers, you have not said what quantity of fuel was consumed & the attendant expenses

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

Please do so for our future guidance. From enquiries made on this subject we learn that the Tallow should not be allowed to remain upon the boiling water too long, that the less time it is exposed to heat the better as it hardens more afterwards and to promote this it should be stirred in the casks when being filled until it becomes nearly cold: the drogs or inferior tallow must be kept entirely distinct being put into packages separate from the good tallow, should you run short of casks the best made cases can be used for the purpose, those with tin linings are quite safe of course, but Tallow travels in strong cases even from the East Indies without tin.

An Australian letter informs us that Cattle are a profitable source of Tallow if they are tame & fatten well, a bullock yielding 300 pounds, so our oxen herds must on no account be neglected, he even goes so far as to advise sending out Short horns as the quietest breed of Cattle, but this cannot be thought of at present though the suggestion is good, for without the animals are reasonably tame & quiet they will never carry sufficient fat for tallow, he believes that Oxen pay better for Tallow than Sheep as they require less looking after.

5. Referring to N<sup>o</sup> 426, 6. The Board on further consideration think you had better event take fifteen Shillings (15s.) each for the 500 Ewes let to Sharp & Robson.

N<sup>o</sup> 426, 9. The protest of the 'Propontis' will not now be required, if you have gone to any expense on the subject this will be refunded here.

6. Should the Iron Tanks & Bins sent out by Messrs Burney & Co. in the Chisethurst, Decr. 70, not be sold, please return them by the Wood vessel as they have disposed of their stock here & can turn them to account, I should think however their usefulness will have been discovered ere this reaches you.

7. We send specimen of the new issue of Charts of Stanley Harbour, the notice of its being a Free Port having been expunged in the three languages.

8. The Board is in treaty with a Scotch Clergyman for Darwin & having undertaken to provide Lodging for himself & family wish you to make arrangements for this purpose - one of the Wooden Houses last sent would be suitable if these are all erected our next vessel will contain two from Walker of the same size so that the foundations might be prepared, as we may offer him a passage by this ship.

9. In consequence of your having omitted to enter the 4 bundles Tails shipped by Messrs Goss & Co on the Manifest of the 'Chisethurst', dated 21 Mch '41, they were not entered at the Customs, Messrs. Anning Hobbs who received the Bill of Lading from Messrs H. S. King & Co did not look after them nor did the Wharfingers to whom they handed the B/L, all the Tails by the vessel were therefore landed to our account and sold for £28.7.6 as per acct. of 27 July '41. Messrs King & Co having now claimed their 4 bundles, we find there is no record of the weight of them & in consequence we cannot allow an amt. out of the above proceeds, we therefore wish you to enquire the weight from Messrs Goss & Co that the matter may be arranged here.

10. This vessel carries out 12 Rams of the new Hampshire Down breed for Mr. Dean's flocks, in anticipation that the Wool of this breed being finer his wool will thereby be rendered less coarse, opinions here are divided as to their being sufficiently hardy for the climate, we wish your especial report upon these Rams & the condition they arrive in, with particulars of food &c. - Regret to state that Mr. Dean has not carried out his intentions of sending Shepherds, though I gave him all information about the Land Orders & the Emigration Compt. also form of our Agreement, you will therefore have to be very particular that none of our hands are enticed away.

11. Mr. E. A. Holmsted has been here about Bertrand's Estate, he has not come prepared with accounts to show the balance against the Estate in our Books nor does he know anything about the Securities you hold, but from his explanations the affair is not assuring for the Co getting out without loss, unless he can obtain a Partner with some Capital to invest in it. We are much disappointed at learning that New Island is not purchased as we anticipated, only 160 acres being Freehold, we always trusted you held the Title Deeds of this property or had a second charge upon it, but now such security does not appear to be in existence.

We are not aware whether any security, agreement or letter you may hold gives the power of sale, if so the Board wish it to be carried out at once, but if not you are to sue the Estate immediately for the balance due & sell under execution so that Mr. Bertrand may be forced to quit, and we trust Mr. Holmsted will be there to protect his own interests by purchasing the Estate through the capital of a new partner he wishes to obtain.

A second Mortgage (Mr. Littlejohn we believe holds a Mortgage) or equitable charge on the Estate may have been made by a letter to you from Mr. Bertrand, stating that he desired advances, stores &c. on the security or for the use of the Estate, if this be so the Co would then have a right to pay off the first mortgage by tendering Mr. Littlejohn the

amount of the last Bill with interest. In this country it is usual to clear off first mortgages or other incumbrances before sale as the value of the property is thereby enhanced but in this case this hardly appears desirable as for the sake of Mr. Holmsted the Estate would not fetch so much with a liability upon it.

In order to meet the Bill of £441.6.0 due to Mr. Littlejohn on the 15<sup>th</sup> May last, Mr. Bertrand entered into an agreement, dated 22 & 23 June last, to sell the next clip of Wool at 5½ perts and sufficient Hides at 3¼ perts to make up the amount, with 18 per cent per annum to the 15<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> next, these are low rates so that if the sheeps produce a fair amount of wool & it remains at the present price this Wool & Hides would realize sufficient to pay Mr. Littlejohn's claim & the Government rent to May next.

We send a D<sup>r</sup> & Co<sup>r</sup>'s working Account of the Estate showing there would be an adverse balance of £1416.1.8 at end of Feb<sup>r</sup> next.

Enclosed are Copies of Holmsted's agreement with Bertrand of 11 Sep 69 and the above Agreement, if Mr. Bertrand has ever written to you to say that he would not sell or would not do anything with the Estate without your sanction, you can on account of such an arrangement sue and get execution before Mr. Littlejohn's agreement can be carried out.

Respecting Mr. Holmsted's £580, his Solicitor says that this being remitted through this Comp<sup>y</sup>. as Agents to Holmsted and he not having paid it over to the Partnership accounts, it belongs to his separate Estate not being appropriated for partnership purposes, but Mr. Holmsted understands it will be liable to us on his separate estate.

Mr. Holmsted's interests are identical with the Co<sup>s</sup> in all the above - still the Directors wish<sup>d</sup> to act energetically with judgment and protect the Comp<sup>y</sup>. at all hazards.

According to his present arrangements Mr. Holmsted will leave England on the 29<sup>th</sup> pros<sup>p</sup>. per Pacific S<sup>t</sup>. but I told him he ought to be prepared to leave on the 12<sup>th</sup> pros<sup>p</sup>. if the incoming Mail brings news of a fixed service to meet that Steamer.

12. We have received Fourteen Pounds (£14) from the German Consul on account of the German Sailors ex 'Mary' sent up to Montevideo.

13. We trust the next Despatch in will contain anticipations of the quantity of our Produce & what you will obtain from others to guide us in the size of vessel to be started next<sup>month</sup> we send account of the voyages of the last seven Produce vessels, with our proposal for the next in pencil, but think now she had better leave towards the end of next month.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman

Jes<sup>r</sup>.

Corporation of the

Falkland Islands Co.

P.S. No. 11: 424.

London 7<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1871.

There are only Ten Rans for Mr. Dean 5 of last year, 5 this year's Larubs, they cost seven guineas each.

Mr. Holmsted tells me he hopes to be able to leave by the Pacific Steamer of the 13<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>.

Enclosures.

- ✓ Duplicates of N<sup>o</sup> 425, 426.
- ✓ " " Stanley Dispatch N<sup>o</sup> 416.
- ✓ New Issue of Stanley Harbour Chart.
- ✓ Account Sales of Oil ex 'Chisethurst' £6.19.6
- ✓ do of Chisethurst's Cargo £13,737.10.40
- ✓ do " do Freight & Insurance home.
- ✓ do " Division of Wholesale Wool sold for £190.2.9
- ✓ do " Wool Sales & Prices of Wool 1867 to 1871.
- ✓ Statement of Produce Vessels out Home 1865 to 1870.
- ✓ Liabilities & Assets of Shallow Bay Estate & Bertrand's Agreement with Holmsted 11 Sep 69.
- ✓ do do " Littlejohn 22 June 71.
- ✓ Letter for Col<sup>l</sup> D. Arey from F. Coleman
- ✓ do " Travis " do dup 8 Sept
- ✓ do " Lugdon " do " 7 Oct
- ✓ do " Capt<sup>l</sup> Dyer " do " " "
- ✓ do " " Campbell " do " " "
- ✓ Journal Entries.
- ✓ Meteorology of Cape Horn & W. Coast of S. America
- ✓ 3 Thorley's Farmer Almanacs for Cobb, Lugdon & Fell
- ✓ Nautical Magazine for Oct<sup>r</sup> from Coleman
- ✓ Pamphlet on Ocean Meritlyr Steam Coal.
- ✓ 6 Large Almanacs from North British Ins<sup>r</sup> Co.



Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 8<sup>th</sup> December 1874.

N<sup>o</sup> 428.  
P. R. M. S.  
'Boyné'

Sir, Our last dated the 6<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> was sent p<sup>r</sup> 'Golden Fleece' direct, the Duplicate being posted on the 8<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> p. R. M. S. 'Neva' to Montevideo.  
2. On the 10<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> the 'Hugh Fortescue's' Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 118 arrived and the Board consider it was very wrong of you not to send a full despatch by her, instead of just informing at Par 3 that you merely wrote on the chance of her getting in before the Mail, without saying when the Mail was about to leave - knowing the irregularities of the Mail Service it should be your chief endeavour to furnish full report by every vessel leaving Stanley for England or a Mail Port and the Directors wish this carried out in future, Mr. Langdon will be able to instruct you the mode adopted in this Office of noting down and making paragraphs of all circumstances occurring from the time of the last Despatch out, so that a draft of the next Despatch is always ready for the first opportunity.

3. The 'Robert Heine' arrived at Falmouth on the 16<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> you ought to have sent a Despatch by her or at all events duplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 118. Lloyd's List of next day states that the 'R. Heine' reports the cargo of the 'Flower of the Forest' was to be sent to Valencia.

4. The Pacific S<sup>t</sup>. 'Araucania' delivered letters from Montevideo on 27<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> not having had advices by the Royal Mail line we were much disappointed at not receiving any by her, but learned on 30<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> from Mr. Melian that the 'Foam' arrived at M. Video on 31<sup>st</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> with Stanley dates to 18<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup>, these are expected by the first British Packet and will probably be delivered by the Pacific Steamer on the 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> which may unfortunately be too late to answer.

5. Lloyd's List of 1<sup>st</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> had a report by Officers of H. M. S. 'Virago' upon the 'Flower of the Forest'

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

This had been forwarded by the Board of Trade, as neither Lloyds nor the Comp<sup>y</sup> had advices I wrote to the Marine Department, Board of Trade, and learn their letter was posted by the 'Virago' at Ascension & received at Southampton on the 26<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup>. - another time when opportunity offers you must avail of this route.

6. Upon arrival of the 'Hugh Fortescue' Mr. Dean informed Lloyds that the 'Van Diemen' was at Stanley with rudder damaged, N<sup>o</sup> 118 does not mention this - nor is it stated when N<sup>os</sup> 421 and 422 arrived - though you report Capt<sup>n</sup> Dyer arrived on 19<sup>th</sup> August, he states he landed on a Sunday which is 20<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup>.

7. On the 30<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> the North British Fire Office applied for £3.8.3 on your account, this was not paid as we had not any advices, though they showed me a duplicate of your letter to them dated 27<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>, if they can get Duplicates why not the Co; as this W. Melian's letter came forward by the French Packet the Board desires that as long as the Mails are so irregular and infrequent you will send Mr. Melian a letter for this Office containing an epitome of news that he may post it by first Steamer and we ought at same time to be furnished with thirds of Bills.

8. N<sup>os</sup> 118, 3, 4. The sample Tallow was received ex 'Virago' on 20<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, it is pronounced very good worth from 47/- to 49/- per cwt: as you expect some particulars as to boiling down the Sheep we can only say that for the present you must make use of any plan the Co<sup>y</sup> has, we presume there are some oilboiling pans into which the carcasses cut up into small pieces can be thrown with water about half way up the pan, this being kept stirred to prevent the meat &c: caking at the bottom the fat on rising should be ladled off into another pan, which has only a small quantity of water at the bottom and the upper part of the fat when it rises clear is to be ladled off into a cooler or if possible into a cask, there is no necessity for straining through cloth, if the fat is boiled out quickly & not kept too long in a hot state it will dry clear & hard.

9. When at the St. Katharine Docks to examine Mr. Dean's Rams of 'Golden Fleece' I was much surprised at being

told by the officials that they had 3 casks Nectar shut out of the 'Victoria Tatham' in December 1869, on looking into the matter it was discovered that the Dock Co. had not sent notice of their being shut out, and though I found a memo in my cargo book that they had been taken out of the ship with other things I concluded they had been restowed on space being found & nothing left behind but the Government Lighthouse Oil. As these casks were not missed on delivery of the Cargo at Stanley it shows how carelessly things are managed there and we must bid you to make the Co's officials more attentive or draw our notice to anything of this sort - under the circumstances we have been able to compromise with the Dock Co. for the 2 years rent & charges I shall send these casks on in the vessel.

10. We have accepted Messrs. Croft & Co's Draft for £ 859. 10. 7 to pay for a cargo of Flour &c. shipped to you from Valparaiso, the Directors think this a very heavy outlay and wish to know the cost per pound of this Flour into Store - they also require a statement of the realization of the same, with the Profit made, as they have decided that the cost price is to be re-mitted to England.

11. You have not reported the change which the Spirit Ordinance must have made in the prices of such articles at the Falklands, we presume Spirits are raised 5/- a gallon, Wine 2/- a doz, Beers 1/- a doz, both to the general public and the reduced terms for Co's employes, we shall send by the vessel some printed Lists for future alterations to be reported.

12. Iron has again gone up, if there is any old iron at Stanley now would be a most favorable time to send it here by the vessel or if you can get cheap freight it would fetch rather a better price in America if imported as Scrap Iron, but as commission would have to be paid for transacting the sale &c. more might probably be made here, besides which it would be carefully looked after however small the quantity, which might not be the case at New York, Boston or elsewhere.

13. At the request of your Cousin Mr. Rhodes Cobb the Directors have allowed five Shares of this Company to be transferred to your name by means of a transfer from Messrs. Bruce & others to himself, but as you cannot

sign the Deed of Settlement it will be necessary that you address a letter to the Directors agreeing to be bound by the laws of the Com<sup>rs</sup>, as per draft enclosed, your signature being across a six penny Agreement Stamp sent herewith.

14. We have devoted much consideration to the fact that our flocks are not yet cured of Scab and having obtained information from various quarters consider that each Shepherd should be supplied with some Sheep Dip, in order that he may apply it to any animal as soon as it commences to suffer from this disease, instead of waiting until the dipping season by which time the disease has obtained full hold of the sheep and has done serious damage to its wool & constitution. To do this spotting properly it may require a corral or enclosure into which the sheep can be driven, but we presume each station or shepherd's cottage has some convenience of this kind, if not steps should be taken for this plan to be carefully tried: we are sure that driving sheep long distances for shearing & dipping is injurious as they must get heated and cannot pick up sufficient food on the journey, this plan of spotting would therefore, if a shearing place is established on Lafonia, only necessitate the very diseased ones being driven to Darwin for dipping, should entire dipping be pronounced absolutely necessary for each sheep once a year we fear it will be needful to go to the expense of another dipping establishment in Lafonia or at Fitzroy or Island Harb<sup>r</sup>.

15. Surprise having been expressed that the Com<sup>rs</sup> Sheep do not increase at a faster ratio we are inclined to believe this is to be attributed to the Scab & some carelessness on the part of our Shepherds in rearing lambs, on this latter point we have been advised to institute the old Scotch principle of remunerating our servants by a proportionate share of the increase of the flock under their charge, for instance if the increase upon a 1000 ewes has hitherto been 95 to 100 per cent, the shepherd keeping a flock of 1500 himself should be allowed to become the proprietor of all increase above 100 per cent (or any fair per centage of increase) on the condition that he sells the wool each year to the Com<sup>rs</sup> at 6<sup>d</sup> per lb (six pence as long as Wool remains at its present price) which price would allow the Com<sup>rs</sup> to provide dipping remedies &c. and realize a fair

realize a fair profit after the expenses of Freight & home. By this means each Shepherd would have a direct personal influence to save every lamb born as well as the inducement to remain in the Co's service, & eventually when these sheep had increased to a sufficient number to form a flock of his own they might be divided from the flock under his charge & with other sheep from the Co. he could be placed upon a promontory in Lafonia or adjacent Island upon shares like your Brothers or Mr. Williams, by this means we should accumulate a kind of outside labor ready to be called upon for shearing &c. We throw out this suggestion in hopes that you will be able to mature some arrangement whereby our good shepherds may be rewarded and an incentive placed before the others to improve & do their best for the Co. - of course it would much simplify the matter to allow a bonus to each shepherd rearing more lambs than the ordinary percentage of his flock, but we trust you will not begrudge a little time & labor to institute plans for separate farms, as we ought eventually to turn our land to account.

16. An enquiry having been made here by a young man desirous of emigrating, whether employment could be given him by the Co. in order that he might learn the business of a Sheep Farmer with the intention of commencing such a speculation with capital, we shall feel obliged by your stating whether it could be arranged for a young man to pay down so much or a weekly sum for his board & lodging at Darwin, during a certain time he should be set to work by our superintendent, if this could be done it might lead to one or two young men going out with a little capital to work a sheep farm on shares with the Co. we should thus utilize both sheep & land.

17. We learn you have purchased some Land at Navy Point adjoining Fairy Cove Farm & paid for it by the Land Orders, this has not been reported as it ought to have been - nor have you informed that Saunders Island has been taken up by Mr. Bennet, it will be necessary to furnish full particulars of these matters & all subsequent dealings in Land or Leases.

18. On the 30<sup>th</sup> ult. a letter arrived from Mr. Melian stating that the 'Lotus' had been wrecked on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct. with Mr. Waldron's Hides, - we immediately made this loss known to Lloyd's and abandoned our interest in vessel and cargo to the Underwriters, which however has not been accepted by them, this loss is most unfortunate for the Co. but we reserve further remarks until particulars are received. The General

Register of Seamen has requested List of Lotus' Crew, as per Duplicate Notice herewith, we hope you have conformed to the law in this respect but if not form is forwarded to enable this to be done without delay.

19. We notice you have ordered 60 tons Salt at M. Video this seems a large quantity as the 'Chiselhurst' had 40 tons and you must have known we should send this article by the Produce vessel, as there would not be much cargo we must have deadweight & endeavour to fill up with cheap bulley stuff consumable at the Colony at any time, we shall therefore forward 35 to 50 tons, the bags increase the expense 50% need the whole quantity of any shipment always be sent in bags or might 20 or 30 tons go loose if carefully stowed? - we wish to know the cost per ton into store of the Salt from M. Video.

20. I have the pleasure of informing you that the Free Church of Scotland have recommended the Rev. A. Yeoman for the office of Presbyterian Minister at Darwin, he is a native of Langholm, Dumfriesshire, thus being suitable for the situation as so many of our people come from that County. We have guaranteed One Hundred a year (£100), a house to live in (furniture not included) and Butcher's Meat, the Free Church will allow Fifty Pounds (£50) a year for the first three years, this is but a small addition to his stipend but they cannot afford so much as the General Assembly would have done: Mr Yeoman is at present unmarried but he may be accompanied by a wife, he will go out by our vessel & we have promised to charge the passage as low as possible. The Board trusts you will make suitable arrangements for his reception, and that this appointment may be the means of improving and adding to the comfort of this Co's employes. Nothing has been said about supplying <sup>him</sup> with a horse to visit shepherds at the outlying stations, we consider the Co. will be able to do this without much trouble or expense - we should like to know what you put down as the cost of such a supply for him or anybody else.

21. The Board's attention has been called to the fact that the Agreement between this Corporation and yourself, dated the 8<sup>th</sup> June 1867, will terminate on the 10<sup>th</sup> June of next year and the Directors wish to know whether you will continue the duties of Colonial Manager on the same terms upon a yearly agreement with six months notice on either side.

22. We have furnished Mr. Holmsted with Copies

of the Reports on the 46 bales Wool B.S. ex 'Chiselhurst' from Edenborough & Hoare, dated 22, 24 June 71. He will return by Pacific St. from Liverpool on the 13<sup>th</sup> and must go down from M. Wides with this Despatch - he will be accompanied by Mr. George Stanley Rees with the intention of entering into partnerships if Mr. Bertrand can be got out and the Estate shows fair prospects of success, Mr. Rees has deposited here One Thousand Pounds (£1000) as per copy of my receipt herewith, which is to be at his sole disposal, enclosed is a sheet of the Co's note <sup>paper</sup> having his usual signature written on it for his identification if necessary.

23. Through a succession of Easterly winds preventing vessels coming up we have not been able to find a suitable one for Produce home & thus may not be able to despatch one until 14<sup>th</sup> prox<sup>o</sup>, but the later she arrives with you the quicker despatch there, will be as all things will be ready, we send a rough list & estimate of what the cargo will be the Board having limited the outlay, with 1/2 freight & expenses payable here, to three thousand pounds (£3000): if there has been much sale you had better reserve stores for our own people and decline to sell to the general public, for we shall not ship again until you provide us with funds.

24. By Book Post we send Prospectus of River Plate Prefure Meat Preserving Co: as our Islands are ~~en-~~ <sup>re-</sup> ~~gioned~~ <sup>gioned</sup> as a place of supply for their proce<sup>ss</sup>, it might answer our purpose to let this Co: commence an establishment at the Islands if our tame oxen herds progress well, it will be well for you so let us know the live weight of an ox in good condition, the weight of hide, intestines, inside fat, genuine meat &c in case the Meat Preserving Co: wish to know details beforehand - the same of a good wether.

25. The Pacific Steam Co: & the Royal Mail Co: have kindly instructed their Agents at Lisbon <sup>via telegraph</sup> of there, are Falklands Mails on board their Steamers, this information will be of service as the Mails are so irregular. As the 'Foam' was to be at M. V. on 7<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we trust this will prove to be a through Mail for her bimonthly time would be 7<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>o</sup> next.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,

J. Coleman

Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

Copy of Rear Adm. Dahlgren's Letter 3 June '70

" Commodore Ennions' " 4 " "

" " James Adden's " 4 " "

Acct. Sale Greenfields' Wool ex Chiselmurst 297.8.3

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Copy of Reports & Prices of Shallow Bay Estate  
Wool furnished to Holmsted.

Draft Letter for Cobb upon Shares & Agreem. Stamps

Gent. Register's Letter of 1 Dec 70 abt Lotus' Crew  
Printed form for Return by Book Post

Particulars of intended Cargo out

Copy of Receipt to Rees for £1000

Rees' Signature

Remarks on Accounts

Ledger & Journal Entries

Letter Coleman to Cobb. of this date.

The Secretary  
17th Dec 70

Jan Dec 1871

No 425

London  
Incorporation of the  
Islands Co.



N<sup>o</sup>. 429.London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 5<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1872.  
E.C.

P. R. M. St. Pierre. Falkland Islands Company.

Sir,

We received on the 13<sup>th</sup> ult. Triplicates of No. 119, 120 and Duplicate of No. 121 contained in N<sup>o</sup>. 122 and 123 pt. 'Foam' to Montevideo, thence pt. 'Belgian' St. to Southampton - our last being dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult.

2. On the 29<sup>th</sup> ult. we received the 'Enterprise's' Letter enclosing Duplicates of N<sup>o</sup>. 119 and 120 (but no Duplicate of Store Stock Acc<sup>t</sup>.) and Bills for £100 £142. 3. 1 £34. 13. 3 - third for £304. 15. 5 this being for Wampy's wrecked cargo sold at Valparaiso was taken to Messrs J. C. Clarkson & Co. immediately, but they inform that the first & second had been received by them in July and August. On the 6<sup>th</sup> instant we received Original Despatch 121 pt. 'Janet Ferguson'.

3. N<sup>o</sup>. 119, 4. We regret you have not fulfilled our wishes about some statement regarding the cost of a flock of Sheep and the proceeds obtained, as it would have been exceedingly useful just now in deciding upon some Sheep Dip.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 119, 8. The Stanley Chart had already been altered by taking out "Free Port" but as the Tonnage Charge is not continued it will be reinstated.

5. N<sup>o</sup>. 119, 10. It is a pity you did not state how many Sheep each Shepherd really manages and why the general men cannot be promoted to Shepherds, for though the 'Chisethurst's' Cargo turned out well the quantity of Wool was not so much increased, it was the higher price obtained which made the difference; the Directors are pleased you think so highly of your men & that you have followed their advice to discharge the bad ones, still you must own a staff costing over £5,000 in Cash Wages, besides meat & lodging found, is not a small affair and until now it has been far too expensive for our business, it is strange you have never alluded to this return.

6. N<sup>o</sup>. 119, 12. Respecting the Sheep Farm with your Brother upon Lively Island, the astonishment should be on this side that the simple explanations you now render about the reason of Phillimore and Middle Islands being allowed him as well as Lively Island were not given when the agreement was sent home, now we see the use Phillimore Is<sup>l</sup> will be put to as it enables your Brother to start without needing a Capital to put up fencing.

7. N<sup>o</sup>. 119, 17. Both Mr. Aldham and myself can scarcely credit that all the copies of Enclosures to N<sup>o</sup>. 423 are illegible, being the 'Chisethurst' there would be very few thin copies so you ought to have specified the bad ones.

Fred<sup>o</sup> E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

8. We have seen Mr. Fernie the Manager of the 'Flower of the Forest', he said the Owners valued her at £4 per ton, we told him if they wished to sell we could not give more than £1000 or £1500, which he scouted as far below her worth: until there is a large vessel to be sold in Stanley Harbour at a cheap rate the Co. must use the hulks they have or hire as low as possible - this refers to N<sup>o</sup> 119, 23.

9. N<sup>o</sup> 119, 37. There must naturally be a balance against the Directors if the concern pays at all, but you must bear in mind this would be much diminished if the Island Administration were charged Rent of Land, Interest on money provided and sundry other Expenses incurred for the Islands.

10. N<sup>o</sup> 119, 38. We are kept so much in the dark as to the employment of the large staff, 70 men, in the Co's. pay that we cannot say you are right as to the Shepherds being fully employed, under any circumstances you must do your best and turn the general men to shepherding stopping all outside work as before advised, by the 'Eudora' we shall send 6 or 7 qualified Shepherds from Scotland and one or two laborers from Hampshire and it will depend on your rendering full explanations how they are all employed & how many sheep the various Shepherds at present tend & how many more they could attend if exerting themselves in the Co's interest, or induced by rewards, whether the Board continues sending out men, it is all very well to refer to the good cargo of 'Chiselhurst', but it is only good through the sudden rise in Wool, if wool goes down again we shall be in the same dilemma keeping a lot of men whose labour does not prove remunerative.

11. N<sup>o</sup> 120, 3. The Bills Receivable not being triplicated were not received until the arrival of the 'Enterprise' - all the Bills on the Co. were presented so that others get duplicates & triplicates without delay: we have written to Capt. Benwick about his Son's draft for £5.2.0.

12. N<sup>o</sup> 121, 3 - 122, 2. The Board cannot sufficiently express their regret at the loss of the Co's fine vessel 'Lotus' with a quantity of cargo uninsured, it is really very lamentable and the more so that the new & improved Mail Service cannot be carried out, in this respect the Colony loses more than the Co. - we think Mr. Waldron should be called upon to pay something for the expenses of his hides which caused this loss, as we understand Tamar Pogo is one of the most dangerous places at the Falklands: the Insurance on the vessel will be recovered but that on the Hides must wait the arrival of the Bill of Lading to show the Underwriters the Cargo was actually on board. We received on 12<sup>th</sup> ult. the Telegram from Mr. Parincey, at

Lisbon and on the 18<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> the Colonial Office sent us Copy of H. E. Gov. D'Arcy's Despatch on this subject, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> October 1871, N. 62.

13. N. 119, 19 - 122, 10. We should think the subsidy for the Mail Service £760 a year would enable a vessel economically managed to pay her way with passengers & cargo up & down so we trust your hopes of commencing the arranged eight trips a year with a new Schooner will be realized, as we anticipate considerable advantage to the Colony from such improved communication with the outer world. We are using the utmost endeavours to obtain a suitable vessel but find it very difficult to get one and to build one in a hurry would be bad policy, the Board has therefore decided to buy the most likely vessel & send her out quickly in order to run the mails - our enquiries to the present show that a vessel could not be built fitted ready for sea under £12 or 13 a ton builder's measurement, which on the dimensions given would be nearly 200 tons.

14. N. 122, 12. The Chiselhurst's length of passage is most unfortunate for our provisioning experiment, I do not see that you ought to have allowed Wine, Brandy & other luxuries to be reported as all consumed when there could not be any occasion for this as they were put on board in error. The owners of the 'C' are much annoyed that Capt. Bryson should have accepted what they consider to be a low freight, there seems to be some pique against Mr. Dean, we presume you charged commission for the C. for negotiating this charter.

15. On the 15<sup>th</sup> ult. we chartered the Barque 'Eudora', of 322 tons, as, although you had intimated in N. 119, 2 that you should not want any stores out and the cargo home would require a vessel of 420 tons & might be able to charter cheaply in Montevideo the Board concluded it would be necessary to despatch a vessel to be on the safe side, being under engagement with Passengers & Shopkeepers and there being cargo waiting here. I therefore wrote you on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult. through Mr. Melian and took the precaution to tell him we had chartered in case you should write up to Montevideo to engage a vessel: though the 'Eudora' is smaller than we wished to obtain we believe she will carry a large cargo of our produce & as we send an Hydraulic Press for putting the wool into a small compass, as well as screws to screw bales into a ship, we trust there will be very little shut out, at all events our letters will have warned you not to accept freight for others. One of our reasons for taking up the 'Eudora' was that Capt. Turnbull has taken out several Hydraulic Presses to the Cape, understands their erection and guarantees to put ours up for use for his vessel, and will also instruct our people the use of Woolship screws whereby a great number more of bales may be stowed - the Chief Officer Mr. Watson also understands Dorey Engines & will be able to direct the first use of the one sent in this vessel. You will observe that only 35 days are allowed for discharging & loading but with these appliances & being better than usual the <sup>cargo</sup> should be quite ready,

we hope therefore there will be no delay for Wool continues high and we want her back with all speed. The 'Eudora' will leave the Docks on the 15<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> and as you do not require fine goods or provisions her cargo will be timber & rough stuff, quite modified from the list in last Despatch. It is much to be regretted that none of the sailing ships had duplicates of the Store Stock Acc<sup>t</sup>: and such like accounts for the close of the year, as the want of such information has given trouble in deciding what cargo to send out - even now we have not got the stock of Consumption Stores on hand at Cowin, and do not know whether to send Tobacco &c for Sheep Dip - you do not seem to have any bricks on hand but we have reserved those as closer deadweight for the new Schooner.

Should the 'Eudora' not carry the Co's clip of Wool the Hydraulic Press will enable the bales to be so packed as to bear freight by Steamer from M. Video, so you could send them by the Schooner when opportunity offers.

16. Referring to our remarks about poisoning or spotting Sheep for Scab Parramatta to state that we have heard of an excellent remedy, which will enable each Shepherd to have some ready for use, it is Glycerine Dip of which we send out £90 worth and the Board desire it may be carefully tried & reported on, the highest testimonials as to its efficacy being furnished by the Proprietors, the Wool being also improved. Several little books explaining the disease, with directions for application will be sent for distribution amongst the Shepherds, we trust you will see that each understands the matter as after all the great point is careful application. We have never yet heard the cost for sheep of Tobacco dip, this must be done to enable us to estimate which Dip is cheaper - there is a great advantage in the Glycerine dip being ready mixed in small packages for distant stations and not being poisonous, we are confident you will soon see an improvement when the Sheep can be treated on their own grounds & at once.

17. The Board desires your attention to be called to the fact that some of the Leases of the Co's Land held from the Government will soon begin to expire and they must measures will be taken to continue them, Sections 7 & 8 will terminate on 9<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>: next, the following ones being in the early part of 1874 - all these lands are now valuable from the improvements made by the Co's the sheep breeding and manuring them. We have taken up two Land Orders of £100 each for the 'Eudora's' Passengers so more Land can now be purchased with them.

18. We have to inform you that Mr. A. J. Lee has called to state that through the death of his Brother Mr. J. J. Lee Mr. Bertrand

Lee Mr. Bertrand is entitled to a Legacy of £300 (Three Hundred Pounds) and to the Reversion of £1500 (Fifteen Hundred Pounds) at the death of his Aunt now aged 70 yrs, the legacy of £300 would be paid before the lapse of a year, less duties, if needed by Mr. Bertrand and he could also make present use of the reversion by raising a loan upon it giving as security an insurance upon his life against the life of the widow, Mr. Lee says the expense of this insurance would be about 25% (twenty five shillings) per cent, so that it might be worth Mr. Bertrand's purpose to raise money in this manner in order to secure part of the Estate to himself - Mr. Lee says that Mr. Bertrand knew of the legacy & reversion when he last addressed him so you will be able to judge whether Mr. B. has acted straightforwardly in intimating same to you, he would probably not know of the mode of turning the reversion to account by means of insuring his life until his Uncle Mr. A. J. Lee writes to him by this Mail.

19. The Salted Meat and Fish ex 'Chiselhurst' has at length been sold for Manure at 30¢ per ton, it is the opinion that if the blood had been drained from the meat before pickling and the first pickle thrown away, as it always had a quantity of blood serum in it, the result would have differed (Copy of Mr. B. Boulcher's letter is enclosed) however we ought now to turn to Follow.

I remain, Sir,  
 Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
 P. Coleman  
 Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

- Dup Lrs Coleman to Cobb 12, 19 Dec 71
- Copy Eudora's Charterparty.
- Land Orders Nos 28, 29 for £100 each
- Journal Entries. Parts 1.
- Epitome of Cargo of 'Eudora'.

N<sup>o</sup> 430.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 15<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1872.

E.C.

S. 'Eudora'

Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, We duplicate our last of the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. and, this vessel leaving the Docks tomorrow morning, send the following particulars of her.

2. The Passengers are -

Rev. A. Yeoman Presbyterian Minister for Darwin  
 Passage £12 (nominal for Provisions & Bedding)

M<sup>rs</sup> Rutter & 3 Children, Passage £50 half paid here -  
 £2.10.~ has been advanced to her -

Campbell	Robt. & Wife	Shepherd	Advance £5
do	John	do	6
Weir	John	do	-
Coutts	William	do	-
Munro	Francis	do	1
Jennings	George, Wife, 2 chld. & infant	Laborer	11
North	Alfred	do	8
Simpson	William	do	7
Hutton	William	Carpenter & do	5

upon the usual Agreement with the C<sup>o</sup> & on Land Orders from the Emigration Com<sup>rs</sup>, for whom a Landing Certificate is to be returned at once.

3. We had arranged to send out M<sup>rs</sup> Robertson for M<sup>rs</sup> Duncan & remitted her Five Pounds according to your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 111, but at the last moment she became seriously ill and could not go, as per Medical Certificate & correspondence sent herewith.

4. As the C<sup>o</sup> is the only Sheep Farmer who goes to the expense & trouble of importing labor, <sup>& others</sup> ought to do this for their own farms the Directors wish you to prevent other settlers obtaining our servants, when they are valuable to ourselves, by giving as high wages or a trifle more than others offer them or sending them back by our ships, the Board reluctantly adopts such a dog-in-the-manger spirit but believe it is necessary to prevent discontent amongst the men from the temptation of others offering or leading them to expect higher wages if they leave the C<sup>o</sup>.

Fred<sup>o</sup> E. Cobbe  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

5. We have contracted with the Owners of the 'Eudora' Messrs. Thomson & Dibley & Co. to provision the Emigrants, upon the full & better scale liberally supplied at £ 4.10. - per adult, making 12 adults - 54  
 3 1/2 Cabin Passengers, Mr. Rutter not taking Beer as she wished her passage as low as possible 25  
 Medical Comforts, a little Brandy, a little Beer for Mr. Jennings & some Milk for the Inf. 8  
 Total £ 87

They will be handed well satisfied with their treatment & the accommodation we have provided. Messrs. Temple & Co. who provision the vessel say the thing has been liberally done.

6. The Cargo consists of sundry Rough Goods as off. Epitome in last Despatch, some Cargo for Mr. E. Packe, who pays freight here, Government Verandah & Bundles & Greenhields, Waldron, Drury, Stickney, the freight notes of which will be sent by Mail.

