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14th Septbr.

PROPOSED ERECTION OF A BRIDGE IN HAST FALKLAND ACROSS THE ARROYO MALO STREAM.

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endeavour being made to improve communication by land in these islands and I expressed my views on the subject at a meeting of the Legislative Council which was held on the 23rd of July, 1924, (Gazette 1924, page 91, paragraph 2). Materials for a bridge in West Falkland have already been supplied and I am of opinion that materials for a bridge in East Falkland should be supplied next year in order to encourage bridging work.

The stream which presents the chief obstacle on the main track to the farms in the north of the East Island is the "Arroyo Malo." The only description of it, which I can find, is the following which is taken from Captain Moody's despatch No. 14 of the 14th of April, 1842:

The Arroyo Malo or Matson River, is another large stream which drains the long valley, described as separating the Simon range from the Mickham Heights. It rises at the foot of Mount Usborne

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and running in an easterly direction falls into an arm of Port San Salvador a distance of 18 miles. It is not navigable and as it is completely a mountain stream it often becomes difficult and dangerous to cross by reason of sudden floods swelling it into a deep and rapid river."

- 4 feet wide) superted on crates filled with stones. It was erected by Mr. Felton, but Mr. Greenshields also assisted in the work as he uses it for driving sheep between Douglas Station and Horse Shoe Bay. The site is about a mile above tidal water and I believe the determining factor in its selection was the protection of the crates from the full force of the stream in floods and that was essential owing to the large quantity of ice which comes down in winter.
- 4. There are suitable sites where a clear span bridge of 100 feet could be built and after visiting the locality in March last when the stream was low, I wrote privately to Colonel Carraichael, Engineer in Chief in the Crown Agents Office who has had practical experience in India and other countries of difficulties of transport and dependence on unskilled labour in connection with bridging work. A copy of my letter and his reply are attached.

5. I propose to provide 2700 in Batimates for 1926 for apprise for Arroyomalo, the expenditure to be charged to surplus balances.

56. Drawings Z 2273/1 and Z 2273/2 illustrate a common type of bridge which appears worth trying as an experiment in this Country, but I shall be glad to have the views of the Colonial Engineer on the various types of which drawings have been sent.

6%. If the N type is considered suitable I would suggest that

- (1) 4-ton axleload should be maintained as suggested by Colonel Carmichael seeing that there will be no saving in reducing axleload to 2 tons and there is sure to be corrosion.
- (2) Outrigger bracings to maingirders should be dispensed with as suggested. This will reduce cost of materials and length of cross girders.

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(3) Decking should be of Punta Arenas timber in lieu of concrete and Colonial Engineer should specify dimensions of timber which will be required: the girders should be drilled with holes for bolting down decking.

With reduction of length/cross girders to 10 feet the weight will be reduced about 2% cwts: the main girders will be slightly heavier, approximately 3 cwts, but apparently the heaviest individual member will be the 20 ft. top boom which will weigh nearly 3% cwts and I assume that these could be sent out in two pieces with joint plates for making a joint in the middle without in any way weakening the bridge. No great difficulty should be experienced in transporting these weights even over swampy ground.

Pending decision of the best type of bridge, I propose to provide £700 in next year's estimates (to be charged against surplus balances) for a bridge for Arroyomalo.

The estimate is made up as follows:

Steel work ... £500.
Freight... 120.
Local Freight, say ... 72.
Decking... 30.

The reduction in length of cross girders and omission of outrigger bracings should effect a saving of more than £22; nothing is allowed in the estimate for the erection of the bridge as I feel certain that the Farmers will undertake the erection themselves as they will appreciate the benefit of it. Moreover the erection of such

a bridge would afford very valuable experience in bridging work and indicate how existing methods may be improved.

14th September, 1925.

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I have examined drawings No. 2.2119 (Bowstring Type) and Z. 2273 ("N"type), each being for ICO' span bridge. Either type is, in my opinion, suitable for erection in the Colony.

- 2. It will be seen from the Table of Weights, (Perewith on separate sheet) that the parts of the Bowstring bridge are more in number, consequently there are fewer heavy lifts than in the case of the "N" type bridge. Weight, in this commexion, is, I think, a great consideration, also the shorter the member the better it is for landling.
- 3. I note that Colonel Carmichael is of the opinion that the outrigger bracing is unnecessary, but I would venture to say that at times, especially in the winter, the wind force is very great; the gales, locally termed ""oplies") do not usually last very long but they are very fierce. In my opinion the outrigger bracing should be provided.
- From the foregoing I think it will be seen that the advantage, as regards transport, erection and appearance, is in favour of the Bowstring bridge, and for these reasons I am of the opinion that this type would be more suitable than the "N" type. The Bowstring bridge is nearly three tons lighter, but its first cost is #35 higher. Allowing #9 as a saving on freight the higher first cost is reduced to £24. This, in my view, would be saved in transport to site

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and in the greater facility of erection, as the length and weight of individual members would be less than in the "N" type.

- 5. A rough estimate of timber, etc., required for roadway in place of concrete or metal is submitted herewith on a separate sheet (marked A).
- 6. The assembling of this type of bridge is simple if under the charge of a man acquainted with the work, but there would be further expenditure in commexion with gear and material required for work of erection. In the first place timber supports will have to be placed under the ends of the betten beens, and the timbering will have to be of sufficient strength to carry the weight of bridge until the top been and stays have been placed in position. Assuming that the height of supports from river bottom will require to be about 8 feet, the estimated cost of material will be about 14 for each support. Four supports will be required needing, say, \$16 for timbering.

A pole or shear-leg will be necessary to lift and hold the members in position while they are being bolted up. Estimated cost of pole, winch or blocks, rope etc. \$20. Concrete shore ends will be required. Allowing for frontage of 15', height of 12' and length of 3', the estimated cost for materials, i.e. cement, sand and metal, or building stone is \$88.

7. The following is a rough estimate of cost of bridge, exclusive of labour.

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- 8. I am of opinion that a Fordson Tractor, with trailer, would be of great assistance in the transport of material to site.
- 9. Drawing Z 2405, in reference to timber bridges, received. These are of the ordinary type which, I think, has been replaced by steel work in countries where timber in not readily obtained at a low cost. The main bearer must be the full length of span, and, in the case of a 30' span, the bearers of, say, 8"x 6"x 30' would be difficult to convey up stream to a place where the width is only 28' to 30'. The approximate weight of such a beam would be 31 cwt.

  Personally I am in favour of steel bridging in place of timber.
- IO. Drawings 3 2119 (Bowstring), 3 2273/I and 7 2273/2
  (N type); 3 2049 (75'span); 3 1895/I (120'span); 3 1801/I
  (50'span); 3 2119 (timber) returned herewith in separate cover.

Colonial Engineer.

17th September, 1925.

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- 2. Suggested telegram to Crown Agents:Please ship per "BOGOTA" seven tons portland
  cement packed in one cwt sealed steel drums.
- 3. As there is no provision on the I925 estimates for the Malo Bridge, I would suggest that the cement be charged, in the first instance, to the Unallocated Stores Account.
- 4. Draft indent for confirmation of telegram herewith.
- 5. My estimate of I7th September provided for cement to be packed in wooden casks of 400 lb each, giving about 5 to the ton. The additional cost for packing in sealed steel drums (20 to the ton) will, I think, be about £20.

Colonial Engineer.
29th October, 1925.

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The Hon. Col. Secy.,

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Colonial Engineer.

17th Movember, 1925.

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The Hon. Col. Secy.,

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- 2. I much regret that I omitted to specify timber decking in the original indent.
- 3. I now submit and amended indent which I trust will be found correct.
  - 4. With regard to the information in para. 4 of His Excellency's minute of 24th October; I do not think it is

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required to give this in the indent, as the bearing on the banks as shewn in drawing No. Z2119 is only 2'2".

5. A Financial Requisition in the sum of £500 to cover the estimated cost of the indent is being sent forward through the Treasury.

> Rossavely. Colonial Engineer.

2nd January, 1926.

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The Hon. Col. Secy.,

Indent in quadruplicate submitted herewith accordingly.

