

C.S.

LIVE STOCK  (Sheep)
No. <b>342/24</b>

1924.

S. of S. No. 22.

SUBJECT.

1924

ROWETT RESEARCH INSTITUTE

3 1st March

Investigations of Sheep Farming  
Industry undertaken by:

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

*7 Nov. 24  
PA 13/10/25*

- S of S despatch No 22 of 31<sup>st</sup> March 1924 — Encl (1)*
- Letter from J Middleton Esq to S of S  
of 12<sup>th</sup> March 1924 — Encl (1A)*
- Letter to Director of Rowett Research Institute  
of 31<sup>st</sup> March 1924 — " (1B)*
- S of S despatch No 37 of 9<sup>th</sup> April 1924 — " (2)*
- Letter from Rowett Research Institute  
of 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1924 — " (2A)*

*Special Warrant 16/24 taken for £250.*

Extract from a minute from the Governor, dated 15th May, 1924 in M.P. 84/24.

Subsequent Paper.

I arranged with Dr. Orr (The Director) that he should telegraph, when necessary, through Crown Agents who would use Government Code. I regret that I did not communicate with Crown Agents on the subject. It will save expense in future if a letter is sent to C. As, by mail next week arranging for a code word of 5 letters to signify "Following for The Director The Rowett Research Institute, Bucksburn, Aberdeenn N.B., message begins."

L. to the Crown Agents 17th May 1924

(3)

Crown Agents Letter of 30th June 1926

(4)

E.E. Submitted for information.

9th 13  
for CS

10 Oct 1924

23 Oct 1924

Telegram from S. of S. 21<sup>st</sup> November 1924 Encl. (5)

Y. submitted

~~11/11~~ 22 Nov. 24

H.P.S.

Will you please telegraph to S of S on following lines  
with reference to your telegram of 21<sup>st</sup> November  
Munro will arrive in England end of December  
please see my despatch of — November 20 —

H.P.S.

22 November 1924

Telegram to S. of S. 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1924. Encl. (6)

(This is despatch  
forwarding no Munro's  
report H.P.S.)

P.H.  
1/1/25

DUPLICATE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

No 22



DOWNING STREET

31 March, 1924.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a letter from Mr. Middleton, with regard to the arrangements which have been made for the Hewitt Research Institute to undertake certain investigations in connection with the Sheep Farming Industry of the Falkland Islands.

Mr. Middleton  
12.3.24

2. I also enclose a copy of a letter which I have caused to be addressed to the Director of the Institute from which you will see that I have approved Mr. Middleton's recommendations and that the Crown Agents have been authorized to pay the sum of £250 to the Institute on the 15th of April next as a grant in respect of the additional expenditure involved by the proposed investigations.

To Director Hewitt  
Research Inst 3/24

3. I concur in Mr. Middleton's proposal that this amount and the further grant in respect of the year 1925, if made, should be met from Land Sales funds. I have no doubt that in view of the importance of the matter the Legislative Council will readily give their approval to these proposals.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your most obedient  
humble Servant,

(Signed) J. H. THOMAS

THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE  
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

1/A  
WINDHAM CLUB

St James's Square

S.W.1.

12th March 1924.

Sir,

With reference to my despatch No.42 dated the 23rd of March 1923, I have the honour to inform you that Dr.J.B. Orr, Director of the Rowett Research Institute, which has been established for research in Animal Nutrition and receives a grant from the Development Commission, has consented with the approval of the Governing Body of the Institute, to undertake certain investigations in connection with the Sheep Farming industry of the Falkland Islands.

2. Work of a similar nature is being carried out at the Institute in connection with sheep farming in Scotland, and the investigations connected with the Falkland Islands would be carried ~~out~~ through as part of the work of the Institute. This would involve an addition to the subordinate staff of the Institute, and it has been suggested that the Colony should make a grant of £250 to the Institute in order to meet the additional expenditure which would be incurred.

3. Dr. Orr would make an interim report at the earliest possible date and within twelve months and he would at the same time advise whether the investigations should be continued. In the event of it being found of practical advantage to continue the investigations it is suggested that a further grant of £250 should be paid to  
the

The Under Secretary of State

Colonial Office

Whitehall, S.W.1.

the Institute in 1925.

4. Subject to the approval of the Secretary of State I have agreed, provisionally to these arrangements and if they meet with acceptance I beg to request that the Crown Agents for the Colonies may be authorised to pay the sum of £250 on the 15th of April next to Mr.D.B. Gunn, M.B.E., M.A., LL.B., Secretary and Treasurer of the Howett Research Institute, Bucksburn, Aberdeen.

I recommend that the expenditure on these investigations and in connection with the visit to the Colony of Mr. Hugh Munro should be defrayed from the Land Sales Fund which was established as a Reserve Fund and is at the disposal of the Colony for its development or in case of emergency. The fund amounts at the present time to approximately £180,000

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I have the honour to be,

etc.

(Sgd) J.Middleton.

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12235/24

Downing Street

3/ March, 1924.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr. Secretary Thomas to inform you that he has learned with satisfaction from Mr. J. Middleton the Governor of the Falkland Islands that you have consented, with the approval of the Governing Body of the Rosett Research Institute, to undertake certain investigations in connection with the Sheep Farming Industry of the Colony.