7. Anticipating that the 'Eudora' will surely come home as soon as possible, we wish her Bills of Lading to be separate, i.e. Co's Wool, Co's Hides, purchased Wool, purchased Hides, Co's Camp Produce, Co's Adventures, Oil, Tallow, and Sundries.

I remain, Sir,  
 Your obedient Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Secy.

### Enclosures.

Certified Copy of Charterparty  
 Bill of Lading.  
 Nine Agreements  
 Seven Receipts for Advances £ 43  
 Landing Certificate for Emigrants  
 General Invoice  
 43 Detailed do  
 Appleby's & Tyler's Accounts of Packages  
 List of Parcels Free  
 Letter for Capt. Packe from his Brother.  
 Two Lots of Enclosures as per List enclosed in each.  
 P.S. The 5 Scotchmen have a Shepherd Dog each & Mr. Stickney sends one for his Lous, which we hope will all arrive out safe.

N<sup>o</sup> 431.J. R. M. Esq.  
'Neva'

Corporation of the

Falkland Islands Co.

London 8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> 1872.

Sir,

Our last was dated the 15<sup>th</sup> ult. by the 'Eudora', which passed Deal on the 20<sup>th</sup> ult. On the 13<sup>th</sup> ult. we received your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 124 and on the 16<sup>th</sup> N<sup>os</sup> 125, 6, 7 arrived, the first in duplicate some of which is illegible.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 124, 2. We are sorry there should have been demurrage upon the 'Chisethurst' but the arrangement is not absurd, being about the proportion of discharging days for cargo out only as we generally get for a vessel chartered on the round, it being presumed that receiving cargo takes a longer time than discharging, if you have done your best we are satisfied as the Comp<sup>y</sup> must pay for time one way or other, if allowed in Charterparty the shipowner charges so much more freight. You have omitted to send home account of her discharging so we shall have to arrange as well as we can with Owner & Captain. The Chisethurst arrived here on the 29<sup>th</sup> ult., we ought to have received copy of her Charter home, also Certificate of correct delivery of her cargo at Stanley - and we are still without the Certificate for claiming the balance of passage money due for the R. Marines who went out in her.

3. Par 3. Produce is always welcome but if you have not arranged with Mr. Dean to ship his hides only provided there is room in the Co's ship, it is a one-sided arrangement for his benefit, as he fills up his vessel & thereby reduces the freight on his own cargo, whereas some of our cargo might have to be shut out for his convenience.

4. Par 4. The Directors are pleased to hear you have been round the Camp & find the Sheep doing so well, as this gives that we shall at last take a turn and meet with success - we judge of the undertaking as it proves to be and until the increase of Wool is as

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much as the description of proceedings in the Colony would lead us to expect, you must really allow us to give suggestions for better management and pass our opinions upon what takes place.

5. N. 126, 2. It is a pity you did not send a Copy of the Notarial Copy of the Bill of Lading for M. Waldron's Hides per 'Lotus', as we are still without means of obtaining this Insurance.

6. Par 5. The information required upon Capt. Pain's Agreement was whether the same had closed at the exact time stated therein for an expiration, if the mode of termination had been endorsed on both deeds, the exact time he had been paid to and any other particulars necessary for this Office to know. When we state that any information is not before us it is your duty to supply the same even if you have done so before, but in this case you merely report in N. M, 7 that Capt. Pain leaves by the Mail.

7. Par 6. This is the first time we have heard of the extreme necessity of sending men before the shearing time, when the Mail service is arranged we may be able to adopt your suggestion, but it will always be cheaper & easier to send people by our Produce vessel and Scotch Shepherds coming by that opportunity must always be capable of being set to work at once.

8. Par 13. We are happy to report that Mr. Atkin has accepted the Sumner's Bill for 2159.15.6 though you did not send the Accounts, nor a Captain's Letter of Advice. The 'Proponis' Protest 3.3. - is paid.

9. Par 22. The Letter from R. Mercer about Watch making tools was not enclosed or they could have been supplied by the 'Eudora' - we learn it was sent to Mr. Grogginish direct, who will be informed of the next vessel.

10. N. 127. Messrs. Inurthwaite & Co. Owners of the 'Viscer of Bray' send out by this Mail Capt. Andrew Garrick to command her, in hopes that as she will be lightened to ballast trim a few repairs will enable her to get round to Valparaiso, we have granted them a credit of £500 (Five Hundred Pounds) and the Underwriters having given up 250 tons Coals the sale of them will give Capt. Garrick sufficient funds to pay his way - our commission and interest upon the whole

Transactions of this vessel is arranged to be five per cent (5%) as Messrs Inurthwaite & Co. will accept Capt. Garrick's Draft at thirty days sight (30 ds).

11. N<sup>o</sup>. 127, 2. The Chiselhurst's Accounts have not been presented by the Owners, we claimed from them £317.14.10 upon the Accounts you sent of the 'Gustav's' Repairs, at present they do not acknowledge the liability and you do not furnish evidence of Capt. Bryson having ordered these repairs, nor protest, surveys &c.

12. Capt. Campbell was after all a passenger by the 'Chiselhurst', he has called here & received the best advice and assistance we could give him, should he be able to pass his examination as Master and satisfy the Board upon other points we shall be happy to attend to your recommendation & entrust him with the new Schooner.

I am sorry to say it is not yet decided who is to build this vessel, there is great difficulty in arranging for the best, the lowest tender is over £2,500 & the quickest time 5 to 6 months.

13. We have insured £2,000 upon Produce in Schooners to Stanley Harbour, there in hulks and J. 'Eudora's' or ships home at 45% p.p. (25% being the Schooner & Hulk risk, 25% the voyage home) from the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. & shall insure £2,000 more in same way for next month and shall then insure £10,000 more on 'Eudora's' Ships from Stanley to Darwin, back to Stanley & home to U.K. making the value of £14,000 for the home cargo, it is a complicated & expensive process, can you suggest a better?

14. Mr. Melian writes on the 30<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>. last that Messrs Dean & Son had asked him to become their agent at Montevideo, we have observed to him, (as per copy of letter to him of this date enclosed) that we do not think he ought to accept this business as it would interfere with the Company's matters - in case of change we refer you to N<sup>o</sup>. 410, 6.

15. Referring to N<sup>o</sup>. 428, 16 an enquiry has again been made for a young man with capital to settle at the Colony, and we must really begin to take steps to utilize our land and get our Sheep attended by others on shares.

16. Another General Invoice of Stores J. 'Eudora's' is sent in consequence of an error, the one by the vessel amounting to £1929.18.3 had only one of Weston & Westall's Invoices, <sup>32.12.90</sup> whereas there was another one for 53.13.4 which increases the total amount to £1983.11.7

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 430.

" Eudora's Bill of Lading

" Draft Letter Cbb to Directors about Shares

" Coleman to Cobb 13, 16, 18 Jan 72.

" Private do " " 17 Jan 72.

Letter Zoological Soc<sup>y</sup> " " 19 " "

" Simpson from relations " 20 " "

Gordon's Account for Timber \$4

Corrected General Invoice £1983.11.7

Copy Coleman to Melan 8 Feb 72.

do " Cobb 7 " "

do " do 8 " " Private

do " Langdon " " " } Open

do " do 12 Jan " }

do " Dyer " " " " }

Letter for Watson Chief Off. of Eudora from his Wife.

The Secretary  
John G. D. B.

N<sup>o</sup> 431

8th February 1872

N<sup>o</sup> 432.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 8 Mch 1872.

E.C.

J. R. M. S. 'Boyne'. Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult. - we received your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 128 on the 12<sup>th</sup> ult. and N<sup>os</sup> 129, 130 and 131 arrived on the 17<sup>th</sup> ult. - N<sup>o</sup> 129 being a Duplicate. The Original of N<sup>o</sup> 125 J. R. M. S. 'Reindeer' is unfortunately not yet delivered.

2. On the 9<sup>th</sup> ult. it was decided that Messrs Camper & Nicholson of Gosport should build a new Schooner for us, of 208 tons Builders Measurement about 145 tons Register, for £2950 with a few extras as she will stand in over Three Thousand Pounds, so her insurance will come heavy and without the Government will pay an increased subsidy the Mail Service will hardly answer, as you report her services are so much required for Co's work it is questionable whether we should tie ourselves up with a Contract. We hope to get her ready for sea by the end of July and shall send out an assorted cargo of fine goods in her, using bricks for ballast.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 130, 3. Upon your assertion that Boiling down Sheep will pay the Board has decided to obtain apparatus to consist of a Digester and Boiler, these cannot be ready until the middle of next month, when it is proposed to take up a small vessel of 200 or 250 tons, having a timber port to take in some 20 or 25 Spars from 25 to 45 feet long, fill her up with timber through goods, sending 50 tons House Coals for Ballast.

4. Par 10. We are sorry to find that Mr. E. Packe has been talebearing that you have taken it up so strongly and feel so annoyed about our enquiries respecting our own property, upon which as before stated we have a right to do as we think proper. Capt. Pain told me the sheep were not in good condition and as the wool had not increased much of late years I enquired of Mr. Packe, without getting a definite answer, and of David Patterson who confirmed the report - however the best plan for you to adopt to cure our ideas that the Islands is not such a profitable speculation as your reports make out, would be to send a return to show that with a less staff the increase of Sheep, and Wool in proportion to sheep, is every year improving, leaving out

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

prices altogether - this would at once settle the matter and show that your management is right, the proof is therefore in your own hands & we shall be glad of some such return.

5. Par 12. We do not think you will complain of our last Shepherds having sent Allowrose Campbell's two Brothers, besides some good men related to the Elgin Campbell, we have more of the latter applying to be engaged and shall utilize the new Schooner's Passenger accommodation for them and his Father aged 46 would go out with his wife if we thought fit, I believe it would be good to have such a family connexion upon the Islands as a Shepherd of mature age if healthy must yet be good for many years work. Mr. Greenshield's Sister wants to send him a married Shepherd with four children, the passages to be paid in the Colony, we might accommodate them in the timber vessel.

6. Par 11. Mr. Griffiths called here yesterday he is too ill to return I want some property back by the 'Eudora', so I wish you to find room if possible for six cases Furniture &c. which being small can go into the Cabins as freight will be paid on all received here. You must also try to find space above our cargo for some if not all of the Iron Bars, for as iron has gone up so much Messrs. Burney want these goods back again - all our Ironmongery stored ought to be charged 30 or 40 per cent more than the invoice prices as everything in this line is dearer.

7. Par 14. As the 'Eudora' will not be able to carry all our Produce, independent of that belonging to others the Directors desire you will ship home by every opportunity to avail of the high prices ruling for Wool & Hides here & which are likely to continue all this year if not longer, to guide you we send a memo of freights from Allowtsideo & have requested Mr. Melian & the agents of the Steamers to forward you particulars, the Hydraulic Press will enable Wool to bear steam freight, our wool would it is believed realize  $\frac{1}{6}$  a pound here now & we are in strong hopes to obtain as much at the July sales.

8. Par 13, 16. This most gratifying to hear that the lambing has been so successful that you find Lafonia has really good pasture land, this will enable the increase of Sheep to be kept on the Co's Freehold thereby improving it, and coming upon the fact shown on balancing the Books for last year the Island Adm<sup>r</sup> shows a Profit of £7,649. 2. 7 makes the Board in high spirits for the future, as it will enable them to show their Brother Shareholders that they have at length worked the Co. into success. At present the above figures wait the Auditor's examination & approval, still

yourself and staff, deserve every credit for your exertions and we hope permanent success will be established so that all concerned may be rewarded,

9. N. 131, 5. Under the circumstances you do right not to call Bertrand away from his work. With regard to Mr. G. P. Pees' deposit of £1000 with the intention of joining Mr. Holmsted in this Estate, we learn that Mr. Melian advanced him at Mr. Video thirty five Pounds (£35) which is endorsed upon our receipt for the £1000. We send by this Mail a parcel of light clothing for you to Mr. Melian to be retained by him as you wished.

10. Mr. Atten has accepted both the Bills for the 'Immanuel' but did not domicile the large one which was placed at a disadvantage: as there is always so much risk with these ship repairs further precautions must be taken. Having seen a Bill form giving a lien upon the vessel & freight for all expenses, it is appended for adoption with foreign vessels or owners unknown - "for value received in necessary supplies & disbursements at this Port for the <sup>under my command with</sup> the express agreement however that it shall not invalidate or affect the lien upon or right of proceeds against said vessel and freight for the amount of this Bill, with ten per cent additional as damages besides costs & expenses of recovering and interest in case of its not being duly accepted & paid - with authority & power to insure the amount & to charge the premium & expenses thereof to ship or owner if Bill is not properly accepted."

11. We are glad to be able to report that the Demurrage upon the 'Chiselhurst' has not been charged, you did not furnish the Captain with a Certificate of the right delivery of the outward cargo as per Charterparty of 10 June 71, so we allowed the balance of freight to be drawn for from the 29 Jan 72 the date of her arrival here & deducted the ship's Acc<sup>t</sup>. 28.1.8 and Storage Acc<sup>t</sup>. 6.11. - for former Charter, as per Police Court Certificate of 28 Nov 71 enclosed in Despatch 127, but on further looking into the matter we found that the Stevedores' Charges £6 at the Belando in March 71, with £6.10. - assistance as per Acc<sup>t</sup>. ex N. 107 had been paid by the 'Chiselhurst', being deducted with her Acc<sup>t</sup>. 38.14.4 ex N. 106 from the Provision Acc<sup>t</sup>. of £80 for Papers - gars home, as per Journal Entry of 20 Aug 71 sent you in Despt. 425, as this Despatch reached you on 16 Nov 71 there

No 432

8th March, 1872

The Secretary

was no occasion to have doubted Capt. Bryson's word that it had been settled in London & then to have summoned him to the Police Court. We have since returned this amount by cheque with our regrets for their Captain being annoyed - the Police Court Fees of Eleven Shillings (11/-) are to be paid by yourself or Mr. Langdon whoever is to blame. A copy of the Acct. for £12.10.- ex N. 107 is sent herewith, to the end of Sept. last this does not appear in your Acct.

12. I regret to inform you that Capt. Campbell did not pass the Examination for Master on the 26<sup>th</sup> ult., he is reading hard and will go up again shortly - we have advanced him Twenty Pounds upon your Credit Note in his favor for Fifty Pounds dated 27. Nov. last.

13. Should the 'Anna Parodi' be condemned we wish all particulars about her & her Guano, for we desire to pay some attention to Messrs J. Henry Schrader & Co. who hold the Peruvian Guano Contract.

14. If any old Rope could be sent home it would realize very good prices now.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Acct. of Freight & on Cargo for others of 'Eudora'  
Dupl. Coleman to Cobb & Feb Private £173.7.5

" Copy " " " 12 "  
" " " Schwartz & Mch  
" " " Horn " "

Particulars of Freight for Cash Produce via M.O.  
Ledger Entries Journal Entries

Copy of Report on 'Chiselhurst's' Hides 13 Feb 72  
Copy of 'Chiselhurst's' Acct. £12.10.- 23 Mch 72

Hoare's Circular & Catalogue of Dean & Packe's Wool } per  
Syder's Hide Catalogue of Dean's ex 'Chiselhurst' } Books  
Anning's " " " Co. " do } Post

Letter for J. W. Edwards of the Bge 'Eudora'  
" " Holmsted from Coleman  
" " Cobb " do

Corporation of the

N<sup>o</sup> 433.  
H. R. M. G. Douro'

Falkland Islands Co.

London - 8<sup>th</sup> April 1872.

Sir,

On the 18<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> we received your Despatch 132 of 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> and on the 30<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> N<sup>o</sup> 132 and 133 of 10<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup>, the second 132 of 10<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> is now numbered 132 a. Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> but I wrote you on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> in hopes the present Mail Service would be carried out, as these communications ought to reach you simultaneously. Original of N<sup>o</sup> 129 was delivered ex 'Inmaniel' on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>.

2. Desp<sup>t</sup> 132 is very satisfactory - with regard to Par 10 we are glad to learn you had anticipated us in establishing the practise of spotting any Sheep showing symptoms of Scab and we look to the best results in improvement of Wool & increase of Sheep from the extra care now devoted to this plan.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 132, 11. Your explanation is upon rewarding Shep herds by granting them part of the increase of their flocks are good and set on one side our proposal of this plan, we are glad to learn our men do not require rewards to increase their interest and we shall take care to send as many good men as can be procured, for now that the Sheep are really increasing and the wool yields good returns it will pay the Compt<sup>y</sup> to augment their staff in moderation, so that shearing & lambing can be efficiently attended to. Your notes upon Camp Men at Par 31 are most valuable and give us an excellent insight as to the sort of men required.

4. 132, 12. We expected you would have said how much per week or month a young man would have to spend and the time he would be acquiring a knowledge of Sheep Farming, and the amount of Capital he ought to have at disposal to commence at the Falklands, please furnish such particulars and any others necessary to enable anyone desirous of emigrating to come to a decision.

5. 132, 14. The Board are gratified at perceiving that you are willing to defer your own wishes upon a visit to England to the Company's convenience in respect to your leaving your duties in proper train, and under all circumstances as the Mail Service is more regularly conducted now, the Directors wish you to take your leave of

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.



absence as soon as matters can be properly arranged, for it would prove of great advantage to this office to see you here & be able to learn fuller details so as to mature arrangements for future operations.

6. 132, 19. Your report upon the cargo to be collected confirms our fear that the 'Eudora' cannot convey all home, you will therefore do right to forward it by any passing vessel or by chartering or otherwise or sending it there for transshipment, should either of these modes not be carried out the vessel to sail at the end of this month will have clause in Charter to enable you to send her back - as to 132 a, if you ship per 'Seabitch' we hope the greatest precaution will be taken to hold the Co's barrels from damage she may occasion to our cargo, for we fear however well she may be repaired in Stanley Harbour she will look dreadfully of sea.

7. 132, 20. As the Produce Remittances now begin to exceed our shipments we are enabled to keep a little money in hand and thus can relax the strict injunctions to remit Bills & specie home to pay for Stores out, and as your explanation of outlay on account of others and their payments by Produce are reasonable the Board authorize you to receive Produce payments from Settlers, but this must be done in a cautious manner, if they are purchased by you on the spot the rate must be low enough to cover the Co's risk of rise & fall of markets, if taken on their account for sale thro' the Co's commission must be charged on the gross proceeds, and if you have to advance to any one immediately after a shipment home some arrangement ought to be made for interest as we should be 12 or 15 months without our money, perhaps a rise of Commission to 5 per cent would cover that and not appear exorbitant.

8. 132, 21. We are sorry to hear that the 'Graham' has not sold or sufficient to pay her expenses, we learned some time since that this vessel was hopelessly involved, Capt. Beaglehole could not get any wages & W. Dean told me a Bill had been dishonoured - should this account prove a loss the last year's profits at the Store, only £1029.2.9, will be materially reduced - were we to charge interest on funds provided and commissions for purchasing and trouble this Store Acct. would not pay, it only proves what has been alleged before that it is hardly worth carrying on & interposes with our Manager's legitimate duties.

9. 132, 22. Margaret Power has expressed her willingness to go out, we shall endeavour to grant a passage by the vessel at end of this month.

10. 132, 24. It would never do to buy the 'Balcarry', being an iron vessel there is no knowing whether the strains she must have received from being stranded so long will ever be put right again.

11. 132, 27, 28. The burning of Speedwell Est. is a great misfortune, should it prevent Mr. Williams carrying out his agreement the Board authorizes you to make alterations in same. The arrangement stated at 132 a 6. would perhaps answer both parties. I regret to state that the Bills drawn upon his Brother for 112. 18. 6 and 61. 16. 7 have been refused acceptance, finding his Brother did not return them, we offered to alter them to 60 days sight in accordance with 132 a 7 but as Mr. Williams has not written to his Brother about the Bills he has declined to accept, they must be noted but we shall not incur legal expenses pending the arrival of his Wool, which we presume will be shipped off 'Eudora'.

12. Respecting the 'Anna Parodi' we learn from Messrs. H. Clarkson & Co. that her Owner has abandoned her to the Underwriters at Genoa, who have instructed their Agents at Montevideo, Messrs. Risso & Schiaffino, to attend to the vessel by temporary repairs & pay her expenses, should they not have done so Messrs. Clarkson & Co. wish you to act for the best and will meet expenses on receipt of proper accounts, as they are Agents for the Underwriters here - Copy of their letter of 6<sup>th</sup> inst. is enclosed.

13. The Camp Wages Return for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 1 Apr to 30 June '71, is not yet to hand, your Despatch 119 enclosed it but being wrecked in 'Lotus' the Triplicate had note that it would be made up as soon as possible, no notice has however since been taken of this return, we therefore require it without further delay. The Cash Book from July '71 to Jan '72 is received but May & June '71 are not sent, I had no idea until a few days since that these had not been received, leaving such details to the Clerk who has omitted to attend to this matter.

14. Despatch 125 off 'H. M. S. Reindeer' is still wanting she arrived at Valparaiso on 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. last, which was reported here on 17<sup>th</sup> Feb '72, two Mails have arrived since without bringing it, the Bill of Lading of Waldron's Hide for 'Lotus' being of great importance you had better send Copy of the Notarial Copy, to enable us to obtain the insurance, and copies of any other enclosures of consequence: please state the date in Nov. as the duplicate is indistinct.

15. We had hoped to have reported the charter of a vessel of 250 to 300 tons to convey some timber shut out of the 'Eudora' and shall send some 15 to 20 spars, more sawn Timber

50 tons Salt, 100 tons House Coal, some Bricks perhaps,  
 the Boiler & Digestor for boiling down Sheep - there will be  
 a married Shepherd & his family for Mr. Greenshield's,  
 Margaret Power & some Shepherds if possible to be obtained,  
 also a lad for your Brothers. We are choosing some  
 Shepherds for the new Schooner as we must avail of  
 her extra passenger accommodation to send 8 persons  
 if not more tho' one or two might be married.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman

Secy.

Enclosures.

Duplicate Despatches 431 & 432.

" Coleman to Cobb 7, 8 Feb '72

" " " Langdon " " "

" " " Cobb 8 Mch "

" Chisellhurst's Acct. 23 Mch '72 £12.10.-

" Report on 1220 Hides ex Chisellhurst & Co.

" Ledger & Journal Entries.

" Eudora's Freight & Insurance Acct.

" Copy Zoological Society's Lr 18 Feb '72.

Acct. Sales of Hides ex Chisellhurst Co's 853 964.4.11

" 265 424.2.11

BH 77 131.16.4

BS 25 32.7.8

Copy Clarkson's Letter 6 Apr '72 about 'Anna Parodi'  
 Entries to make London Journal of Island Accounts  
 agree with Island Journal.

Letter to Cobb from Capt. Campbell

" " " " Coleman

" " John Weir " "

Journal Entry about Eudora's shipment.

Remarks on Accounts.

Jan April, 1872  
 J. Coleman  
 Secy.

No. 433

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup>: 434.  
P. R. M. S. 'Neve' London 8<sup>th</sup> May 1872.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> since then we have not received any advices from you. As Despatch 125 has not yet arrived we have written to Capt. Kennedy of H. M. S. 'Reindeer', asking him to explain the reason of delay in posting, or if posted when & where, that we may endeavour to trace this letter through the Post Office. Triplicate of N<sup>o</sup>: 132 was received ex 'Benton' on the 6<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>o</sup>. I wrote to you on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> in avail of Steamers to M. Vidoe in hopes of their being an extra opportunity to Stanley.

2. You will be glad to hear that Capt. Campbell passed his examination as Master on the 12<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, obtaining a Certificate N<sup>o</sup>: 95,907 dated the 13<sup>th</sup> Apr<sup>o</sup> 1872. The Board have arranged to put him in command of the New Schooner she will shortly go down to Gosport to look after her building, there have been several delays but we shall insist upon her being completed by the Contract day the 30<sup>th</sup> July next, but I do not expect she will sail until the middle of August. As it is said she may require a little iron ballast it would be well to save 50 tons of the Pig Iron ex 'Bonnygr'.  
3. I am happy to be able to state that Mr. Williams's Broker has accepted the two Bills upon him, the Board having allowed him to alter the time from thirty to sixty days sight.

4. We have been again applied to by the Registrar General of Seamen for a List of the Crew of the 'Lorus' whom she was lost and request you will send this by return.

5. We have chartered the Brig "Blanch" Capt. Care of 304 tons Register to take out a cargo and come back with Produce or Merchandise if necessary, £450 out £225 home, her lay days will terminate on the 1<sup>st</sup> prox<sup>o</sup> but we hope to get her ready for sea by the 20<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>o</sup>, though it may be necessary to detain her for Stowpards, there being now a great difficulty in obtaining men. She will carry John Dickson, wife & children, a Stowpord for Mr. Greenfield's friends to engage 4 or 5 men ourselves - Margaret Power may also be sent out. Mr. Dean sends the 'Saturna' of 350 tons

Fred<sup>r</sup>. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

from Cardiff at the end of this week with Steam & Horse  
Coals, Timber, Spars &c.

6. On informing Messrs Puerthwaite & Co. that  
Capt. Garrick going out to take charge of the "Vicar of  
Bray" had obtained an advance at Montevideo from  
Mr. Melian, they requested that he might be provided with  
the full amount of the Letter of Credit for £500 at Stanley,  
as they will reimburse all cash advanced to him at  
Montevideo: since then they have increased the credit  
to £700 (Seven hundred Pounds) and even if that,  
with the sale of the cargo, is not sufficient they wish  
the vessel got away without fail, any extra suspense  
being secured by Bottomry Bond or other suitable security.

7. The attention of the Directors having been drawn  
to the cruelties practised by the Gauchos in hunting the  
Wild Cattle of the Falklands, as described in Lieut. Mackinnon's  
Pamphlet, the Board trusts such behaviour is not allowed  
amongst the Co's servants and begs you will inculcate the  
necessity of avoiding all cruelties to the animals under  
their charge.

8. You have omitted to send account & particulars  
of Buildings erected and Plant & Utensils appropriated for  
use last year, so that we have not been able to make  
any addition to these Accounts for the Balance Sheet -  
with regard to the Stores &c. on hand at the end of the  
financial year, it is ordered by the Auditors that  
such as are deteriorated are not to be entered at cost  
price, but only at the value they would realize when  
put up for sale - and the Auditors also wish that you  
are particular not to allow an accumulation of old,  
deteriorated or useless Stores, as articles spoiled or in little  
demand had better be got rid of at the first favorable opportunity.

9. A Mr. Dixon has enquired here about two Special  
Suburban Allotments at Stanley &c. Nos 11 & 12 which were  
transferred to Capt. B. R. Wilson by Capt. J. Reid, they lie  
East of Williams Pt., South of Fitzroy Road, being numbered  
in our Plan 48, 49, he having lent money upon the Title  
Deeds, would they be valuable to the Co. if obtainable  
at a cheap rate but it is their present value.

I remain, Sir,

Your obed. Servant,

J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Blanch's Charter party 18 Apr 72.

Epitome of her Cargo.

Ledger & Journal Entries.

Letter for Cobb from Campbell

Corporation of the  
 Falkland Islands Co.  
 London 9<sup>th</sup> May 1872.  
 Mr. Satsuma  
 via Cardiff  
 N<sup>o</sup> 435.

Sir, Through the kindness of Mr. Dean  
 we are enabled to send a Despatch by his vessel  
 and enclose the following.

- Duplicates of N<sup>os</sup> 433, 434.
- " Coleman to Cobb 19 Mch 72
- " " " " 12 Apr "
- " " " " 20 " "
- " " " Weir 8 " "

Copy Forbes to Coleman 16 Feb 72 }  
 about Boiling down at Ramornie }

2. I learn with regret that this vessel  
 does not carry out any Shepherds for Mr. Dean.  
 your Father has also ceased his efforts to procure  
 a Lad for your Brothers, consequently this Co.  
 still continues to be the only importer of labour  
 into the Colony, we are sending men by the 'Blanch'  
 and arranging for several by the new Schooner at  
 a considerable expense, should we land more  
 than are necessary for the Co.'s service you might  
 make arrangements to hire them out to others.

I remain,  
 Sir,  
 Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Secy.

Fred<sup>ke</sup> E. Cobb Esq  
 Colonial Manager  
 Stanley.

N<sup>o</sup> 436.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

M<sup>r</sup> Blanch

London 31<sup>st</sup> May 1872.

Sir, We enclose Duplicate of our last  
M<sup>r</sup> 'Gatsuma' which sailed from Cardiff on the 16<sup>th</sup>  
inst<sup>l</sup>. Your Despatch 135 arrived on the 27<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>l</sup>.

2. This vessel is now ready with a full  
cargo as per notes herein, and the following Passengers.

- |   |  |                          |
|---|--|--------------------------|
| Isaac Turner                              | £ 2.0 paid                                     |                          |
| Margaret Power to join her                | 20 to be paid at Stanley                       |                          |
| Aunt M <sup>r</sup> Williams              |  |                          |
| John Dickson Wife & 4 child <sup>rn</sup> | Shepherd for                                   |                          |
|   | M <sup>r</sup> Greenhields, £15 paid for them, |                          |
| Joseph Hawkes, wife & child               | Seaman   | } for the C <sup>o</sup> |
| James Rae                                 | Shepherd                                       |                          |
| Samuel Johnston                           | do   |                          |
| William Clement                           | do   |                          |

in all 14 souls equal to 11 1/2 adults - the C<sup>o</sup> five  
go out upon a Land Order for £100. At 30 so we shall  
require their landing Certificate to be returned at  
once. As the 'Blanch' can only carry nine steerage  
passengers, Turner, Rae & Dickson's eldest boy are  
entered as Cabin passengers. The whole are provisioned  
by the vessel at £4.10.0 per adult upon a liberal  
allowance and we hope they will arrive out well satis-  
fied with their accommodation.

3. We received your Despatch 134 of the  
23<sup>rd</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> on the 24<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>l</sup>.

4. As you so urgently need Spirits of Tar  
we delayed the vessel a day to put on 40 jars, still we  
hope the Glycerine Dip will be fairly tried.

5. As the cargo of 'Eudora' is larger than  
anticipated we have increased the insurance upon her  
and ship or ships to £23,500 and have opened a policy  
for £3000 by ship or ships to M. Video thence by ship  
or ships, to seawar or Steamers to United Kingdom.

6. We are most pleased to find Bertrand's  
Estate has been favorably closed and that the general  
business of the C<sup>o</sup> is progressing well.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,

Fred<sup>o</sup> E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures Corporation of the  
to N<sup>o</sup>. 436. Falkland Islands Co.

London 31<sup>st</sup> May 1872

- Triplicate N<sup>o</sup> 434 - Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 435.
- Blanch's Charterparty - " 18 May '72.
- do Bill of Lading
- General Invoice L 1484. 6. 12
- 23 Detailed Invoices
- Land Order N<sup>o</sup> 30 Part 1 for £100
- Copy of Agreement with Emigration Comf<sup>rs</sup>
- Landing Certificate for Emigrants
- Memos on Stores
- Contents of Office Case N<sup>o</sup> 119.
- List of Blanch's Free Parcels.
- Barton's Instructions for Steam Pump for Boiler
- Ellis' do for Digester for Stew Boiling
- Account of Paterson's Cargo
- Forbes to Coleman Ramonnie 16 Feb '72 about  
boiling down Soap & Tallow.
- Agreements - Hawkes 4 Receipt for £5
- Rae " 10
- Johnston " 3
- Element " 10

Provisioning Scales.

- Letters - for Cobb from Coleman, Lloyds, Campbell
- Jb. Cobb " Father, Coleman
- Langdon " Coleman
- Rand Bridges " do with B/L.
- Waldron " do
- W. Rutter " do
- Dyer " do
- Colonial Sec<sup>y</sup> " Fallick
- Bennet " do
- Pym " Campbell

Navy List Apr '72, New Cards of C<sup>o</sup>, 2 Copies from Ellis  
3 Times, (all these in Case 119) in parcel to Captain.

Letter for Officer commanding Royal Marines from Admiralty Agents.

- Fell from Campbell
- Drury " N. British Fire Off
- Pailey " " "



No 436

31 May 1872

Secretary W. A. P.

N<sup>o</sup> 437.P. R. M. G. W.  
'Boyne'Corporation of the  
Futkland Islands Co.London 8<sup>th</sup> June 1872.

Sir, Our last N<sup>o</sup> 436 was dated the 31<sup>st</sup> ult. by the 'Blanch', which vessel passed Deal on the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst., she is a slow sailer so we anticipate this will reach you first.

2. Since then your last Despatches have been submitted to the Board and the Directors are much gratified to find you report so favorably upon all the Company's business, they believe with yourself that the Company never was in so good a position and they trust you will not relax your efforts to improve & continue it as such. Our Annual General Meeting will be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> inst., when a Dividend of five per cent will be recommended; Wool has rather lowered just now still if present prices continue and economy & care are exercised in the Farm operations there is no doubt a Dividend ought to be a yearly occurrence from this time.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 435, 26. With respect to selling the Co's Sheep there is not now so much occasion for doing so since we are not in want of funds as formerly, there is land enough in Lafonia fit to be stocked, Shepherds in course of being sent out for yearly increase, old stock being disposed of by boiling down for tallow, and last, but not least, because the rise in value of Wool makes Sheep Farming return a fair interest for capital sunk & trouble involved, still if there is an opportunity to dispose of any Sheep which the Company can spare at a remunerative price, for grant cash and good bills or security, the Board would feel disposed to oblige settlers in this respect, for as our Wool is now considered the best produced in the Colony it should be grown there by others in preference to their importing an inferior class of sheep from the River Plate, whose wool coming to this market not being of such good quality lowers the estimation in which the Company's is held - we must therefore leave this matter to your judgment, all proceeds, as before instructed, being sent home intact.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

4. We should like to have some idea of the number of Shepherds the C<sup>o</sup> ought to send out annually, it will now be our endeavour to engage only qualified Shepherds, merely filling up berths or Land Orders with any Laborers offering, though if a regular course of sending people is established this latter need not be done as the Emigration Commissioners would carry on to another vessel any nominations left open. This year we have already despatched 8 Shepherds and 5 Laborers, (none being sent last year tho' 10 went out in 1870) and are arranging to send 6 or 8 Shepherds by the Schooner, we presume therefore that the Pinder's vessel need not carry any. As Trinity Sunday the time when Scotch Shepherds are free falls at the end of May next year, we might arrange for the Schooner to meet at Montevideo the 20<sup>th</sup> June Steamer from Liverpool or the 8<sup>th</sup> July Steamer from Southampton. A letter has just arrived from the Colonial Office stating that it is proposed to cease granting Land Orders as it reduces the income of the Colony.

5. The Board took into consideration Mr. Langdon's Letter of 2<sup>nd</sup> April last applying for an increase of Salary, enclosed in your Despatch 135, and have increased the same to Two Hundred Pounds (£200) per annum from the 1<sup>st</sup> April last, they are glad to hear you report so well of him, herewith is reply to him notifying the above.

6. Our Clerk made a mistake in omitting to put Jackson's Invoice N<sup>o</sup>. 12.11 in the Blanch's Despatch, so it is enclosed being for Acids &c. ordered by Mercer with his Watchmaking Tools. N<sup>o</sup>. 103, one case Gravesend is for Mr. Dean freight paid here. The Boat put on board for safety of Passengers is well suited for the 'Perseverance'. The St. Andrew's Waterside Mission at Gravesend put a Library on board for the Passengers, the Clergyman told me that if these books would prove serviceable to the Camp Library they might be retained, the usual plan being for the vessel to bring them back and receive others.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Triplicates N<sup>os</sup> 434, 5.

Duplicate " 436 & enclosures

" Bill of Lading # 'Blanch'

Land Order for £100 N<sup>o</sup>. 30. Part 2.

Letter for Langdon.

Jackson's Invoice N<sup>o</sup>. 12.11

do " Cobb ~~V~~ from Campbell.

Corporation of the

Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 438.P. R. U. S. V. 'Douro' London 8<sup>th</sup> July 1872.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, since then we received on the 24<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> Triplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 135 per 'Frances' to Queenstown, and on the 2<sup>nd</sup> instant N<sup>o</sup> 137 per 'Monarch', having been delivered at Liverpool by a Steamer from Pernambuco, but unfortunately this did not contain Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup> 136 nor mention the date when it was written, it is strange such simple precautions to keep us informed as to correspondence are not carried out, it being known how few & irregular the mails are. In future we wish you to send duplicate Shipping Return, at present several vessels are missing and Lloyd's are very anxious for news from Stanley.