Colonial Engineer.

6th Janury 1926.

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11 - 12. Letter from Crown Agents, 6th October, 1926.

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The Hon. Col. Secy.,

Thank you, seen.

- I am submitting, under separate cover, a minute cortaining a list of timber which I suggest should be ordered from Punta Arenas. The list includes requirements for the false work in connexion with the erection of the bridge, also decking for the bridge.
- The estimate d cost of the materials for the false work is rather high(£78.9.6) , but the wood is of useful sizes and it is thought that practically the whole of it will be purchasable into stock from the Bridge Vote after the work of erection has been completed.

Proposely. Colonial Engineer.

18th December, 1926.

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The Hon, Colonial Secretary.

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- 2. An approximate estimate of the total expenditure for erection and completion of the bridge will be prepared as so in as the necessary particulars in respect to hiring of men cooking, victualling, etc., and number of labourers to be furnished by the farms on the north camp have been obtained, Action is being taken in connection with the above matters.
- 3. The ironwork and timber staging for erecting has been shipped by the "Falkland" and arrangements have been made with Capt Roberts to land the gear as near the proposed site as possible.
- 4. I beg to submit herewith F.R. in the sum of £50. to cover labour in connection with delivery of material to the "Falkland" and other incidental expenses.

Colonial Engineer

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The Hon. Col. Secy.,

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More than £600 will be required to complete the work.

- 2. I beg to submit herewith a fresh F.R. according.
- 3. The following gives the estimated cost of materials delivered at the Arroyo Malo Bridge: The Crown Agents' accounts have not yet been received.

Ironwork, per original shipping advice £360.

Freight from Great Britain ..... 50,

Landing charges at Stanley ...... 13. £423.

Freight on timber and ironwork, from Stanley to the Arroyo Malo River

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Delivery to ship at Stanley

Total ......£675.

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4. When the estimate for cost of erection is prepared the actual charges for the above will probably be known and the further amount required could be included in the S.W. to be issued.

Colonial Engineer.
30th June, 1927.

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The Hoh. Col. Secy.,

I beg to submit the following report in connexion with the erection of the Arroyo Malo Bridge. I have not visited the site nor have I any personal knowledge of the conditions, but I have discussed the matter with Messrs A. Felton, W. Mewing (Charge hand, Teal Inlet), D. Fleuret (who was recently on the site to receive cargo) and C. Gleadell. The last named worked near the suggested site for many years ...

- 2. From information received it appears that in the months of August to the middle of October the river usually is in flood, being from 5' to 8' deep with a heavy rush of water and ice. After the snow water has cleared from the mountains the river falls to a depth of from 1'6" to 2' with an occasional rise after heavy rain. The best months for the work of erecting the new bridge are from Movember to February, when the river is low, the weather better and the hours of daylight longer.
- The exact position of the site for the bridge does not appear to be known. From Sir John Middleton's minute of 24/10/25 herein the Hon. J. Felton selected a site above the present wooden bridge and also above a tributary of the Arroyo Malo. A further wooden bridge will be required to cross this tributary. I am informed that the tongue of land between the main stream and the tributary is covered with water during times of faood.
- The materials shipped by the "Falkland" have been landed about a quarter of a mile below the site.

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The ground over which the materials will be taken is rough, but Mr Newing hopes to be able to float the heavy timber (for staging) up the river during flood. The iron work, cement, etc. will go overland.

- 5. Suitable stone for concrete work, also sand is plentiful in the vicinity of the bridge. Some of the stone may have to be quarried.
- 6. The Arroyo Malo House is a good 15 minutes walk from the site. It has sleeping accommodation for 10 or 11 men, but cannot provide messing accommodation. A hut, approximately 24'x 12'x 8' walls will be required for sleeping accommodation for the cook and to provide a messing room for 11 men. Another hut, approximately 16'x 8'x 8' (sleigh roof) to provide sleeping quarters for the 0/I/C and a store room for the cook will also be necessary. Both these huts will be on the site and the workmen will only require to sleep at the Arroyo Malo House.
- 7. Both Mr Newing and Mr Fleuret report that the cement shipped to the site in 1926 is practically useless; consequently a further supply will be required.
- 8. With regard to the wooden trestles to carry the staging. If there is 3' and upwards of water in the river it will not be possible to sink the trestles or to hold them in position as they will float and be carried down the stream. If the work has to be done during the flood period iron trestles will have to be provided.
- who will be taken from Stanley. During the weeks that the men will be away they will have to employ others to plant their gardens and cut their peat. This point has been raised by the men and in my opinion is a reasonable one. I would therefore suggest that the rate of pay be increased by one penny per hour per man during the time the men are employed away from their homes. The estimate for labour given below has been calculated at this rate.
  - 10. Mr W. Mewing informed me that every assistance would be given by the Hon ...... Felton in connexion with both horses and men.

He thought three men could be lent for work in connexion with the bridge and the farm would pay their wages, amounting to £7 per month. He considered that on work of this nature their wages should be made up by the Government to the same amount as that received by the labourers from Stanley. This is, I think, reasonable and the necessary provision has been made in the estimate.

11. The following is the estimated cost to erect and complete the bridge with the river at summer level.

To material for abutments, cement, etc ....£120.

To wages of mason, carpenter, cook, and four labourers, and extra payment to three farm labourers for a period of 70 days, working 88% hours per week per man.

To fares, messing, fuel and utensils .... £200.

Bo ringing gear, ropes, tackle and tools. £60

Unforeseen....£100. £1186.

To additional amount required for bridge materials from England (Vide my minute of 30/6/27 herein)

£1261.

12. It is anticipated that the staging timeer will be useful for other work after the bridge is completed (vide my minute of 18/12/26 herein). The huts and rigging gear will also be re-purchasable.

Colonial Engineer.

18th July, 1927.

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Hon. Colonial Secretary.

I beg to report that the Acting Colonial Engineer, with men and materials, left this morning at 7.0 a.m. on 3.3. "Fleurus" for the Arroyo Malo.

Actg. Colonial Engineer. 25th January, 1928.

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Paints and brushes are being sent to Leal Inlet by the first available

I spoke to Mr Yelton on the plane and he is undertaking the painting as he gets men to spare, he states that a start will be made next month

and work continued as weather permit

C1. Roberts 28.8.31.

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A had intended to inspect

this bridge during the coming year.

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1-9-32

67. Letter to the Hon. G.J. Jelton. 718 September, 1932.

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Draft of letter approved Mig 6.9.32

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Hon bol Sec.

The materials were returned by
the last trip of the Lafonia and have
been placed in the P.W. Dept Store.,

Mr. Lelton now reports that the South
approach to the bridge has been damaged
by errosion during the last winter.

The bridge could be inspected when

making the proposed motor trip over
the tracks to Leal Inlet, failing this

I evould propose to send me Challen

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I beg to report that a trip was made to Seat Inlet and buck between the 5th and 4th of Dec 1932, by the 6 wheeled Morris Lorry. The distance havelled being 862 miles in either direction, the seeming time taken on the autward journey was the 40ml and on the homeward journey 4 hrs. During the outward journey the arrays Malo Bridge was inspected, and seeing it has not been painted for 4 yrs I consider the condition of the Steelwork to be good, the paintwork has generally peeled off but there is no sign of actual rust or scaling. The bank to the South approach shows signs of errosion, but the bearers are chill 4 ft into the bank. The damage previously reported by the Hon J.G. Felton was very slight, a hole approximately a foot square having been made at one corner, this has been repaired by one of the teltoni sheplads. Mobileth 10-13-32.

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Hon. Direction of Public Works.
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(M. Hardy & E. ashley) are riding out. 72. The Laboura, on account of being behind time, cannot now call at arroys malo, but the men and materials will go to Hat Inlet. the Manager of Mess F. I. Co's is hindly haboua's scows to be left behind at deal Inlet to enable materials to be Nowed to arroyo malo by How Gf. Felton's motor boat. The manager is making no charge for loan of scow, but it is loaned on condition that it is securely moved at seal Inlet a necewied back by Lasonia" in same condition. Both schooners are out of host just now, and I think they will be away for some time. The Company's charge will be ordinary passage and freight trates to leal Inlet, so this should be cheaper than huring a schooner. work, and her challen will give him a, specification or sketch of the work to be done. I have shoken to son G. Fellon re towing of scow, and this will be done in other weather, early morning or night. I have also informed the occupant of arroyo make house regarding accommodation by the men for the men.

