

C. S. O.

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(Formerly)

SUBJECT :

PROVISION OF CHRISTMAS LAMBS.

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CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

## DESPATCHES AND TELEGRAMS.

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E.E.

Taking into account the next high tide, can you give an approximate date for the "Philomel" being ready?



27/11/49.

H.C.S.

Work on the Philomel will commence on 5 Dec and if all goes well (weather etc) should be completed on the 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>. Should there be any snags it will mean waiting for another suitable tide.

E.H.S. 29. xi. 49.

Agria: Office.

Above for information.



1/12/49.

H.C.S.

See Thank you

J.P.O. 1/12/49.

B.W. 19/12/49.  
12/12/49.

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24/12/49.

18/22.  
To. The Hon. Col. Sec.  
From. The Agricultural Officer.  
Date. 7th November, 1949.

In respect of Christmas Lambs.

J. McGill will not be providing any for town this year. I have enquired what the Company are doing about same and find that Clark has asked the F.I.C Farms Dept. for 200 lambs but has only a promise from them of 90 which I presume are the few early lambs produced by the Fitzroy Farm around the Anson farm site.

Thus there will not be as many as usual Mr Hutchinson being out of business who provided about 100.

J. McGill	"	60
F.I.C.	"	<u>80</u>
Total		<u><u>240</u></u>

As Government is somewhat implicated in this matter by reason of its taking the Peninsula away from J. McGill I thought it worth while submitting the following suggestion of a line of action to alleviate the situation.

1. Government approach farmers one by one until one is found willing to supply killed and dressed up to say 150 lambs.
2. Then Government announce its willingness to take orders, price to be fixed in relation to what Farmers agree to supply at.
3. Philomel be made available to collect and transport the carcasses in to Stanley in Christmas Week.

P.S. Penelope would be too sooty and dirty on deck to make to make a success of the transportation.

*John P. Kelvie*  
Agricultural Officer.

*File - K.E. to proceed.  
K.E.  
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The Hon. Col. Sec. The Agricultural Officer. 24th November, 1949.

Mr  
Y. J. O's on D. pl.  
H. C. S.  
15/11/49

I will not be providing for town this year. I have enquired what the Company are doing about same and find that

H. C. S.

- 1. I am unable to say whether the Philomet will be available as
  - (a) The spars may not have been fitted by this date.
  - (b) The rates of pay of the crew have not yet been decided
  - (c) She (Philomet) may be preparing for a voyage to South Georgia

Y. J. O. 16. Nov. 49.

Y. E.

Personally, I would not advise that Government should go into the butchery business. This is the province of commercial firms, & I don't think we should touch it, but as A.O. points out that it has a "political" tinge, I submit in order that you may be aware of the position.

21/11/49

We cannot go into the butchery business but let us assist in any way shud of that. The Town cannot have it both ways.

M.C. 22/11

A.O.

It discuss.

22/11/49

H. C. S.

We discussed. I have since seen Mr. W. J. Hutchinson now in town, and whilst he will not supply Lamb & thinks there is nowhere else where any would be parted with; he suggests if Philomet were to go to Bull Point about Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> to repair the light thereon, which would keep them there a couple of days he would if put on the Island mean time kill & bring into Stanley 2 a dozen fat bullock paying freight etc but not Charge for the boat.

John P. Olive. 24/11/49  
A.O.