2. We are glad to hear the loading of the 'Eudora' is progressing well, we suppose she arrived about the 15<sup>th</sup> April and hope she will leave from 20<sup>th</sup> to end of May: the Board desire that in future when vessels are loading for London, Bills of Lading be made out for the quantity of Hides or other cargo on board, when a mail is going away.

3. Respecting the Indent for Stores we shall not be able to supply same until the 'Eudora's' Cargo has placed us in funds, according to present arrangements we may be able to despatch a vessel at end of September or by middle of October. The new Schooner to be named 'Lafonia' will carry an assortment of this indent if possible and leave Gosport by 10<sup>th</sup> prox<sup>o</sup>, if all goes well as to her launching & fitting out.

4. The Annual General Meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> passed off well, a Dividend of Five per cent was declared and a Resolution of Thanks to yourself, enclosed is Report & Copy of Resolutions.

Fred<sup>ke</sup> E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

5. There having been enquiries about Meat Preserving at the Islands, we wish to know the price the C<sup>o</sup> could supply Oxen & Sheep and the number obtainable per year, we mentioned £5 to 6 for Oxen but this was considered dear being about the price in Australia and without they could be obtained at a lower rate it would hardly answer to run the risk of importing labour, horses & all plant for such an undertaking, since all this would have to be done at the Falklands. It is believed £4 a head would tempt some practical men with a little capital each to combine for such a business, if they could be established near Darwin Harbour it might be arranged for them to supply the settlement with meat, so our expenses on this head would be reduced and in consideration the price of Cattle lowered to them. We presume such an establishment would be better located near Darwin than at one of our Freeholds on the North shore of Choiseul Sound, water communication is indispensable for such an affair, but we suppose it would not do to place it on Lafonia if we are to devote that land to sheep. It will be well to know whether it would be possible to drive in & secure any Wild Cattle for Meat Preserving.

6. We have had a Correspondence (a paper copy enclosed) with the Colonial Office about Land Orders which were threatened to be discontinued, but I am happy to say we are now allowed to obtain them and purchase Land in the country leased to the C<sup>o</sup>, it will therefore be advisable to choose land on the most favorable Sections to reduce the amount to credit of Land Orders: we shall take up two orders for £100 each for Shepherds for 'Lafonia'.

7. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Smart & Waite have reimbursed Capt<sup>r</sup> Garrick's advances at M. Vider from Mr. Melian £74.12.11 on account of the 'Vicar of Bray'.

8. We have made a reduction of Five Pounds in the freight of Mr. Greenshield's Shepherd, Dickson this family, for 'Blanch', the total paid being now £70.

9. As all articles of Commerce have increased in cost the prices of all Stores, are to be raised from

a fifth to a quarter per cent (20 to 25 p. Ct.) to the public and the Co's employes as well, it will be necessary therefore to forward the altered retail prices of the principal Stores to enable us to correct the list printed some time since and to alter the particulars on the Charts of Stanley: we shall anxiously expect to find a much larger profit made at the store to 30<sup>th</sup> June last than the former year. Iron & Ironmongery will probably never return to the old prices.

10. We have had some correspondence with the Marquis of Tavistock about conveying six live Red Deer, which he offered for H. E. the Governor, this we have been obliged to decline on account of the expense and as we think there would not be sufficient shelter for them at the Falklands.

11. It is very unfortunate the Donkey Engine has broken down, Messrs Appleby assure us they are in use all over the world with satisfaction and that the fault must be with the Engineer, we shall send duplicate parts to make good the defects by the 'Lafonia'.

I remain,  
 Sir,  
 Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Secy.

Enclosures.

- Co's Annual Report of 26 June 72.
- Resolutions of Genl. Meeting of 1<sup>st</sup>
- Letters about Land Orders -
  - Colonial Office to Co: 17, 25 June, 3 July 72.
  - Co: to Col<sup>l</sup>. Office 12, 27 " 8 " "
- Ledger & Journal Entries.
- Proceedings of Zoological Socy. of 4 June 72  
 abt Capt. Paine's Letter on Fur Seals

No 438.

8 July 1842.

The Secretary  
H. S. Co

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 439.  
P. R. M. G.  
Neva.

London 8<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1872.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult., the next day we received your Despatch 139 with Duplicates of N<sup>os</sup> 136 and 138 - and on 16<sup>th</sup> ult. N<sup>o</sup> 140 came to hand - Originals of N<sup>os</sup> 136 & 138 arrived on 3<sup>rd</sup> inst. & 26<sup>th</sup> ult.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 139, 4. By sending two Bills of Lading for 4,522 Hides p. 'Endora' you have forestalled our instructions on this head in the Board's last Despatch.

3. 139, 5. You have done right to carry out instructions in selling Sheep, but on this point we refer you to N<sup>o</sup> 437, 3 for we do not now consider the C<sup>o</sup> should dispose of any more Sheep except under special circumstances.

4. 139, 3. You are quite justified in refusing Mr. Bertrand's application to reopen the arrangements concluded as to his Account with the Comp<sup>y</sup>, he has no cause of complaint having been well treated by us in all respects.

5. 139, 11. We had hoped to receive the promised remittance for the 'Anna Parodi', but it is as well you should leave Mr. Langdon fully prepared with funds.

6. M<sup>rs</sup> Bath Hon have recommended Mr. A. C. Le Duellac of Bordeaux to consign his vessels trading round the Horn to the C<sup>o</sup> he will probably sign a Ship's Introductory Letter and give names of vessels, meanwhile should any call at Stanley please pay the best attention to them; the Firm used to be Le Duellac & Bordes.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.



7. I am sorry to have to report that the Launch of the 'Lafonia' has been unavoidably delayed until the 17<sup>th</sup> inst., Mr. Nicholson undertakes to have her ready for sea by the 28<sup>th</sup>, she will then come round to load here and we hope to despatch her with a full assorted Cargo & five Shepherds by the 10<sup>th</sup> proc. - Capt. Campbell wishes the Patent Screw Wheel exc 'Vampyr' to be kept for her.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obed. Servant,

J. Coleman  
Secy

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 437 of 8 June 72.

do Coleman to Cobb 19 June 72

Journal Entries

Letter Coleman to Holmsted

do for Rees from his friends.

P.S. Stanley Wages Acct. 1 Jan to 31 Mch 72 has not yet been sent.

The service of the Camp Establishment Wages Acct. for 1 Jan to 31 Mch 72 is not entered, nor is Fell, the Overseer, named in the List.

N<sup>o</sup> 440.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

M. R. M. M.  
Boyne.

London 7<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1872.  
R 30 Oct "

Sir,

We have much pleasure in reporting the arrival of the 'Eudora' on the 13<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> and the 'Sea Witch' on the 24<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. Despatches 141, 142 were received on the 13<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, N<sup>os</sup> 143, 144, 145 by the Mail on the 16<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> - Mr. Cobb also arriving by this Steamer

2. N<sup>os</sup> 141, 5. Respecting the 'Wicar of Bray' we regret to state that Mr. Smurthwaite has declined to meet the Bill for £500, we hope soon to be able to report an arrangement whereby this vessel will remain in the Company's hands as a Hulk at Stanley, we delivering a balance of the Cargo at Valparaiso.

3. N<sup>os</sup> 141, 7. The sundry Foreign Coins of 'Eudora' have realized £14.6.9 so there is a Loss of £2.3.3 upon them. The two bottles of Gold brought home by Mr. Cobb have realized £55.13.4 for the large bottle belonging to Mr. Laws - and 38.5.11 for the smaller one owned by Messrs. Pears & Bonner.

4. The Mate of the 'Eudora' states that Capt<sup>n</sup> Dyer gave him 2 or 3 Hides over the quantity reported to be shipped, in order to make him secure in delivering the full number here, this practise is not right and Capt<sup>n</sup> Dyer is to be informed that it must not be allowed in future. Mr. Dyer had Eight Pounds last month being £2 more than the usual monthly instalment, bring this to Capt<sup>n</sup> Dyer's notice and enquire if we may occasionally comply with such requests.

5. Iron being now so dear you had better arrange with Dean to raise the price 1<sup>st</sup> p. pound.

John Langdon Esq  
acting for F. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

6. The new Schooner has been christened the 'Black Hawk' several delays have taken place but we expect her here by the end of next week, and as the cargo is ready she ought to sail hence on the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst. with an assortment from the Pudent of 4<sup>th</sup> May last, 3 Shepherds for the Company (2 married) and a Lad for Mess<sup>rs</sup> JG H. Cobb. Though we consider the Postal Subsidy insufficient for her expenses, even with the extra to be obtained from Passengers & Cargo, the Board has decided to try a Postal Contract for a year and give you authority to enter into one with the Government for eight mails our Home per annum, on the same terms as proposed for the 'Lobos', further instructions on this point will be sent by the vessel herself.

7. This proposed to charter a vessel to sail from middle to end of next month to convey the balance of the Pudent of Stores, with option to return with Produce &c or go on to Valparaiso with the 'Vicar of Bray's' Cargo - we hope to get some Shepherds for her as well as the Wood vessel, which it is intended should be at the Pudent by the early part of March next.

Grenville, Sir,  
 Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
 J. Coleman

Enclosures.

Copy of Postonier's Acc<sup>t</sup> of Eudora's  
 Home Freight }

Ledger & Journal Entries.

Letter for Langdon from Cobb  
 do " Christ<sup>l</sup> Smith " do  
 do " Col<sup>l</sup> D'Arcy " do  
 do " JG H. Cobb " do  
 do " John Bonner " do  
 do " St. Laws " do

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 1872.

E.C.

P. Black Hawk, Falkland Islands Company.  
N<sup>o</sup>. 1441.

Sir, Our last was dated the 7<sup>th</sup> inst. and we now despatch this vessel with a very valuable Cargo of Stores for her size and the following Passengers -

W<sup>m</sup>. Bethune, Wife & 3 Children } for the Comp.  
George Matheson & Wife  
William Bryant for Messrs. F. G. Cobb

These people go out under the Emigration Commissioners and two Land Orders of £100 each will go out by next vessel, the Landing Certificate is to be returned by the first opportunity. W. Bryant is allowed to go free by the Directors, as he goes out to work on Messrs. F. G. Cobb's Farm at Lively Island.

2. I am glad to inform you that arrangements have been concluded with Mr. Smithson the Owners of the 'Picar of Bray', by which the Vessel has become the property of the Company. Mr. Smithson refused to accept Capt. Garrick's Draft upon him for £500 but has paid the sum of £100 advanced to the latter in Stanley as well as his disbursements in Montevideo £44.12.11, and has handed Bills of Sale for the ship and assignment of Agreement with the Underwriters to the Company, in satisfaction of our remaining claim, in all about £650. Under this agreement the Co. become possessors of 250 tons of her Coal subject to the condition that the remaining cargo be forwarded to its destination, and in order to bring the affair to a conclusion the Barque 'Frances', 344 tons Register has been chartered to take out a general cargo to Stanley and then proceed to Valparaiso with the Cargo referred to. Enclosed are Bills of Sale of the 'Picar of Bray' upon which you will at once have the transfer of the Vessel endorsed on the Register by the Colonial Secretary, and you must lose no time in taking possession of the Company's Coal. Full instructions as to the consignment of the cargo & other matters will follow by the 'Frances'.

Yours obediently,  
P. Coleman

John Langdon Esq.  
acting for F. G. Cobb Esq.,  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

Enclosures made up in a separate parcel.

- ✓ Duplicates of Nos 436, 438, 439, 440.
- ✓ " Act. of Paterson's Cargo.
- ✓ Capt. Campbell's Agreement dated 23 Sep '72
- ✓ Copy of Emigration " " 21 " "
- ✓ " " Landing Certificate
- ✓ Agreements with Bethune & Matheson as Shipbrokers
- ✓ Matheson's Receipt for £5 advance of Wages.
- ✓ De Quella's Letter consigning his Vessels dated 18. Sep '72
- ✓ Report on Wool of 'Eudora' & 'Sea Witch'
- ✓ do " Hides " do " do
- ✓ do " Tallow " do
- ✓ Duplicate Cobb to Langdon 20 Sep '72.
- ✓ First Bills of Sale of 'Viceroy of Bray'
- ✓ Duplicate Cobb. to Inverleith 7 Sep '72
- ✓ Copy of Letter fr. Williams' Pattern Foundry Co. dated 21 Sep '72 at Briler in 'W. of Bray'
- ✓ Frances' Charter party.
- ✓ English Instructions for Consuls of the German Empire
- ✓ Letter to Governor from Colonial Office.
- ✓ " " H. H. Cobb " Cobb
- ✓ " " W. Jennings
- ✓ " " John Dickson

Enclosures herewith.

- ✓ General Invoice £3337.16.4
- ✓ 47 Detailed Invoices
- ✓ Bill of Lading for Cargo
- ✓ Parcels Receipt
- ✓ List of Free Parcels or Cases.
- ✓ Copy of Letter to Capt. Campbell dated 24 Sep '72.
- ✓ Letter to Langdon from Colman
- ✓ " " H. H. Cobb " "
- ✓ " " Robusted " "
- ✓ " " Fell " "
- ✓ " " Simpson David " "
- ✓ " " Dean " Taylor V.C.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.

N<sup>o</sup> 442.  
P. R. M. S. 'Douro'. London 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1872.

Sir,  
Our last was dated the 24<sup>th</sup> ult.  
p. 'Black Hawk', which vessel was detained  
in the Downs by stress of weather until the  
morning of the 5<sup>th</sup> instant. There are no  
Despatches from Montevideo as the 'Foam' arrived  
on a Feast day, it will therefore be advisable  
to send Duplicates of advices whenever the  
'Black Hawk' goes to Montevideo in charge  
of Capt. Campbell to be posted by him at  
once, so that we may get our advices should the  
Mail Bags be delayed.

2. There is a charge of £. 10. 6 upon  
Eley's Invoice for delivering the Cartridges in  
the River.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed. Servant,  
F. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

- ✓ Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 441.
  - ✓ do Bill of Lading p. 'Black Hawk'
  - ✓ do Letters to Langdon Cobb from Coleman 23 Sep 72
  - ✓ do do " Capt. Campbell 24 Sep 72.
  - ✓ Copy of Charter of 'Frances'
  - ✓ " " Report on Bones & Sheepskins ex Eudora
  - ✓ " " " " do " Sea Witch
  - ✓ " Acc. Sales 564 bales Wool ex Eudora & do
  - ✓ " do 60 Dry Hides " "
  - ✓ " do 4,368 Palted " " "
  - ✓ " do 1 " " " "
  - ✓ " do 88 " " " "
  - ✓ " do 74 " " " Sea Witch
  - ✓ Copies of Vicar of Bray's Arrangements with Lloyd's
  - ✓ Letter for Salvage Association dated 4 Sep 71 & 17 Sep 72.
- John Langdon Esq  
acting for F. C. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1872.

M<sup>r</sup>. Frances

E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup>. 443.

Sir, This Vessel being chartered to proceed to Stanley with Passengers and Stores, there to receive the balance of the Cargo of the 'Vicar of Bray' and convey same to Valparaiso, we have engaged the following Shepherds with their families -

George Patterson wife with 4 children

Thomas do " 3 "

Stewart Middleton & wife

and loaded her with an assortment of Stores from the Indent of 4<sup>th</sup> May 72 ex N<sup>o</sup>. 437, which we hope will arrive to a good market and realize a handsome profit.

2. The Landing Certificate of the above Emigrants is to be returned by first Mail, they are provisioned by the C<sup>o</sup>. The Captain understanding that he will have to deliver up the balance of unconsumed Provisions at Stanley, & we must insist that more attention is paid to this matter than was done per 'Chiselhurst', enclosed is one of our Victualling Scales with Invoice of Provisions & Medical Comforts put on board by Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Yates & Son (besides which £2 worth Fresh Beef & Vegetables are supplied) so that it will be easy to calculate from her number of days passage what the vessel ought to deliver over. We have agreed to give the Captain a gratuity of Five Pounds for attention to our people & care in getting the heavy boiler out of the 'Vicar of Bray' and stowed in his Vessel, and Capt<sup>r</sup>. Pretty has arranged for the Steward to have £2 extra pay which amount you will have to hand him with his gratuity.

3. Great caution will have to be exercised in taking out of the 'Vicar of Bray' the Boiler, weighing 5½ tons, and depositing same in the hold of the 'Frances', for she was undertaken to be able to stow it under the hatches, or with only a small portion of one end projecting beyond the deck, the whole being caulked & made secure for the passage round Cape Horn. N<sup>o</sup>. 441, 2. advised the terms on which this business is to be transacted & we now enclose further particulars of the Cargo to be consigned to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Cockbain Roxburgh & C<sup>o</sup>. who will pay £445.16.6 (Four hundred & fifteen Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Six Pence)

John Langdon Esq

acting for J. E. Cobb Esq

Colonial Manager

Stanley.

on receipt of same in whatever condition it may be, this being one of the conditions on which this Company undertook the business.

4. The Accounts of the 'Black Hawk' have been made up, the Debts against Island Administration being

for Schooner	3283. 6. 14
Working Account	476. 8. 7
Capt. Campbell	59. 11. 9

the first proves more heavy than anticipated, great care must therefore be taken of such a valuable vessel - the second is the Stores & Supplies for the passage out, including Insurance for voyage and thirty days after arrival, we shall then have to insure her by the year and do not expect this to be done under six guineas (£ 6. 6. -) per cent, consequently the strictest economy must be exercised upon this account, we have written Capt. Campbell on the subject and trust that the great confidence bestowed on him by the C<sup>o</sup>. will induce his best attention to our interests.

5. It is arranged to pay here on Stewart Middleton's behalf Five Pounds yearly, he has had an advance of Two Pounds against his first wages. We are going to send by the Mail W<sup>o</sup>. on 8<sup>th</sup> inst. five Shepherds Thomas Tobie, a sister's son of the Pattersons - George Charteris a friend of theirs - Andrew Smith and Archibald McCall, lately returned from the Islands who having married is going back again. Mr. Fells' Wages are not entered in the Camp Return, this must be done.

6. The Fittings for the Passengers on this vessel are provided by the C<sup>o</sup>. and are to be removed if not paid for - the Water Closet on Deck may be purchased by the ship at Three Pounds.

7. Your Despatch N. 148 of 17 Aug W<sup>o</sup>. Amoy to Falmouth arrived on the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst., but does not at present need any comment.

8. We purpose despatching the Wood by the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>. with House Coals, Timber, Solons Salt, Posts & Rails, Wooden Church and if remittances received from you an assortment of Stores - we shall endeavour to send some Shepherds, a married Schoolmaster for Darwin and an Engineer.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman

Sec<sup>y</sup>

P.S. M. Waldron has accepted his Brother's Bill on him for £245. 7. 6 due 4 Apr 73 on the understanding that he receives Hides by that time, so you must hurry these forward by W<sup>o</sup>. or we shall have to renew it.



## Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 442.  
 Copy Charter of 'Frances'  
 Bill of Lading " do  
 General Invoice of Stores £5379.5.6  
 52 detailed Invoices of above  
 Land Order for £200 N<sup>o</sup> 31 part 1. 'Frances'  
 Copy Emigration Agreement dated 25 Oct 72 for  
 Landing Certificate for Emigrants by her  
 Agreement with George Patterson  
 do " Thomas do  
 do " Stewart Middleton  
 Receipt from do for £2  
 Invoices from Yates of Provisions & Medical Comforts  
 for Passengers £48.4.4 and £8.4.9  
 List of above Provisions & Co<sup>s</sup> Weighing Scale  
 Copy of proforma Invoice of Goods to be sent on from  
 'Car of Bray' p. 'Francis' from Home Coll. Post. Co.  
 Copy Acc<sup>t</sup>. Sales ex 'Eudora' 15 bales Wool 265.10.9  
 6 cks Tallow 46.13.2  
 Bones 24.15.11  
 1 bale Sheepskins 8.18.2  
 1196 do 197.10.5  
 do ex 'Sea Witch' 1226 do 343.7.3  
 London Journal Entries.  
 Papers for German Consul from London Consulate  
 Lloyd's Register of Shipping for 1872 N<sup>o</sup> 2769 made up  
 to this date in charge of Capt<sup>m</sup> Prentiss  
 Nautical Magazine for Nov. do do  
 Copy of Letter to Capt<sup>m</sup> Prentiss 4 Nov 72 all Gratuity.  
 Letter to Langdon from his Mother  
 Rev<sup>d</sup>. Yeoman " Coleman  
 " Lory " "  
 J<sup>r</sup>. Fisher " "  
 Bailey " "  
 Travis " " this Sister  
 2 Capt<sup>m</sup>. Campbell " "  
 James do " "  
 Capt<sup>m</sup>. Smithen " "  
 Louis Baillon " " with B/L.  
 Capt<sup>m</sup>. Dyer " his Wife  
 M<sup>rs</sup>. Aldridge " Capt<sup>m</sup>. Seales  
 Rev<sup>d</sup>. Bridges " Cruise with B/L  
 Parcel for Travis from his Mother  
 List of Free Parcels  
 Notes on Stores -

No 443.

4<sup>th</sup> Nov 1872.

The Secretary J.P.P.

Lee's Bay's.

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London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 8<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1872.  
E.C.

N<sup>o</sup>: 444.

P. R. M. W. Neva Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, We duplicate our last by the 'Frances' on the 12<sup>th</sup> inst. - by an oversight the arrival of N<sup>o</sup>: 147 on the 15<sup>th</sup> ult. was not reported, we were glad to see that matters were progressing favorably. I have now to acknowledge Duplicate of N<sup>o</sup>: 149 of 30<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> and N<sup>o</sup>: 150 of 11<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup>, which arrived yesterday by the German Corvette 'Hertha' to Plymouth - the remittances of £603 and £259.15.9 are welcome, we hope your next will contain particulars of the 'Hertha's' expenditure as the stock of Steam Coals is not given.

2. The Case N<sup>o</sup>: 606 for Dr. Fisher was not sent up from the country so we have written Capt<sup>r</sup>: H. P. P. that it was not on board, it being entered on the Bill of Lading as in dispute. Enclosed are further detailed Invoices of Arnold's Timber by her.

3. N<sup>o</sup>: 149. Respecting the 'Terza' notice has been given to the Agents of the Genoa Underwriters and a Telegram may be sent via Lisbon to M. Molien with instructions about her: we have also written to the Hamburg Underwriters about the 'Mandarin' - we think you ought to oppose the condemnation of both these vessels as it will be better to let them be temporarily repaired to come home in ballast, care must be taken not to lay out money by the Co. upon either without evidence that their former liabilities are provided for & there is reasonable security for further advances, this applies especially to the 'Mandarin' having such a heavy Bottomry Bond on her: should either be offered for sale do not be tempted by cheap prices to purchase on behalf of the Company.

4. The Directors are pleased to hear that the Sheep have been satisfactorily handed to Mess<sup>rs</sup>: Dean, Packer and Williams, the arrangements with the latter about supplying him with advances are not reported, please send particulars & copies of documents on the subject.

John Langdon Esq  
acting for F. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley

5. N: 150, 3. Respecting the drawback on Spirits not being allowed by the Customs we shall endeavour to represent the matter to the Colonial Office, meantime it will be well to forward any further transactions upon this point.

6. Enclosed is application from Mr. Cobb for Lease of Land North of our Choiseul Sound Sections to the Wickham Heights, this is to be sent into the Governor at once.

7. There is a German Squadron going round the World so we applied to Prince Bismarck for it to be allowed to call at the Falklands, it has however already left England & thus may not receive direct orders, still the vessels may call in, they are the 'Friedrich Carl' 20 Frigate, Commodore Werner - 'Elisabeth' 18 Corvette, Capt<sup>n</sup>. Livonius & 'Albatross' 4 Gunvesel, Capt<sup>n</sup>. Stenzell.

8. By this opportunity we send as Shepherds Archibald M<sup>r</sup>. Call & Wife, George Charteris, Thomas Dobie - Andrew Smith has not yet arrived but may be in time - these people go out under the Emigration Com<sup>rs</sup>: as per Agreement of 7<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>t</sup>, but we do not receive any portion of their passage money until the enclosed Landing Certificate is returned to us. The Agreements will be posted to you from Southampton.

Duplicate of this will go forward by the 'Sea Witch' to sail on the 11<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>t</sup>.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,

J. C. Coleman

Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

- ✓ Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 443.
- ✓ " Bill of Lading ff. 'Frances'
- ✓ " 'Wicar of Brays' Cargo for D<sup>o</sup>.
- ✓ " Journal Entries
- ✓ " Letters from Coleman to Rev<sup>d</sup> ✓ Yesman  
   to Bailey                         " Loxy  
   Capt<sup>m</sup> Campbell     D<sup>o</sup> Fisher  
   James<sup>v</sup> do             Travis  
   Baillon
  
- ✓ Land Order N<sup>o</sup> 31 Part 2 for £200
- ✓ Cobb's Application to Gov<sup>r</sup>. for Land of this date  
     3 Detailed Invoices from Arnold £584.4.6.
- ✓ Copy Agreement with Emig<sup>m</sup> Co<sup>s</sup> for 'Neva', 7 Nov 72
- ✓ Landing Certificate of Emigrants ff. D<sup>o</sup>.
- ✓ Letter for the Colonial Secretary from Emig<sup>m</sup> Compt<sup>s</sup>.
- ✓ do " Capt<sup>m</sup> Pretty from Coleman
- ✓ do " Langdon
- ✓ do " Travis
- ✓ do " Bailey
- ✓ do " Patterson }     "   Cobb

8 Nov 72

No 4444

of the Secretary J.B.C.

N<sup>o</sup> 445.  
F. R. M. Esq.  
Boyrne.

Corporation of the  
Falkland Islands Co.  
London 7<sup>th</sup> Decr 1872.

Sir, Our last was dated the 5<sup>th</sup> ult., Duplicate going forward on the 11<sup>th</sup> ult. by the 'Sea Witch' direct - the Agreements of M<sup>r</sup>. Call, Charteris & Dobie were sent to M<sup>r</sup>. Melian on the 9<sup>th</sup> ult. from Southampton, at the last moment Andrew Smith declined to go and will not now be sent. Since then your Despatch 154 of the 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. last arrived on the 18<sup>th</sup> ult. - I wrote you on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult. via Liverpool to care of M<sup>r</sup>. Melian, sending Duplicate by the 'Sea Witch', she only sailed from Breicham on the 3<sup>rd</sup> inst.

2. The date of arrival of N<sup>o</sup>s 438, 439 are not given though answered by N<sup>o</sup>. 151, which says they came to hand between 12<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. - the Shipping Report of 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. must therefore be wrong as it has only three vessels, none being from Monte Video. The Stock of Consumption Goods on hand has again been omitted to be sent with the Balancing Papers & Accounts for 30<sup>th</sup> June last.

3. N<sup>o</sup>. 151, 3. We are sorry to hear the Store is so empty having done our best for the Colony, the shipments this year being very heavy over £15,250 to the present and we are now about to spend £5,000 for Stores by the Wool Vessel, having chartered the 'Humbleton' of 420 tons, as per enclosed Charter, to sail on the 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> prox. with Passengers Stores, and bring back Wool & Produce.

4. 151, 8. We have engaged an Engineer Felix Martin so that the Donkey Engine & other matters may be properly attended to, he & his wife with two children will go out in the 'Humbleton', you will therefore have to prepare lodging for them in one of the Co's houses in Stanley.

5. 151, 9. The Board is glad to hear that 2,200 Sheep have been sold, they wish you to dispose of the 1800 left on hand and to know the names of the buyers, the proceeds of these sales being remitted intact and as soon as possible.

John Langdon Esq  
acting for F. E. Colb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

6. Nos. 154, 15, 13. Your Draft on the Board will be duly honored, the Cash requested having been paid, the Directors are pleased to hear that the Co has such a full share of Shipping.

7. A mistake has been discovered in Russell's Invoice of Frances's which should have been 44. 3. - instead of 16. 3. -, 2. 19. - has therefore been paid in to Credit of Island Administration

8. Mr. Robertson who was to have gone out to Mr. Duncan died in May last.

9. Should the 'Black Hawk' not obtain the Mail Service you are to arrange for her going to Mt. Video on the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. next year and the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1874, and we shall endeavour to despatch Stores by steamer for her in March, June, Sept. & Dec. - if all goes well the June St. should convey a number of Passengers for we are likely to engage several Shepherds at Miskunide Term the 26<sup>th</sup> or end of May next.

10. The Board has extended Mr. Cobb's leave of absence till the 8<sup>th</sup> March so that he will arrive by the 'Black Hawk' in the middle of April next.

11. Enclosed are Land Orders No. 32 for £200 No. 33 for £100, these have a proviso that they can only be tendered for Land purchased from territory under lease to the Comp<sup>y</sup>, according to the last arrangement with the Colonial Office, as reported in No. 33, &c.

I remain, Sir,

Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

### Enclosures.

Triplicate of Despatch 444  
Land Orders Nos 32 & 33 for £200 & £100 Parts 4.  
Charter of 'Humbledon' dated 3 Dec 72.  
Russell's Corrected Invoice " 31 Oct " Frances's  
Ledger & Journal Entries  
Letter for Manager from Capt. Cheesman at Prince of Wales  
" " D'Arcy }  
" " Langdon } " Cobb  
" " Frel }  
" " Smith }  
" " Watdron J. L. from Coleman



London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 8<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1878.

E.C.

N<sup>o</sup>: 446. Falkland Islands Company.  
P. R. H. St. George.

Sir, Our last was dated the 7<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> since which time we have not had the pleasure of any advices from the Colony. Original of N<sup>o</sup>: 449 arrived on the 14<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>.

2. We have received from the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland at Edinburgh £50 (Fifty Pounds) for remittance to the Rev<sup>d</sup>: Auth<sup>r</sup>: Yeoman our Minister at Darwin, which please place to his account and advise him accordingly.

3. An Insurance has been opened for £1500 on Aldron's Whites or Produce from Falklands to allow whites thence to United Kingdom @ 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> p. 100 to return 3/6 if by St<sup>o</sup>: The Black Hawk has been insured at £3300 for one year at Ten Guineas per cent, to commence at expiry of 30 days from arrival at Stanley or the date of her leaving Stanley if she sails before the 30 days are up.

4. The 'Humblyton' will leave Gravesend on the 13<sup>th</sup> with a full cargo of Stores, Mr<sup>r</sup>: Pherson & wife, Schoolmaster & Martin, wife & family, Engineer, Douglas & wife, Smallbones & two or three young Scots from Scotland, 2 Shepherds - Please reiterate our instructions for everything to be prepared for this vessel and that the utmost expedition be observed when she arrives out for we want her back as quickly as possible to avail of the high markets. Mr<sup>r</sup>: Aldron sends out 2 Rams of the Romney Marsh breed for his Brother, freight paid here; Capt<sup>r</sup>: Packer sends Stores, Timber &c on same terms.

5. We have applied to the Colonial Office about the Spirit Duties requesting that Drawback may be allowed on exportation, it is proposed to institute a warehousing system which would get over the difficulty and the Governor has been written to on the subject - enclosed are copies of our letter of 19 Nov<sup>r</sup>: & their reply of 28 Dec 72.

P.S. Capt<sup>r</sup>: Crisp leaves by his St<sup>o</sup>: to go on to Stanley to bring home the 'Satsuma', which will call at Stanley for Capt<sup>r</sup>: Edmund to bring home the 'Akary' -

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>: Servant,

P. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

John Langdon Esq  
acting for G. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

8 Jan 73

The Secretary J.G.W.

N. 18 March 73

A. 10 Apr 73

N. 446

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 11 Jan. 1873.

N<sup>o</sup> 447.

E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.  
P<sup>r</sup> Hambleton

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. p<sup>r</sup> St. to M. Video. This morning we receive your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 152 of the 15<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> last with Enclosures all in order.

2. The Passengers by this vessel are

M <sup>o</sup> Pherson & Wife	Schoolmaster, advance	£ 10
Martin, Wife & 2 children	Engineer	" 13
Douglas & Wife	Shepherd	"
Smallbones John W	do	" 8
Scott John	do	" 5
do William	do	" 7

eleven souls equal to ten adults under the Emigration Co<sup>s</sup> so landing Certificate must be returned immediately. We have arranged with Capt<sup>r</sup> Sorensen to provision them for Six Pounds Ten Shillings (£6.10.-) per adult, but on a more liberal scale, especially as regards meat, than ours.

3. It is necessary to inform you that the Owner M<sup>r</sup> Gayner unreasonably objected to all our Bricks going & lately raised a question about the days for discharging & loading in the three ports, so I wrote to the Broker M<sup>r</sup> Langridge that we considered the forty weather permitting working days were to include all this work, which being accepted fixes that the shifting of ports does not come within our time you will however have to be very careful and send us a full faithful diary of occurrences, fortunately Capt<sup>r</sup> Sorensen is a sensible man and I make no doubt will act fairly & do his best.

4. M<sup>r</sup> Waldron ships for his Brother seven Hams of Mr Romney Marsh broad, he would like them sent round to port Howard, the balance of Provender & Rais belong to him.

5. The only Bills of Lading are two for Government Goods from Tallack & Ireland, one for Capt<sup>r</sup> Parke four more other goods are to be delivered to Dean, Bridges & others, as per letters & list.

6. We have offered to convey advices for Owner of 'Egeria' on the 13<sup>th</sup> so may write a supplementary Despatch.

Premain,  
Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
P. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

John Langdon Esq  
acting for S. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

11 Jan 43.

The Secretary, J. G. W.

N. 28 Mch

A. 2 Apr.

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N<sup>o</sup>. 448.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 8<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1873.  
E.C.

J. R. M. S. 'Neva' Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last dated the 11<sup>th</sup> ult. was by the 'Humbleton' which passed Dept on the evening of the 15<sup>th</sup> ult., I not having heard of her since we hope she got out of the Channel successfully & will make a rapid passage to Stanley: Duplicate with Bill of Lading was forwarded on 14<sup>th</sup> ult. by Pacific P<sup>o</sup> to care of Mr. Melian at M. Video.

2. Mr. Williams came here on the 17<sup>th</sup> ult. to deliver your letter of 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. with Mail Service Table, but having already received one from the Colonial Office we had communicated with the Post Office and I am happy to say have succeeded in getting a Mail made up for the Liverpool P<sup>o</sup> of the 20<sup>th</sup>, a Table has therefore been drawn up & extensively circulated, as per Copy enclosed, several going out in a parcel by Capt. Backe who is now returning to the Islands.

The forward copy of Correspondence with the Post Office, same being sent to Major Munro, Mr. Melian & Capt. Campbell for their guidance: the Board is anxious that this service shd be properly carried out for the improvement of the Colony & the C<sup>o</sup>'s benefit, we look therefore for suggestions to enable us to make the 'Black Hawk' pay her expenses by carrying Passengers & cargo up and down, we are in treaty with the R. Mail Co. for a cheap rate outwards, they feel rather aggrieved that their intermediate Steamer of 24<sup>th</sup> could not convey the Mails as they state she reaches Montevideo earlier than the Liverpool P<sup>o</sup> of 20<sup>th</sup>, if one line could do the whole work there would be more inducement for them to grant us concessions in freight &c.

3. The date of the arrival of N<sup>o</sup>. 448 is not reported; you ought to have obtained a Bill from Capt. Ore for 54.14.10 the difference between the supplies to the 'Blanch' at Stanley and the balance of freight due to her.

4. Mr. Williams hopes you will supply his establishment with sheep shears, dipping materials, canvas for boots & one of Burgees' Wool presses, as he says this order was given before Mr. Cobb left.

5. It is reported that four Larch Posts were landed from the 'Humbleton' with the Stevedore's gear, they will be sent on by next vessel, Capt. Foreisen will therefore only have 396 on board.

6. Mr. Cobb's leave of absence is now extended to the 9<sup>th</sup> May next.

7. We shall send 3 or 4 Shepherds and 4

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daughters by the Mail of 10<sup>th</sup> prox<sup>o</sup>, it was intended to have shipped a small assortment of stores but as your advices notifying what would be wanted only come in on the 16<sup>th</sup> there will not be time to prepare them, besides our Cash has from the late heavy shipments run short for we cannot discount Waldron's & Williams' Bills as they may have to be renewed. This also intended to despatch several Shepherds by the 9<sup>th</sup> June Mail.