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Hon. Colonial Secretary.

I beg to report that the work of repairs to the Arroyo Malo bridge was completed on the 21st April, 1934.

2. Men left Stanley on the morning of the 5th April, 1954 for Teal Inlet and arrived at the Malo on the IIth, when materials were

unloaded from scow, and actual repair work was commenced on the 12th April, 1934.

3. Fairly good weather was experienced, and Mr. Hills reports that the men worked exceedingly well. The work, as described on reds 69 and 68, was carried out and completed on 2Ist April, 1934 at a cost of approximately 2110, as statement attached.

The men arrived in Stanley on Sunday the 22nd April, 1934.

- 4. The nonourable G.J. Felton went to the Arroyo Malo when the work was nearing completion and expressed himself as entirely satisfied with the work done.
- 5. Photographs were token and these will be forwarded when available if required.

for Director of Public Works.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

16th March, 1925.

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In an official letter of 30th September, 1924 (126 Z/F.I. 1854) relative to the supply of matorials for Chartres river bridge it is stated that you have a Drawing office staff permanently employed upon the design of bridgework and that you have a number of type designs which it is sometimes possible to use with economy. You have also spoken to me several times about the work of the Drawing office which you have established and I should be very grateful for advice on bridgework in this country and an economical type of structure. At the present time there are practically no bridges and streams become impassable when in flood. The streams vary in

width from 25 feet to 130 feet. There may be lo inches to 2 feet of water in summer and anything up to nine or ten feet in a flood. I am told that in

a severe winter a lot of ice comes down.

The bridges would be used at first principally for driving sheep and there may be a flock of about 5,000 waiting to cross a stream. All inland travel is done on horseback with pack-horses for transport but other traffic might develop. At the present time there are two or three ford cars and one Kegresse, which Mr. G. J. Felton brought out last year, but they do not travel far as yet. ouite possible that the use of Kegresse cars or similar vehicles might develop if there were bridges. It may interest General Swinton to know that Mr. Felton took me in his Kegresse car over peat banks and swampy ground where he said it would be quite impossible for a horse to go. On only one occasion did the rubber band come off and that was when the

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car was being turned at a fairly sharp angle out of a swamp.

pared in the Colony allowed for 4 spans supported by steel joists (24° x 10° x 40°) on masonry piers. It was thought that given the width of streams in the country this type could be used conveniently in multiples of 24 feet. The joists are the heaviest load in the material for the bridge and weigh about 5 cwt. There is no difficulty in moving this load at Chartres, the bridge is only a few yards above tidal water and the materials can be brought up in a flat bottomed scow.

other bridges cannot be so conveniently placed and I have recently seen a stream 128 feet wide where a bridge is much required but where transport of materials is difficult. The depth of water in summer is about 2 feet towards right bank where bottom is rock; towards the left bank the bed of

the stream is gravel and dries in summer. In a flood there is a depth of about 10 feet of water towards the right bank and there is a very strong current for about 20 or 90 feet from that bank.

A lot of ice comes down the river in a severe winter. There is no suitable site for a bridge in tidal water and the materials would have to be transported about a mile by light borses, over swampy ground.

A load of 5 cut presents considerable difficulty syen if a suitable trolley with broad wheels could be devised.

The attached cutting giving particulars of a portable bridge has been taken from the satalogue of Messrs Jones, Burton & Co., Ltd. Have you any experience of this or any similar type of bridge the materials for which could be easily transported? From the information given it is not easy to arrive at cost. Type I in triangular sections seems the least expensive but it would be necessary to have a readway of not less than 7 feet wide and no obstacle at side of readway lower than 4 feet 6 inches. I should be very glad to have any information/

ation which is available about "Portable bridges" or any type of bridge of simple construction for which materials can be fairly easily transported over swampy ground. The bridge would have to be erected by unskilled labour.

All sizes of timber suitable for bridging can be obtained from Punta Arenas comparatively cheaply and there is a motor schooner there which will carry timber and discharge it at any of the farms at a fairly low freight. This would save cost of handling at Stanley and transhipment which adds very considerably to the cost. All materials have to be taken out from Stanley by sea.

The use of timber has this advantage that it can be floated up the streams when they are in flood. I have seen a ramshackle affair which has two oregon pine beams 40' x 8" x 8" and two 35' x 8" x 8" which are supported by crates filled with stones. These beams were floated up the stream when it was in

flood./

capable of carrying but it cannot be great.

I shall be very grateful for any advice which it may be possible to give as to the best type of bridge to adopt and the Colony will pay any expenditure, to a moderate amount, which it may be necessar to incur in connection with this enquiry or in the preparation of designs of suitable bridges.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

TELEGRAMS, "OROWN, LONDON."
TELEPHONE 7750 VIGTORIA.

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

June 22nd, 1925.

Sir John Middleton, K.B.E., C.M.G., Government House, Falkland Islands.

Mydear Middleton,

I duly received your letter of the 16th March wherein you ask me to furnish you with information regarding the design and cost of bridges which are likely to prove suitable in the Malkland Islands.

During the past few years we have, at the request of the Migerian Public Works Department, supplied a number of road bridges suitable for easy transport over country where roads do not exist. These have been specially designed in order that erection may be simplified as much as possible. I enclose blue prints Nos. 2.2049, 2.2119, 2.2273/1 and 2.1895/1 illustrating bridges of from 50 ft to 120 ft span. All these bridges have been designed to carry two excludes of 4 tons each, and a pedestrian load of 75 lbs per sq.ft. You will note from the drawings that in some cases a reinforced concrete deck has been provided, and in others concrete with filling on trough decking. Mither type of decking can, of course, be supplied to any span or if you wish a timber deck could be introduced. I attach an estimate of the cost of supplying f.o.b. the materials required for these bridges.

The heaviest individual member of these bridges is the cross girder, and this, if necessary, can be sent out in two pieces with joint plates for making a joint in the middle.

You will note from the drawings that certain of the Nigerian

bridges have outrigger bracings to the main girders, and this bracing increases materially the length of the cross girder. This bracing was introduced at the special request of the Nigerian Public Works Department and, in my opinion, is unnecessary. Some saving would be effected if this is omitted.

The materials for these bridges are shipped piece small and freight is therefore reduced to a minimum. Mach bridge is fully erected in this country before shipment and every piece marked and marking drawings sent out to enable the bridge to be easily assembled in the Colony. All connections are made by means of bolts and practically no skilled labour is required for fabrication. I enclose a blue print Z2273/2 illustrating the marking drawing for one of the bridges, from which you will appreciate that little difficulty is likely to arise in the Colony in putting them together.

I am enclosing two designs for the 100 ft span bridge, one with bowstring girders and the other with main girders with a horizontal top boom. Either of these designs can be supplied for any span, and the difference in cost is the small / bowstring being slightly more expensive.

I am also enclosing one blue print No.Z.2405 illustrating designs which we have prepared for a 20 ft span bridge and a 30 ft span bridge in timber. It is, of course, possible to design timber trusses for much bigger spans than these, but I think the examples I am sending you will suffice for the suitability of this form of construction to be considered. Details of the quantities of the materials required for these bridges are attached.

The cutting which accompanied your letter illustrated one of the types of Inglis bridges which were used during the War, but little use has been made of them since owing to their very high cost of manufacture. These bridges can be obtained if ordered in considerable quantities, and recent quotations which we obtained for another Colony are as follows:

Light triangular type with 8 ft bays....£45 per bay.

Light rectangular type with 12 ft bays....£165 " "

heavy rectangular type with 12 ft bays....£250 " "

The above prices are for the steelwork only without timber decking and are based on the assumption that 50 bays of each type of bridge would be required.