2. The Secretary of State has approved of the Colony making an immediate grant of £250 to the Institute in order to meet the additional expenditure to be incurred and the Crown Agents for the Colonies have been authorised to pay this amount to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Institute on the 15th of April next.

3. It is understood that you will make an interim report

THE DIRECTOR

ROSETT RESEARCH INSTITUTE.

report at the earliest possible date and within 12 months; and that you will, at the same time, advise whether the investigations should be continued. In the event of it being found of practical advantage to continue <sup>The</sup> investigations the Secretary of State will be prepared to approve of a further grant not exceeding £250 being made to the Institute from Falkland Islands funds in the year 1925.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) G. GRINDLE

THE ROWETT RESEARCH INSTITUTE,  
BUCKSBURN, ABERDEEN

2nd April, 1924.

S/11/24.

The Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office,  
London, S.W.1.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter 12235/24 of date 31st March curt. with regard to certain investigations in connection with the Sheep Farming Industry of the Falkland Islands. I note that the Secretary of State has approved of the Colony making an immediate grant of £250 to this Institute in order to meet the additional expenditure, to be incurred therewith and that in the event of the investigations being found of practical advantage, the Secretary of State is prepared to approve of a further grant not exceeding £250.

I am to inform you that these investigations will be gone on with immediately, and that the Director of this Institute will furnish an interim report within twelve months, or earlier if practicable, on the results obtained and at the same time advise as to whether the investigations should be continued.

I am, etc.,

(Signed) D.B. Gunn

Secretary.

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Reference to previous correspondence:-  
Secretary of State's Despatch No. 22.... of the  
(~~SECRET~~)

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31st March,.....19.24.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No.....37.....



DOWNING STREET,

.....9th April,.....19.24.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you the papers noted below on the subject of investigations in connection with the sheep farming industry in the Falkland Islands.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FALKLANDS ISLANDS.

J. H. Thomas.

Date.	Description.
1924	
2nd April	From the Rowett Research Institute.

342/24

17th May, 24.

Gentlemen,

With reference to the grant of £250 which you have been authorised to pay to the Rowett Research Institute, Aberdeen, towards the defrayal of the cost of certain investigations to be undertaken by the Institute in connection with the sheep farming industry of the Colony, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency, while in England, arranged that telegrams from the Institute to this Government, when necessary, should be transmitted through you for re-transmission in the Government code. I am to say that telegrams from the Colony to the Institute will be similarly transmitted and that, in order to save expense the code word "ROWAB" should be read to mean "Following for The Director, The Rowett Research Institute, Bucksburn, Aberdeen, N.B., message begins."

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

H. Henniker-Heaton,

Colonial Secretary.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies,  
 4, Millbank,  
 London, S. W.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE  
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,  
THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED  
AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE: 79 O/Misc 888.  
TELEGRAMS. "CROWN, LONDON."  
TELEPHONE, 7780 VICTORIA

4, MILLBANK,  
WESTMINSTER,  
LONDON, S W. 1.



30th June, 1924.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 342/24 of the 17th May, from which we note that, in telegrams received from the Falkland Islands, the code word "ROWAB" is to be read to mean:-

"Following for the Director, The Rowett Research Institute, Bucksburn, Aberdeen, N.B., message begins".

2. We propose also to use this code word, when transmitting telegrams to the Colonial Government at the request of the Institute, and in such cases it should be taken to mean:-

"Following from the Director, The Rowett Research Institute, Bucksburn, Aberdeen, N.B., message begins".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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TELEGRAM.*From:* The Secretary of State for the Colonies.*To:* His Excellency the Governor.*Dispatched:* 21st November,

192 4. Time 5.40 pm

*Received:* 22nd November,

192 4. Time 10.35 am.

GOVERNOR

FALKLAND ISLANDS.-

YPAZOVYUPY HEWUZAZOJE OFIUFBUERK AMOSI GRASSES  
 RYESPMANUH HNUYRLISLE AMRIPDIRYA OFKYZFYCOH  
 ZARKADUWHA IBYTABUZEC THYCAINUUVU DIVIF MALNUTRITION  
 IBYTATAGBA UTWODRONKY BUKHOEDDELI NSICULNVEK  
 SNYAKCYZUH GOVNYETSOX RONKYIBYTA IBWAVHLAKES  
 FOJOKOFIUF AKAUJUNRO KHEBEORFOC FOVEIIZNOS  
 IRBSIAUMIM SYJITSEGER.

Meaning:

*Encl. (2)* With reference to my despatch of the 9th April No. 57 following has been sent at the request of Orr begins :

Analysis of grasses shows marked deficiency in lime and certain other essential constituents. Believed that these deficiencies cause of malnutrition. Tests with sheep being conducted to determine whether deficient substances can be fed direct to sheep. Full report follows by post ends.

Orr asks whether Munro is proceeding to England and if so when he will arrive telegraph reply.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

TELEGRAM.

*From :* His Excellency the Governor  
*To :* The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*Dispatched :* 25th November, 1924. *Time* 10.50  
*Received :* ... .. 192 *Time.* am.

CHAPELRIES  
 LONDON

YANVUYONTI MUNRIUSICE JIEULFLYUS OLPEINAFAI  
 WANYTOARNI YALYTQVNE

Meaning:

23rd November. With reference to your telegram of 21st November Munro will arrive in England end of December please see my despatch No. 101 of the 4th November.

Governor.