Remain,

Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Duplicate Coleman to Langdon 16 Jan 73.  
Land Order for £100. N<sup>o</sup> 34. Part 1.  
Mail Service Table  
Copy of Melian's Acct. of 12 Dec 72.  
Letters Coleman to Martin 6 Feb 73  
" " Torenson 8 " "  
" " H. H. Cobb }  
" " Rev<sup>d</sup> Bridges } dup 11 Jan 73  
" " Cap<sup>m</sup> Ayer }  
" " Patterson }

Parcel by Cap<sup>m</sup> Packe contains  
Book, List of German Shipping for Consul  
" Lloyd's Members &  
" Lists of Agents, English & Foreign  
" Register Supplements, 4.  
Charterparties, Company's for use.  
Nautical Magazine for February.  
Copy Post Office Correspondence abt Mail Service  
C<sup>o</sup> to P. O. 16, 23 Jan, 3 Feb 73  
P. O. " C<sup>o</sup> 20, 24 " , 5 " "  
20 Mail Service Tables  
2 Post Office Mail Notices  
New Charts with Mail Service abt 30.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 8 March 1873.

E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.  
N<sup>o</sup>. 449. P. 'Boyrne'.

Sir,

Our last went forward on the 3<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. Duplicate is enclosed - on the 14<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 153 and 154 arrived with their Enclosures in correct order.

2. N<sup>o</sup>. 153, 12. Mr. Williams' Bill for £34.15.0 which you did quite right to refuse, has been presented here but payment was declined, he has now taken the matter up himself & arranged with Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Drew Cuthbert & Co. 3. Par 19. We are now able to remark on the Contract for the 'Black Hawk's' Mail Service - we always understood the subsidy was to be £800 and have written to the Colonial Office to this effect - there is no proviso for the Contract to cease in case of the 'Black Hawk' being lost, nor for a continuance of the service after the first year if both parties wish to do so, Clause 7 does not mean anything - freight on small parcels or single packages should not be included in the rate of 3<sup>d</sup> per measurement, we propose charging 10<sup>d</sup> each for every small parcel to different individuals, if two or three for one person to be measured but the lowest charge to be 10<sup>d</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> - There ought to have been some consideration allowed to the Co for the detention of four days named in Clause 3.

4. In order to keep an exact account of this service Returns have been printed to enable Capt<sup>n</sup>. Campbell to give particulars of each voyage up and down, the up to be posted at Mt. Video, the down voyage to be handed to the Co's Office for enclosure in Despatch. An enquiry having been made as to the charge for specie we have fixed one per cent (1%) and have sent out a strong iron box to be fixed in the Captain's Stateroom for the security of any money conveyed by the 'Black Hawk'. It will be well to put a small quantity of Liquors on board for the supply of Passengers willing to pay for same, Capt<sup>n</sup>. Campbell accounting for the proceeds - these are to be charged at cost price into Store whereby some profit will accrue to the vessel. The Policy for £3300 N<sup>o</sup>. 234 will expire on the 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. next.

5. We have transmitted the complaints upon the Spars by the 'Blanch' to Mr. Freebody, who cannot arrive at any decision without more particular information as to the spars affected & the kind of damage, he believes the Oregon must have been quite sound.

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

b. Prices of the articles in Stock of Stores at Stanley on 30<sup>th</sup> June last of No. 1167 have not been entered, this is a serious omission and must be particularly guarded against in future.

7. By this Steamer we ship a small assortment of Stores for transmission by the 'Black Hawk', the R. Mail Co. have reduced their freight to sixty shillings (60/-) per ton meas<sup>d</sup>. This is high but no other route would have enabled a trial to be made to catch the Schooner, if she is not in port when the 'Boque' arrives it is arranged for the goods to go on to B. & Tyas to be delivered on her return to M. V. to save the expense of landing & storing, this provided the Customs do not object. As the time was short for getting the provisions together we gave part of the order to Barnes & Co. whose goods you can compare with Morton's and Cross's - Orzini's Watchmaking Tools were ordered by Robert Mercer direct, also the Sulphuric Acid.

8. The Shepherds are M<sup>r</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Call and four Daughters (the M<sup>r</sup>. passage of three paid by himself) from Campbell of Elgin - M<sup>r</sup>. Simpson, M<sup>r</sup>. Miller, Hugh Campbell (the last doubtful) - M<sup>r</sup>. Call of Dumfriess had engaged two, one declined the other's character did not suit, so we telegraphed to another Agent and Donald Fraser may come from Inverness. The Agreements will be signed at Southampton and sent on to M<sup>r</sup>. Melian.

9. I am afraid it was forgotten to be reported that the freight of the Boat for Smith & M<sup>r</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Fox<sup>r</sup>. was paid here for the 'Humbleton'.

10. You have not mentioned any further sale of Sheep the Directors are very anxious this should be done and to be informed thereof as soon as possible.

I remain,  
Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

P.S. We send the "Daily News" of 4<sup>th</sup> Mch having account of new Harbour discovered on Wollaston Isl<sup>d</sup>. near Cape Horn.



Enclosures.

- Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 448.
- Land Order for £100 - N<sup>o</sup> 34 Part 2.
- Copy letter to Colonial Office re Mail Contract 26 Feb 43.
- " Correspondence with Forebody abt Spence & Blanch
- Ledger & Journal Entries.
- Copy of Emigration Agreement for Passengers of 'Boyne' <sup>11. 11. 43</sup>
- Letter for Colonial Secretary & Emigr. Com<sup>rs</sup> abt above
- do " Col. D'Arcy from Coleman
- do " Capt. Jorensen " do
- do " Felix Martin " do
- Copy Ass<sup>t</sup>. Tab of Hair ex 'Eudora' 82.12.7
- 465 bales Wool " do 10379. 6.5
- Copies of Accounts of Produce received from Settlers  
for Sale here ex 'Eudora' & 'Sea Witch'

Waldron	—	15 Hides	96. 9. 9
do		2 bales Hair	24. 14. "
do		27 " Wool	432. 13. 7
Baillon	—	15 " do	234. 12. 3
		1 " Sheepskins	6. 17. 7
Bonner	—	1 " Wool	10. 16. 5
		5 Hides	6. 2. "
Greenshield	—	17 bales Wool	853. 3. 8
H. & G. Cobb	—	24 " do	172. 12. 7
Williams	—	23 " do	170. 8. 14

for these last three 2/3rds belong to the C<sup>o</sup>

- 16 Detailed Invoices in N<sup>o</sup> 520.
- General Invoice of Stores of 'Boyne' 1,315. 17. 9
- List of Papers of 'Black Hawk's' from Boy
- Contents of Parcel N<sup>o</sup> 520.

No. 449

8th March 1873

The Secretary  
Genl. S. A. Co.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 8<sup>th</sup> Apr. 1873.

N<sup>o</sup> 450.

E.C.

P. Douro.

Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, We duplicate our last of the 8<sup>th</sup> ult. and have since received your Despatches N<sup>o</sup> 155 of 6<sup>th</sup> Jan. on 17<sup>th</sup> ult., N<sup>o</sup> 156 of 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. on 19<sup>th</sup> ult., N<sup>o</sup> 157 of 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. on 31<sup>st</sup> ult. and N<sup>o</sup> 158 also of 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. on 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. - it is strange the two of the same date did not come together, we have written to M. Vides enquiring the reason - in future no two Despatches are to bear the same date.

2. The Passengers per 'Boync' on the 10<sup>th</sup> ult. were W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Call and four Daughters, W<sup>m</sup> Simpson, W<sup>m</sup> Miller and Donald Fraser, the Agreements & Receipts were sent to Mr. Melian from Southampton.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 156, 2-157, 5. - We are extremely glad to hear the Passengers of 'Frances' were satisfied, but regret to hear of the death of Georgina Patterson, the date & position of vessel at sea at decease should have been given, please supply this if in your knowledge. I am quite relieved to learn that the heavy Machinery of 'Vicar of Bray' has been safely stowed on board the 'Frances', it reflects credit on Capt. Dyer's & Priddy's management, we are pleased to hear the latter has been accommodating: the freight to Valparaiso is insured for £500 @ 3/4. Considering the state of the Coal Market at Stanley you have done right to send on the 80 tons House Coal in the 'Frances' to Valparaiso and we hope they will sell to good advantage.

4. 156, 6, 8. It is gratifying to learn that the Wool is so good as the improvement will compensate for the fall in value, for I regret to inform you that it is anticipated we shall not get more than 12 per cent. Respecting the 50 hydraulic Press we did not send out a more powerful one on account of the injury extreme pressure would cause to greasy Wool, when these bales arrive we shall institute enquiries as to the feasibility of using <sup>of using</sup> cord bindings instead of iron. I wish you had made good the commission of Consumption Stores on hand on 30<sup>th</sup> June last, so that we might calculate the quantity of Sheep Dip which ought to be ready for next December, for as we are now sending Stores per steamers Tobacco & such like will

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not bear the freight and we want to determine whether  
to send out an intermediate vessel with a rough cargo  
in August or September.

5. N: 157, 3. We can hardly credit your report  
of there being only 2,000 Hides for the 'Humbleton' and  
trust there is some error in your calculation, we had  
anticipated the rise in Hides would have compensated  
for the fall in Wool, so that any deficiency in the former  
will materially reduce the value of our next Produce  
cargo. We are endeavouring to procure ten Shepherds  
for the June Mail and shall allow those who have good  
trained Dogs to take them.

6. 157, 4. It is good that Mr. Waldron has shipped  
Produce by the 'Black Hawk', it is coming by the W. 'Olbers'  
due at Southampton on the 14<sup>th</sup>, but will in all probability  
go on to Antwerp and be shipped thence to London, or to  
Liverpool and then by land carriage here, we hope Mr.  
Waldron will send the exact weights of the Hides to en-  
able us to see what loss takes place in dryage from the  
various transshipments, enquire about this if not for-  
warded quietly get them from him as we fear the ob-  
jection to this mode of sending home produce will be  
the loss of weight passing through the warm climate of  
the River Plate and the transshipments on this side, so  
this information will be extremely useful to guide us  
as to future transactions.

7. We have received 7.13.6 for Mr. Griffiths'  
balance of Butchery Bill and undertaken to have Books  
examined as he thinks the account was closed before  
he left, this you will see done & report result by return.  
We have waived the charge of 4.10.6 for Interest Honi:  
on remitting the balance of Mr. Griffiths' Sale & cts.  
It became necessary to state the claim on the Admiralty  
for Lieut. Drury's Passage by 'Black Hawk' so 34.10.-  
is received for the same. The Bill for £15 remitted  
in 15.15.6 drawn by G. Mackay, Paymaster of 'Pylades'  
has not been met. Messrs. Ballen & Co. not having suf-  
ficient funds in hand, Mr. Mackay had written to  
them about it so we hold it over as he evidently  
intends to remit for it. The Directors trust to receive  
many remittances by the next Mail or two for with the  
Cargoes reported as sold you ought to be well in funds;  
we have not yet had any proceeds of the 'Black Hawk's'  
Mail Contract.

8. Enquiries have been made about the 'D. H. Dade' which came into Stanley on 12 Sep '72 and the Captain now reports that she cannot be repaired, she is not mentioned in your Despatches so you had better send full particulars of her by return.

9. Under date of 16<sup>th</sup> ult. Messrs Crofts & Co of Valparaiso inform that they were about to ship by the And. Barque 'Martha' 1,200 sacks Flour, 50 sacks Maize and 20 barrels Peaches, this is a heavy shipment did you order it, for we had intended to make use of the 'Black Hawk' and get our supplies round by the Pacific Steamers to Montevideo.

I remain,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
J. Coleman  
Per.

Enclosures.

- Duplicate N. 449.
- Remarks on Accounts.
- Copy of Statement of Eudora's Freight Out }  
15 Jan '72.
- Letters Coleman to Langdon Duplicates of 8 & 19 }  
March
- do " Martin do 3 Oct '73.

No 450

8 April 1873

The Secretary G. P. Co

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 7 May 1873.

E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup> 451.

P. R. M. S. 'Neva'

Sir,

Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult. and not having received any Despatches since there is but little to communicate, especially as Mr Cobb returns to his duties by this Steamer, carrying duplicate of former correspondence.

2. The List of Extra Provisions landed ex 'Frances' enclosed in N<sup>o</sup> 157, ought to have been priced soenable us to calculate what was the cost of provisioning her Passengers, we hope to learn this from the Journal Entries when these goods pass into Store to credit of Directors.

3. Mr. Waldron shipped p. St. Olber's to Liverpool 700 Hides and 28 bales Wool, unfortunately they are not consigned to his Brother or the Comp<sup>y</sup>. as was anticipated we shall not therefore be able to learn such full particulars of them as we ought - still we are enabled to forward Report on the Hides and rate of freight to Liverpool.

4. We have accepted Mr. Cross's Bill for £1150. 1. 9. for Flour per 'Martha' from Valparaiso, we regret you should have ordered so much as it was intended to order small shipments by the Pacific Steamers to utilize video so avail of the 'Black Hawk'.

5. A few Stores good by this opportunity valued at £54. 18. 5.

Yours obed<sup>t</sup> Servant

J. Coleman

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acting for F. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
London.

Enclosures.

Duplicates N<sup>o</sup> 149, 450.

Contents of Case 520 p. Boyne  
do Iron Box " do

Duplicate Copy of Correspondence re Spars p. 'Blanch'  
Copy Letter to Col. Off<sup>r</sup>. re Mail Service 26 Feb - and Reply 3 March 73.  
Memo of Cargo in 'D. H. Tade' - Bauer, Owner of 'D. H. Tade' to Col. Off<sup>r</sup>.  
Above in charge of Mr. Cobb. - Capt. Reimer 22 Apr 73.

Two Dup<sup>s</sup>. Statements re Produce of 'Eudora' & acc<sup>t</sup>. Sales of Island Settlers Produce.

Correspondence re Goff's Estate  
Thing to Coleman 31 March 5 Apr  
Coleman to Thing 1 Apr } Plan of 'Black Hawk' -

Report on Waldron's 700 Hides at Spool Langport's Letters 2, 5 May 73

Copy Cross's Invoice of Flour p. 'Martha' 14 March 73 £1150. 1. 9

Contents of Case N<sup>o</sup> 6 p. 'Neva' - General Invoice £54. 18. 5.

Nine Detailed Invoices - Ledger & Journal Entries

Remarks on Accounts with Copy of Interest Commission acc<sup>t</sup>.

Letter Coleman to Rev. A. Teoman 6 May 73.

7 May, 1873

No 481

The Secretary  
of the S. & P.

Amesbury, May 1873



N<sup>o</sup> 152.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 7<sup>th</sup> June 1873.

E.C.

J. R. M. S. 'Boyne'. Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, On the 17<sup>th</sup> ult. we received Mr Langdon's Despatches N<sup>o</sup> 159 in Duplicate and N<sup>o</sup> 160 - original of former, arriving on the 26<sup>th</sup> ult.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 159, 2. We are glad to learn that the 'Frances' had sailed with the cargo ex 'Vicar of Bray' for Valparaiso, she arrived there 3<sup>rd</sup> April - the manifest of her cargo is not forwarded nor the name of Consignee and Copy of Letter to him on the subject - we have informed the Salvage Association about the Gunpowder, who wish you to do the best you can and to forward it to Valparaiso as soon as possible, enclosed is correspondence on the subject. The Consignee of the 'Frances' House Coals from London, which were sent on, is not given.

3. N<sup>o</sup> 160, 3. We are exceedingly <sup>sorry</sup> to hear that the 'Humbleton' leaks, she was thoroughly caulked & coppered when we chartered her so trust it was only some slight imperfection which was soon discovered.

4. 160, 5. Respecting Mr Williams' Bill the Board extended the time for paying it until the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. so as to write out full instructions on the 19<sup>th</sup>, and have since granted further time until the 23<sup>rd</sup> of this month. In accordance with arrangements made before you left we telegraphed on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult. to Lisbon to be forwarded to Montevideo by Pacific W. 'Puno' - "Write Cobb that Williams' matter delayed, full particulars by Mail 20<sup>th</sup> proximo" and have heard from Mr. Jarmey that this Telegram was sent, so we hope you received this information before leaving Montevideo. Mr. Williams wishes you to stop the payment of £77 to Wright for 'Boyne' if not already paid.

5. 160, 8. The report on the sudden diminution of Steam Coals is serious, we trust your next will render further explanation, meanwhile we find that the Stock on 1 July '72 was 550 tons valued at £1237.10., since then the 'Hertha' took 65 and the 'Cossack' 143 tons, so that there ought to be 337 tons remaining - at the present price of Coals we must not think of sending any out: the Stock of House Coal should have been given - also the number of Wool Bales & probable future requirements.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager,  
Stanley.

6. N<sup>o</sup>: 160, 10. We are much pleased to hear that the clip of Wool is so good - as we are now sending out 9 Shepherds the Board considers there is no further need to sell Sheep unless we can obtain One Pound each cash down for 2,000 - you say that Felton's 500 Ewes and 10 Ram Lambs are paid for by draft enclosed, which is the one & what price was charged for the 10 Rams.

7. The Remittances were welcome but I regret to say that Mr. Bauer has declined to accept the Bill for £1,473. 5. 5, we find the 'D. H. Dade' arrived at Buenos Ayres on 6<sup>th</sup> April in ballast, though her sailing from Stanley on 23 Mch is not entered on the Shipping Report: strangely enough nothing has been reported about this vessel, Mr. Bauer saying his Captain has not even sent particulars of his damages, repairs &c; in view of legal proceedings it will be necessary to send full details of our claim and an account of Cap<sup>n</sup> Reimer's proceedings, such an outlay upon a damaged vessel ought really to have been protected by Bottomry Bond. The Bill for £50 in favor of Mr. Dyer was not advised.

8. Referring to the duty on Liquors and our complaint to the Colonial Office of 19<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> last, as per N<sup>o</sup>: 446, 5, I have now to inform you that we have received notice that the Governor instituted a Bonded Store at Stanley on the 1<sup>st</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> last, so the difficulty of exporting Liquors is overcome. Enclosed is Copy of letter from the Colonial Office of 28<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>.

9. The Rev<sup>d</sup> Yeoman has written to ask the Board to grant a quarter of an acre of Land for the Presbyterian Church to be erected at Darwin by public subscription, the matter is referred to you, but the Directors are not willing to alienate any part of their land, though they are prepared to give an undertaking that so long as the Church is used in a proper manner and kept in repair by the Presbyterians in their service, the same shall be held to be public property not liable to be removed or rent charged for the land: enclosed is copy of his letter of 27 Mch last and my reply of yesterday.

10. Application has been made to the various ship-owners on the complaints on Cargo of 'Frances', dated 30<sup>th</sup> March last ex N<sup>o</sup>: 160, but having no direct evidence of bad packing,

breakages &c, they all deny their liability - enclosed is copy of reply from Silver Ho: in the case of the Fire-mixure and Beds surely a survey ought to have been held by competent parties & certified copy sent home.

11. We have to complain that Capt V. Campbell has not sent proper particulars of the Black Hawk from Montevideo, nor has he filled up the printed returns forwarded consequently we know not how the Mail Service is being performed, it will be necessary that you warn him to attend to our orders - enclosed is letter to be read before handing to him.

12. The measurement of Cases is 45" H. x 15" W. for the South American Missionary Society is 24 ft 10 ins and 7 ft 11 ins, on which freight per Black Hawk and expenses at M. Video are to be charged.

13. It was proposed at the last Board to send a vessel of about 250 tons by the middle or end of next month with an assorted cargo, as there is a good deal of stuff which will not bear freight by Steamer, but as funds are short and there must still be a good stock on hand at Stanley the matter is delayed at present though we may ship in the course of Aug. we have however ordered six Wood Houses from Bagridge which will be ready for first opportunity, as well as the Church Railings Gates and Pails for 'Perseverance'.

Remain, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

- Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 451.
- Epitome of Palau Adm. Acct for 1872.
- Copy Letter Yeoman to Coleman 27 March & Reply 6 June
- re 'Bicar of Bray' Coleman to Salvage Apr<sup>n</sup> 20, 21, 26 May 73
- Salvage Apr<sup>n</sup> to Coleman " " "
- Cockbain Ho: Vulp<sup>n</sup> to Salvage Apr<sup>n</sup> 16 Apr 73.
- Copy Letter from Colonial Office 28 May 73
- " " " Silver Ho: 3 June "
- " Agreement for Emigrants ff. 'Boyne' 5 June 73
- Landing Certificate " do " do " do
- Letters - Col<sup>l</sup> Secretary from Emigration Com<sup>rs</sup>
- from Coleman to Rev. Yeoman, Capt. Campbell
- do " F. Martin
- Supplements for Lloyd's Register 12, 26 May 73 ff. Book Post.

No. 452

June, 1873

The Secretary  
of the F. V. Co.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 19<sup>th</sup> June 1873.

E.C.

N<sup>o</sup> 453.

Falkland Islands Company.  
St. Liverpool St. 'Copernicus'

Sir, Our last was dated the 7<sup>th</sup> inst., on the 9<sup>th</sup> we received Despatch 164, which had been landed at Ascension for a Mail St. by N.M.S. 'Copsack'.

2. N. 164, 2. You will understand that the House Coals for 'Stumbleton' in Jan<sup>y</sup> last were ordered before learning that so much had been purchased at Stanley out of the Italian Ship 'Terra' - under the circumstances though Steam Coals are now 30/6 per ton, or a little more, we must send 100 tons next month, or in August, in hopes of working off the remaining Steam Coals, unfortunately described as dust, and to be prepared for any of N.M. Steamers several being on their way home.

3. 164, 3. We are much relieved that the leak of the 'Stumbleton' has been discovered & stopped.

4. 164, 5. It was Smallbones' own proposal to engage with the C<sup>o</sup> again, but rather than have a dissatisfied servant you can cancel his agreement provided he pays a fair amount for his passage.

5. Mr. Langdon's Letter of 8<sup>th</sup> Apt. St. 'Copsack' was received with the Despatch, containing Lieut. Beaver's Bank Order for Ten Pounds, which has been honored. It also reported the sailing of the 'D. H. Dade' for Rio de Janeiro, a communication to Lloyd's of same date states that her Bricks and Iron were landed at Stanley, this is fortunate as they become a Security for our draft on Mr. Bauer for £473. 5. 5 which up to the present has not been accepted, so it will be necessary for you to make a claim on this part of the 'D. H. Dade's' cargo for the above amount and any expenses we may have to incur here.

6. It brings extremely doubtful if Mr. Williams can meet his Bill on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, we shall telegraph that day to Lisbon for the Liverpool Pacific St. 'Copaxi' due at Montevideo on 15<sup>th</sup> July, the present Steamer arriving on the 16<sup>th</sup> July but not calling at Lisbon.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

If the money is not paid you will have to put the Mortgage in force by taking possession of the Estate and putting up same for sale by Auction when a favorable opportunity offers, but managing it meantime, keeping a strict and true account of all that occurs and the monies received and paid for the working of the same - enclosed is copy of letter to our Solicitors Messrs. Bischoff & Co. on 24<sup>th</sup> ult. and their reply of 29<sup>th</sup> ult. Mr. Williams says that if he fails in raising the money he will go out by next Mail to assist in realizing his speculation, so that the best price may be obtained, and we have every confidence that he will act honorably towards us. We shall write on the 24<sup>th</sup> for the Liverpool Pacific Steamer due at M. Video on the 21<sup>st</sup> July, which may arrive earlier in time for the 'Black Hawk'.

We sent ten very good Shepherds by the 'Boyne' on the 9<sup>th</sup> inst. with two wives & five children making 14 adults under Agreement with the Emigration Commissioners dated 5<sup>th</sup> inst. for whom you will have to return the enclosed Landing Certificate to enable us to obtain our money on the Land Order herewith N. 36, part 1, for £300 - viz:

Ros Gordon, wife & 5 children, friend of Douglas & Hamilton		
Finlayson Murdo wife	} through Murdoch Ros Tobacco street near Princes	<u>Advances</u>
M <sup>r</sup> . Bain Roderick		3. . . .
Campbell Walter		
Cameron John		
Fraser William		
Fraser Alexander		3. . . .
Ros Donald	M <sup>r</sup> . M <sup>r</sup> . Duthie of Kincardine	6. . . .
Lees John	" Bearhop " Dunse	6. 13. 6
M <sup>r</sup> . Leod John	" Keith " Thurso	4. . . .
		<u>£ 22. 13. 6</u>

Their Agreements and Receipts are enclosed - all had proper characters which I instructed them were to be submitted to you. From our present arrangements with Agents we shall not have much difficulty in procuring an equal or larger number at Whitsuntide term of next year, the 24<sup>th</sup> May '74, which is the only time we can get them with certainty as the Scotch Shepherds then make their engagements for the year, we ought to

know the requirements by the end of next December - we have fortunately been able to engage all these men at the old Wages £40 to 50 per annum for the five years. Our next vessel may be able to convey Adam Scott, wife and family who were not ready for the 'Stunt' but two of the Sons went with her.

8. We have accepted Mr. Melian's Draft for £434.11.2 expenses at M. Video as per Copy of Acc<sup>t</sup>. enclosed.

9. It is unfortunate that the last Despatch did not contain Stock Account of Sheep & Cattle, as we wished to publish this information in the Report to the Shareholders to be issued tomorrow for the Annual General Meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> instant.

10. I hope to be able to send off a vessel by the end of next month or the middle of August with assorted Stores to the value of £5,000

I remain, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman

Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

Land Order for £300. N<sup>o</sup>. 36 Part 1.

Landing Certificate for Boyne's Emigrants.

re C. H. Williams - Let<sup>r</sup>. to Bischoff 27 May 73.  
their Reply 29 " "

Copy of Melian's Acc<sup>t</sup>. dated M. Video 30 Apr 73.

10 Agreements with Shepherds

3 Receipts for Advances to D<sup>o</sup>.

Ledger and Journal Entries

Supplement to Lloyd's Register 9 June 73 P. Bk post.

Letters - Secretary to Waldron  
do " Cobb

No 453

19<sup>th</sup> June, 1873

The Secretary  
of the S. S. Co.



London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 8<sup>th</sup> July 1843.  
E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup> 454.

P. R. M. S. Douro.

Sir, The 'Sea Witch' delivered Despatch 162 on the 30<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. - on the 1<sup>st</sup> inst<sup>o</sup> we received N<sup>o</sup> 163 by the Royal Mail S<sup>o</sup>. - Duplicates of our last N<sup>os</sup> 452, 453 on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> ultimo are enclosed.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 162, 3. The 'Canning' had no business to go to W<sup>o</sup> Dean, Capt<sup>o</sup> Bedle will be called to account on his return and more definite instructions given respecting the vessels of the Merchant Shipping C<sup>o</sup>.

3. Par 5. As a Bonded Store has been established it must of course mean that Liquors can be deposited there without payment of Duty until required for consumption, we trust therefore that the matter will be referred to the Legislative Council, if the decision is adverse you had better send particulars and evidence to appeal to the Colonial Office. We suppose steps have been taken to obtain the drawback upon the 97 gallons Rum supplied to Capt<sup>o</sup> Lours for exportation on the 27<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>o</sup> 1842 as per Despatch 150, 3.

4. Par 7. We regret to learn that the Saw Mill cannot be driven by the Donkey Engine, it was expressly obtained for this purpose had extra gearing to adapt it, so we trust a little management may accomplish it as the Board will not send out a portable Engine until there is an absolute necessity and the thing can be shown to pay - the extra gear needed for the Donkey Engine shall be sent.

5. Par 3. N<sup>o</sup> 163. We have received from Capt<sup>o</sup> Campbell only two Returns of the 'Black Hawk's' voyages N<sup>o</sup> 657, please forward the others, 1<sup>o</sup> up in Jan<sup>o</sup>, 2 down in Jan<sup>o</sup>, 3 up in Feb<sup>o</sup>, 4 down in March, 5 up in April.

6. N<sup>o</sup> 163, 8. It is unfortunate the 'Humbleton' is delayed: the Directors are much pleased with the good

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Colonial Manager,  
Stanley.

report on Camp operations, as the late supplies of qualified Shepherds will enable the present increase of Sheep to be well attended. The Board does not wish any more Ewes to be sold.

7. The Remittances 1047. 6. - were very welcome, but when the Board was considering the means for another shipment they found that there must still be a large sum due to them for the latter cargoes of Stores, and that the profit upon the Store Account does not appear adequate to the expense & trouble attending it, they wish therefore that the prices should be kept up. As there are such heavy amounts standing to the debit of Settlers at the Islands, the Board has laid down a rule that interest is to be charged on such accounts as follows - Cash advanced in anticipation of Produce is to be debited with interest at one per cent (1%) per month; Stores purchased by Settlers for carrying on their operations are presumed to be sold at such a price as to bear 2 or 3 months credit, after that time interest should be charged: on receipt of shipment of Produce accounts are to be balanced and interest charged at seven & a half per cent (7½%) until date of receipt of Cash in England for such produce.

8. The Board has decided not to send out a Steamer until the Store shows a much increased profit and it is proved she will pay her way in delivering stores and collecting Produce.

9. Mr. Williams did not meet his Bill on the 23<sup>rd</sup> ult., we therefore telegraphed to Mr. Gauncey at Lisbon "Write Cobb take possession Williams' Estate hold until further orders do not sell" - in hopes of these instructions going down with our last Despatch: the Board has since decided to accept cash from Mr. Williams until the 8<sup>th</sup> prox., when further instructions will be sent to you, as it is not anticipated the present mail will reach you before that of next month.

10. There being such a large amount of Land Orders to our credit we have had a statement made out showing a balance of £ 2,724. 2. 3, which at 4/- an acre (was not liberty obtained to use some of these Orders at 2/- an acre) would purchase 13,620 acres, unless these are used we shall have the Government objecting to

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granting further orders, we trust one of your early Despatches will contain intelligence on this matter as our letter of 8<sup>th</sup> May last brought it to your notice.

11. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Croft & Co. of Valparaiso have remitted a Bill for £97.2.9 at 90 d/s for the balance of the Coals per 'Frances' less some expenses on the Boiler ex 'Vicar of Bray' - enclosed is Copy of their letter of 16<sup>th</sup> May last and two Accounts.

12. M<sup>r</sup> G. S. Rees has called here he is going to marry and return to the Colony, and talks of putting more Capital into his business - we have paid him Thirty Pounds (£30) on the credit in his favor for £100 on M<sup>r</sup> Melian who paid him £65.17.6, the balance remaining to meet any difference of exchange.

13. D<sup>r</sup> Maxwell Rodgers R.N. has been appointed for service at Stanley, he proceeds by the next Mail Steamer. 'S. M. S. Cracker' goes out to the South American Station, I have seen Capt<sup>n</sup> Cuthbert R. Buckle and the Officers to explain matters at Stanley, in hopes of their running down.

14. The Board has now decided to send a vessel with Stores amounting with expenses to £5,000 we hope to get her away by the middle of next month, enclosed is estimate of Cargo & the amount proposed to be laid out on the different articles.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Duplicates Nos 452, 453.

do Coleman to Cobb 19 June 73.

Land Order Account.

Copy Croft's Letter 16 May 73 and two Accounts.

Estimate of Shipment of Stores

Annual General Report & Resolutions for F. E. Cobb

No 454

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8th July 1873

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The Secretary  
of the F. S. B.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 8<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1873.

N<sup>o</sup>. 455.

E.C.

H. R. M. S. 'Neva' Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult. - on the 16<sup>th</sup> ult. your letters of 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> June at Montevideo came to hand, they will be submitted to the next Board fixed for the 5<sup>th</sup> proximo.

2. Referring to N<sup>o</sup>. 163, 2. which asks whether the 'Black Hawk' is bound to carry Distressed British Seamen to Montevideo at the Board of Trade allowance of 1/6<sup>th</sup> p. day, we wrote to the Marine Department of that Office & learn that she is not bound to do so, but they ask whether the C<sup>o</sup>. will not reduce the present passage money, this will be decided at the next Board. Enclosed is Admiralty Notice N<sup>o</sup>. 50 of Establishment of a Bell Buoy on the English Bank in the River Plate, Copy was sent Capt. Campbell on 22<sup>nd</sup> ult.

3. Enclosed is Charter party of the Bge. 'Governor' 365 tons Reg<sup>d</sup>. dated the 17<sup>th</sup> ult. as there are six Shepherds & houses, Sheep Dip & other goods for Darwin Harbour we took the precaution to insert a clause for her to deliver part of her cargo there and doubtless a little management on your part will induce the Captain to drop some goods at Victoria Harbour or other port going up the Sound: we hope to start her from Gravesend on the 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> with Adam Scott & family and ten Cheviot Rams - Mr. & Mrs. Mercer & 2 children were to go but the former is dying. The 'Sea Witch' leaves the Docks on the 11<sup>th</sup> with a full cargo for Mr. Dean - the Fitcher Stove she brought home has been repaired - the case contained 4 Lathes Guards or Carriers sent out p. 'Humbleton' but there are no instructions why they are returned.

4. Mr. Edw<sup>d</sup>. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Smith, Barrister of the Home Circuit, has been appointed Magistrate, he will leave by the Liverpool S<sup>h</sup>. of 20<sup>th</sup> prox. with his wife, 2 children & servants, we must be able to take the greater part of his furniture in the 'Governor', there is also some for Mr. Rees, who goes out with his wife & servant by present S<sup>h</sup>. - he has a letter of Credit for £1500 from Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Geo Little & Co. of 4 Cullum Street, in case of need, should Mr. Holmsted wish to dissolve partnerships, this Firm is of the highest respectability so you will be justified in taking his drafts on them at 30 d/s.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

5. We shall send Late Catalogue by the 'Sea Witch' of her Wool, which has realized good prices and gives fair hopes for our's ex 'Burnbleton' - we must you will take steps to send a trial shipment by the 'Black Hawk' to arrive here before the English Clip comes on the market, but it must not go to Liverpool for M. Waldron's ex 'Olbers' landed there end of April is still unsold.

6. Mr. Williams has this day paid his Bill with Interest having received an advance upon his property and business from Mr. Alex. Lang Elder, an Australian Merchant; he claims to purchase the Sheep under the arrangements you made with him and will pay money on account on or before the Mail comes in, and will send a statement showing the agreement so this from your letters: Mr. Williams returns with his family by the Mail of 20<sup>th</sup> Sept., you will therefore have to account to him for the management of his estate.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Land Order for £300 N. 36, Part 2.

Copy of 'Governor's' Charterparty dated 17 July 73.

" " Letter to Board of Trade abt 'Black Hawk' dated 8 July 73 & their Reply of 17 July 73 }

Admiralty Notice to Mariners of Bell Buoy near English Bank in the River Plate }

Triplicate Coleman to Cobb 23 June 73

Letter do " Waldron 8 Aug 73.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 11<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1873.

F.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

per 'Sea Witch' from London  
N. 456.

Sir, We avail of this opportunity to forward the following Enclosures - and to report that Mr. Mercer has died but at his express wish his Widow and two children will go out in the 'Governor' - to sail on the 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> unless detained to report about the 'Humberon', your hourly looked for.

I am, Sir,

Your obed. Serv<sup>t</sup>,

J. Coleman  
Secy.

J. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

Enclosures.

Duplicates of Nos 454 and 455.

Copy of 'Governor's' Charter 17 July '73.

Dup<sup>t</sup>. Dr Coleman to Waldron 8 Aug '73

Sale Catalogue of Wool ex 'Sea Witch'  
belonging to Dean and Packe

N<sup>o</sup>. 457. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 18<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup>. 1873.  
E.C.

H<sup>o</sup>. Governor Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, We duplicate our last of the 14<sup>th</sup> inst. This vessel being ready for sea with the following Passengers, a valuable Cargo and ten Cheviot Rams.  
Scott Adam & Wife £16.10.0 advanced and seven children, for whom Emigration Certificate is to be returned. Mr. Mercer and two children are in the Cabin having paid Twenty Pounds for their passages. These people are provisioned by the C<sup>o</sup>. as per list enclosed, balance to be handed over to C<sup>o</sup>. for which the Directors must have credit. The ship fits up the passenger berths.

2. Mr. Williams was here so late on the Mail day with Cash for his Bill that we were not able to send particulars of receipt but now send copy which undertakes that the C<sup>o</sup>. is to allow at Stanley for any mistakes or overcharges, there being an error of Three Pounds in the addition of the Cash account in Mr. Williams' favor. On the 14<sup>th</sup> inst. he paid £457.9.4 for the purchase of Sheep, which he says is according to the Agreement made by you, not knowing the particulars we received the money without binding ourselves to the C<sup>o</sup>. to anything, as per copy of receipt & letter to him of above date.