We should like to point out that all the bays of each type of Inglis bridges are identical in sectional area and the material is not economically distributed. As a consequence the carrying power varies inversely with the span and this is, of course, an unsatisfactory feature. Having regard to their carrying capacity the Inglis bridges are a most extravagant type and we do not think the additional cost is justified by any saving which may arise owing to the various parts being interchangeable. The Nigerian standard road bridges illustrated on the accompanying drawings are cheaper than the light triangular type of Inglis Bridge which is only suitable for a foot bridge. For equal spans and equal loads it will be found that the cost of the Inglis bridge will be from two to three times the cost of the Nigerian standard bridge.

At the request of different Colonies, we have considered from time to time various types of portable bridges

but in no case has their claim for portability justified the additional cost involved. The Nigerian bridges have been specially designed to facilitate transport and case of erection, and we believe they will be found quite as satisfactory in this respect as any of the so-called "portable bridges".

Possibly, a 4-ton exheload is heavier than your immediate requirements would justify but very little saving in cost would be obtained by reducing the exheload to say 2 tons. The life of the steel bridges should be at least 40 years and it is possible that within this period road rollers may be introduced into the Island which may possess exhe loads amounting to 4 tons. The timber bridges on Drg.No.Z.2405 which would doubtless have a shorter life, have only been designed for 2 ton exhe loads.

what you require, but I shall be happy at all times to go into the matter further, or prepare special designs to your own particular requirements.

as these seem to most nearly meet your requirements and it is possible to send you details of design without incurring the cost of making new drawings.

Yours sincerely,

# Estimated cost of materials f.o.b.

#### Materials for 20'0" Timber Hoad Bridge. (Drawing No. 2.2405).

Description.	cwts.	grs.	lbs.	Rate	£.	s.	d.
Angle cleats etc		2	16	18/6		12	O.
Tie Rods.		3	4	30/-	ı	3	9
Bolts 3/4" dia.		2	2	28/-		14	6
Ragged bolts.		1	10	30/-		10	2.
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(Nett quantity of timber required - 116 cu.ft.)

#### Materials for 30'0" Span Road Bridge. (Drawing No. 2.2405) .

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Bolts	1.	0	17	28/-	1	12	7.
Ragged bolts		1	10	30/-		10.	2.
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(Nett quantity of timber required - 204 cu.ft.)

#### Materials for 50'0" Span Road Bridge (Drawing No. 1801/1.

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& outriggers)	1.	19	2	7)				
Stringer joists	1	18	0	7)				
C.I.Bearings & Notice Plates		5	2	21	22/-	6	5	2
dandrailing & Sheet lead.		2	3	21	52/3	7	13	6
Black, turned &								
Rag bolts & Podger spanner		14	1	0	45,/-	32	1	3
Shipment paint			1	0	60/-		15	0
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## Materials for 75'0" Span Road Bridge (Drawing No.Z.2049)

Description.	Tons.	cwts.	grs.	lbs.	Rate.	£.	s.	d.
Main Girders Cross Girders	9	3 13	3 2	14) 25)	18/6	263.	2.	2
Stringer & cleats Bracing C.I.Bedplates &	2	11 15	1	14) 2 <b>2</b> )				
Notice plates		8	0	0	22/-	8	16	υ.
Handrail & gastube Turned & black	3 5	4	1	0	51/3	10	17	10.
bolts.		19	0	21	45/-	43	3	6.
Sheet lead Shipment paint		1	0		45/ <b>-</b> 60/ <b>-</b>	2	13 2	8. 6.
	15.	17.	1	22		£329.	15.	8

#### Materials for 100'0" Span Road Bridge (Drawing No.Z. 2119 (Bowstring)

Description	Tons.	cwis.	qrs.	lbs.	Rate.	£.	s.	d.
Main Girders	14	0	0	14			A - Dar - GT - GT - TH-	
Cross Girders	2	8	0	17				
Stringer & cleats	3	4	0	11				
Bracings Bedplate & Notice		16	1	22				
plates. Handrail & gas-		9	2	24				
tubes. Turned & black		3	1	7				
bolt.		12	2	0.				
Sheet lead.			3	4.				
	21	15	0	15		£537.	_	der)

### Materialsfor 100'0" Span Road Bridge (Drawing No.Z. 2273/1 (N type).

Description.	Tons.	cwts.	ors.	lbs.	Rate.	2.	s.	d.
Main girders	14	12	1	5)				
Cross girders & outriggers Bracing	2	5 9	2 3	0) 7)	18/6	402.	4.	1.
Stringers & clea	ts 4	7	0	26)				
C.I.Bedplates & notice plates		9	3	26	22/-	11	0.	0.
Handralling & lead sheets		5	2	10	52/3	14	10	6
Black turned & ragged bolts,	1	13	2	14	45/-	<b>7</b> 3	12	U
spanners etc Shipment paint	-		2	0	60/-	1	30	0
	24	4	2	4		£5 <b>0</b> 2	16	7.

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Materials for 120'0" Span Road Bridge (Drawing No.Z. 1895/1.

Description.	Tons.	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	Hate.	æ.	s.	d.
Main girders Cross " Bracing Trough flooring	19 2 1 14	17 13 12 0	1 0 1 3	23 ) 9 ) 22 ) 22 )	13/6	706.	12.	10.
C.I.Bedplate & notice plates		9	3	26	22/-	11	0	0.
Handrail & Drain- tubes.		4	1	13	51/3	11	4	6.
Turned & black bolts & wire.	2	3	2	0	40/-	90	7	6,
Sheet lead.		1	1	$\epsilon$	45/-	3	0	٥,
Shipment lead.		3	O	12	60/~	9	7	6,
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The above prices are all f.c.b. British Port.

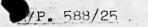


Table showing comparison in weight of members: length and number of such members to be handled.

Member.	Size weight per foot.	Fridge Type. Drawing No Z.2273/I. Length No.Cwts.	Bridge Bowstring Drawing No Z.2119 Length No Cwts.
Bottom Pooms	L 9"K 3". 19.37.	24.5 4. 4.23.	24.5 . 4. 4.23.
Ditto.	Ditto.	20.5'. 8. 3.54.	21.01.8.3.64.
	.11	19.5 8. 3.37.	I8.75! 8. 3.25.
Top Booms.	n .	24.5' 4. 4.23.	13.00: 8. 2.25.
Ditto.	II .	26.5. 8. 3.54.	10.75. 8. 1.85.
и	11	19.5'. 8. 3.37	IO.50: 8. I.82.
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н	11		IO.00: 8. I.73.
Cross Girders with outmigger.	R.S.J. 12" X 5" 32 ?	IO.01. 4. 2.86.	
Ditto,	Ditto. 30 1bs.		10.33' 4. 2.77.
H .	н -		10.00 4. 2.68.
**			8.581 4. 2.30.
Cross Firders.	Ditto 32 1bs ? 30 1bs.	. I3.5'. 7. 3.86.	I3.I6 <sup>1</sup> .4.3.53.
Overhead Bracings.	R.S.J. 7"X 4" IOlbs.	13.5'. 5. 1.93.	
,,	に 7" X 3.5" 18.25 1		13.16'.3. 2.14.

Colonial Engineer.
16/9/25.

Estimate of timber required for IOO' span Steel Bridge, with timber roadway in place of concrete or metal.

Plate. Punta Arenas (Sandy Point) timber.

3" A 4½" A 12'. Curb. Ditto.	36 lengths. 18 54 " @ 4/8. I2-I2-0.
	54 " (° 4/8. I2-I2-0.
Decking. P.A. /3" X 9" X I28	133 planks. @ 6/3. 42- 0-0.
Gav; Spikes. 5"	1 cwt. 2-10-0.

Bolts; nuts; and washers  $\frac{5}{9}$ " I5 doz. © 3/-. 2-5-0. Dowels; resin etc. I-10-0.

60-17-0.

Paint etc for Steel and timber work.

IO- 3-0.

71- 0-0.

Colonial Engine r.

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17th September 1925.



### FALKLAND ISLANDS.



[INSIDE SHEET.]