3. Mr. W. M<sup>r</sup>. Call, a Son of Mess<sup>rs</sup>. John M<sup>r</sup>. Call & C<sup>o</sup>. Meat Preserving Merchants of 5ounds ditch, went out in the 'Teva' on the 9<sup>th</sup> inst. to establish another Meat Preserving Manufactory in the River Plate, he called here so I gave him some idea about the Colony and our views, as he may perhaps have time to run down to Stanley and give you some hints on the subject.

4. We have received on your account from the North British Fire Office 22.2.6 for Commission as per Account enclosed. Mr. George Cobb has received an advance of Ten Pounds on account of Lively Island Sheep Farm. We have requested Capt. Collins to take charge of your little Brig.

5. Lloyd's are instituting a new system of telegraphing in anticipation of the communication being established with Montevideo, enclosed is Code Book and instructions on the subject, the line to M<sup>r</sup>. Video will we believe be opened early next year.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.



6. The Bill for the 'D. G. Trade' is still unfortunately not paid - in such cases Bottomry Bond must be taken in future, we therefore enclose six forms for this purpose.

7. Lieut. Young enquires about a Box delivered to Capt. Care of the 'Blanch' for his friends at Valparaiso - he wishes you to send him a box of Tobacco of Katie Schudger or Knight of Red Cross.

8. On the 16<sup>th</sup> your Despatch No. 165 and Enclosures arrived but as the Directors do not wish me to continue the management of affairs the reply must be deferred until after the next Board proposed to be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> inst. instead of 5<sup>th</sup> prox. I have however taken upon myself to order the Living Drefs and the Charots for Capt. Lawsin order that they may go out by this opportunity.

9. We learn this morning that Mr. Griffiths is dead.

10. 4.30 P.M. I am happy to be able to report that we have just had a Telegram from Capt. Porensen that the 'Humboldt' passed Seal at 2 P.M.

Remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

No. 457

18th August, 1835

The Secretary

of the F. & B.

## Enclosures per "Governor"

Trip of Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 454 & 1055

Dup " " " 1056

Certified copy of Charter of Governor 17 July 73.

Emigration Agreement, Copy of.

Land Order N<sup>o</sup> 37 Pt 1 L 100

Form of Landing Certificate

Journal Entries

Copy of letter from Williams of 13 Aug 73 and Reply dated 14 July 73.

" of Receipt for Williams' Bill

" " Letter Board of Trade dated 8 July 73 & Reply 17 July 73

" " Adam Scott's Agreement

Scott's Receipt for advances of £ 16. 10. 0

Account of Commission due to Col. Mgr from North Brit. Insurance

Catalogue of Packs & Tens of Wool per "Sea Witch"

Remarks on Stores per "Governor"

List of Cargo for others

Two Coal Certificates of Governor's Shipment

Copy of Receipt for Provender for Sheep

" " Certificate for Gratuity to be paid Capt<sup>l</sup> Cobbe on account of sheep

" " do do do to be paid Mate

List of Parcels per Governor

Copy of Report on 28 B of Wool ex Obie's (Waldron's)

225 Charts of Stanley Harbour

8 Working plans for 6 Wooden Houses

6 Bottomry Bond Forms

Letter to Waldron from Colman

" " Cobb from Lloyd's

" " Bartlett from Cruise

" " Mr Bridges from S. A. M. & P.

2 " " Capt<sup>l</sup> Dyer also pkg of Newspapers { 1 letter from S. A. M. & P.

2 " " Long from S. A. M. & P.

Parcel from Lloyd's

Enclosures per Governor

General Invoice of cargo per Governor  
 58 Detailed Invoices for do  
 Invoice from Heintke L 3.1.0  
 do " Wilson 1.17.6

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1873.

E.C.

N<sup>o</sup>. 458.

P. Boyne.

Falkland Islands Company.

Sir,

I have now to answer Despatches 164 & 165 which arrived on the 16<sup>th</sup> ult., the former in Duplicate, the Original being delivered by the 'Stumbleton' on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult., her cargo has been landed in good condition & appears a valuable one. Your letters from Montevideo of 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> June came to hand on the 16<sup>th</sup> July.

2. We regret to hear that Capt. Dyer has again given way to intemperance; would it not be better to close his agreement on the first opportunity as we took the precaution to insert a clause that intemperance would cause his dismissal - (this in reply to 164, 2.)

3. 164 cont: The letter from M. Cobb to myself was not enclosed, there was one from G. Patterson which was not mentioned, possibly this was the one referred to.

4. 165. We are glad to hear of your safe arrival, after your detention at Montevideo on account of heavy weather the 'Black Hawk' seems to have done well. Part 4. It is good that you are looking strictly into her accounts; as she appears to be paying her way and with the anticipated economy must do better, whilst the Pölsenger & Cargo traffic is certainly increasing, it seems to have been hardly worth while to disturb the present Contract for £40 a year. The Board has decided that they cannot reduce the passage money £3.10.- for Disfranchised British Seamen, as mooted in the Board of Trade's letter of 17 July sent you in N<sup>o</sup>. 455. Mr. E. J. Smith wife & family leave on the 20<sup>th</sup> inst., their passages, five adults, are to be paid here by the Crown Agents for the Colonies - Mr. Williams takes out his wife, four children & servant, so the Schooner will be quite full.

5. 165, 6. The Board sanctions a few Rams being shipped to M. Video at £3 each, but consider Ewes should not be sold now that we have a good staff of Shepherds, we are we are pleased to find your management has resulted so well and trust the present prosperity will continue.

6. 165, 16. The Directors are of opinion that the Store business cannot be given up, at all events, for some years to come, for though it does not pay commensurate to the capital and labour devoted to it, it is useful and as we must send out goods for our use we shall continue to ship for the Colony in general.

Fred<sup>o</sup>. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

7. The Books for Lieut. Tucker and Boy for Mr. Dean mentioned in Mr. Langdon's Letters as being on board the 'Humbleton' were not found, and neither the Captain nor the Mate had ever heard of them.

8. Referring to Par 8 of my last Despatch I am directed to observe that it was written under a misapprehension, for the Board has no desire to make any change in the conduct of affairs here.

9. The Directors hope that the Boiling down Apparatus will be got into work as soon as possible.

10. We send Freight Account of Goods per 'Governor' for others, Mr. Smith is to pay his amount £23.15.6 at Stanley, the others are settled here.

11. Mr. Williams anticipates he may be rather short of Cash on arrival in the Colony the Board has allowed him a credit with you of Seven Hundred & Twenty nine Pounds (£729) being half the amount he paid for Sheep, but he is not to lose his right of completing his purchase at a later date on the same terms if he makes use of this credit - we have also advanced him Four Hundred & Fifty Pounds (£450) against his Wool for 'Humbleton' - he further proposes to get a credit from Mr. Elder of One Thousand Pounds (£1000) to enable him to draw for £300 per quarter at sight or one month after sight, if we obtain Mr. Elder's Guarantee to this effect you will be instructed to honor Mr. Williams' drafts.

Remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

- Duplicate N<sup>o</sup> 457
- do Bill of Lading for 'Governor'
- Certified Copy Governor's Charterparty
- Corrected General Invoice £4322.3.4
- Silver's Inv<sup>t</sup> £3 forgotten to be sent in being goods ordered by G. Cobb for Ralton.
- Freight Acc<sup>t</sup> for Governor £59.13.7
- Notes " " " Provisions for Passengers 46.15.2
- Copy of Letter to Board of Trade 29 Aug re B. Hawk
- Law Order for £100 Part 2 of N<sup>o</sup> 37.
- Copy of Report on Wool for 'Humbleton' 2 Sep 73.
- Notice of F. E. Cobb's Dividend Warrant 27 Aug 73.
- Journal Entries.
- Letter for Langdon from Coleman

N<sup>o</sup> 459. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 8<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 1873.  
E.C.  
p. 'Douro' Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was dated the 6<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. I went forward with Letter of the 19<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. - your Despatches 166 & 167 of the 15<sup>th</sup> July & 16<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>r</sup> came to hand on the 25<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst<sup>o</sup> we received N<sup>o</sup> 168 also dated the 14<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>r</sup>. - The original of N<sup>o</sup> 166 arrived on the 6<sup>th</sup> instant.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 166, 4. Enquiries shall be made about procuring a shipment of Shingles from Canada or the States, it is however doubtful if the matter can be carried out and as the delay must necessarily be great the Board considers you had better obtain a supply at M. Video, we therefore write to Mr. Melian to send you information what he can do and to tell us what would be the expense of landing & storing such goods in case of arrival during the absence of the 'Black Hawk' this we fear would entail the risk of heavy charges which would more than counterbalance the first hand purchase in America.

3. Par 6. Steps will be at once taken to obtain a small Trawler if possible, the Directors object at present to sending out a Steamer and remark that the arrangement for purchasing a vessel from the sale of Sheep was understood to be prospectively, not retrospectively for sheep sold sometime since.

4. Par 8. Account Sales of Produce are sent immediately they are rendered to this Office and the accounts of Freight & Insurance are made up as soon as they can be got ready. Capt<sup>r</sup> Pockes Wool in the 'Humbleton' came home uninsured as there were no instructions regarding it. I have much pleasure in informing you that Mr. Wool ex 'Humbleton' has realized uncommon good prices, the highest ever obtained, ranging from 8 to 15<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> being an average of 14 all round.

5. Par 9. We are extremely sorry to hear that the Digester for boiling down Sheep is not understood at the time of shipment I believe all necessary instructions were sent out but the matter shall be looked up without delay - Capt<sup>r</sup> Campbell saw the apparatus & the working was explained to him, also to Mr. Martin the Engineer before going out.

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

6. Para 13, 14. We shall do our best to obtain a good Carpenter & Gardener, in presence it will be in time if they go out by the Wool vessel which, it is at present arranged, will leave the middle of December, as you had a large Stock of Stores on 30<sup>th</sup> June and the Governor took a good supply there will be difficulty in filling them, though there is Mr. Smith's Furniture and some Houses &c. from Mr. Williams - we see you order a large quantity of Tobacco & Spirit of Tar, the Stock on board of Consumption Stores has been again omitted to be sent: the Wool Bales & a few other things will be sent by Steamers.

7. N. 167, 4. It is most unfortunate that there is such a large residue of refuse from the Steam Coals, we trust it will be utilized in some manner. The Board perceives that you enter the Steam Coals in the Store Stock Acc<sup>t</sup>. at a value of £393.15. - and yet describe them in the Despatch as "utterly unsaleable," under such circumstances the valuation should have been reduced by half or three quarters through a Deterioration Account so Profit & Loss, otherwise the Profit on the Store is too highly estimated, the Directors must you reduce the valuation of all things which have deteriorated by keeping or otherwise.

8. Para 9. I am quite concerned to hear complaints about the packing & stowage of Bagridges Houses, for they always appear well put together and are stowed as received alongside, and shall be anxious to hear how these arrived per 'Governor', for I remarked they were excellent packages in the barge and gave orders for each house to be stowed by itself, which was done as near as possible, unfortunately both the Humbleron & Governor suffered the disadvantage of the Mates being changed during the shipment, which results in the Mate going out not knowing exactly where his predecessor had stowed certain goods.

9. Para 10. The Shepherds' Agreements & Advances who sailed # 'Boyne' were sent in 'Copernicus' for which Steamer the 'Black Hawk' ought to have waited, each of them however had Copy of their Agreement, which might have been submitted to you. We cannot understand how they can have cause of complaint about their treatment upon a large well managed Steamer like the 'Boyne', whose Officers are instructed by the Royal Mail Co. here to pay particular attention to our Passengers, and I remember well that I obtained better berths for them at Southampton than they were entitled to, please therefore on any other occasion send full particulars of such com-



plaints, for as we shall occasionally have to send  
Shepherds by this route the matter ought not to be  
slurred over.

10. Par 14. We are pleased to find you  
have purchased the 'Egeria' for a Hulk at such a  
low rate and without an immediate heavy pay-  
ment, we hope she will realize your expectations  
and prove a serviceable Hulk for the Co. - it is pre-  
sumed you will now take steps to fit out the 'Vicar  
of Bray' as you anticipated would be possible. Turn-  
her to account, could we not sail her to Vro as Mr.  
Dean does the 'Geo Kirch'?

11. Par 16. Your financial matters are  
understood & will be attended to, the Salvage Association  
have not yet accepted for the 'Egeria' the £463.2.3 so  
we still hold the £203.19.10 payable to Young & Co.

Remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 458.

do Coleman to Languard 8 Sep 73

do do " Cobb 19 " "

Copies of Account Sales of Produce ex 'Humbleton'

No mark	2705 Hides	3,498.3.-
B	297 "	380.3.2
"	283 "	355.19.1
W	514 "	443.18.2
G S	430 "	535.6.7
CM	327 "	419.9.6
H	54 "	92.12.6
No mark	1876 Sheepskins	402.11.9
W	1 bale 1 bble do	10.14.-
⊠	7 cks Tallow	56.9.-
H	3 " "	9.8.7
	Quantity Loose Hair	54.14.11
	do Horns & Bones	30.4.11
	do Old Metal	1.-.-

Landing Weight of G S 278 Hides & 152 Hides.

Copy Letter Coleman to Melian 8 Oct 73.

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 Off. Book Post - Supplement to Lloyd's Register 1 Oct 73  
 Priced Sale Catalogue of Wool ex Humbleton  
 dated 4 Oct 73.

Acct. of Prices realized at Humbleton's Wool Sale on  
 4 Oct 73.

No. 459

Jan. 10, 1830

The Secretary

of the S. S. B.

N<sup>o</sup>. 460. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 8<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>. 1873.  
 P. R. M. W. 'Neva'. E.C.  
 Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult. and will doubtless reach you with this Despatch; as <sup>we</sup> were not able to reply to some paragraphs of your last communications I now add what has since been learned.

2. N<sup>o</sup>. 466, 7. We wrote to the Pacific Steam Navigation Co. respecting supplies of Sheep Hattle at Sandy Point and enclose Copies of Correspondence with Store-keeper to enable you to judge whether we could undertake such a matter with profit.

3. Par 9. Enclosed is account of working the Digester for boiling down Sheep Hattle to make Tallow, and we trust this work will be commenced forthwith.

4. Par 11. We appear to have already supplied Leather Band for Circular Saw by the 'Governor', but to be on safe side we now ship a couple more of shorter lengths to enable damages to be repaired.

5. Par 12. We have applied to the Ocean Travellers Assurance Co. but at present they do not think of appointing Foreign Agents.

6. Par 14. We take the opportunity of sending the Wool Bales you asked for by Steamer to forward a few extras I have included a number of Footsaps & other Acc. Books, Almanacs for next year &c. as per Lists herewith.

7. N<sup>o</sup>. 467, 4. The makers of the Hydraulic Press state that it went out loaded to 50 tons with 7½ lbs on the safety valve, the maximum pressure is 75 tons with 10½ lbs on safety valve, but this latter may be a little out of order & thus require more weight, on, but caution must be exercised or the cylinder will be burst.

8. Par 6. Respecting the 'D. S. Dade' the British & Foreign Insurance Co. who insured the Iron, Soda Crystals & Ash and Bricks wish you to realize the remaining portion of left cargo to best advantage at once, their Agents at Montevideo are Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Congreve & Goddard who will communicate with you. The British & Foreign wish you to deduct all expenses hitherto incurred from the proceeds of the cargo sold, but if more than the amount in hand to allow the balance to be paid here, sending the balance

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 Colonial Manager  
 Stanley.

of Cargo to Messrs Congreve & Goddard for them to remit proceeds direct to England. Enclosed is Copy letter received yesterday.

9. Par 10. We had difficulty in obtaining the Cash returned for the Land Order upon the Certificate of Emigrants of 'Boyne' 9<sup>th</sup> June last, through the complaints made of their treatment on board the steamer, the R. Mail Co. are going to investigate the matter when the 'Boyne' returns this month, but we wish you to send full particulars of these complaints, whether as to quantity or quality of provisions, or berths &c.

10. Par 11. We have referred your question as to crews of damaged vessels being paid off at Stanley by Cash or Bills on Owners to the Board of Trade, who reply that when practicable it should be done in Cash, we presume therefore the officials at your port will not in future refuse Bills on Owners, when Cash cannot be obtained, enclosed is Copy of Correspondence.

11. Referring to N<sup>o</sup> 458, it is the Board's opinion that the credit on Elder for £1000 for Williams sets on one side the credit for £729, which was granted him prior to his application to Elder, only in case he should run short of funds out of his first advance from Elder, which I did not tell you was £4000 (Four thousand pounds).

12. The Board wishes the flocks of Sheep to be increased steadily & efficiently and yet consider this may allow a sale of 3,000 wethers and 2,000 ewes yearly, but at present price of Wool the former cannot be valued at less than twenty shillings (£2) and the latter twenty five shillings (£2.5.) Still they leave it to your judgment to sell if necessary at the old prices 15/- and 20/- and they would like to know what amount may be expected to be realized each year from this source, which as settlers become stocked will probably be a decreasing one unless other lands and farmers are tempted to commence operations. It must be borne in mind that the high price of Wool will increase its production in other Colonies, which may lower the price, so that unless part of our increase of Sheep is sold now at top prices they might not fetch so much in a year or two.

13. Pam to forward a page (125) from the South American Missionary Magazine of 1 Sep 73 containing extracts from the Rev<sup>d</sup> H. C. Lory's Letter of 30<sup>th</sup> June last and to ask for information upon the Religious Statistics therein contained, in view of the proposed discontinuance by the Home Government of the salaries of all Colonial Chaplains, and the Board desire information upon the building of a Roman Catholic Chapel at the Government's expense.

14. We should like to have more details of the Consumption and Furniture Accounts, respecting the latter we await amounts for Insurance from 15 June last, the value at present covered being £300 for C: £600 for yourself.

15. This Office is sadly short of statistics on Cattle & Sheep, our last Stock Return being dated 1 July 72; the Board desires information upon the Wild & Tame Cattle as you implied some time since that the former would be gradually displaced by Sheep and we ought to be satisfied that the latter are being increased so maintain the usual income from hides and to provide animals for the Digester and ultimately for Meat Preserving. Referring to N. 457, 3 we have written to M<sup>r</sup>: Wm. M. Call, Montevideo (care Francisco Secco, Calle Labbala) offering a free passage to & fro p<sup>r</sup> 'Black Hawk' and free quarters at Manley to induce him to pay you a visit, as the Board considers his experience would be most valuable to you in preparing data for your report on establishing a Meat preserving business.

16. A M. John Stevenson, a farmer of Monte Video, has addressed us from 60 George St<sup>re</sup>, Glasgow, requesting information abt the inducements for settlers at the Colony, we forwarded particulars & referred him to you as he was returning to M. Video & could write you.

17. You will remember that when you were in England we both received information from Capt: Henry Harrison Doty upon Treasure said to be concealed at the Falklands, I consulted my Solicitor upon the fact of the spot being stated to be on the C<sup>o</sup>: Freehold & have since placed it before the Board, who have instructed me to correspond with the Treasury & the Colonial Office on the subject and we now send copies of the letters & replies, for doubtless the latter will inform the Governor of the facts - the last letter stating the Royalty upon discovered Treasure would be ten per cent has not been submitted to the Board so I cannot say if it will be accepted - at all events the Directors trust you will use your best endeavours to search & learn all you can on the matter.

18. The C: has purchased the Schooner 'Anne Brooks' of 96 tons Register agreeably to your request to have another vessel for Island service, she is now at Glasgow & will come round here without delay to be coppered, have her Passenger accommodation extended and be loaded with a cargo of Stores - Capt: Smithen is attending to her & will doubtless be ap-

-pointed to command her as he knows the Fields so well. We are looking out for a vessel suitable for the usual Wool Charter on the round but expect difficulty in finding one of 1250 to 1700 tons, but should we not secure one larger than the 'Humbleton' it must be borne in mind that the 'Black Hawk' is intended or expected to take a couple of cargoes of our early Wool to M. Video, which if not accomplished before the woolship got out would be a matter of necessity should any Ergo be left behind, or else a vessel must be chartered from M. Video to bring it home - another difficulty is the deadweight required for a larger vessel which we might otherwise take up on account of the number of passengers to be provided for, 2 Cabin and 5 families stowage, for as you have plenty of House Coals Steam Coals are dear & in demand, Salt you have what is dear here, Bricks in the right quantity would be too many, as the 'Anne Brooks' must be ballasted with them - however we must do the best by sending a small quantity of Steam Coal and Salt with the Bricks, it being our intention to have her loaded by the 20<sup>th</sup> inst. if possible I shall defer the Charter until arrival of Mail due on 10<sup>th</sup> as at present there is not any Indent from you. The utmost despatch will be given to the 'Anne Brooks' perhaps within a month she may be off. The Stock of Stores was also heavy on the 30 June last & the Directors are determined to avoid borrowing against the next Cargo as heretofore, and the balance over from the last Produce is even now barely sufficient for the Schooner and two cargoes, that of the 'Frances' having been paid out of it. Please explain the addition of 211.3.10 to the Wines Spirits & Beer for Duty, if paid it should have been added to the prices, if only due it ought not to have figured as an asset of Stock.

19. I ought to have told you in Par 11 that Mr. Williams has asked us to pay several accounts from the proceeds of his Wool ex 'Humbleton' so that you must not advance against this. We have received £500 from Baillon against their Pat<sup>d</sup> Acc<sup>t</sup>. - £50 from Free Church of Scotland for Rev. A. Yeoman - & £50 from Mr. Blake for his Son Robert who went out with you.

I remain,  
Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures for Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 460



General Invoice of Goods for "Neva" £ 209.6.7  
6 Detailed Invoices

2 Invoices M<sup>r</sup> Alpino's for Cobb  
Gould's for Williams

List of cargo for "Neva" and contents of packages  
N<sup>o</sup> 32

Statement and 14 Detailed Account Sales of  
produce sold on account of Islands Settlers  
amounting to £ 4589.18.11

Copies of Account Sales of Wool, also of 18 Bags  
Hair and Seal Skin

Copy of Letter to Pacific S. N. Company 7 Oct 73  
re supplying them with Maps & Bullocks, &  
their reply dated 8 Oct 73.

Pacific S. N. Co's Itinerary

Copy of Letter to Williams 20 Aug 73 sent before  
emitted to be

Instructions for the Digestor

Correspondence re Treasure

Company to Treasury 6 Sep 73

Treasury to Company 5. Apr "

do " Company 10 Sep "

Company to Col. Office 16 Oct "

Col Office to Company 6 Nov "

Copy of Letter to Board of Trade 13 Oct 73 off Green  
and reply dated 20 Oct 73. re Haynes

"D. H. Dade" Copy of Letter from British and  
Foreign Insurance Company 30 Oct 73.

Copy of Letter from Edinburgh dated 10 Sep 73  
re packing Wool

Journal Entries. Ledger Entries  
Extract from G. A. M. P. Mag. of 4 Sep 73 re British Office  
population &

Copy of Governor's Letter 25 Oct 73 to Brent Goose, also pictures  
Letter from Coleman to Cobb, Holmsted & Rev. Long.

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Gen. Nov. 1893

The Secretary  
of the F. & B.



N<sup>o</sup>. 461. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St & Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1873.  
E.C.  
J<sup>r</sup>. R. U. W. Boyne. Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Enclosing Duplicates of our two last on the 8 Oct and 8 ult<sup>o</sup>, I have now to acknowledge your Despatches 169, 170 and 171 which arrived on 17 ult<sup>o</sup>.

2. N<sup>o</sup>. 169, 8. The Directors must leave it to your judgment in making advances to Settlers to protect the Co's interest as much as possible, but it is evident that such accommodation ought to be handsomely remunerated, especially as we have not a large floating Capital to deal with, could the proceeds of our Store sales be remitted at once there would not be the paucity of funds on this side, which at times restricts our shipments of Stores out.

3. Par 10. The details of your late Land purchases must be sent home to enable us to enter them upon the records here, this had better be done by means of an enclosure which can be filed separately.

4. Par 12. The Board consents to the suggested reduction of Passage Money to £3 for six or more distressed Seamen to Montevideo per 'Black Hawk', please report this whenever it occurs that we may inform the Board of Trade and have credit for it.

5. Par 16. We have carried out your good idea of Books for Passage Tickets of the 'Black Hawk' by sending Mr. Melian a Book for himself (by this I mean) and one for your Office, with the latter are 1 doz Whitaker's Alusacks and 2 Glazier's Diamonds.

6. Par 13. Mr. Dixon will communicate with Capt. Wilson at Ollao and see if the Land can be transferred to him. Comd. Boardman R. N. has offered a Section of Land at Stanley for Fifty Pounds - it was bought by his Father many years ago and his friend H. Barnard Apt. Paymaster of the 'Pylades' spoke to Mr. Dean early in 1872 about it and continued the Grant in Comd. Boardman's name, please state value to the Compt. & whether anyone else would purchase it if we do not.

7. Par 19. It is a pity you did not send Plan & Section of the Jetty Ground in front of Store to enable a correct judgment to be formed of the kind of Tramway Tracks.

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Colonial Manager,  
Stanley.

most suitable, in one position flat wheels would suit angle iron but as you call it a runway we have ordered a small truck with flanged wheels.

8. N. 170. Messrs Harmsen & Wazels of Bremen were informed of the distress of their Brigantine 'Helene' but they reply that they shall wait fuller particulars from Capt. Buschmann: we have not yet been able to get an opinion upon ships repairs & bottomry bonds.

9. Par 4. The Board are glad to learn that the Annual Accounts of 30 June last were audited by Mr. Travis and trust the examination was as searching as possible - it does not appear whether he checked the Stock of Stores on hand upon which so much depends, nor has he signed the Profit & Loss Statement, these matters must be borne in mind next year.

10. N. 171 P. 2. The Board has instructed me to make enquiries about a Medical Man for Darwin as soon as the Officer is relieved by getting off the two vessels now being attended to.

11. Par 11. At the end of the year we shall make up Col. D'Arcy's Protest Account & write him on the subject of our claim, letting you have copies of letter & acct.

12. The 'June Brooks' is now being coppered and proves to be an excellent vessel, the alterations are to be done at once, a small cargo will be put on board we shall try to start her on the 29<sup>th</sup> in command of Capt. Swinburn on an agreement for two years. In consequence of the delay of the arrival of N. 174 with Prudent and the difficulty of obtaining a vessel, we have been compelled to delay the sailing of the 'Woodship' until the first week of next month and now forward Charterparty of the Bge 'Lion' 464 tons, launched at Littlehampton on 22 ult. and now coming round to load as much of the Prudent as we can afford less the Governor's Cargo.

13. Replying to the Complaints of Passengers for 'Boyne' Steamer we send correspondence with Royal Mail Co. by which it appears that they did not personally complain to any of the Officers of the 'Boyne' though they had opportunity so to do, it therefore appears almost as if the charges were trumped up after leaving the Steamer.

14. You are to be cautious in purchasing Hides as they are falling.

15. The Board has accepted the Colonial Office

offer of a Royalty of Ten per cent upon Treasure  
Trove discovered at the Falklands, enclosed is Copy  
of our Letter of 2<sup>nd</sup> instant.

16. We have had to pay 11.11.6 for balance  
of the 'France's' Charter to Valparaiso, being an amount  
deducted by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Croft 16<sup>s</sup> for Commission on paying  
the freight due to her, which is a charge to be borne by  
the Company and not by the ship.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

J. Coleman  
Per.

Enclosures.

Duplicates N<sup>os</sup> 459, 460.

Copy Letter R. Mail Co. to Coleman 21 Nov 73.

2<sup>d</sup> Dec "

" " Coleman to R. Mail Co. 27 Nov "

" " do " Enig<sup>g</sup>. Co. " " "

" " do " Col. W. 2 Dec "

Dimensions of Cobb's Goods # Nava 9 May 73

Copy of Billiard Table Invoice Dec 71 -

Notice from Lloyd's re Average Bonds 1 Dec 73.

Letter from Bremen for A. Dahnert of 'Stelen'.

Certified Copy of Lion's Charter part 24 Nov 73.

Particulars of Tonnage since received.

No. 461

2<sup>nd</sup> Decr 1893

The Secretary  
of the S. S. Co.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 19<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1873.  
 P. 'Hipparchus' E.C.  
 via Liverpool. Falkland Islands Company.  
 N<sup>o</sup> 1462.

Sir, Our last was dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> inst. going forward p. 'Boyne' - on the 16<sup>th</sup> I wrote semi-officially by the Pacific St. 'Potosi' in case of the present one being delayed and have now to report that it is extremely doubtful whether the 'Anne Brooks' can sail until the 30<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup> as Christmas week prevents work - the 'Lion's' laydays commence this morning and as there are a good many things which other people wish to ship by her she may not sail until the 9 or 10<sup>th</sup> prox. and would therefore be able to carry replies to your Despatches of 15<sup>th</sup> ult.

2. As the 'Lion' requires more deadweight than 3000 Bricks and 5000 Gall we have ordered 6000 Coals, which can be used for Steam or House, thinking they could go to Darwin in the ship for the Boiling down Apparatus & consumption for housework & Tobacco boiling. It is unfortunate there is such a stock of Coals at Stanley as it precludes us sending this article for deadweight, would it not be well to stimulate consumption by lowering the price.

3. Messrs Jenkins & Co. have rudely declined to pay the Notarial Fees £6.10.0 enclosed in N<sup>o</sup> 170, 2 & obliged us to write to Capt. Pugh at Valparaiso for voucher of this amount, so be very strict with their vessels in future.

4. The 'Anne Brooks' will <sup>have</sup> 4,000 Bricks, 100 Swill's Furniture, Capt. Packer's Timber from Arnold, Williams' Palings, Posts & Rails, 4000 lbs Dip Tobacco, some Stores for Peas, and fill up with light goods from the 'Lion's' Pudent.

Enclosures.  
 Mail Service Table 1874.  
 Journal Entries.

Remain, Sir,  
 Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
 J. Coleman  
 Sec<sup>y</sup>

Frederick E. Cole Esq  
 Colonial Manager  
 Stanley.

N<sup>o</sup>. 463. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 29<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1873.  
E.C.  
P. Anne Brooks' Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, This Schooner being ready for sea I have to inform you that the Board has appointed Capt. J. P. Smithan to command her at Twelve Pounds (£12) per month upon an Agreement dated the 20<sup>th</sup> inst. for two years from 1<sup>st</sup> prosc. (Copy of which will be sent p. 'Lion') we undertaking to pay his Wife here Seven Pounds (£7) monthly, the first payment to be due on the 1<sup>st</sup> February next. The Directors believe her to be a very suitable vessel in all respects, and have made a very comfortable fore Cabin for yourself when going to inspect the Co's territories and any West Falklanders proceeding to their farms, so we hope she will be profitably employed - her Customs Register is dated the 18<sup>th</sup> inst., Lloyd's Register Certificate the 19<sup>th</sup> inst. being A 1 for seven years from December 1872. Capt. Smithan is to make out two Inventories, one for this Office, and for Stanley.

2. There is one Passenger by her William Jardine, Gardener, Agreement & Advance of Wages £10 enclosed, also Emigration Landing Certificate to be signed and returned, Copy of Agreement will follow p. 'Lion'. Her cargo consists of House, Posts, Pails & Palings for Williams (253 Palings seen to have gone to the 'Lion' for Damage) and some Tools - Furniture for Mr. Smith - Tools for Mr. Rees - and sundry Tools for the Co. taken from the 'Lion's' Fundant - all being entered in detail in the Cargo Book. It is impossible to send Accounts as the value will be in the General Invoice p. 'Lion', but I think we shall insure for £2,000.

F. E. Cobb Esq.  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Charterparty of B<sup>y</sup> 'Lion'  
Land Order £100 N<sup>o</sup>. 33 Part 1.  
W. Jardine's Agreement & Receipt £10  
Bill of Lading for Co's Goods (Rees' being the only other)  
Duplicatas of Coleman to Cobb, Lory, Holmsted & Son  
do do do Campbell & Lee  
Landing Certificate for Jardine.  
Mail Service Tables for 1874.

P. Douro, London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 8<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1874.  
E.C.  
via Southampton, Falkland Islands Company.  
N<sup>o</sup> 464.

Sir, Your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 172, 3 of the 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. & 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. arrived on the 24<sup>th</sup> ult. and 5<sup>th</sup> inst. and were submitted to a Board on the 6<sup>th</sup> inst. - our last was dated the 29<sup>th</sup> ult. P. Anne Brooks', which vessel left Deal on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and though the winds have been rather contrary should now be clear of the Channel.

2. N<sup>os</sup> 172, 2, N<sup>os</sup> 173, 6, 13. The Directors approve of the new Mail Contract for the 'Black Hawk' and are glad to see her doing so well; they consider the complaints about her accommodation are exaggerated. as for her size the cabins were conveniently planned, of course there must be unpleasantness in comparison to large steamers, but as we have every desire to make Passengers comfortable we send some electroplated forks & spoons, white handled knives and authorize you to provide anything else suitable - respecting culinary arrangements we understood the Foan's cook had been engaged who gave such satisfaction in that vessel, but if Capt. Campbell cannot manage well you will be able to tray Capt. Inghen for a voyage or two.

3. 172, 5. There being room we ship six Dinghies by the 'Lion' - one will not be a full ship though we have laid out more than intended in Stores and shall therefore trust that the 'Vicar of Bray' will soon get a charter home & be realized to meet some of the debts incurred - it is most unfortunate the 'Governor' is so long out after her arrival you must remit as fast as possible - with respect to 173, 7 the Board considers that as the Store pays well now it must be continued for some years at least, for they cannot see how sales in bulk would pay better as you say, of course a great number of expenses would cease, Carpenters, Blacksmiths &c need not be kept on, if you can therefore draw up a statement proving the good effect of such a change

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Stanley.

preparations might be made for it as it will take  
some years to close agreements with our employes, &c.

4. 173, 14. We have procured a Watch for G.  
Cooper from Lunds, Cornhill, being dissatisfied with  
the former supplier of such articles.

5. Par 15, 16, 20. The £50 has been paid Mr. Barker  
for Mr. Williams - to whom the Directors wish to grant  
the indulgence of a right of preemption in buying Sheep  
as they desire to treat him liberally - enclosed is copy  
of his Account to 31<sup>st</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, we have still to pay about  
£106 for him besides charging freight & insurance per  
'Anne Brooks' and 'Lion'.

6. Par 17. We are most pleased to hear such a  
good account of the Wool prospects & trust the trial  
shipment by 'B. Hawk' to Montevideo & thence per St.  
tome will be successfully accomplished & arrive at a  
good market, we have insured for £3000 & told Mr.  
Melian it ought to be consigned to London - we find  
the 'Lion' a very large carrier & with this reduction of  
Wool are beginning to fear that you will not be able  
to fill her, as the 'Sea Witch' is coming home, so offer  
any inducement of low freight, as any little reductions  
in this item makes our Produce come home cheaper.

7. Par 22, 23. We shall enquire abt a Blacksmith  
& Stonemason with a view to sending out the latter by an  
early Mail, perhaps February next with your Brother  
to secure his going on - Par 24 - I wrote immediately  
about Waldron's Tanks, but the time is too short.

8. Referring to N<sup>o</sup>: 174, 11, we have now written  
to Col. D'Arcy with Account for £249. 14. requesting  
payment by 30 June next, failing this we have told  
him we must apply to Colonial Office for payment here,  
enclosed is Copy of Letter.

9. Thanks for your attention in sending  
Duplicates of 172, 3 to Melian for early posting, unfor-  
tunately he did not send them with his Letter of 29  
Nov<sup>r</sup>. per 'Liffey' or we should have received them on  
the 31 Dec<sup>r</sup>. - They came with the Original 173 by 'John  
Elder' to Liverpool, we presume the Consul keeps the  
Falkland bag for the Pacific Is<sup>ds</sup> which have a Contract  
with the Post Office.

10. Your letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>. reached me safe



This matter of the Treasure being now before the Board I shall take steps (after the present profusion of business is over) to learn the Company's Memorial Rights and will inform you how to proceed, trusting you will have meantime tested the surmises of Capt. Dohy as to the locality indicated by him.

11. In addition to Capt. Smithers's £7 monthly payment from 1<sup>st</sup> prae<sup>o</sup> for 'Anne Brooks' the following Allotment Notes are drawn upon us -

F. Dennis, Note, £ 3.5.-	on 1 Apr.	1 <sup>st</sup>	every month
P. M <sup>o</sup> Leary	2.-.-	" 1 Mch	do do
W. Clark	2.-.-	" do	do do

so that care must be taken not to pay me above up too close & in case of leaving to keep back wages to cover the payments on this side.

12. We have received One Hundred Pounds to be paid to your Wife.

13. I regret to say that the 'Lion' cannot leave the docks until the 13<sup>th</sup> 9 A.M. - she will convey Miss Ellis for Sirs with Greenbills - Hallett, our Ship Carpenter, wife & 4 child<sup>en</sup> - for Waldron, Partridge wife & 3 child<sup>en</sup>, Betcher wife & 5 child<sup>en</sup>, 6 Ram Lambs & 6 Ewe Lambs - for Packe, M<sup>o</sup> Gaskill wife & 3 child<sup>en</sup> and 12 Rams.

14. Mr. Waldron's Broker has again asked about the insurance of Produce from West Ind<sup>ia</sup> to Stanby, or the Produce vessel, is there much risk in these crossing voyages I ought there to be a standing policy for such matters - if I remember right you said we need hardly insure our own as is done usually about this time when the Produce is being collected.

Remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
J. Coleman

Enclosures.

Duplicates N<sup>os</sup> 461, 2, 3.

" Coleman to Cobb 16, 30 Dec 73.

" Bill of Lading of 'Anne Brooks'

Copy Coleman to D<sup>r</sup> Aray 8 Jan 74 1/2 p

Memo of Cargo for others of 'Lion'

Journal Entry.

Dup<sup>s</sup> Coleman to Packe, Williams 30 Dec 73.

Copy of Williams's Ac<sup>t</sup>, debit balance £ 305. 14. 4

No 4644

February 1874

The Secretary  
of the S. S. B.

N<sup>o</sup> 465. London, 39 N. Gracechurch St. 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1874.  
E.C.

Pr 'Lion' Fullland Islands Company.

Sir, This vessel is now ready for sea - I am happy to say she is full, there being a quantity of freight for others so we shall not do badly with her - her General Invoice of Stores amounts to £7226.19.9, there being 73 detailed Inv<sup>s</sup>.

2. Her Passengers consist of -

- Ells Adelaide for Greenshield's man Simmons £25 to be charged - £5 advanced to her -
- Wullett George & Sarah Ann, our Ship Carpenter do Sarah, George, Ada & John £12 advanced & whom
- Partridge W<sup>m</sup> & Martha do Clara, Fred<sup>k</sup>, Caroline } Two Shepherds for
- Betcher Robert & Maria do W<sup>m</sup>, Sarah, Emma, Eliz<sup>h</sup>, Clara } Waldron, Passages paid here.
- M<sup>s</sup> Askill Donald & Catherine - Shepherd for Packe do John, Donald, & Kattie } passages paid here

being 24 souls equal to 45 1/2 adults - the 3 last families are in berths fitted up below by the C<sup>o</sup>, if not required for the home voyage this woodwork can be taken out.

3. There are also 12 Hunt Rams for Packe & 6 Romney Marsh Ram Lambs & 6 Ewe Lambs for Waldron, provender provided & paid for here, also the Pens, which therefore must be landed for them. Packe's Shepherd has two dogs & a pup.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
J. C. Coleman  
Secy

F. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley

Enclosures.

- Bill of Lading. - General Invoice £7226.19.9
- 73 detailed Invoices. . Remarks on Stores of Lion.
- Account of Lion's anticipated Passages &c
- Supplement of Lloyd's Register 7 Jan 74.
- Letters Coleman to F. E. Cobb - Langdon - Packe -
- " E. Cobb " F. E. Cobb - J. Williams - Smith - H. Waldron
- " Little " Rees
- " King " Smith

## Enclosures per Lion

- Triplicate Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 461, 462, 463.  
 Duplicate do " 464 with Journal Entries  
 Triplicate Lt Colman to Cobb 16 Dec 73. 30 Dec 73  
 Copy of Lt 30 Dec 73 fr Italian Consul re Pottowary  
 Certificate of Annis Books Survey dated 19 Dec 73.  
 Capt<sup>r</sup> Smith's Agreement dated 20 Dec 73.  
 Copy of Letter to Capt<sup>r</sup> Smith 30 " "  
 Account fr Yates of Gross for "Annis Books" £ 69.7/11-  
 do " " " " " " do £ 23.7/14  
 Copy of Emigration Agreement for Annis Books 29 Dec 73.  
 do " " " " " " " " " " " "  
 Land order N<sup>o</sup> 38 R 2 £ 100  
 Form of Landing Certificate for Passengers per Lion  
 Geo Hallett's Agreement 11 Dec 73  
 do Receipt for £ 12.--- 1 Jan 74  
 Adelaide E. M. do " £ 5.--- 8 " "  
 Certified Copy of Lion's Charter Party 24 Dec 73  
 List of Cargo for others per Lion  
 Lt to Emigration Comp<sup>r</sup> re Passengers per Boyne dated 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 73 (duplicate)  
 Copy of Colman to Ogilby 1 Dec 73 } regarding Pottowary  
 " " Ogilby to Colman 8 " " }  
 " " Colman to Col D'Arcy 8 Jan 74 re account with him  
 Supplement do Lloyd's Register 24 Dec 73  
 Circulars from Lloyd's re Average Bonds  
 Quarterly Laundry Circulars  
 Copy of Policy N<sup>o</sup> 256 for Wool & Wool Steds £ 10,000

### Letters

- L. A. Waller to E. Waller  
 do " Cobb  
 Silver " Smith  
 do " Saunders  
 Holland " Col D'Arcy  
 Ocean " Jean Yen  
 Colman " D'Arcy (amb)  
 do " Pack "
- Glasgow's Diamond for Cobb  
 one pair Watch Chain (pattern)

N<sup>o</sup>. 466. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 1874.  
E.C.

M<sup>r</sup>. R. M. S. Neva Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Since our last of the 12<sup>th</sup> ult. per 'Lion' we have not had any advices from you - this vessel passed Deal on the 17<sup>th</sup> ult. and has not since been heard of, so is doubtless well clear of the Channel - the 'Anne Brooks' was somewhere about Dungeness on the 5<sup>th</sup> ult. but has not since been reported.

2. We find the two Invoices from Arnold 161. 3. 8 and 68. 16. 8 sent on to you from Gravesend were for extra Timber ordered to fill up, the General Invoice is therefore increased by those amounts and a corrected one is sent amounting to £451. 11. 1 - The 'Stevodore' has since reported that two of the Deals were cut to support the beams on which the heavy Oak Logs rested. It ought to have been mentioned that 'Ballett' was a Passenger under the Emigration Confs<sup>s</sup> for whom a Landing Certificate must be returned, but you would have understood this from the papers furnished - a Contract Ticket was obtained for the other Intermediate Passengers we carried, but not handed to them, though the Counterpart had to be given up to the Emigration Officer at his inspection of the vessel. Permitted to report that there were three growing Pine Trees to be delivered to the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Lory from M<sup>r</sup>. Lancaster, we hope they will arrive safe & prove suitable for the climate as they are very hardy.

3. Having had an enquiry from the Admiralty about Marines going out by the 'Black Hawk' we require information as to her third class & intermediate passenger accommodation, so send plan of vessel for this to be filled in. It is arranged that a Color Serjeant & six Privates will go out on the 9<sup>th</sup> May and Corporal, Color Serjeant & 10 Privates are then to come home - if we have to send Shepherds by the 9<sup>th</sup> May M<sup>r</sup>. the 'Black Hawk' will be very full - we hope your Despatch due on 16<sup>th</sup>

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

will intimate the requirements for Shepherds to enable us to select some good ones before the Whitsun term. The Black's Hawk's Return N. 14, 23 Oct to 2 Nov, down, was not sent in your last, we have written Capt. Campbell to forward it, if he has done so that will do.

4. Messrs Harmassen & Wefels, ~~owners~~ owners of the 'Balene' have dissolved partnership, the business will be continued by Mr. Hermann Wefels.

5. The 'Anne Brooks' is insured at £2,000 for the voyage out and thirty days afterwards if remaining in Port as per Policy 258, she will be insured yearly so you must report when she sails as the date for the commencement of the new policy. The allotment Note for W. Clark, £2 monthly, commences from the 27<sup>th</sup> ult. & was paid on that date & not from the 1<sup>st</sup> March as reported in N. 464, 11.

6. We are still unable to arrange for a shipment of Shingles from Canada, if you are not satisfied with those procured by Mehan at M. Video you had better arrange for Mr. Turner carrying his intentions of getting a cargo from Canada through Messrs Torry Paget & Co. whose clients have saw mills there but the order should come at once as they cannot be shipped late in the year, the difficulty of freight has prevented Turner's former order being executed & it is now cancelled - we shall try to get a few sent over by a timber ship to this country to test the cost of freight & expenses here, but the number will be but small & it is doubtful if it can be done.

7. Mr. L. Baillon Junr. returns to the Colony by this opportunity, he wished to arrange for renting one or more Islands from the Co., Speedwell, George or Great Islds, we referred him to you and the Directors wish you to deal liberally with him, as from his experience on the West Island he would doubtless prove a successful tenant for us - I ought to have said he wants to take them on shares like your Brothers or Mr. Williams.

8. In consequence of having to make out a new Ledger the Accounts of the 'Lion' have not been able to be entered yet, so we cannot send Journal Entries, only approximate which however we believe to be correct - and in order to simplify matters we have had some Returns printed being "Statement upon Accounts - London Office to Stanley Office" and vice versa, which will keep

Cash and other Accounts out of the Despatches, you will perceive that the receipts for Freight & Insurance for 'Anne Brooks' and 'Lion' have all gone to credit of Freight.

9. We were in hopes of sending a Brick layer by this Steamer having been in treaty with one in Devonshire, but he broke off yesterday, it is as well for he was married - We wanted an unmarried man as more suitable for travelling about, since he will be so much in the Camp where sweat must be provided we shall engage to find rations & shall have to give as much as £60 a year wages besides for a good man.

10. Enclosed is Williams' Acc<sup>t</sup>. to be handed to him, showing a Dr. Balance of £519. 14. 11 - we have told him it must be paid into your Office or Produce remitted for it to 'Lion', if this is consigned to Elder there must be an order on him for the amount.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

- Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 465.
- " Bill of Lading per 'Lion'
- Corrected General Invoice £745<sup>7</sup>. 2. 1
- Copy Letter p. Arnold 16 Jan 74 abt Invoices for extra Timber
- Two Statements of Freight & Insurance fr. 'A. Brooks' & 'Lion'
- Statement of Yearly Payments & Receipts for Islands
- do upon Accounts N<sup>o</sup>. 1.
- Ledger Entries and Journal Entries
- Williams' Acc<sup>t</sup>. 519. 14. 11
- Letters - Coleman to Smith W. Waldron Dup<sup>t</sup> 12 Jan
- do " Poore, with Dr. Acc<sup>t</sup>. p. Sim<sup>s</sup> & D<sup>r</sup>?
- do " Campbell, Dup<sup>t</sup> 19 Jan
- Smithers Purvis Tobacco 3. 5. 10

Contents of Parcel in charge of G. Cobb.

- Langdon's Books
- Nautical Magazines Dec 73 Feb 74.
- Heaton's Ready Reckoner
- Lloyd's Register Supplements 21, 29 Jan, & Feb 74.
- Plan of 'Black Hawk'
- Newspapers 24 Times & Iron & Mitchell
- Printed Returns - Statement upon Accounts (250)
- Sundry Circulars.
- Letter Coleman to Langdon, present date.

No. 466

July 1874

The Secretary  
of the S. U. B.



London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 7<sup>th</sup> Mch 1874.

F.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup>. 467.

J. R. M. S. 'Boyne'

Sir,

We received your Despatch 1<sup>st</sup> 74 on the 10<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, N<sup>o</sup>. 175 in duplicate and N<sup>o</sup>. 176 on the 13<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> - the 'Sea Witch' delivered Original N<sup>o</sup>. 175 on the 16<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>.

2. N<sup>o</sup>. 174, 2. Mr. Degenhardt, Passenger per 'Sea Witch' presented your note of 21 Nov 73 entitling him to draw £75 for the year ending 10 Nov 74 for rent of his house leased to Williams, we represented that your instructions were to pay this quarterly from the 29<sup>th</sup> proc<sup>o</sup> at which he appeared satisfied, but wishing to draw the amount in one sum about next October just before he returns to Stanley, this has been sanctioned by the Board.

3. Par 3. The order for Boots has been sent to Burrows to be executed & the goods per 'Lion', they will be forwarded by the Mail Pt<sup>o</sup> of 9 May, together with a Stonemason and 8 Royal Marines, a Color Sergeant & 7 Privates, with 2 wives & 3 infants.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 176, 3. The Directors cannot at present enter into the matter of a Steam Launch as they do not consider the business would warrant such an expense nor that she would perform the service you anticipate, the Board perceives that Mr. Dean with all the shipping business you say he has does not obtain any steamer, so they trust you will evergetically carry on without such an expensive & uncertain vessel.

5. Par 6. With respect to the Company's Provision Scale for Emigrants Captains have frequently observed that the Meat is not so much as their own crew's scale, on appealing to the Emigration Officers we learned that sailor's allowance being for working men has more meat but ours is liberal having other foods to make up, we shall however increase it in future.

6. Par 10. We send Wool Bales, Bagging, Books &c per 'Sea Witch' as per List enclosed, she is said to sail at the end of this month. Williams wrote asking me to send him 2 Highland Shepherds by her upon Mr. Dean's Land Order, but not informing as to wages, length of service &c; I handed the request to Dean, thinking his Son might have obtained these particulars, but understand the matter cannot be attended to - we considered it would be improper to send Emigrants upon a Land Order.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

taken up by another person.

7. Par 13. Mr. Melian has not yet remitted proceeds of the Iron ex 'D. H. Dade', the proceeds of 13 cks Soda Ash \$453.72 (at 5 1/4 = £96.18.-) have gone to Credit of our Acc<sup>t</sup>. Curt. dated 13 Sep. '33 - the account 53. 15. 4 for expenses at Stanley on the Iron has been sent to the British & Foreign Ins<sup>r</sup>. Co. who wish to settle accounts in this country, you had better therefore <sup>send full</sup> particulars of the Coals landed & sold by the Captain, whether 5 1/2 cks Soda Crystals & 3 1/2 cks Soda Ash and 18,400 Bricks were landed & how many were sold at £3 per 1000.

8. Par 19. Respecting the Treasure we have applied to our Solicitors about the Company's Manorial Rights at the Falklands and learn that being Freeholders this term has not any significance for the Co., being only exercised over Leasehold Land. Capt. Doty has sent his friend in San Francisco copy of the Colonial Off<sup>r</sup>. Letter of 6 Nov/3 stating the Royalty at ten per cent and we now await further particulars as to the locality.

9. Par 20. We regret to hear your report of Capt<sup>n</sup> Smith's want of sobriety, which has since been confirmed, though we had never heard of it & did not even suspect such behaviour or should never have engaged him - it is unfortunate you have not before stated the principle of promotion in the Co's vessels, which is very properly would have prevented us engaging Smith for 2 years as is now done.

10. Par 27. We are glad to hear our Smelting Coal ex 'Oscar of Bray' is going on to Valparaiso & presume you instruct Messrs. Cross & Co. to remit us direct, we trust they will realize well as we shall be very short of funds until the Lion's Produce comes home so all remittances will be most acceptable.

11. Par 25. It is strange Capt<sup>n</sup> Collis should say that no arrangements were made for Mr. Mercer's provisions for 'Governor', we told him they were included with those for the Scotts, which is mentioned to you in Despatch 457, 1, the list of Provisions being enclosed.

12. Par 30. We learn from Silver's that Mr. Smith's missing case was not ready for the 'Governor' so went with the balance of his Furniture in the 'Anne Brooks'. Messrs. Starr & Co. have sent him a case of Law Books thro' Melian.

13. Par 31. We have received 149 bales Wool for 'Tiber', the list of weights & numbers only gave 149 bales so we thought you had written 150 in mistake, but Melian informed us yesterday that one bale was dropped into the sea & is retained & to be sent back to you - the freight per Steamer is high, forty

shillings per measurement ton  $\frac{1}{2}$  ten per cent, Melian says that this lot should not be taken as a guide of the expense for it is not pressed as tight as is done in M. Video through the press being out of order according to Campbell's report, but perhaps it would be impolitic to press our greasy wool as much as the River Plate washed Merino Wool - you have never sent the bale of extreme pressed wool as proposed when the hydraulic was sent out.

14. M<sup>rs</sup> Abidge has not yet presented her draft for £250 - the other 3 payments you wished have been made.

15. Par 35. The Sails for the 'Black Hawk' have been ordered of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Laphorn, who observed that outer and boom gib would mean the same sail & presumed we meant inner gib the sail that had the most wear & a boom gib, these two will be sent, but as there is a gib outside the boom gib this will be supplied also to be on the safe side, so three gib Sails will be forwarded.

16. The S. Am<sup>er</sup>. Mess<sup>rs</sup>. J. & S. write that John Lynes a former sailor of the 'Allen Gardiner' appears to have some wages due to him, he is reported to be in our service now so please enquire if there is anything owing to him, as the Society is willing to pay the arrears if duly authenticated - we understand the 'Allen Gardiner' is sold to Capt<sup>m</sup>. M<sup>rs</sup>. Lauchlan for £900.

17. The Liverpool Pacific Mail Steamers run only fortnightly now commencing on the 11<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>t</sup> as per list enclosed. We advertised the 'Black Hawk' at Montevideo in the European Mail, do you think it did any good & should be continued, the Editor has not any subscribers at Stanley and would like to obtain a few.

18. The other day I visited H. M. S. 'Albatross' at Chatham Dockyard. she is going out to the Pacific I<sup>n</sup>. Capt<sup>m</sup>. Rice said he should certainly call at Stanley on his passage out unless receiving direct orders to the contrary - I gave him Charts & Cards for himself & distribution to any steamer coming home.

19. The Board cannot give any instructions upon the purchase of Goff's Estate, which you state will be put up for sale on 1<sup>st</sup> July next, as you have not reported upon the same, it must therefore be left to your discretion, doubtless the land & houses would prove a profitable speculation if not run up to a high price.

20. As you have commenced Meteorologic Observations we shall send two Registering Thermometers & a couple of books giving instructions on this subject.

21. We learn that Capt<sup>n</sup> Smither's Wife, died on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult., he did not provide for this contingency in respect of the monthly instalment Seven Pounds payable here, we are about to see his Father soon & shall probably continue the payments for the support of the children.

I remain,  
Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Triplicate N<sup>o</sup>: 464.  
Duplicate " 466.  
Revised List of Liverpool Pacific Steamers' Sailings  
Copy of Letters re Manorial Rights  
Coleman to Bisch off 3 Feb 74  
their reply 10 " "  
do do re Royal Marines  
Admiralty to Coleman 18, 21 Feb 74  
his Reply 20 " "  
Benman's Circular abt Stock & Breeding  
List of Cargo for 'Sea Witch' heard this morning  
she sails on 25<sup>th</sup>  
Journal Entries.  
Triplicate Coleman to Cobb 12 Jan 74  
Duplicate do " Langdon 7 Feb "  
York Book Post Lloyd's Register Supplements }  
29 Jan, 4, 18 Feb, 4 Mch 74. }

The Secretary  
J. S. G. G.  
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No 467

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 19<sup>th</sup> Mch 1874.

E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup> 468.

M<sup>rs</sup> Memnon via Spool.

Sir,

Though our last was only dated the 7<sup>th</sup> inst. we await of this through Mail to send later news.

2. Referring to your questions in N<sup>o</sup> 176, 14, about paying off the Crew of a vessel detained at Stanley whether the Captain can make them take Bills on the Owner, we received yesterday a reply from the Board of Trade, having sent Copy of your Paragraph, that they think seamen cannot be compelled to take their discharge until the vessel is abandoned and that it depends upon the Sailor whether he will accept a Bill for wages - but the Board of Trade have no power to give an authoritative opinion upon these points - enclosed is copy of letter.

3. With regard to Shipping Agencies as requested by N<sup>o</sup> 174, 4 and 176, 24, we have been able to obtain some very good names for you and now enclose Letters from George Thompson Jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup>, John Willis & Son, H. Clarkson Esq<sup>r</sup>, Tho<sup>s</sup> Stephens Sons, John Holman & Sons (of Topsham also) of London - also Rathbone Brothers Esq<sup>r</sup> of Liverpool - F. Chesman, E. Goodchild & R. Wade of Shoreham - Donaldson Brothers of Glasgow, with whom we have arranged to charge only 5% Commission & Interest. Am<sup>r</sup>son Anderson Esq<sup>r</sup> of London and Nicholson of Sunderland said we might use their names & we expect they will sign letters: Shaw Parrill Esq<sup>r</sup> and Devitt & Moore have declined as they never bind their Captains to any particular firm, but consider they ought to be guided by Lloyd's Agent, which appears to be the opinion of most Shipowners & Underwriters; by Book Post we forward some Cards with Agencies & Directors.

4. Mr. Charles Burn, Civil Engineer, who has been in the River Plate, has proposed manufacturing Peat for exportation to that part and talks of getting up a Company for this object, he asked some remuneration for his idea, this has been declined but we are prepared to further his views respecting a Company as any increase to the industries of the Colony must benefit us. - Our attention having been already directed to this matter & feeling it will become a necessity to have some home fuel if we are to boil down for Tallow, preserve Meat & have a Steamer, we are pro-

Frederick E. Cobb Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

-curing information upon the best mode of working Peat into an article for sale, meantime we wish you to furnish particulars, as to the number of tons the Colonists would consume, the price they could pay, the locality for a manufactory &c, there is no doubt a good consumption would spring up in the River Plate, of which the 'Black Hawk' would reap a benefit in carrying cargoes up, Mr. Burn says he spoke to Mr. Melian and Mr. Charles Lafone who both thought highly of the project: we wish you to send some per 'Lion' without fail a box of Peat just cut to show what quantity of evaporation there is & the consistence of the rough material and a box of dried Peat as cut & prepared by the inhabitants for fuel, naming the price obtained for it or what it is considered it costs when ready for use.

5. We have made enquiries about a Medical Practitioner, the lowest salary asked was £150 a year, house & meat to be furnished, a Doctor in the Isle of Harris is looking further into the matter & may learn something more reasonable, as we presume £150 would be considered high for the duties required, should you think more of it you must send full details of position, house, duties &c.

6. The trades of the Royal Marines going out are two Iron-masons, one Saddler, a Bricklayer, Carpenter & Blacksmith.

7. Mr. W. W. Roberts of West End Mill, Bradford, has asked us to procure him a sample of the Horn Plant (*Duvillaea utillea*) which he says grows on the seashores of the Falklands to a great size, as per correspondence enclosed, please do your best to send some by the 'Lion' as if capable of being turned into value here it might become an article of profitable export for the Colony.

8. We have just been told by a Merchant interested in Timber Land & Sawing Works at New Zealand that if you would send a specification of Timber useful at the Islands with prices that could be given & quantity taken, he would do his best to get a cargo or part of one delivered at Stanley, by this means we might get some fine spars & fencing, as experience seems to prove that when land is once improved by sheep feeding it pays to enclose it & thus save labor in shepherding & security for the animals.

9. Referring to our last, Par 13, about extra pressed Wool, we since learn that it is believed very light pressing would improve the appearance of our Wool, which being coarse & strong could not be damaged like fine wool, so it necessary you should send per 'Lion' a few bales pressed to

The utmost in the hydraulic, using rope there will always be some expansion when out of the press so this must be borne in mind, is there any difficulty or objection at Darwin to using iron bands, as with our tight ships, good bales of greasy wool there would not be much fear of rust & they could be cut off in the docks & sold for the C<sup>o</sup>., which might make iron bands cheaper than rope, as well as lessening the freight. Enclosed is Report on the 149 bales Wool ex 'B. Hawk' & 'Tiber', it will be sold on the 24<sup>th</sup> instant.

10. We learn this morning that the Emigration Board have mislaid or lost the Landing Certificate of the 'Governor's' Emigrants in moving from Park St. to the new Government Offices in Downing St., please therefore get the authorities to grant another Certificate on the enclosed form.

I remain,  
 Sir,  
 Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
 P. Coleman  
 Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

- Copy of Board of Trade Letter 17<sup>th</sup> Mch '74.
- Roberts' Correspondence about Horn Hawk.
- Copy Wool Report ex 'Tiber' 18 Mch '74.
- Form for Governor's Emigrants Landing Certificate
- Ten Letters on Shipping Agencies.
- Statement on Accounts N<sup>o</sup>. 4.
- Journal Entry.
- p. Book Post - Cards with names of Directors  
 do " Agencies at back.

No. 468

19<sup>th</sup> March, 1874

The Secretary  
of the F. S. I.



London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 25<sup>th</sup> Mch 1874.

E.C.

Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup> 469.

M<sup>r</sup>. H. M. P. Albatross

Sir, This Steamer having been ordered by the Admiralty to call at Stanley on her route to the Pacific we send Duplicates of Despatches 467 & 8 of the 7<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>s</sup> and Duplicates of my letters to you of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> instant.

2. Your Despatches 177 (in duplicate) & 178 arrived on the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst<sup>s</sup>; the Copying Paper will go by the 'Sea Witch' to sail on the 1<sup>st</sup> prox<sup>o</sup> - also the starting valves for the Donkey Engine, we are sorry to find Apple by Bro<sup>s</sup> have been so careless in this matter.

3. 178, 17. We are doing our best to procure a Stowman on I though offering the high remuneration of £60 a year with lodging & rations, have only one or two offers, so have this day instructed M<sup>r</sup>. Call to offer £80 to a man who asks £100 if he thinks him good & suitable, as we must secure some one for the May Mail.

4. We are glad to hear that the 'Vicar of Bray' will soon come to England with a Cargo but presume you will not send her away until the 'Lion' has started, as the 'Sea Witch' is returning so soon we fear M<sup>r</sup>. Dean J<sup>r</sup> will have had notice to reserve his cargo for her.

5. We have the satisfaction of reporting that the 149 bales Wool sent home through Montevideo sold well on the 29<sup>th</sup> at prices better than anticipated, considering the late fall in the market - 34 bales @ 13½ - 16 @ 13¼ - 47 @ 13 - 48 @ 12½ - 4 drags @ 10½ - the freight 25g. g. 10 is high, on the realization we hope to furnish statement of its percentage 7½.

6. You have omitted to send the Produce, Adventure & Coal Return lately - we also want printed Copies of all the late Ordinances passed by the Government - should there be any difficulty in procuring duplicate Landing Certificate of the Governor's Emigrants it need not be sent as we have an order to receive the money from the Emigration Board.

7. The Tunks for M<sup>r</sup>. Waldron M<sup>r</sup>. 'Sea Witch' are made by Burney on the same principle as ours and quite as strong, but he makes an inferior kind for M<sup>r</sup>. Dean who will not pay so much, I mention this in case M<sup>r</sup>. George

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Stanley.

Dean should state his prices which might lead you to think the Company paid dear for their Tanks.

8. We have had some enquiries about young gentlemen going out to the Colony for Sheep farming and the Board wishes information upon openings in this line, or whether any of the West Falklanders would take a partner with £1 or 2000 to invest. Would it not be well for the Company to make preparations for leasing their Islands or even some detached portions of their Freehold on the mainland.

9. Yesterday Mr Aldridge presented your letter of introduction dated the 2<sup>d</sup> January and the Bill for £250 - we shall pay her every attention, she wishes to apprentice two or three boys as ship carpenters which would be good for Stanley as they could then settle there.

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Serv<sup>t</sup>,

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

Duplicates N<sup>os</sup> 467, 468

do Coleman to Cobb 7, 24 Mch 74.

N<sup>o</sup>: 470. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 2<sup>d</sup> Apt. 1874.  
 pp. 'Sea Witch'. E.C.  
 Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, We duplicate our last of the 25<sup>th</sup> ult. per  
 St. M. P. 'Albatross' and have to acknowledge your  
 Despatch 179 of 14<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> received this morning.

2. Par 5. We regret to hear there is likely to  
 be demurrage on the loading of the 'Lion' at the Islands, we  
 always have difficulty in getting so many days allowed,  
 as you are now aware of the necessity of preparation  
 we trust everything will be done to save extra expense,  
 the excessive time taken by the 'Humbleton' during your  
 absence should not be cited as a precedent.

3. Par 10. Our reason for engaging Shepherds  
 at £40 a year the original wages is to prevent the old  
 employes becoming dissatisfied through younger  
 hands getting more money, if these latter are not  
 contented you can easily increase their wages for  
 good behaviour, and as you say they ought to com-  
 mence at a higher rate we shall do so, as this will  
 render it easier for us to engage good men, we shall  
 therefore now begin at £45 to 50 rising £10 for the 5 years.

4. Referring to 469, 6, it will be necessary to send  
 duplicate Landing Certificate for the Governor's Emigrants  
 same being required by the Audit Office.

5. We have obtained some more Shipping Agen-  
 cies for you I enclose Letters from Richards Power & Co of  
 Swansea - John Tully How, Sunderland: The following  
 cannot sign letters but will instruct their Captains to  
 go to the C<sup>o</sup> - J & R. Grant, 1 Leadenhall St. - Smith,  
 Bilbrough & Co 36 Fenchurch St. - Boulder Brothers & Co  
 14 Leadenhall St. and Oriel Chambers, Water St., Liverpool.

6. The 'Anne Brooks' is insured for £1900 upon  
 a yearly policy at 12 Guineas per cent.

7. One of our Shareholders states that he has some  
 influence with the Directors of the Pacific Steam Navigation  
 C<sup>o</sup> at Liverpool & wishes to know at what rate we could  
 deliver cattle & sheep for their consumption at Sandy Point,

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 Colonial Manager  
 Stanley.

whether they could bring down Flour from Valparaiso at stated times for us and if arrangements could be made to bring home our Produce from Sandy Point, of course this latter must depend on the accommodation afforded by the port of which you can learn particulars & send same, together with your ideas as to drawing timber & fencing from that quarter.

8. Having been requested to examine the proof sheets of Laurie's South Atlantic Guide respecting the part relating to the Falklands, I send you copy & shall be glad of annotations and remarks on same.

9. Referring to N. 468, 4 we send Statement upon Peat Manufacture, a Book on Peat Fuel by Johnson, Clayton's Circular of their Machine &c &c and hope your full report on same will be sent in due course.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman

Sec<sup>y</sup>

### Enclosures.

- Triplicate N<sup>o</sup> 467, 8.
- Duplicate " 469.
- do Coleman to Williams, Smith, Smilken, 7 Mch 74
- Triplicate do " Cobb 7, 24 Mch 74
- General Invoice of Stores by this Vessel £298.12.7
- 41 Detailed Invoices
- Bill of Lading
- Invoice of Cobb's Boots from Simmitt 2.4.6
- Proof Sheets of South Atlantic Sailing Directory
- Agency Letters from Richards Power &c - John Tully Houe
- Copy Clayton to Coleman 10 Mch 74 abt Peat Machine
- Secretary's Statement on Peat Manufacture.
- Copy Appleby to Coleman 27 Mch 74, re Fittings for  
Donkey Engine
- List of Sundries in Case N<sup>o</sup> 5.
- Contents of Parcel in charge of Capt. Thomas.
- Circular from Gotch Houe & Burrows & Son of Cookham.

P.S. We had hoped to have heard that the Digester was in operation & shall be glad to have full account of its erection, working &c.

N<sup>o</sup>. 471. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 8<sup>th</sup> May 1874.  
 W. R. M. Esq.  
 'Neva' Falkland Islands Company.  
 E.C.

Sir, Our last was dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> ult. by the 'Sea Witch' which passed the Lizard on the 14<sup>th</sup> ult. - on the 30<sup>th</sup> ult. we received your Despatch N<sup>o</sup>. 130 of the 17<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup>.  
 2. I have now to give the Board's decisions upon several matters brought to their notice in Despatch N<sup>o</sup>. 129 - Par 14, Fell's Salary might be increased to £250 (Two hundred & fifty pounds) a year for five years, or you might offer him a yearly commission of £20 (Twenty pounds) upon every 5 p. C. (five per cent) of Dividend declared, whereby he would have an interest in economical management, thus if the Dividend goes up to 15% (fifteen per cent) he would receive £60 (Sixty pounds) for that year and so on.

3. Par 15. Respecting advances to Mr. Williams we must leave this to your discretion, but consider that if he overdraws his account much part of his produce ought to be consigned to us or a legal lien given on the same if he is bound to ship it to Mr. Elder.

4. 175, 16. Another Hydraulic Press is ordered to be ready by the end of July.

5. 179, 17. The Board approves of your proposal for obtaining a lease for 21 years of our various sections of sand held from the Government in one block and trust you will be able to arrange the matter.

6. Respecting Goff's Estate, which has been advertised in the 'Times' of 14 & 21 ult. as per newspapers sent you it has been decided that if essential to the Company's business you are authorized to purchase at a fair rate but not if run up exorbitantly, and if the Land is likely to prove valuable here after it might be purchased at a reasonable amount; we have not heard anything about the matter on this side.

7. The Directors would be willing to purchase a Cutter of 8 or 10 tons to replace the 'Lily' if they could see their way to sending out such a craft, but with our vessels it would be almost impossible and to engage a large vessel to call in would be very expensive, could you not purchase at M. Video, (we write Melian on the subject), or build at Stanley, we have heard of schooners having been

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built at the Colony, how would it answer to send out the  
frame & woodwork to be put together by our Carpenters?  
It is unfortunate Capt. Packe having lost the 'Windward'-  
please send List of Colonial Defects our last being dated  
May 1871 ex N. 111.

8. We send statement for your consideration being  
Epitome of Profit & Loss Account, showing Profit made, Divi-  
dends paid, &c with Sheep shorn, price of Wool, Hides landed  
& their prices, which appears to show that the increase of  
our flocks does not produce a corresponding increase of  
profit - This brings to notice that we had intended some  
time since to inform you that it is now the decided  
opinion of breeders that the produce of old ewes are  
enervated animals, whose wool deteriorates & such sheep  
vulnerable to disease, the Board considers therefore it will  
be best to boil them down for tallow, which will generally  
realize a fair price & for which there is always an imme-  
-diate sale: by this reduction of our flocks we save the  
expense of new Shepherds, for we are glad to find you  
have not asked for more men for the last lambing, & as the  
men get accustomed to the work they can take charge of  
more Sheep and it would be worth while rewarding those  
who are willing to do more than their fair share with  
extra stock, since the cost would be less than importing  
new hands who do not come into profitable labor for  
some time, it must also be borne in mind that we  
shall have to commence at higher wages (at least £50  
a year) to obtain good men here at the present or even  
perhaps more next year when a few might be wanted.)  
Another <sup>consideration</sup> also is that wool is falling which makes it the more  
necessary to keep up the strength & quality of ours by clipping  
from younger animals than when they were kept as long  
as they produced wool on account of the good price obtained for it.  
By not increasing the Sheep so much we also curtail the  
expense of new buildings for Shepherds in charge of new  
flocks, this curtailment however would probably only be  
for a short time and when desirable again to go in largely,  
or on the present yearly system of increasing the buildings,  
we may be able to accomplish the object at an easier outlay  
from the increased quantity of labor in the Colony.

9. This also brings the Board to the subject of Wild  
Cattle in Laforia which you say must soon from the spread  
of Sheep be killed off altogether, the Directors think this would  
not be politic for they look upon the hides thus obtained as a

safe portion of the Co's income not lightly to be set on one side until it is proved that sheep can be kept on Lafonia in large numbers profitably & safely as regards disease from close quarters; the Board has not lately received any estimate of the cost of killing & collecting these Hides, but they are certainly most useful even for dead-weight for our light wool cargoes & always meet an immediate sale, so the Directors consider the Wild Cattle should not be decreased until numerous Game Herds are established, in the last General Report 3,000 was mentioned as being the stock intended to be kept, we look upon this as much too small a number to produce the hides we require annually.

10. N. 180, 4. The accounts of Capt. Boardman's Land are conflicting, your letter of 16 Feb last said it was worth £50 (Fifty pounds) but Mr. Bailey thought the Title had lapsed, this we communicated to him, now you state that the public road goes through it & some compensation is due to Capt. Boardman, please furnish definite information & state the amount of compensation to be obtained.