Charge to U.S. A/c

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Indent No.\* \_ Date\* 29th October, 1925.

Con Qua	ntity.	Description of Articles.	Esti	MATED CO	ost in	6	Remarks.
Ieal		Description of Articles.	Rate.	Total.			Remarks.
\$. 7	tons	Portland Cement, packed in / sealed cwt drums.  Packing  Estimated Freight, etc	50/-	17 17 20 23 23 20	IC	0 0	In confirmation of telegram of October 1925.
		Carried forward  Mysauly  Colonial Engineer.					



From The Colonial Secretary

To The Crown Agents for the Colonies.

Dispatched: 30th October, 1925. Time. 11.35 a.m.

Received: 192 Time.

CROWN

LONDON

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DIMPOOHIXA SIERFEZOAJ UMXOJVRORJ DYNIE

#### Meaning:

Request arrangements may be made for shipment by Pacific Steam Navigation Company's vessel sailing 28th November 8 tons best quality Portland Cement packed in steel drums weighing approximately 1 cwt.

Colonial Secretary.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS. 1926

[INSIDE SHEET.] Charge to 4, Arroyo Malo Bridge.

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Date\* 2nd January, 1926. Indent No.\* To correspond with No. and date at head of first sheet. ESTIMATED COST IN ENGLAND. Quantity. Item Description of Articles. Remarks. Total. Rate. £ d. 1 The bridge is Girder bridge, bowstring type, to be of to span 80 feet, (10'roadway.) 430 0 0 similar construction The bridge should be designed to the 100' to carry two axle loads of 4 bridge supplied tons each, and a pedestrian to the Nigeria: load of 75 lb per square foot. Government Course Cons under Regn No. There should be outrigger 333, Drawing No. Z2119, bracings to the main girders. The deck will be of timber, but with timber instead which will be obtained locally. of concrete The deck planks will be 3" thick and 9" wide. roadway. Holes for bolts to fasten timber plate 4"x 6", on which timber Luc inMuden dedking is to be laid, should be drilled in the steel joists carrying roadway. The bolt holes should be 3' centres and should be staggered, Galvanized bolts, complete with nuts and washers, should be provided for bolting bearing plate 4"x 6" to the steel joists the quantity of bolts to be according to the number of holes in the joists, plus 25%. h molea ly 2 1 cwt Galvanized spikes, 5" 2 10 0 unskella 3 15 gals Black "Bitumastic" Solution, 10/packed in one-gallon tins. 7 10 0 labour + Meter will he £440 0 Estimated Freight, etc.... 60 0 Camidaall 0 £500 difficult in nano per malus with sit ou Rosasely. Colonial Engineer.

Carried forward



#### FALKLAND ISLANDS.



[INSIDE SHEET.] Charge to: -XVIII. P.W.EXTRAORDINARY;

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Qua	ntity.	Description of Articles.	Estim	Remarks.			
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		(The bridge to be of similar construction to the 100 ft bridge supplied to the Nigerian Government under Requisition No 333, Drawing No. Z2119).	4:				
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Colonial Engineer.

Carried forward

W & S. Ltd.

#### FALKLAND ISLANDS.

REQUISITION TO INCUR EXPENDITURE.

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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: J. Z./Falkland Is. 2427. 4. MILLBANK.

TELEGRAMS, "CROWN, LONDON."
TELEPHONE, 7730 VICTORIA.

OMIAL SECTETARIS

WESTMINSTER.
LONDON, S.W. 1.

22nd April, 1926.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your Indent No. 1,35 dated the 2nd January 1926 covering the supply of a girder bridge 80 ft. span.

- 2. We are sending you by this mail but under separate cover a velograph copy of our Drawing No.Z.2637 illustrating in detail what we are arranging to supply.
- 3. We note from your indent that it is proposed to deck the bridge with planks 9" wide x 3" thick. We would, however, point out that the stresses produced in timber of this thickness will be excessive for the loads which you specify and we are of opinion that the flooring should be increased from 3" to 4" in thickness and we trust that there will be no difficulty in obtaining locally timber of this thickness. In consequence of the alteration in thickness of the timber we are supplying galvanised spikes 6" long instead of 5" long as specified under item 2 of your indent.
- 4. Tenders are being invited and we expect to place the contract at an early date. We hope to hear in due course that what we are arranging to supply is in accordance with your requirements.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Wat brichhart

for CROWN AGENTS.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.



ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.

THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE 151ands 2427.

TELEPHONE, 7730 VICTORIA.

SECRETARY

4. MILLBANK,

WESTMINSTER. LONDON, S.W. 1.

6th October, 1926.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your Indent No.435 dated 22nd January, 1926 covering the supply of a girder bridge 80 ft. span for Arroyo Malo.

- 2. We have been in communication with Messrs. The Horsehay Company who are supplying the steelwork for this bridge regarding the method of erection. scheme has been devised and we are forwarding to you by this mail but under separate cover a white linen print of Drawing No.Z.2817 which we think you will find contains all the information necessary for the erection of the steelwork. The necessary bolts, dogs, etc; for fixing the timber work are being supplied by the contractors.
- We are also forwarding under separate cover a

Record and abutments, Further copies of drawing No.Z.2817 will be forwarded followed bridgement.

- With reference to the timber false work for the erection of the bridge we would like to draw your attention to the following points :-
- In scheming the falsework all the main timbers are shewn as 12" x 12" as we understand that this size of timber is available in the Colony; where this not so,

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Colonial Secretary, Falkland Islands.

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then timbers of approximately half the size would be sufficient for the work.

- (b) Seven trestles are shewn for supporting the longitudinals on the assumption that the timber in the Colony is in comparatively short lengths. Should long baulks be available then two or three of the trestles might be dispensed with, as the 12" x 12" timbers are of ample section for carrying the weight if the trestles are arranged in three spans.
- (c) If there is a likelihood of a sudden rise in the river it might be prudent to drive a stake at each trestle and add a wire or manilla rope to assist in holding down the trestles.
- (d) It will be seen from the drawing that the longitudinal timbers have been arranged to "hit" and "miss" in order to avoid the expense and trouble of cutting them.
- (e) We would like to impress upon the erectors of the bridge the importance of starting the erection of the main girders from the centre of the span, then working outwards both ways. In the first instance we would suggest that only one or two bolts are put in each connection until the complete main girders are assembled, then the bolting up can be completed.
- (f) As the weight of the heaviest piece of the bridge is only a little over one hundredweight there does not appear to be any need for erection tackle beyond perhaps a pair of blocks.
- 5. We trust that the information given herein and on the drawings will prove sufficient for the erection of this bridge.

I have the honour to be.

Sir,

Your obedient Servant, Wash brokensh

for Crown Agents.



 $F_{rom}$  The Colonial Secretary.

 $T_o$  The Crown Agents for the Colonies.

Dispatched:

18th November,

1926.

Time: 10.40 a.m.

Received:

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Time:

CROWN

LONDON

Indent No. 435 1926 in view of delay in execution would it be practicable to cancel supply of bridgework.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.





The Crown Agents for the Colonies. From

The Colonial Secretary. To

Dispatched:

30th November, 192 6. Time: 4 p.m.

Received:

lst December, 192 6. Time: 1.10 p.m.

#### SECRETARY

#### PORTSTANLEY

With reference to your telegram of 18th November referring to Indent No. 435 pattern casting template, etc. made contractors have spent £92 shall we pay and cancel or proceed.

CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.



The Colonial Secretary. From

The Crown Agents for the Colonies. To

Dispatched: 2nd December,

192. Time: 2.30 p.m.

Received:

192 Time :

CROWN LONDON

With reference to your telegram of 30th November Indent No. 435 please proceed.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

DUPLICATE.

communications to be addressed to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, the above reference and the date of this letter being quoted.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies present their

compliments to The Colonial Secretary,

Falkland Islands.

Dated 2.1.1926

Indent No. 435

Dept. P.W.

and in connection with the indent noted in the margin have the honour to enclose the undermentioned papers for the guidance of the Colonial Authorities.

OFFICE OF THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,

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

14th February, 192 7.

#### ENCLOSURES.

Timber staging for erecting 80 ft. clear span Arroyo Malo Bridge.

2 hand made tracings on linen Drawing No. Z.2817.

Working steel list ( 3 copies).

Drawings placed on Golder. Red. 03.

Enclosed herewith.

HEAD OF ESTIMATE

Balance available as stated.

col. Treasurer.

Date \_\_\_\_u

#### FALKLAND ISLANDS.

REQUISITION TO INCUR EXPENDITURE.

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Colonial Engineer

Decision of Governor.

Governor.

Date 70th June

No.

MINUTE.

(19)

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute the above Number and the date may be quoted).

From The Colonial Engineer.

lst September

1927

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

(M.P.588/25)

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The Hon. Col. Secy.,

With regard to the erection of the Arroyo Malo Bridge. At our interview on the 3rd of August it was decided to allow this matter to stand over until the return of His Excellency.

2. As preparatory work is necessary I should be glad to receive permission to prepare a S.W. in the sum of £1261 (vide my minute of 18th July, 1927, in M.P.588/25).

Colonial Engineer.

1st September, 1927.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,
13th September, 1927.

FALKLARD ISLANDS. No. 180.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to Mr. Thomas's despatch, No. 96 of the 15th of October, 1924, approving the expenditure of a sum not exceeding £500 on the erection of a bridge across the Chartres river in the West Falkland, and to your telegram of the 6th of January, 1926, approving the Estimates of the Revenue and the Expenditure for 1926 and inter alia the expenditure under Appendix I. Item 4, of the sum of 8600 on the erection of a bridge across Arroyo Malo river in the East Falkland, and to inform you that the material necessary for the erection of these two bridges has been obtained and delivered to the sites but that hitherto no move has been made on the part of the farmers concerned to proceed with the work of their erection in accordance with the agreed arrangement to this effect.

2. From enquiries which I have made personally on the spot I fear that the magnitude of the work in either case is considerably greater than that originally contemplated by the farmers and I have grave cause to doubt whether with their comparatively limited resources and lack of

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C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.



technical assistance they will be in a position to undertake it. Furthermore the bridges lie, as you are aware, on main tracks serving to connect a number of stations but the rivers which they are to span run through land on both banks forming part of a single station, in the one instance of the Chartres Station belonging to Luxton and Anson, and in the other of the Teal Inlet Station belonging to the Estate J. J. Felton. Difficulty has arisen in consequence of the unwillingness of the other farmers to join in bearing the cost of a bridge to be erected on one farmer's camp and of the objection of the one farmer to acting as a general benefactor at his own personal expense.

In the meantime the danger is real that 3. the material already supplied by the Government will lie to rot into uselessness and the bridges never be built. I have studied the problem in all its aspects and I see no satisfactory solution except that the Government now further undertake with such help as the farmers can afford the erection of the bridges at the public expense. Money is available from the surplus balances accumulated to the credit of the Colony and I feel that the outlay is justified when an account is struck between the sums expended in recent years for the benefit of the inhabitants of Stanley and of the people in the camp from whom considerable revenue is derived principally by means of the export duty on wool.

- prepare a preliminary estimate of the cost of erecting the bridge across the Arroyo Malo river which I would propose first to put in hand. The figure cuoted is £1,000 approximately although I trust that it may eventually be found capable of reduction. It has not yet been practicable to errive at a figure, even approximate, in respect of the Chartres river bridge.
- I have therefore to ask your sanction in orinciple to the erection of these two bridges by the Government, and in the event of your sanction being granted that I may be notified by telegram as I am anxious to take every advantage of the finer weather which should shortly obtain for a few months. In this event I would propose to make such progress with the erection of the Arroyo Malo bridge as is possible during the current year and to charge the expenditure incurred under a Special Tarrant as an excess against item 2 of Appendix I of the Estimates of the Expenditure for The amount estimated to be required in 1928 for the completion of this work and for the erection of the Chartres river bridge would then be included similarly under Appendix I for your approval in the Estimates of the Expenditure for that year.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant.

ARNOLD HODSON.

### From His Excellency the Governor

#### to The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

Please in Form C.E. he must have everything in Acadiness to creek the Now bridges as soon as the estimates are approved.

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(It is requested that, in any refer-ence to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).

From The Colonial Engineer.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

24th October

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The Hon. Col. Secy.,

His Excellency's minute of 17/10/27 noted.

- With regard to the preparatory work. This requires to be put in hand at once and the estimated cost is £216.
- The expenditure to date under the Arroyo Malo Bridge is £482,11,11, leaving a balance of £117.8.1. A further sum of £100 will be required to enable everything to be ready by the 31st of December, 1927.

I would request permission to prepare a S.W. for this amount.

ProBasely. Colonial Engineer. 24th Detober, 1927.

P.S. His Excellency's minute of 17/10/27 is returned an Barely. herewith.

C.E.





#### FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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No. 39/19217.

SPECIAL WARRANT.

out 10 1 Dec.

Governor.

TO THE HONOURABLE

THE TREASURER.

Whereas it has become necessary, in the interests of the Public service, to incur certain Expenditure, not sufficiently provided for in the Estimates, as set forth in the subjoined Schedule, in anticipation of a vote of the Legislature and of the approval of the Secretary of State:—

a, to remain only in case of an excess on a vote.

a vote.

b to be struck
out if complete authority has been obtained c or d if either
partial authority has
been obtained.

And for so doing, this, together with the proper Accounts, Certificates and Acquittances, shall be your sufficient warrant and discharge.

### Schedule. To be charged to Particulars of Service. Head. Sub-Head. £ d. ADDRESS TH rovision of hute 0100. to accommodate men 1. חיים חיקיק ^ employed on the work alo of erection the bridge. ridge.

Signature of the Officer submitting the Schedule for Warrant.

Rabasely Colonial Engineer.

Date otober

(Special warrants are to be prepared in triplicate. One copy to be filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary, one in the Treasury, and one to be furnished to the Audit).

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Data	27th	October	. 1927 .
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THE HONOURABLE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

I have the honour to apply for a Special Warrant for £ 100 . C . C .

on Head APPENDIX I.

Sub-head 2, Arroyo Malo River.

The present state of the Vote is as follows:-

Amount provided in Estimates 600.

Special Warrant already issued No.

"" No.

Actual Expenditure to date 482.11.11

Outstanding Liabilities incurred

Balance remaining on vote 117.8.1

Estimated Expenditure to 31st December 700.

Comments of h. Smyn /tarketer Treasurer. (27. x. 2).

Head of Department.
Colonial Engineer.

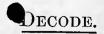
#### EXPLANATIONS.

(If general authority has been given for the Expenditure the number of the Minute Paper and the Secretary of State's despatch, if any, should be quoted).

(M.P. 588/25)

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	THE HONOURABLE TREASURER,
	Special Warrant Noattached herewith for necessary action.
	Colonial Secretary.
	C.S. Form 1.





From The Secretary of State for the Colonies

The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched: 28th October 1927 Time: 1218

Received: 29th October 1927 Time: 1040

GOVERNOR,

PORTSTANLEY.

Red 22 - Your Despatch of 13th September 180 proposals approved.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

Telephoral to 115.

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### From His Excellency the Governor

to The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

There give instructions For the two bridges to

31, 10, 27 process.

2.

(htt.) which bridge will C.E. erect First?

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1 Where Farmers interested.

Copy John in. M. P. 325/23. + Chartre Kevir Budge) Red 33.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).



1st December 1927.

From The Colonial Engineer.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

(M.P.588/25)

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The Hon. Col. Secy.,

In accordance with instructions received from you by telephone, on the afternoon of the 30th of Movember, the preparatory work for the erection of the Arroyo Malo bridge has been stopped.

The followings drawings, etc. are being returned as requested by Mr Fleuret by telephone this morning.

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2 copies of Working List of Steelwork for timber staging to Drawing No. Z 2817.

Retained in this office.

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l copy of working list of steelwork
to Drawing No. 2817.

Proposely.

Colonial Engineer.