11. Respecting your question to the Salvage Association as to bags for the Gunpowder ex 'Vicar of Bray' they must leave it to your judgment, bearing in mind the following points - the quantity remaining on hand - the expense of bags with respect to the selling value at Valparaiso - the difficulty of obtaining freight by any vessel in such an unprotected state - its liability to damage going round in bags only from steaming, water &c. - if you decide to ship it must be consigned as before to Lloyd's Agent for him to pay freight on sale, remitting proceeds to the Salvage Association.

12. We have not received information upon the settlement of the Church Land question at Darwin, copies of Deed or Letter must be sent.

13. Capt. Smith's monthly instalment of £7 is now continued to his Father for the support of his children.

14. Enclosed are particulars of sale &c of the 149 bales Wool ex 'Tiber' 'Black Hawk', this realized a good price though the expenses of bringing it were heavy it is considered they were amply covered by the enhanced price received thro' its being earlier in the market than our ship produce will be, another year this may be otherwise through Wool being on the advance but even in that case the saving of interest

would be considerable, besides the great convenience of funds coming in when our finance is always at a low ebb, which is always the case for some three or four months before the Produce shipment arrives home: the freight insurance were  $8\frac{3}{4}$  p.c. against  $4\frac{3}{4}$  p.c. on the Humbletown Wool, the freight for 'Black Hawk' not being charged as she must have run whether full or not, though you will be correct to put it to her credit in the Island Acct. to show the service she has performed.

15. By this Steamer we ship the Boots as you wished with some few other things and stores for the South American Miss<sup>rs</sup> Soc<sup>y</sup>, as per list enclosed: I have fortunately been able to arrange at the Admiralty that we obtain the Passage Money  $\pounds 48.10.$  for the Royal Marines upon a Certificate from Melian that they went on in the 'Black Hawk', but in case of this not being carried out at Montevideo we send certificate to be signed by Lieut. Pwenty of their arrival in the Colony to be sent here by return Mail. I regret exceedingly to state that at the last moment the Stonemason engaged has declined to go, we had the greatest difficulty in getting him at the high wages of  $\pounds 100$  a year with board & rations, we must now instruct our Agents (some six in number) to advertise & do everything to obtain some one for the 20<sup>th</sup> prox<sup>o</sup>, fortunately he will still arrive the early part of your Spring, we presume but little could have been done during the winter, still it is most unfortunate a man does not start now.

16. We have sent the Mark Lane Express of 20 ult<sup>o</sup> having an encouraging Article on West Falkland at Page 9 and a remark on Wild Cattle in the Colony at Page 3.

17. We have altered the Insurance upon the Hulk's Stores as explained in Journal Entry I have insured the 'Vicar of Bray' for 3 mths at  $\pounds 700$  to 26 July next, if your next Despatches do not specify her date of sailing this must be continued as there is more danger from fire during fitting out - we shall have to pay as much as  $\pounds 4$  (four pounds) per cent for her voyage here.

18. You have omitted the account of Steam House Coals on hand - also the Wool Dipping ingredients and the bales in stock - the Freight Acct. of the 'Sea Witch' will enable you to calculate Waldron's Charges on his Tanks.

19. We have obtained more Shipowner's Agencies, Letters from Liston Young & Co. of London, and C. W. Kellock & Co. and W. B. R. Wright of Liverpool being enclosed.



20. It is reported at Lloyd's that the 'Governor' arrived at Valparaiso on the 10<sup>th</sup> March but as yet there is no advice from Messrs Crofts & Co.

21. We send a German Imperial Navy List and Flag for a boat, also a Flag with Lloyd's Agent upon it. At the last moment Mr. Holmsted has brought some clothes for his Brother, I cannot say whether the parcel that of the Peat will go out as Cargo or in charge of the Colour Sergeant of the R. Marines. We are pleased to hear that your Brother in law Mr. Blake has obtained a Partnership with Mr. Holmsted and wish him every success.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

Enclosures.

- Triplicate 469 Duplicate 470  
 Epitome of Profit & Loss Account  
 Ledger and Journal Entries  
 Copy of Account Sale of 149 bales Wool ex Tiber  
 " " Correspondence with German Consul about Shipping  
 C<sup>o</sup> to Consul 4 May 74 This reply 6 May 74.  
 " " Correspondence about Passages of R. Marines per  
 'Black Hawk'  
 Admirally to Sec<sup>y</sup>. - 21 Jan, 18, 21 Feb, 13 Apr 74.  
 Sec<sup>y</sup> to Admirally 22 " , 20 " 11 " "  
 Copy of Sea Witch's Freight Note for Waldron's Tanks  
 Two Accounts for Cobb from North British 46.3.9 & 8.1.10  
 dated 15 Apr 74.  
 General Invoice of Stores £ 219.3.14  
 4 Detailed Invoices  
 Shipping Agency Letters from Lisbon Young & Co. }  
 C. W. Hellock & Co. and W. R. Wright }  
 Copy of Correspondence about 'D. H. Dade'  
 Secretary to Davison 9 Apr 74 Reply of same date  
 Simson's " Secretary 16 " " " " 21 Apr 74  
 Hickie Borman & Co's Map of River Plate.  
 Mr. Henzies's Circular of new Folding Sheep Fence  
 List of Cargo and List of Parcels  
 Certificate of R. Marines arrival for Lieut. Tweny's Signature  
 Letter for Capt. Smith from his Father  
 do Coleman to Geoman 8 May 74  
 do do " Smith " " "  
 do do " Langdon " " "  
 do do " Cobb " " "

No. 1716

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21<sup>st</sup> May, 1871

The Secretary  
of the B. & O.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 8<sup>th</sup> June 1874.  
E.C.

N<sup>o</sup>: 181/2.  
Messrs 'Boyne'

Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, We duplicate our last on 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> and report the arrival of your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 181, 182, (in duplicate) 183 on the 9<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> and N<sup>o</sup>. 184 on the 14<sup>th</sup> ultimo, the 'Arbutus' being still out.

2. N<sup>o</sup>. 182, 2. We regret to learn that the 'Anne Brooks' has leaked so badly on her passage out, after she left the Dry Dock she made a quarter of an inch of water per hour and it not being an unusual occurrence for vessels under such circumstances to leak a little, we concluded it would shortly cease as the wood became tight again through swelling - with respect to her decks not being caulked Capt<sup>r</sup> Smithen did not ask for this to be done, as having been so lately repaired it was not thought necessary - she was carefully attended to by Mr. Meeger, a well known Shipwright here, copy of whose letter on the subject is enclosed.

3. N<sup>o</sup>. 183, 3 & 184, 13. The account with Mr. Williams has increased rapidly so you must exercise caution, as regards the thirds of the Wool, the Board is of opinion that until he exercises the preemption of purchasing the sheep the old agreement would stand good, the matter must however be left to your discretion and with such a balance against him and no arrangements for security it was wise to refuse the bill drawn upon you without notice.

4. N<sup>o</sup>. 183, 8. We are extremely surprised to learn that you expect we are sending our Shepherds by the June Mail, none have been asked for consequently no steps taken before Whitsun term to procure any, however immediately on receipt of your Despatch all our Agents in Scotland were written to and we shall do our best to send some men by the 20<sup>th</sup> inst. from Liverpool in hopes of that Pt<sup>r</sup> reaching M. Video in time for the 'Black Hawk', should she be late (unfortunately it is the 'Kepler' not a fast boat) the consequences would be serious. The Board trusts therefore that in future you will look a little more ahead as to requirements from this side and take into consideration the time needed to execute your requests, this applies to the

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Stanley.

Sheep Dip materials, which have now been ordered in advance and can thus be attended to - there are several other things of which we ought to receive earlier intimation than we do, such as Clothing, Boots & Shoes, Ironmongery, Tinware, Crockery, all of which have to be made for us & sometimes can hardly be got ready in time.

5. Par 12. At length we have engaged a Stonemason, Robert Pwrie, at Eighty Pounds a year with Lodging & Board all the year round, this meaning everything necessary for living on the principle that he will be sent to uninhabited places to build cottages & must therefore be supplied with all necessaries, we tried hard for rations to be allowed only when in the camp but the demand for such artisans forced us to give tempting wages.

6. Par 13. I am sorry to hear the Newspapers are delivered irregularly, every pains shall be taken to ensure punctuality in future, many of the 'Times' you state as missing were on board the 'Lion'.

7. N<sup>o</sup> 184, 4. We wrote to the General Post Office respecting the difficulty of procuring Money Orders at Stanley and learn that the office there had run out of forms, which having been supplied the interruption will now cease.

8. Par 7. Respecting the disposal of the Second Corral Estate at Port Louis the Directors are not able to come to any decision for want of information, and we must observe that in reporting or asking about matters you do not furnish details to enable the Board to judge what had better be done or how your requirements can best be supplied, for instance you merely state that you should like to part with Second Corral without giving reasons why such a change should be made, nor details of the land, expiry of lease, present value of the same, the freehold acreage & value, now occupied (we believe it is farmed by Green Shields on shares) - as land must be increasing in value some estimate ought to have been given. Again in asking for an 8 or 10 Cutter you merely state the fact that it would be well to have a new one to replace the 'Lily', to enable a proper judgment to be formed on this side you ought to have stated the actual services such a vessel would be required to perform, the dimensions of the old one, whether

coppering requisite, if any sleeping accommodation necessary and such like information, whereas at present we are entirely in the dark on this subject - the same with the Lamps & Binnacle for the 'Black Hawk', the number, character & use of the former should have been stated, the dimensions of the latter ought to have been given with some description of it and wherein it fails for the object needed.

9. Par 8. When the 'Anne Brooks' was loading it was intended to have put some of the Dip Tobacco on board, but it was found the large hogsheads would occasion so much broken stowage, and there would have been a difficulty if the parcel, being in bond, had been divided between her & the 'Lion', it was also never anticipated that the smaller vessel would have got out first, we hope therefore that the 'Lion' soon came in to prevent the deplorable results you picture, and the Board will certainly carry out your views of having a supply of dip Materials on hand, the Directors wish you therefore to state in every Despatch the quantity remaining and they can then judge whether to ship by any opportunity offering.

10. Par 9. We have chosen some Lamps for the 'Black Hawk' at King & Browne's, to burn with their oil, which gives such a good light with economy and safety, they will be shipped by the Lt. of the 20<sup>th</sup> together with a Binnacle and the Log Books.

11. Par 11. The Italian Government has been paid £7.18.8 and state that Mr. Alessandro Piaggio residing at Genoa would be a suitable Agent for you, but that Gentleman has not yet replied to our letter asking whether he could undertake the business.

12. Par 12. You had better consider by times the best method of remitting the Cash which you say will be needed against the Produce remittances of West Falkland settlers, we presume from the Specie sent down by the Government and that shipped for Capt. Ræcke there is now sufficient circulating medium.

13. Two more Shipping Agencies have been obtained, The New Zealand Shipping Co. of London, & Messrs. Pitken Lilburn & Co. of Glasgow, as per letters

enclosed dated 12<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> ultimo.

14. Application has been made to M<sup>r</sup>. Adolph Wintzer of Osnabruck for £11.6.7 balance due upon the 'Mandarins' Account, he replies that the Association for this vessel has been broken up some time since and there are now no funds as the accounts were closed, this is another instance of a German vessel being managed upon a kind of limited liability principle, it behoves you therefore to be most careful in trusting German vessels & especially that there are no omissions in their accounts - under the circumstances we shall not forward the £3.17.3 to M<sup>r</sup>. S. Prabin at Norderf, Holstein, until we learn how this amount is due to him as the matter is not explained.

15. Respecting the Stores for the S. Am<sup>er</sup>. Miss<sup>ion</sup> Society shipped by the S<sup>te</sup>. 'Neva', we included them in our reduced freight under arrangement with the Royal Mail Co. and we wish the freight by the 'Black Hawk' to be made as reasonable as possible.

16. We have received from Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Croft & Co. of Valparaiso £165.8.3 for 190 tons Coals ex 'Vicar of Bray' sent round by the 'Governor', as per letter and account to you dated 14 & 17 April last.

17. M<sup>r</sup>. Melian wrote us on 30 April that finding the Co<sup>'s</sup> business did not bring in so much Commission as anticipated he should not be able to continue the Agency at less than 50 dollars a month, which at 4½ per dollar would be £125 a year, we make no doubt that our various little matters must give considerable trouble and require careful management, perhaps therefore a standing fee of £100 a year ought to answer his purpose, with the Commission obtained from other people having business transactions with the Colony, but we shall wait your views on the subject before giving a definite answer, though we shall state that we have told you that we think £100 a year ought to satisfy him.

18. M<sup>r</sup>. Degenhardt is very anxious to return by the Co<sup>'s</sup> vessel with his Father-in-law & family consisting of 6 persons, making 8 adults with himself and wife, this will be some assistance in taking up a large vessel which we

vessel which we anticipate ought to leave here from middle to end of August next, to the present we are nearly fixed with two Shepherds and have five others mentioned to us, should these not engage in time we might be able to get a few for the August vessel - the Hydraulic Wool Press is to be ready by end of next month, and if not countermanded we should send several tons Galvanized Iron Roofing as you appear to have had only 25000 Shingles from Montevideo & there is great difficulty in getting them.

I remain,  
Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 471.

do Coleman to Cobb 7, 8 May '74.  
do do " Longdon " " "  
do do " Smith " " "  
do do " Yeoman " " "

Shipping Letters - New Zealand Shipping Co.  
Aitken Lilburn & Co.

Copy Meager's Letter 14 May '74 abt 'Anne Brooks'  
Correspondence with Italian Minister of Foreign  
Affairs - Coleman to Minister 16 May '74  
his Reply 3 June "

Statement on Accounts N<sup>o</sup>. 6.

Coleman to Cobb, this date.

P. S. As the last Shipping Report was not on our form some will be sent by N<sup>o</sup>. of 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Is it really necessary for small craft to be coppered at the Falklands to protect them from worms?

No 472

The Secretary  
of the S. A. B.

San Francisco 1874



N<sup>o</sup>. 473. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 19<sup>th</sup> June 1874.  
Mr. 'Hepler' E.C.  
via Liverpool Fulkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. - since then we have heard from Mr. L. Bollo of Genoa that he will undertake the Agency for your Italian Consulship affairs, as per copy of letter enclosed, but there is the difficulty that the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs wrote that Mr. A. Piaggio would be suitable, though Mr. Bollo accepts the office, if the instructions allow you had better include both names, still we make no doubt Mr. Piaggio would act for you; the remuneration is to be one per cent.

2. We regret to state that James Smrie, the Mason, has declined to go in consequence of hearing bad reports of the Islands, our Agent Mr. M<sup>r</sup>. Call is after another one, but as another Agent Mr. Ross, Stratherrick near Inverness, has been prevented procuring Shepherds through bad reports from those he sent out, it is necessary the matter should be looked into; you praised Ross' selection in June '73 but they write to their friends that they have been obliged to work in a quarry, now although Colonists have to do many things not thought of in this country, we trust you will be able to send some report that they have not been ill treated even if set to work not exactly within their calling of Shepherds so that the facts may be promulgated and enable us to obtain men as up to the present we only know of one certain - our endeavours to obtain men will not be relaxed in hopes of sending some by the August vessel but as before stated it is most difficult to engage after Whitsun term.

3. You will find red ink notes on King & Brown's Invoice respecting the Lamps for the 'B. Hawk' - unfortunately the Pinnacle Lamps could not be altered to burn their oil so Colza must be used for these.

4. One of the Passengers will have charge of a parcel of Books for the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Lory from the Bishop to be delivered free of charge.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Fred<sup>k</sup>. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

Enclosures.

General Invoice L 43 " 11 " 6

5 Detailed Invoices.

List of Parcels.

Copy Emigration Agreement for 'Kep ler' 13 June '74

Landing Certificate

Copy Melian to Secretary 30 Apr '74 about Commission  
for Montevideoan Agency.

do Melian<sup>Gr</sup> from Foreign Minister 3 June '74

do Bollo's Letter 11 June '74 about Agency for  
Cobb in Italy.

Journal Entries.

Letter Coleman to Langdon 19 June '74 . . .

Ledger Entries.

Copy of King W Browne's Letter 11 June '74 abt Oil -

P. S. We forward Journal of Applied  
Science of 1 June '74 having an article upon the  
Grasses of a new Colony - also Colonies of  
12 June '74 having notice of the Falklands -  
and Circular of Duckham's Patent Hydrostatic Weighing  
Machine, which tells the weight when any article is  
lifted, should we be justified in going to the expense  
of £17.50. - for our weighing of Wool Bales once a year?

N<sup>o</sup> 474. London, 39 A. Gracechurch St 8 Aug<sup>t</sup> 1874.

E.C.

J. R. M. W. 'Neva'. Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Originals of Despatches 181, 182, arrived on the 26<sup>th</sup> June and on the 30<sup>th</sup> we received Despatch 185 with Enclosures in order. Our last was dated the 19<sup>th</sup> June but my letters from Liverpool by same conveyance, and that of 7<sup>th</sup> ult. will have kept you informed of matters.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 185, 9. The D. H. Dade's affairs still remain in a very confused state, we have to pay the British & Foreign Insurance Co<sup>rs</sup> £182.11.5 for the third cargo of Iron sold at M. Vidoe, but wait next Despatch to learn the Commission you charge, also warehousing & other expenses - we shall be glad to hear of further sales of Bricks for the above Comp<sup>y</sup> or the likelihood of their being disposed of. The Bill on Bauer for this vessel's expenses is not paid, we are suing him at Roslock. On the 4 May we represented to the German Consul here the difficulties with German vessels at the Falklands and received a reply, dated 4 July, that the laws cannot be altered, it will therefore be necessary in future to decline assisting German vessels or making ourselves quite secure by Bottomry Bond.

3. Par 10. Respecting the Shipping Agencies only Messrs Donaldson Bro<sup>s</sup> are to be charged five per cent. Letters were obtained at Liverpool from Williamson, Milligan & Co (having House at Buenos Ayres Milligan & Williamson) and Balfour Williamson & Co, the latter arranged 2 1/2% to Commission in consideration of accepting at 30 1/2%. Gibbs Bright & Co, Myers Son & Co, G. H. Fletcher & Co would not sign letters but have our name entered in their Captains instructions - we forward cards with the latest Agencies printed & shall not move for more unless you mention any firm as peculiarly suitable.

4. Par 18. On the 23 June we received with regret the telegram from Lisbon announcing the wreck of the 'Anne Brooke' your explanations on the subject are noted, we wait the papers to obtain her insurance - Capt. Smithen's assertions about her purchase are totally incorrect, he is certainly quite unsuitable for our service & we hope you have been able to cancel his agreement - as no mention was made to stop the monthly payments for this vessel's crew they have been continued until arrival of the next Despatch - enclosed is Crew Form to be filled up & returned to the Superintendent of a Mercantile Marine Office.

5. We are obliged for your hints as to obtaining another Schooner, finding it impossible to purchase a suitable vessel at a fair price we have contracted to build one of 110 tons Register nearly like the 'Black Hawk' to be ready for sea by the 12<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>, being built here under our own supervision we anticipate getting a very good vessel and her being completed to the time as there is a

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penalty for delay - her after Cabins will <sup>be</sup> the same as the 'Black Hawk's' so she may be able to convey some more Shepherds or the Degenhardt family, as he wishes to take out his Father in law with wife & four grown up children - if your vessel & drices contain an Indent we should reserve some of the Stores for her and start her by the last week of Nov<sup>r</sup> - she will be named the 'Sparrow Hawk'. Mr. Degenhardt wants the cement ex 'Egeria' saved for his Father in law who is a builder.

6. Par 21. Respecting the old Metal ex 'Humbleton' the Brokers say that they employed good people to examine the same and took the highest offer for it. Par 23. Application has been made to Stephenson about the Biscuit per 'Governor' proving bad, they have had no complaints of the same biscuit sent out when we were supplied and as the Governor made a long passage and your complaint is dated nine months after the goods left their premises, they are afraid air or damp has been allowed to get to the biscuit; it should be borne in mind that the flour casks in which this was packed are not perfectly airtight, so extra care should be used to keep them from exposure to air or damp, should we not in future send out in airtight puncheons which would be useful for tallow? B<sup>rs</sup> H<sup>o</sup> have sent instructions about spiling the Beer which we transmit.

7. Par 24. Enquiries are being made about a Tramway, it is a pity you did not send sizes and weight of the angle iron in stock, with full size drawing of section, this would have enabled us to supply some of the same sort.

8. Par 27. The insurances on the Produce sh<sup>ip</sup>: 'Lion' have been effected, she will have a very valuable cargo, £28,000 insured to the present, we hope she will not be quite so late as you anticipate. As to the funds required for Wages & Expenses we shall support you to the utmost on hearing a reply to our 1472, 12, as to the best mode of remittance, from the success of the last three years we are now better able to lay out of our money for the Stores shipped to the Colony and to make advances to others.

9. Par 31. The Board is exceedingly grieved to hear that one of their servants has been murdered, we trust no evil consequences have arisen and suppose there are now very few South Americans or other foreigners in our service.

10. Referring to 1472, 17, I am instructed to state that the Board would much prefer that Mr. Melian's remuneration should be by a Commission upon the work done.

11. The Annual General Meeting was held on 24<sup>th</sup> June at which the following Resolution was unanimously passed - "That the thanks of the Meeting be given to the Secretary, Colonial Manager, and other Officials of the Company for the careful manner in which they have carried out their duties." - The Directors wish you therefore to inform all concerned upon this matter.

12. We have received a letter from the Emigration Board conveying intimation from the Governor to the Colonial Office

That George Ballatt, Ship Carpenter, sent out in 'Lion' in January last was dissatisfied with his engagement, a full reply was written on the 27<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, but I am afraid that a mistake was made, in trying to make our case as strong as possible, by saying that "most of the actual necessaries are cheaper" whereas on investigation it appears that only butcher's meat is cheaper than in England. - The Governor sends a list of prices, many of which appear excessive we therefore wish a list of articles and prices to be sent such as was furnished in 1869 of which some printed copies were forwarded.

13. Only one Shepherd Ebenezer Robson was able to be sent p. 'Hepler' on 20<sup>th</sup> June, for this P.W. we have only four at present two being married men obliged to be accepted on account of scarcity, viz Morrison Ewan, wife & 5 children

Pearson John, wife & 2 do & infant

Hay John

Rougan William

The first comes from the Isle of Harris ( thro' Dr. Murchison, Mr Scott's Medical man, who sent out Mr. Askill & family p. 'Lion' for Capt. Packe ) this being a new quarrel if he sends home good accounts we may be able to obtain others. Several have been prevented engaging through unfavorable reports sent home by the Scots who went out in the 'Governor' last August, the 'Highlander' an Emverness Newspaper had a paragraph on the 18<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, which prevented Ross & Campbell obtaining some good men, we wrote immediately to the Editor but can get no redress though he offered to insert a refutation; you must really search into this matter thoroughly for coupled with the complaints of Ross's men, as mentioned in our last Despatch, it created a serious obstruction to our getting men at all, there being already difficulty enough through the demand for New Zealand by Agents who offer much more favorable (apparently) terms than ours. We have written to the Emverness Courier and the Emverness Advertiser but are without replies at present. Mr. M<sup>c</sup> Call had engaged Richard Smith, who went out p. 'Harmonia' in 1862 and returned some years since, but I declined him as he was discontented when at the Islands and I believe he did not report favorably of the place, if you consider him suitable we can engage him. David Barclay who returned p. 'Athole' and Andrew Carlyle p. 'Humbleton' have interfered with Mr. Call's endeavours to procure Shepherds, he has asked his two Brothers to send favorable report of the place, which might be supplemented by letters from our older employes. A Scotch Shepherd, George J. Rose, applied but being on the Ordnance Survey in Wales our terms did not much improve his position, the correspondence is sent as it might prove useful to engage him for surveying purposes.

14. After considerable trouble we have engaged a Stonemason, James Steel, at £80 a year and rations, unfortunately he is married with two children and an infant, but his wife fully <sup>able</sup> understand his work will be in the open country and is agreeable to his being absent for months, Mr. Call says being a good man & the

wages moderate we might allow rations to the wife, this was declined but I said that if she lived at Darwin & behaved properly you would doubtless allow her meat. Mr. Call has learned that the wages of a Blacksmith are 16/- a week with board & lodging, or 25/- to 26/- without. Robert Whan returns by this steamer, he tells me that Smith drinks so I shall not engage him.

15. Having to be at Southampton for the Passengers on the 8<sup>th</sup>. This Despatch was begun to be written on the 6<sup>th</sup> and on the 7<sup>th</sup> we received your Despatch 188 with Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 187 (N<sup>o</sup>. 186 not mentioned) and other enclosures which will be attended to.

16. Mr. Williams arrived with this Mail N<sup>o</sup>. Olbers - & immediately wrote Mr. Elder who forwarded a Cheque for Five Hundred Pounds in the afternoon.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Secy.

Enclosures.

- Triplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 474
- Duplicate " 472, 473.
- " Coleman to Cobb 8, 19 June 74.
- " " " Langdon " " "
- Land Order for £100 N<sup>o</sup>. 39 Part 1.
- Bass' Instructions abt keeping & bottling Ales.
- Copy Letter to German Consul 4 May 74 abt Owner's Liability and Reply 4 July 74.
- " " fr Rose. 25 July 74 abt engaging as Shepherd & Surveyor
- " " Emigration Board 8 July 74 abt Hallett and prices at Stanley, with Co's Reply. 27 July 74.
- Resolutions at General Meeting of Comp<sup>y</sup>. on 24 June 74
- Lloyd's Agency Lists, British & Foreign.
- Emigration Agreement 5 Aug 74 for 'Neva' and Landing Certificate for her Passengers
- Translation of German Consular Laws
- 'Highlander' Newspaper 11 July 74 abt Scott's complaint
- Crew Form for return on logs of 'Anne Brooks'
- Two Circulars abt Falkland Islds Bishopric Fund
- Duplicate Coleman to Campbell 16 June 74.
- Elliott's Acc<sup>t</sup>. of Photographics for Biggs 3.7.2
- Letter for Alfred Todd of 'Anne Brooks'
- Ledger & Journal Entries
- Parcel for Cobb from Sharpe be out for a month
- Lundry Lloyd's Register Supplements - the new Book will not
- Some of above will go in a parcel by one of the Shepherds.
- German Letter for Cobb from Bremen.

No 4711  
See the goods 1874  
The above copy

N<sup>o</sup> 475. London, 39 N. Gracechurch St. 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1874.  
E.C.

Mr. Boyne Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult. - on the 7<sup>th</sup> ult. we received your Despatches 187, 188 - N<sup>o</sup> 186 arrived on the 31<sup>st</sup> ult. - and the 'Lion' reached the Lon Shs on 1<sup>st</sup> inst.

2. N<sup>o</sup> 186, 3. The Board approves of the suggestion for our Agency at Montevideo being transferred to Messrs. Thompsons & Clarke, as it is likely that the Mail Service may be undertaken by the Royal Mail Co. entirely by their Steamers of the 24<sup>th</sup> of month, and have therefore written to them offering the same, with request that they will communicate with you on the subject as well as ourselves.

3. Par 4. The Board is quite willing to support you with Cash as the business of the Colony is increasing so much and as we are shipping the Stores asked for in N<sup>o</sup> 188, 23 by the W. Teniers to meet the B. Hawk next month the Directors have instructed One Thousand Silver Specie to be sent you and have applied to the River Plate Bank asking that their Manager should purchase your Bills on this Co. to the extent of One Thousand Pounds at the current rate in Montevideo - the Bank Chairman stated that the cheapest mode of supplying you with funds would be to deposit Cash at M. Video and let you draw on same, as the interest derived from the balances would more than compensate for keeping the money here.

4. Par 5. As the protest Court of Enquiry exonerates the Captain Hrew from the loss of the 'Anne Brooks' we shall be able to obtain her insurance - as the Agreement with Capt. Smith prevented him being sent home by the Government he has petitioned the Board to be allowed a month's Salary for his expenses waiting in Stanley for the 'Lion' and the passage money to be charged, this has been granted and £12 handed him to close the matter.

5. Par 6. If you really think it advisable to abandon the Dairy the Board considers it may be given up, but suggests that efforts should be made to find some one to continue it on their own account, as it is the opinion that Stanley would be improved by independent businesses being established.

6. N<sup>o</sup> 188, 2. The Directors consider it would be a good plan to send home Wool by the 'Vicar of Bray', unfortunately the Insurance would be high 50/- p. c. under her

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present character so it is a pity you did not send certificate of her being properly repaired, I have however taken the precaution to get one signed by Capt<sup>ns</sup> Johnson & Smith in hopes of getting the insurance charge reduced. The suggestion of sending a small vessel to bring the remaining Produce will interfere with our intention of supplying a Cutter to replace the 'Lily' for which ~~the~~ vessel must be large or it cannot go on her deck, still we anticipate being able to take up a large ship for the Indent expected the end of this month, as having regard to the cargo space now in 'B. Hawk' we have not sent all the Stores of the Indent N. 188, 23 so the residue will add to the quantity required and as there is no better mode of boiling down the old sheep we have ordered two Tallow Extractors, the same as sent fr. 'Blanch' May 72 but have increased the length from 6 ft 8 in to 8 ft which are to be ready by the end of next month - The Hydraulic Wool Press is also waiting shipment and there is a large wooden Wool shed made by Bagridge for Baillou - as further freight to fill up we have secured a bargain from Bagridge in an Iron House 30 x 14 x 10 to eaves, with 3 large lights on each side, which will be a most useful building at one of our settlements.

7. N. 188, 7. The Directors quite approve of your transactions with Mr. Williams who has this day instructed us to pay the balance of his Wool to Mr. Elder as well as the balance of that he purchased from Sharpe & Robson - Mr. Williams returns by the Lpool S.V. of 19<sup>th</sup> inst.

8. Par 10. We have done our utmost to secure more Shepherds but fear with exception of one or two to be picked up now when we must wait until next Whitsun term, of the ten asked for we have sent 4 and another promises to be ready for the 19<sup>th</sup> inst., should a new Agent in the Western Isles be successful we may obtain some men for the following Steamer or our Schooner though I do not like engaging Shepherds between the terms fearing we don't get men to be depended on as they must break their engagements to come to us.

9. Par 12. You appear to have put the case about Cattle fairly so the Directors think *Laponia* may be merged into a Sheep Farm gradually, but they wish you to bear in mind that Hides always meet a ready sale at remunerative prices and must steps will be taken to keep same herds in such a manner as will make them pay.

10. Par 15. The Directors are extremely sorry to hear that there is dissatisfaction amongst their employes with regard to the Rev. A. Yeoman, they believe his presence is



beneficial and would continue the guarantee and wish you to support Mr. Yeoman as the men's objections may be groundless, they hope therefore that matters will take a more favorable turn and will be glad to hear more on this subject.

11. Par 24. If necessary you can modify the terms of Commission

12. Par 34. As regards Peat the Board cannot give a decision or instructions at present, we have heard of a machine said to be cheaper & better than Clayton's - also a process for Carbonizing it without manufacture or pulping beforehand, through its being placed in a rough state in Fidd's Oven as per circular enclosed. I had an interview with Mr. Walcott, Emigration Commissioner, and then addressed him a letter and have since received a Copy of the Colonial Minister's Despatch N<sup>o</sup>. 27 of 7<sup>th</sup> inst. to the Governor on the subject - should the principle of carbonizing be adopted the Royalty of £140 a year being 3/6 per ton upon 800 tons will be excessive, as the charcoal being light it will be impossible to manufacture such a quantity - from enquiries made in Montevideo it appears there would be some difficulty in introducing it - and if your remarks in N<sup>o</sup>. 186, 16 could be carried out Coal would certainly prove the cheaper fuel for the Islands.

13. The attention of Mr. Ch. C. Fraser Tytler Chairman of the San Guillermo C<sup>o</sup> Limited, a Sheep Association, near Gualleaguay, Entre Rios, having been directed to our Rams, he has asked if we could sell the C<sup>o</sup> some, the matter is referred to you & the Manager Mr. J. O'Dyer will address you from the San Guillermo Estancia, their Agents in Buenos Ayres are W. Gilmore & C<sup>o</sup>. 110 Calle Piedad, I believe they are a reliable C<sup>o</sup> and mentioned £3 for Rams at Stanley or £6 delivered in Montevideo.

14. We believe that Robert Whan who returned by the 'Kevá' on the 10<sup>th</sup> ult. was engaged at the last moment by Mr. Williams - the latter has made a claim on the C<sup>o</sup> for 400 Ewe Lambs not born on his Estate through our not having provided Rams, as per letter of 25<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup>, copy enclosed for your report.

Enclosures.

Duplicate N<sup>o</sup>. 474  
do Sec<sup>y</sup>. to Cobb 8 Aug 74  
do do " Yeoman 8, 9 " "

Copy Sec<sup>y</sup>. " Walcott 27 Aug " abt Peat.

" Col<sup>l</sup>. Off. Lr 7 Sep abt Peat.

" Williams' Letter abt Lambs 25 Aug 74.

Fidd's Circular abt Carbonizing Peat.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,  
J. C. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

No. 475

21<sup>st</sup> Sept. 1874

The Secretary

of the S. S. Co.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 12 Sep 1874.  
Mr. W. Jenkins' E.C.  
via Antwerp. Falkland Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup>. 476.

Sir, We now hand you Invoice of Groes by this vessel amounting to £3683..10..11 - The Specie is composed of half crowns £400 - florins £200 - shillings £300 - sixpences £100 - The River Plate Bank have instructed their Manager at Montevideo, Francis Seymour Weldon Esq, to purchase your Drafts to the amount of £1000 (One Thousand Pounds) at the current rate, so we trust your finance is now arranged on a firm basis.

2. The Insurance for the 'Anne Brooks' has been received, Twelve Pounds (£12) being allowed for the Chronometer, which can therefore be used for the 'Vicar of Bray'.

3. We are not able to send Freight Insurance Accounts to enable you to charge Waldron Packe but may be able to do so by the 'Olbers' on 18<sup>th</sup> but if not settled by then we should hardly write a Despatch.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. C. O'Meara  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

General Invoice	£ 3,683..10..11	
Premier's	10..2..8	Tobacco Charges
Beallion	12..	Specie
Crope's	8..11..6	
Lane's	23..13..	
Morton's	91..11..5	

List of Cargo with numbers  
Memoirs upon I<sup>o</sup> or Stores. in hand

List of Enclosures.

Case of Specie N<sup>o</sup>. 3 is for C. Packe from Capt. Packe  
being £100

Fred<sup>k</sup>. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

London, 39 N. Gracechurch St. 18 Sept. 1874.  
E.C.  
Mr. Ollers, via Liverpool. Falkland Islands Company.  
No. 477.

Sir, Since our last, on the 12<sup>th</sup> Mr. Feniers' we learn that Morton omitted some sweets in their invoice which amount to £1.11. as per enclosed invoice, thereby increasing the General Invoice to £3685.1.11 - the Stores insured for £3425 - the Specie for £1,100. There were errors in the List of Enclosures, the Letters to Forrest & Bagridge ought not to have been forwarded - the Dividend Warrant for yourself was the counterpart of same with particulars, the Warrant having been received by Mr. H. P. Cobb on your behalf in the usual manner.

2. The amount to your credit at the River Plate Bank, Montevideo, is Two Thousand Pounds in case of emergency, the Manager tells me you would only have to send a draft on the Directors for any amount needed and Mr. Weldon would return you the proceeds of same or pay the money in any way you instruct.

3. We hear it is proposed that the Flying Squadron should call at the Falklands, we have written to Admt. G. G. Randolph of the 'Narcissus' soliciting his custom, sending Charts, Cards & Mail Service Tables, suggesting that he should write you from Montevideo in order that you may be prepared for the visit - they are to use sails, steaming only when really necessary so there is not much hope for coaling - they are given 60 days to Stanley calling at intermediate places without leave to Spiffs Crews, this will give you some idea when to expect them, the 'Narcissus' is now at Plymouth, I believe they will sail very shortly.

4. As there is a great difficulty in getting out a Steam Launch we could send a 7 horsepower Engine for £200 if you have a suitable <sup>boat</sup> to put it into.

F. E. Cobb Esq.  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.  
Enclosures.

I remain, Sir  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Morton's Invoice £1.11.  
Burrows' do £307.16.7, insured for £350  
Ollers' Agreement with Emigration Board 12 Sep 74.

London: 39, A. Gracechurch St. 8<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 1874.  
E.C.

N<sup>o</sup>. 478.