1st December, 1927.

(It is requested that, in any refer-ence to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).

I4th December, 1927

From Actg. Colonial Engineer, To

Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

#### ARROYO MALO ERIDGE.

On instructions received I beg to report that I left Stanley on H.M.C.S. "Afterglow" at 2.0 p.m. Friday 2nd. December, and arrived at Teal Inlet 9 p.m. In company with the Hon. G.J. Felton I left Teal Inlet at 8.30 a.m. Saturday 3rd Decr., for the purpose of selecting site for bridge and taking necessary measurements and levels etc, arriving off the mouth of Arroyo Malo at IO.O a.m., and after rowing approximately 4 miles landed on site where the steelwork and timbers are stacked.

Two sites were proposed - one (mentioned as Site "A" on photograph and estimate) well up stream and near the existing timber bridge, and the other approximately 280 yards up stream from where the steelwork is landed (Site "B").

I visited the Arroyo Malo house (approximately \frac{3}{4} mil from proposed site "A") and made arrangements for the sleeping only for the men.

Left the Arroyo Malo and arrived back at Teal Inlet 7.0 p.m.; left Teal Inlet II.0 a.m. the next day and arrived back in Stanley at 5.0 p.m. Sunday 4th December, 1927.

Site "A".

The approximate position where the bri be built is marked "X" on photograph No. site some good sand is available and quarried and transported for the mase The steelwork and time down stream. the bridge (shown on No I. photog

approximately  $I_2^1$  miles from this site and will have to be transported across the camp and carried over the wooden bridge and spit of land (shown on Mo. 4 photograph)

I was informed that, during the winter when the river is in flood, the low lying spit of land shown on left of No 4 photograph occasionally becomes inundated through the river overflowing its banks. Erosion of the bank is taking place as can be seen on the photograph (marked "A" and "B"), but this will not interfere with the bridge at the proposed site.

Transport of the bridge materials to the site will be a tedious and expensive undertaking, but building the bridge at this site will be more economical both in expense and time than placing it nearer to the spot where the materials are landed, as extra bridge work and extensive concrete work will be necessary, as shown on sketch plan, and it would only be possible to work tide work as can be seen from photographs Nos 2 & 3.

Another bridge will be required to span a tributary running into the Arroyo Malo near the proposed site "A", as sketch "C". The Hon. G.J.Felton has agreed to build this with timber from his old bridge shown on photographs 4 & 5.

Site "B".

3. The distance from shore to shore at this spot is 154 feet. By erecting the bridge at this site the transport difficulty would be minimised as the materials can be landed within 280 yards of the site, but it entails much more work and materials, as the 80 ft steel bridge would have to be lengthened on either side with timber upper work on

concrete piers as shown on plan for Site "B", and it would only be possible to work in the river during tides, as the tide reaches well beyond this spot.

I would therefore recommend that the bridge be erected on Site "A".

4. The estimated time for erection is 8 weeks at Site "A", and IO weeks at Site "B".

Estimates for erection of bridge at Sites "A" and "B" are attached.

5. In the event of approval being given to erect the bridge at Site "A", the financial provision required for I928 will be as follows:-

Estimate for the work. ..... 1900. Provision in Estimates for 1928. 1750.

Further amount required..... 2150.

The estimated expenditure in 1927 on the cost of steelwork etc. and preliminary works is 2600.

Actg. Colonial Engineer.

Enclosures.
Sketch plan.
Two estimates.
Photographs.

I have to-day made tentative arrangements with the Hon. G.J. Felton for transport hire, for transporting the materials over the camp to the proposed site A

Actg. Col. Engineer. 14/12/27.

#### ARROYO MALO BRIDGE.

#### ESTIMATE.

#### SITE "A".

Cement for concrete abutments. (Sand and stone to be gathered at site). (2 piers).	100. 0. 0.
Wages etc. 9 men for 8 weeks.	396. 0. 0.
Fares, messing, fuel, lodging and utensils.	165. 0. 0.
Tools, rigging gear etc. allow.	40. 0. 0.
Extra materials required for replacement of missing handrail etc.	ĩ4. O. O.
Transport further materials from Stanley to Arroyo Malo and part return.	62. IO. O.
Transport up river by motor boat & scow.	12. 10. 0.
Transport materials from mouth of river to site of bridge.	64. 0. 0.
Contingencies.	50.0.0.
	£903. O. O

SAY.....£900.

Actg. Colonial Engineer 14th Tecr. 1927.

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#### ARROYO MALO BRIDGE.

Estimate.

#### SITE "B".

Cement for piers and abutment (8 No).		I88.	٥.	0.
Wages etc. 9 men for 10 weeks.		495.	0.	٥.
Fares, messing, fuel, lodging, utensils.		I94.	0.	0.
Tools, rigging gear etc.	Say.	40.	٥.	0.
Extra materials required for missing handrail and extra decking etc. for bridge.		66.	O •	0.
Transport from Stanley to Arroyo Talo and part return.		88.	0.	0.
Transport up river by motor boat and scow.	Cay.	18.	0.	0.
Contingencies.		60.	0.	0.
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Actg. Colonial Engineer. 14th December, 1927.

# - arroyo malo Bridge





No. I. Photograph showing materials which are landed for bridge approximately 280 yards below Site "B" (marked "X") and I miles below site "A". Shows twisted timbers in foreground which must be replaced. The cement in the drums shown is useless and will have to be replaced.

No 2. Site "B" at L.W.O.S.T.

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No. 3. Site "B" at High Water.





Nos 4 & 5. Existing wooden bridge approximately Itmiles above Site "B". Shows the erosion which is taking place on left bank and the spit of ground which it is reported occasionally floods during Winter. Site proposed for bridge marked "X" on No 4. photograph.

No.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).



5th March, 19 28

From Actg. Colonial Engineer, To

Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

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Actg. Colonial Engineer.

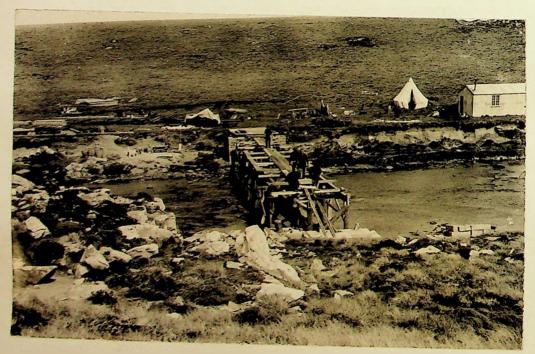


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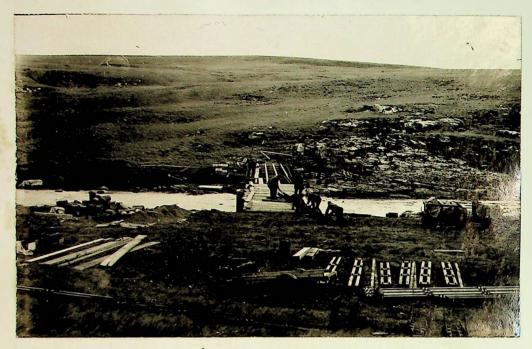
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Second week.



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Third weck.

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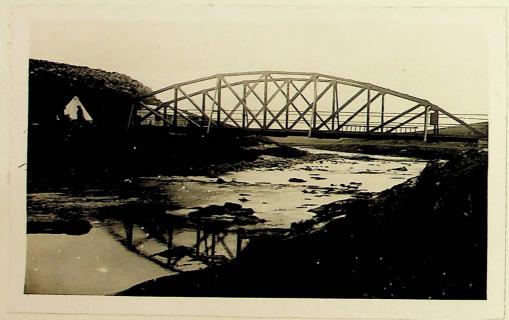
fourth week.

#### TRN | LAN | 2#1 - 21



Fifth week.