J<sup>r</sup>. R. M. S<sup>r</sup>. Dour<sup>o</sup>. Falklands Islands Company.

Sir, Our last were dated the 8<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. as per Duplicates enclosed - on the 5<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>o</sup>. we received your Despatches N<sup>os</sup> 189, 189 1/2 and 190.

2. <sup>N<sup>os</sup> 189, 2.</sup> Time has not admitted of an examination of Mr. Williams' Account, a Journal entry now goes forward but you must be very careful about advances to him as Mr. Elder has refused to accept the last £300 draft on the plea that we have his Wool and can deduct the amount from the proceeds but I fear there will not be sufficient even to cover expenses: by correspondence herewith you will perceive that Mr. Elder by letter of 15<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. agrees to advance him £1400 when the clip is placed in Mr. Elder's Agent's hands, Mr. Williams asked us to advance him cash here upon this promise but we declined.

3. Par 5. The Board considers your explanations upon the disposal of Second Corral and Port Louis satisfactory and authorize you to sell them provided you can get good prices, bearing in mind that the value of land is increasing daily, and that the disturbances in Buenos Ayres & other parts of South America must make the Falklands more looked after as being under a stable Government.

4. Par 9. As Degenhardt has properly at Stanley and would return whether we granted passages in our ship or not, we think it would be foolish to decline his freight because his respectability may not be so high as some of the other residents in the Colony, but it may now happen that we shall not be able to offer him sufficient accommodation since we shall not take up the large vessel we anticipated doing for the end of this month - as your indent contains only a few articles and we shipped a good supply by the 'Teniers' on the 12<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. it is decided to wait for the 'Sparrow Hawk' to leave towards the end of next month and then if there is much left over and the next Despatch brings further orders to take up a large vessel in order to send the Cutter on her deck. I regret to state that 4 cases Boots from Burrows were too late for the 'Olbers' on the 18<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, perhaps they will be forwarded by the Steamer of 9<sup>th</sup> proximo.

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Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

5. Par 15. The Directors are obliged for the report upon Peat Manufacture but as analysis of the crude article proves it to be so good it is their opinion it would not add much to its value to treat it by machinery, the matter is therefore given up for the present - we have written to the Colonial Office yesterday to this effect aspt. Copy enclosed and now hand you Copy of Dr. Versmann's Analysis dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. -

6. Par 16. As Mr. Williams returned on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult. we send back the letter for him, having kept copy of it. Mr. Barker has applied for £50 which under present circumstances has not been paid.

7. Par 23. The Board has already left the matter of Commission to your discretion, but they now agree to your proposal of One percent in cases where more cannot be obtained.

8. Par 28. The Board has now instructed that a representation about Col. D'Arcy's debt is to be made to the Colonial Office, we have passed the £65 to his credit in your books to the account with this Office.

9. Par 30. We are glad to find that our promptness in sending £1,000 specie on 12<sup>th</sup> ult. will relieve your financial difficulties, the credit of £2,000 besides at the River Plate etc will make your position very strong - the Board is surprised that such a system of hoarding coin prevails and suggest your inducing people to deposit their savings by allowing interest at  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  on the principle of the Post Office Savings Bank - with respect to their not spending because the Darwin Store is not fully supplied we notice the Stock on 30 June 74 was £1138.6.8 $\frac{1}{2}$  and if the assortment is not suitable or sufficient you could surely increase it out of the Stanley Stock of Stores amounting £13,408.19.9. From the remarks on the West Falklanders it is clearly the Co's interest to support & oblige them as much as possible, though the laying out of our money causes considerable inconvenience and loss at times on this side.

10. The Directors have read with great concern and surprise your memorandum (dated 12<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1874 ex N. 189) with respect to the sudden and calamitous falling off in the profits of the Store at Stanley from £6,059 last year to £1,018 this year, and for which you appear to be unable to offer any explanation: as the mail which was 6 days over due only came in on the 5<sup>th</sup> there has been no time to compare the reported daily & other takings in cash and otherwise at the Stanley Store with those of the previous year or to more than cursorily contrast the other statistics

of the two periods. But you who had some weeks, it may be supposed, to do this in, seem to be equally at a loss to account for this most startling & disastrous contrast, you do not appear for a moment to entertain the suspicion that any criminal conduct is to be imputed anywhere; but at the least there must have been a great & culpable negligence. Judging by the stocks with which the year began, the amount since sent out & the stocks at the end, the sales of the year show no exceptional falling off and therefore the enormous falling off in profits is not so to be explained. In addition to the possible over-valuing of last year, the carelessness in weighing and neglect in entering sales on credit, as suggested by you, there are the possible undervaluing at this stocktaking and the possible inadequacy of prices ordered to be charged (as well as erroneous prices asked in retail) setting aside all question of dishonesty. But the Directors can hardly conceive how any or all of these causes together could remain so long undiscovered as to work the result apparently shewn, they have always felt and by their despatches from time to time have shewn their anxiety that the stocktaking should be a searching & rigorously correct one as so much turns upon it: one painful result of the present discovery is the throwing into doubt & suspicion the accuracy of other similar valuations not made under the personal inspection of yourself, though by your signing them you in a manner vouch for their correctness. In addition to the desire to find out how the present falling off has arisen, it is of vital importance that a system for the future shall be devised which shall not admit of any such doubt or suspicion - if the present Storekeeper or his assistant is incompetent he should not be retained, and while there is such a dearth of shipping business it appears to the Directors that you cannot do better than employ some of your time in Stanley in personally overlooking the conduct of the Store; as far as possible the stocktaking should always come under your personal cognisance so as to ensure carefulness & accuracy. As you are aware the sum of over £5000 thus abstracted from Profits involves a possible diminution by 5 per cent upwards of the next year's Dividend, the Directors therefore necessarily feel extreme annoyance & disappointment at this unexpected discovery. Thus too they may well have been surprised, having so fully supplied the Store, at the lack of ability often lately alleged to send home Cash remittances; if from any cause a large and unaccountable

brain has been going on it will fully account for the seem-  
ing anomaly. Our heavy outlays for new Schooner, Cutter,  
Extractors &c have all to be based on the natural supposition  
that the Store was going on much as usual so that our  
calculations are thus entirely upset.

11. N<sup>o</sup> 189 1/2. No steps will be taken in the  
matter herein detailed until we hear further from you.

12. We learn that the Flying Squadron under  
Adm<sup>l</sup>. G. G. Randolph C.B. will visit the Falklands  
the Vessels are the 'Narcissus' Flagship, 'Raleigh', 'Doris',  
'Pomona', 'Newcastle' and 'Topaze'. The 'Rocket'  
Capt. Harris proceeding to Vancouver's Island will  
we believe call at Stanley, Sir Rose Price Bart, Major  
in the Royal Marines, goes out in her as Passenger, he  
is a friend of Capt. the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. J. T. FitzMaurice, who  
asked for a letter of introduction to you for him, so seeing  
her at Spithead I went on board and wrote a hurried  
note to you, having Charts, Mail Services & Cards on  
board - we wrote Adm<sup>l</sup>. Randolph soliciting his  
patronage, sending Charts &c - also to Capt. J. G. J.  
Banner of the 'Daring' fitting out at Chatham for  
the Pacific. I am going down to Plymouth to night  
to visit the 'Topaze' and 'Doris', should they actually  
put in I want many Stores you will be quite run out.

13. Jesse Phillips called today, he has engaged at  
old wages £78 a year, will marry and wishes to start  
at once, it will probably be better to send him by mail on  
9<sup>th</sup> prox. as he will be required at the clipping & baling in  
preference to letting him wait for Sparrow Hawk ahead of Nov<sup>r</sup>.

I remain, Sir,

Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Enclosures.

- Duplicates N<sup>os</sup> 475, 6, 7.
- " Coleman to Cobb 12 Sep 74
- Land Orders N<sup>os</sup> 40, 41, Parts 2, for £100 each
- Copy Elder to Williams 15 Sep 74
- " Williams " Coleman 16 " "
- " Coleman " Williams 17 " "
- Letter Cobb " do 11 Aug " returned.
- Copy Analysis of Peat by Versmann 2 Oct 74.
- Edinburgh 40<sup>th</sup> Report on Wool of 'Lion' 22 Sep 74.
- Journal Entries.
- Priced Sale Catalogue of Wool dated 2 Oct 74.

No 189 1/2  
J. Coleman  
22 Oct 1874



London, 39, St. Dunstons Church St. 7<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1874.  
 F.C.  
 Falklands Islands Company.

N<sup>o</sup> 479.  
 P. W. Keva.

Sir, Our last was dated the 8<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. - on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. we received your Despatch N<sup>o</sup> 198 ex 'Sea Witch', together with Bill of Lading for Wool, Bottles & Empty Jars by her.

2. Par 3. The Bill mentioned was honoured on presentation in the usual way. Par 4. Mr. Holmsted's Box has been delivered.

3. I am so confirm Par 5 of N<sup>o</sup> 478 the Directors expecting to receive by next Mail a more satisfactory explanation of the deficiency in the Profit upon the Store Acc<sup>t</sup>. to 30 June last, based upon a searching & exhaustive examination of the Stores and the Store accounts.

4. With respect to your Despatch 189 1/2, on further consideration the Board considers it would hardly be possible to carry out such an arrangement satisfactorily, at the same time they would discuss any proposition laid before them though they think it highly improbable it would come to any fair decision.

5. We have applied to the South American Missionary Society for £24.15.8 as per N<sup>o</sup> 189, 7. but they cannot settle the same without full particulars of the claim, please forward these as we think it will then be paid.

6. In continuation of Par 12 of my last I visited Plymouth for the Detached Squadron and saw Capt. Thrupp of the 'Topaze' and Capt. the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Fremantle of the 'Doris', who are well disposed to patronize our Store but say they will have to follow suit with Adm<sup>l</sup>. Randolph, whom we shall address again at Montevideo - enclosed is Printed Return obtained from the Admiralty showing the Cruise that the Squadron will be at Stanley from 30 Jan to 13 Feb next, under the circumstances we have sent a small quantity of saleable Stores and trust they will realize well: the Admiralty are shipping by one of Sampson's Steamers to leave London the middle of next month for M. Video nearly 500 tons Stores but they will be for the Crews and Defects.

7. When at Plymouth I met Sub-Lieut. Christ of the German Corvette 'Ariadne' and gave him some Charles G. for Capt. Kühne as she is going out to Japan. We have given a Letter of Introduction to you dated the 7<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. to Capt. Conyn who is taking out the Chilian Man of War 'Admiral Cochrane'

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 Colonial Manager  
 Stanley.

and may call at Stanley for Coals.

8. Though it is decided not to enter into the manufacture of Peat by machinery we think it would be well, as the Peat merely cut & dried proves to be so good, to send up a few tons to Montevideo to see if it meets with any sale, in sending the sample here you did not state the price it can be obtained for, as it will be a new article at Montevideo this should be put as low as possible to induce a trial, if it sells readily and at a profit it might answer to manufacture at some future time.

9. Mrs Aldridge has married a Mr. Willans, a shipwright, she left Liverpool with him on 21<sup>st</sup> ult. and goes on to Stanley by the 'Black Hawk' this voyage; our Passengers were Jesse Phillips and his wife, engaged at £48 a year, the same wages he received when at Darwin, and his Brother Charles 18 years old at £45 rising to £50, who has an advance of £5.

10. Our Wool Brokers have particularly examined <sup>two</sup> the extra pressed Wool Bales by the 'Lion' and consider that the pressure is not injurious to the Wool, they therefore recommend that our bales should be pressed to this extent in future as it will save so much freight space, enclosed is copy of their letter of 6 Oct 74 & dimension paper.

11. There is as yet no decision by the Post Office or Royal Mail Co. as to the Mails by their Steamer of the 24<sup>th</sup> of the month, though the former are willing to alter the service according to the Colonial proposal, so we shall have to write on the 29<sup>th</sup> prox. via Liverpool, but as the Royal Mail Sv. of 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. is the 'Tiber' a fast boat, we think of sending letters through Melian and ordering Capt. Campbell to wait for her, as she may arrive at Montevideo nearly as soon as Lamport's Steamer.

12. As you have commenced telegraphing from Montevideo we have drawn up a code of our own for a few matters, as now enclosed, Reuter's Telegram Co. will register our name & address, as well as yours, and messages will have to go through their Agent, Agence Havas, Reuter, at M. Video - our code is in the letter F, if you think of any matters for telegraphing commence on the letter G.

13. We have been expecting details on your proposal for a Tramway across Darwin Fathoms, such as rise & fall of ground, kind of earth the sleepers would be laid on, proposed beginning tending, whether with jetties, &c. &c., we forward particulars & prices of rails & sleepers showing a cost of at least £500 (Five Hundred Pounds) to which

must be added Freight, Insurance, Expense of Laying  
 & bringing up the outlay to close upon £1000, would any  
 toll from the West Falklanders pay for this & keep it in  
 repair and would not such a traffic take away the work  
 from our Schooners, one of which is now building at consider-  
 -able expense. We also send Estimate & Correspondence  
 about Telegraph showing that one from centre of Stanley to  
 our Store would cost at least £80, the Directors would like  
 you to weigh the matter well before incurring such an ex-  
 -pense, especially as the Store business appears to be rather  
 decreasing, and certainly the Profit has much fallen off.

14. I regret to state that Mr. Williams' Wool has  
 not realized the advance made upon it, the lot of 17 bales  
 he purchased from Sharpe & Robson have made a small  
 profit, enclosed is Account showing that he owes  
 £208.3.4 which must be obtained from him as soon  
 as possible - under the circumstances of uncertainty we declined  
 paying the £50 mentioned by you in N<sup>o</sup> 489, 16 and it was well  
 we did so. Mr. Elder refused to accept the £300 Bill, but  
 on my representing the case to him has this morning paid  
 same by Cheque, he is much annoyed with Williams, who  
 did not tell him that this Bill had been drawn, also  
 because the Wool was not consigned to him. Mr. Elder  
 tells me that he has written you with Power of Attorney  
 requesting you to manage for him or act as his Agent,  
 I observed that you would have a divided duty in looking  
 after his interests as well as the Co's, he observed you must  
 of course look to the Co's first, but as there was no one else  
 he could apply to he hoped you would be able to assist  
 him, on such considerations I said I knew you would do  
 your best and that we should write to request your best  
 advice for him if you cannot <sup>act</sup> at which he appeared  
 pleased: he has full security upon Williams' Leases, Stock  
 and all property but is sorry he has gone into the matter  
 having been led on to further advances than anticipated  
 he hinted at sending out someone to work the affair for him  
 acknowledging that if he had to do so he must prepare  
 today out money to get a return for what is invested  
 for the credit of the Colony therefore we wish your best advice  
 for Mr. Elder, who has been told by Williams that he should  
 be satisfied whatever you did would be with an honorable motive.

15. We have received One Hundred Pounds on behalf  
 of your Wife, and £995 (Nine hundred & ninety five pounds) paid  
 in by your Father for your Brothers Henry & George, now  
 farming together upon Lively Island.

16. The 'Sparrow Hawk' is to be launched on 14<sup>th</sup> then to be coppered and we must not hurry her out of the builder's hands or the Cabins &c will not have their proper finish, as the cargo is ordered ready, there will not be much delay in loading, so we anticipate she will sail by end of month. Capt<sup>n</sup> Lewis is almost sure of passing to take command of her - her Passengers will be Theodore White wife & 2 child<sup>n</sup> engaged as Shepherd but a very good Gardener - Morrison a Shepherd from the Isle of Harris - Joseph Burchings from Plimister for Mr. Blake - a Carpenter wife & 2 child<sup>n</sup> for the S. Am<sup>n</sup>. Miss<sup>s</sup>. Soc<sup>y</sup>. - the latter want to send out 10,000 Bricks though they object to the low rate of 20/- per ton wh<sup>ch</sup> we have offered as they would be useful as ballast & they are to write to you to secure some Lime & Cement, as we could not take out these for them. Degenhardt Family are to go out in 'Seattitch' or by S.W., I believe some one has lent him money & he intends taking out some Swes for sale. The Cutter will be ready by end of month, there will be great difficulty in getting her out upon a vessel being 32 feet long, 10.3 beam, 5.6 deep inside, with keel 9 or 10 ins & high combings to hatchway. ~~Whit~~ upon vessels would it be safe to entrust Tanner with 'Sparrow Hawk', we do not learn that he has ever been a Mate or Officer of any degree, if he is the Prishman sent out many years ago it might prove very awkward should any claim on insurance arise when he is in command of her.

17. As there is always an uncertainty in insuring Wool by the bale could you not send the approximate weight of the clip if the weight per bale cannot be given, the bales vary in size, Williams' was insured at per bale value like our own, but the bales proving much smaller, he has had to pay more in proportion - as soon as the Bones are sold we shall be able to furnish full statement of the Lion's Cargo realization, at present it looks as if the freight on our Produce will be exceedingly moderate thro' others paying one penny per pound on Wool, what does Dean charge, take care we do not drive people away through high charges.

18. Though Melian gives up our general Agency he might look after the Peat having a Coal Store & thus connected with persons who use fuel.

I remain,

Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,  
J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

The Sparrow Hawk

Feb 10 479  
J. Coleman 1891

Enclosures Dep<sup>t</sup> 479.

Journal Entries

Ledger do (N<sup>o</sup>: 9410)

Remarks on Accounts (N<sup>o</sup>: 11)

General Invoice of Stores per "Neva" £1607.13.10

18 Detailed Invoices

Jesse Phillips Agreement £78 per an.

Chas do do "15/50 --

Copy of Emigration Agreement dated 5 Nov.

Form of Landing Certificate

Remarks on Stores per Neva

Statement of Settlers' Account Sales of Produce per }  
16 Detailed Account Sales } Lions

Copy of memo with weights of Extra Pressed Wool

Sailing arrangements of Detached } Balis ex Lion 6/8/74  
Equation }

Proposed cargo per Sparrow Hawk

Statement of Williams & Co showing £208.3.11 due to Co.

Telegraphic Code & Examples

Estimate for Tramway

do " Telegraph

Copy of Report of Hides ex Sea Nish 31 Oct 74

Correspondence with Elder re £208.3.11 due to Co

List of things in parcel in charge of Jesse Phillips }  
" " " Mr. Williams } see  
Case from Ward's } below

Letters Coleman to Cobb Coleman to Williams }  
" " " " " " " " " " " " }  
for Gordon " " " " " " " " " " " " } 7 Nov 74  
" " " " " " " " " " " " }

Parcel in charge of Mr. Williams

3 Packages as per Neva

Edenborough's priced catalogues of Meat Sales 2 Oct 74

Boards do do do do do

Transactions of the Highland Society re distilling & sheep

Navy List for Oct

Nautical Mag. do

Circulars from Watson & Co, Gross, Morden, Marsden

Parcel in charge of Jesse Phillips

Newspapers

Lloyds Register Supplement 19 Oct 74

Nautical Mag for Nov

also those things that are ticked above

No. 479

14th Nov 1894

Mr Secretary  
John F. B.

N<sup>o</sup>. 480. London. 39. A. Gracechurch. St. A. <sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1874.  
E.C.

Mr. Sea Witch Falklands-Islands Company.

Sir, Our last was dated the 7<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. - on the 16<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. we received your Despatch N<sup>o</sup>. 192, N<sup>o</sup>. 193 arrived on the 28<sup>th</sup> ultimo.

2. N<sup>o</sup>. 192, 4. The Sparrow Hawk was launched on the 26<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>. her Cabin has been altered to your proposals she is now fitting out & loading and is expected to be ready for sea by the 16<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> at latest - Capt<sup>n</sup>. Lewis has passed & will take her out, his wife accompanying him.

3. Par 8. Respecting prices at Stanley we are glad to hear Fallett & others are now satisfied, having received another letter from the Emigration Commissioners, dated 27 ult<sup>o</sup>. upon this subject copy is forwarded - the particulars of prices you sent on the back of a Chart are not sufficient so a List of Prices is sent for you to fill up & return - every Emigrant will in future be shown this list, but although we have made a mistake as to so many articles being dearer than in England, we are right as to the fact that all well behaved labouring people can save money though living better than here.

4. Par 15. We are in communication with M<sup>rs</sup>. Cole, and may be able to accommodate her in the 'Frederica'.

5. Par 18. The Board is pleased to hear the Boiling down Apparatus is about to be brought into operation, they hope to see some results in the next home cargo: believing the principle is good two more Extractors are ordered, rather larger than the first, as we learn that the Boiler would with care be able to supply three Extractors with steam - one will go out in the 'Sparrow Hawk' the second in the 'Frederica'. It is not clear whether the 233 sheets Galv<sup>d</sup>. Iron borrowed from Dean & to be returned are included in the Indent, this says 7 ft long whereas you mention the sheets as 6 ft, if there is room therefore perhaps we had better send the exact quantity & length.

6. N<sup>o</sup>. 193, 4. The Board thinks you have wisely raised the Shepherds wages to prevent dissatisfaction, it is now most difficult to obtain men even at increased wages and we are obliged to give more to some than others, this creates inequalities which ought to be avoided if possible, if you find any deserving men at a lower rate than others we think it would be well to raise their wages as a reward for good conduct.

Frederick C. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

7. Par 5. Our last explained about telegraphing, Reuter's Telegram Co. have now a "Registered Indicator" for our messages to & from M. Video through the Havas Agency (where M. Humphreys has also registered our addresses) the cost of the names & addresses is One Pound Fourteen Shillings (£1.14.) and twelve shillings (12/-) for every word or group of five figures, we must leave it to your discretion as to availing of this means of communication.

8. Par 6. We trust your speculation in the Sangual's Flour will prove remunerative, the Flour from Valparaiso was already at M. Video, the sale there will result in a small loss. Par 7. Some Clothing has been expressly ordered for the Sparrow Hawk from the Indent ex N. 192.

9. We have received a Colonial Office Letter dated the 18<sup>th</sup> ult. (Copy enclosed) containing Copy of the Earl of Carnarvon's Despatch of 16<sup>th</sup> ult. to H. C. the Governor upon the Amalgamation of the Co's Leases of the Government Lands, which is favorable to the proposal you made, if therefore of advantage to the Company we hope it will now be granted.

10. Referring to N. 478, 8, the Board have decided to delay the application to the Colonial Office respecting Col. D'Arcy's debt, and have instructed me to write him again a per copy of letter of this date herewith, and they consider it will be proper for you to urge his attention to this occasionally.

11. We have received Fifty Pounds (£50) on behalf of the Rev. A. Yeoman from the Office of the Free Church of Scotland, Edinburgh, which we communicated to him today.

12. Although there is little hope of this vessel anticipating the regular Mail we have to inform you that the Barque Frederica, 384 tons, is chartered to take out the whole of your last very large Indent, excepting half the Butter & some deductions for the Neva's shipment on 9<sup>th</sup> ult., and will we hope be despatched between 9 & 15<sup>th</sup> January. The Board have resolved on thus supporting you in the face of the great discouragement they feel from the very poor return shown by the last Store account, and of which they, with much surprise, find no further explanation or even mention in your last two Despatches. In making this very large outlay they fully expect the carrying out of the intension you had announced (and which they have approved) of sending home the 'Vicar of Bray' in January next with the early clip of Wool - a resolve which they would have wished to see confirmed in the later Despatches, as Discount is now up to six per cent and rising, while the Indent will take at least £10,000 to execute it. The



Directors confidently rely on your exercising increased watchfulness & economy over the management of the Stores so that henceforth they shall be made to yield an adequate return for the large capital embarked in the business.

13. The 'Frederica' is chartered optionally for the voyage home and will suffice it is hoped if the 'Dicar of Bray' brings the early Wool, for the balance of Hides & all Produce you can get from other Settlers. She will convey the new Cutter named 'Flora', has to cut a Bow Port for the Spars, having a clear hold under the deck. Her house on deck, a raised half poop has three family cabins and a single berth, which <sup>we</sup> must endeavour to fill up with some Shepherds or other passengers: she carries 550 tons deadweight but 150 tons is sufficient for any ordinary voyage. The amount is £1700 for the round or £1000 for out only - the outward cargo is to be discharged at the rate of 30 tons per day, & 5 weather permitting working days being allowed for discharging & loading in Stanley, Darwin & Victoria Harbours, we trust this will prevent demurrage still it will not be politic to detain her longer than necessary as her home cargo will be required for the Dividend of next June: we shall ship 100 tons Green Coals at first & more afterwards if room - Mr. Clymont sends a Woolshed, Palings &c: if we can oblige him.

14. You will have heard that Mr. F. L. Humphreys had succeeded Mr. Melian as Agent at Montevideo, we trust he will be as careful & attentive as Mr. Melian who we consider has closed his transactions with us in a very creditable manner, we write him to this effect:

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed. Servant,

Enclosures.

- Edenborough's Lr 19 Nov re Sheepskins
- Colt's Office Lr 18 Nov abt Leased Land
- Emigration Lr 27 Nov abt Prices at Stanley
- Acc. Sales 363 Tanned Hides & Quantity Hair, also Bones
- Freight Note for Serjt Grimes pt. Neva 2.12.4
- do " H. Cobb " " - . 11.6
- Frederica's Charter party
- Copy Coleman to D'Arcy - Original for delivery
- Coleman to Cobb - Yeoman, Smith -

Stanley Prices, one to be corrected & returned  
List of Tonnage pt. 'Frederica'  
Dup: Coleman to Langdon, Holmsted, Lory, Waldron.

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4th Decr 1924.

The Secretary  
of the F. L. B.

London, 39 St. Gracechurch St. 8 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1874.  
E.C.

N<sup>o</sup>. 481.  
Mr. Boyne. Falklands Islands Company.

Sir, Enclosed are Duplicates of N<sup>os</sup> 478, 9, 480 the last Mr. 'Sea Witch' which left the Docks yesterday.

2. After closing N<sup>o</sup>. 480 on the 4<sup>th</sup>, we forwarded the following Telegram - "Hughes Menai cannot instruct 'Thomas Glenhill' until receiving full particulars estimate 'repairs' - which it is hoped arrived at Montevideo in time to go down with 'Black Hawk', being from Hughes & Co of Menai Bridge owners of the 'Glen Hill', about which we they cannot give instructions until they receive full particulars as well as estimate of repairs.

3. I was in hopes of being able to send Fletcher's Letter about Fallett of whom I heard an excellent character as they were to write, he was very near being their Foreman in place of his cousin, so we think you would be safe in placing confidence in him.

4. We learn from the Post Office this day that they comply with the Stanley Government wish for the mails to leave England on 9<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> of alternate months, the first to go on 24<sup>th</sup> Mr. 'Liber' from Southampton, we have informed Mr. Humphreys of this and told Capt. Campbell to wait for her as there will be no Falkland Mail by this Steamer tomorrow nor by the Liverpool Steamer of 19<sup>th</sup> inst. We observe this new service detains the 'B. Hawk' longer at M. Video, which prevents the C. having the use of her at the Islands.

5. The 'Sea Witch' took out Mr. Degenhardt, wife & her Father & Mother & family, also we believe a Carpenter & Shepherd for Mr. Dean.

6. The weather is very wet which may delay the 'Sparrow Hawk' as the Carpenters & Riggers &c. cannot make so much progress as usual.

This is posted to Mr. Humphreys.

Enclosures.

Dup Desp<sup>s</sup>. 478, 9, 480  
" Colman to Cobb 4, 5 Dec 74  
Frederica's Charter party  
List of Prices at Stanley.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Serv<sup>t</sup>,  
J. Colman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.

Wm. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 21 Dec 1874.  
E.C.  
Mr. Sparrow Hawk.  
Nº 482. Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, The Directors having built this Schooner for Island service we furnish the following particulars and enclose Certificate of British Registry dated the 11<sup>th</sup> inst. and Certificate of Lloyd's Register of British & Foreign Shipping dated 15<sup>th</sup> inst. -

Official Number 70,662. Register Tonnage 96 <sup>64</sup>/<sub>100</sub>  
Classed A1 for Ten Years from November 1874.

Signal Letters W S T Q -

Capt. Lewis having obtained a Master's Certificate Nº 31,945 we comply with your request to send her out under his command, having agreed to give him Thirty Pounds (£30) with the privilege of taking his Wife and weekly wages of £2.10.0 from the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. until she sails: of this he has had Twenty Pounds (£20) advanced & will be paid until the 29<sup>th</sup> as we do not anticipate she will leave Gravesend until the 26<sup>th</sup> inst.

2. She has a full Cargo as per Remarks herewith & the following Passengers -

Robert Whaits, wife, girl & boy, Carpenter for the South Am<sup>r</sup>. Miss Poc<sup>t</sup> who have paid a reduced passage of Seventy Pounds (£70) for their conveyance to Stanley.  
Joseph Hutchings, Labourer, for Godmested & Blake for whom £20 has been paid to Stanley.

under engagement to the C<sup>o</sup> as Shepherds -

Theodore White wife, girl & infant  
Donald Morrison from the Isle of Harris

These go out under the Emigration Comf<sup>rs</sup> who have been particular that they should be informed the prices at Stanley, Landing Certificate must be returned for these 4 adults.

We heard of White Mro' Degenhardt, he has lately been a Gardener in good situations, but having been a Shepherd in Hampshire when young, the life & his duties having been fully explained he and his wife are willing to be placed in the Camp Mro' accustomed to rather a town life.

3. We now forward copy of letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Fletcher & Co. giving a most excellent character of F. Ball M<sup>r</sup> the Ship Carpenter, so you may place every confidence in him and promote him if deserving.

Frederick E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

4. In reply to your enquiry respecting the price of Old Yellow Metal the present price for new is 9<sup>o</sup> (rather high) old in exchange being 6½, at Swansea 4<sup>o</sup> or 5<sup>o</sup> should be the extreme for old as there are allowances to be made for verdigris, felt adhering, tare &: &:

5. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bath & Son of Swansea having sold their fleet of ships to the Swansea Merchant Shipowners Co. Limited, the latter sent on 8<sup>th</sup> inst. Capt<sup>n</sup> Symons to see to the repairs &: of the 'Alpha' and we have agreed to grant him a credit of Two Thousand Pounds (£2000) Mess<sup>rs</sup> Hughes & Co. Shipowners of Menai Bridge, North Wales, are in treaty to dispatch some one to look after the 'Glen Tilt', we have had a good reference of them so their Agent may be assisted by you, as they talk of accepting his drafts at ten days sight or even sight.

6. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Starr & Co. have applied for £19.2.6 on account of Books sent Mr E. J. Smith the Magistrate, producing a letter from you stating that he would remit, we write him on the subject but you had better urge him to settle this small claim for which they say the Cash cannot now be received under 13 or 14 months from date of supply.

7. We regret to inform you that Wool is going down, Mr Dean's ex Sea Witch having sold at 1½ to 2 lower than ours - writing Mr Dean's name reminds me to state that the S. Am<sup>n</sup> Miss<sup>rs</sup> Soc<sup>y</sup> are talking of changing their agency from Dean to the Comp<sup>n</sup>.

8. The Bill 20.8.1 has been received from Cap<sup>n</sup> Wilson at Callao. We have instructed Mr Humphreys to send Accounts & Vouchers to you - he has drawn on us for £300, we presume you will in future make him remittance through your Credit at the River Plate Bank.

9. We are likely to send a few Shepherds by the 'Frederica' as her Cabin's ought to be utilized & they can look after Ten Ram Lambs to be shipped by her - the weather has been so bad, causing delays with barges, that I foresee we shall not be able to get her off before the 15<sup>th</sup> prox<sup>o</sup>, the extent of loading days here, even if then, so we warn you in time that things may be prepared to cover any delay unavoidably made here.

I remain, Sir,

Your obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>

# Enclosures for 'Sparrow Hawk'

- Trip Dec. 480  
 Dup " 481, 483  
 Land Order N<sup>o</sup> 42 P. 2 for £100  
 Copy Frederica's Charter party  
 Shalley Prices Lists  
 Copy of Emigration Agreement for 'Sparrow Hawk'  
 Working Plan of Iron House  
 do do " Baillon's Shed  
 General Invoice L 1786. v. 3  
 39 Detailed Invoices  
 Journal Entries  
 White's Agreement Form & receipts for £5 for £3.  
 Morrison's do " " " £6  
 Memo re packing of Digester Fittings  
 Yates' Provisioning Scale  
 Copy of Fenner's Letter 8 Dec 74 - re furs  
 " " Arming's " 4 Nov " - " Skins  
 " " Fletcher's " 17 Dec " - " Halls  
 " " Bible Socy " 3 Dec for 400 - " Bibles &c  
 " " Letter to Capt<sup>r</sup> Lewis 21 Dec 74.  
 Contents of Parcel sent per 23 Dec Mail.  
 List of Cargo for Others.  
 " " Parcels per 'Sparrow Hawk'.  
 Copy of Letter introducing Capt<sup>r</sup> Jermain dated 23 Dec 74  
 Lr to Neoman  
 " " Smith dup 4 Dec  
 Copy of Policy for £10000 for N. British.  
 Form for Landing Certificate for 'S. Hawk'  
 Certificate of Class of 'Sparrow Hawk'.  
 Remarks on Stores

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21<sup>st</sup> Decr 1895

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London, 39 A. Gracechurch St. 23 Dec 1874.  
E.C.

N<sup>o</sup> 483.  
M<sup>r</sup>. R. M. M<sup>r</sup>. Tiber. Falkland Islands Company.

Sir, Our Despatch M<sup>r</sup>. 'Sparrow Hawk' on 21<sup>st</sup> (Duplicate herewith) contains all the latest news, it is expected she will leave Gravesend on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

2. This is the first Mail under the new regulations for next year, we trust the service will be performed as satisfactorily as heretofore. We learn that the Post Office have ceased their Agent at Monte Video, and have therefore instructed Capt<sup>n</sup>. Campbell that he will have to look after the Mail Bags himself, on entering the Harbour he could run alongside any Mail Steamer without taking the bags ashore, which will enable them to be delivered here quicker than formerly. We send a parcel to M<sup>r</sup>. Humphreys of some Mail Tables, and one containing some for you and one dozen Punch's Almanacks for next year, together with the Shipping Office Stamp made for the Government.

3. We wrote M<sup>r</sup>. Cole offering passages by 'Sparrow Hawk' and 'Frederica', she appears to have taken umbrage at some thing & now says she is not well enough to go. I told you that the 'Frederica' is a tender vessel & labour some, requiring her dead weight to be kept up, our Stevidore now reports that she is a poor carrier so you must be careful in stowing her.

4. As Capt<sup>n</sup>. Lewis thought the Company's classer for the 'Flora' would be useful he has taken it on board the 'Sparrow Hawk'.

I remain, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant,

Fred<sup>r</sup>. E. Cobb Esq  
Colonial Manager  
Stanley.

J. Coleman  
Sec<sup>y</sup>.



Enclosures

Land Order N<sup>o</sup>: 142 P11 for L100  
Dup Despatch 482 Journal Entries  
In parcel sent to Humphreys for for<sup>ts</sup>  
Navy List  
12 Punch's Almanacs for 1875  
30 Mail Service Tables for 1875  
Deutschen Kaufmannschaften für 1874  
Amtliche List  
Times 10<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> Dec 74  
Mitchells 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> " "  
Irons 12 " 19 " "  
Lloyd's Reg<sup>r</sup>: Sups. 19 Oct & 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 74  
Dic for Ship's Office for Gov<sup>t</sup>  
Catalogue fr Bible Society  
do " Religious Tract Soc<sup>y</sup> } for Yeoman  
Samples from Platt  
Circulars fr Barrand  
Parnall  
Dotttridge  
Ambling  
W. Kermie  
and others  
  
Lr for C. H. Williams fr Coleman  
Dup Lr for D. Arey " do  
" " " Cobb " do

N<sup>o</sup> 483. P. S.

We have just given a letter of introduction to you to Capt<sup>m</sup> William Germain (as per Copy enclosed) who goes out for Mess<sup>rs</sup> Hughes & Co of Menai Bridge to superintend the 'Glen Till', whose draft on them to the amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pounds (£2500) you will please cash and assist him to the utmost of your power, the following is his signature -

William Germain

2. We learn that the S. Aust. Miss<sup>n</sup> Soc<sup>y</sup> are very anxious about the Rev<sup>d</sup> Bridges at Ushuevia, as they fear he has been left too long without provisions and advices, but we do not know what steps they have taken as to chartering a vessel or Stanley to go over there though doubtless instructions will go by the present Mail.

J. C.

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23rd Decr 1874

Mr Secretary  
of the S. A. B.