#### TRN/LAN/2#1-22



Completion oth week



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Opening of bridge

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First traffic on bridge

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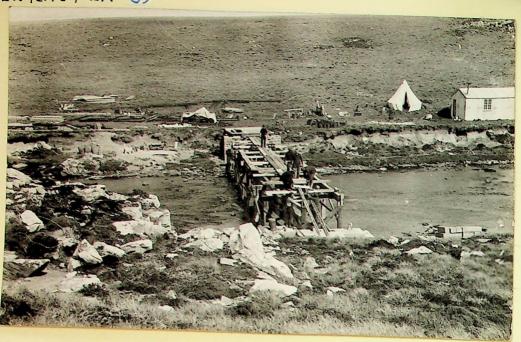
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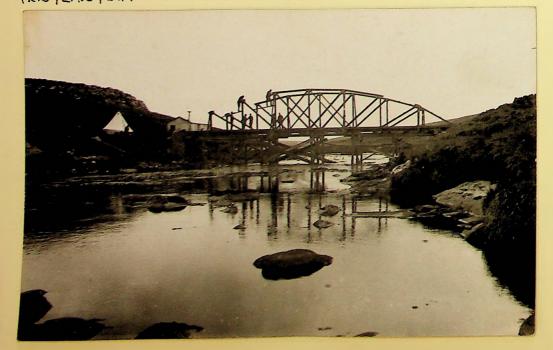




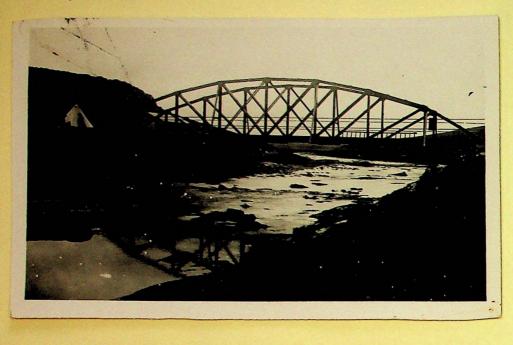
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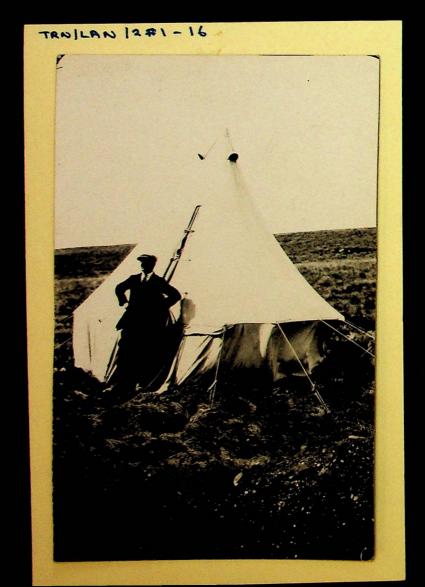


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7th March, 1928

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).

From Actg. Colonial Engineer, To

Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

#### Appendix I. (2) - Arroyo Malo Bridge.

I beg to apply for a Special Warrant in the sum of 2200 to meet the expenses incurred on the above item.

- 2. I attach a financial statement for this item from which it will be seen that there will be a saving of 228 on the total estimate of 21,650, when all charges are paid.
- 3. Two large items of expense in 1928 were unforseen and were not taken up for in my estimate for the erection work of I4th December, 1927., viz.
  - 2161. 8. 0. Value of timbers for false work staging purchased in 1927, sent out that year and not bought out, which necessitated the charge being incurred this year. I was unaware of the is and no provision was made in my estimate.
  - E180. 17.7. Charge for "Fleurus" transporting men and materials to and from Arroyo Malo.

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4. A Special Warrant is submitted.

C. Roberts.

Actg. Colonial En gineer.

Hon. Colonial Treasurer.

Referred to you, please.

How bol. See. I. W. for £ 100 submitted. The schendituse in escress of that provided in the Estimates appears to have been unavoidable and is

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#### AFPENDIA I. (2) -2 ARROYO MALO BRIDGE.

FINANCIAL STATE BNT.

TOTAL ESTIMATE FOR WORK. ..... 21,650. PROVISION IN ESTIMATES FOR 1928.....

#### EMENDITURE.

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Year 1926. ..... 79. 9. 11.

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#### Year 1928.

Value of timbers nurchased in 1927 for staging and not charged in that year.

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Charge for "Fleurus" transporting men and materials.

180.17. 7.

# Prevarations in Junley and Erection of Bridge. Hut. 21.

Cement for abutments. 85. 0.9.

Tools, gear and

materials. 45.

9.2. 7.8. 7.1. Transport. 125.

Ressing, utensils etc.91. 7.1.
Labour preparing in
Stanley and on
erection of bridge. 500. 12.4. 667. 13.5.

zI.009. I9. O.

z1,681. 8. II.

Less credit for 2 timber huts taken back on charge 1928.

60. 0. 0. 21,621. 8. II.

Allowed in Estimate for 1928.... 2750.

Further amount required

from total estimate.... 2200.

Estimated saving on whole of work....28.

Q. Roberts.

Actg. Colonial Engineer. 7th Larch, 1928.

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Form C.

#### FALKLAND ISLANDS.

1928

No. 11/1928

SPECIAL WARRANT.

Govern	12021

Date

larch.

1928

TO THE HONOURABLE

THE TREASURER.

Whereas it has become necessary, in the interests of the Public service, to incur certain Expenditure, not sufficiently provided for in the Estimates, as set forth in the subjoined Schedule, b in anticipation of a vote of the Legislatured and of the approval of the Secretary of State:-

a. to remain only in a. to remain only in case of an excess on a vote.

b to be struck out if complete authority has been obtained ord if either partial authority has been obtained.

You are hereby, on my personal responsibility, authorized and required to pay from the Treasury the sum of TWO HUNDRED -----Shillings and Pence and to charge it to the Heads and Sub-heads of the Expenditure specified in the Schedule.

And for so doing, this, together with the proper Accounts, Certificates and Acquittances, shall be your sufficient warrant and discharge.

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Particulars of	To be ch	To be charged to			
Service.	Head.	Sub-Head.	£	s.	d.
ARROYO MALO BRIDGE.	Appendix	(2).	.200.	٥.	٥.
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Signature of the Officer for Warrant.

submitting the Schedule Actg. Colonial Engineer.

7th March. Date

19 28.

(Special warrants are to be prepared in triplicate. One copy to be filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary, one in the Treasury, and one to be furnished to the Audit).

Treasury Form 10.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).



7th March, 1928

From Actg. Colonial Engineer

Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Submitted.

Adjustment voucher, 4 copies, for 260, charging Unallocated Stores and Crediting Arroyo Malo Bridge, for 2 huts received back and taken on charge.

Actg. Colonial Engineer.



Adjustment	Voucher	No
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#### COLONY OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

## HEAD OF SERVICE

UNALLOCATED STORE ACCOUNT.

SUB-HEAD

To the Honble. the Treasurer,

You are hereby authorised to make the following adjustment

Description of

Transaction.

£ 60. 0. 0.

By Command,

Colonial Secretary

Date 7th Merch. 19 29.

C.S. 329/21.

DECODE.

588/25.

#### TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor,

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: 27th March,

192 8. Time:

16.30.

Received:

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Time:

CHAPELRIES,

LONDON.

With reference to your telegram of the 28th October glad to report Arroyo Malo Bridge successfully built.

Hope to finish Chartres River Bridge within a month.

GO VERNOR.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, STANLEY. 4th April, 1928.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.
Ro. 106.

Sir,

With reference to your telegram of the 28th of October, 1927, conveying approval of the proposals made in my despatch No. 180 of the 13th of September, 1927, relative to the erection of the bridges over the Arroyo Malo river on the East Falkland and the Chartres river on the West Falkland, I have the honour to inform you that the erection of the Arroyo Malo river bridge has now been completed and was opened for traffic on the 29th of February, 1928.

Enclosure I.

Enclosure III.

- 2. I attach a copy of a report with photographs by Mr. G. Hoberts from which you will appreciate the magnitude of the work undertaken and performed by him and will see that the period of five weeks only was taken from commencement to completion.
- bridge as completed is £1,621. 8s. 11d and I enclose, for your information, a copy of a financial state-ment showing how this amount has been expended. You will see that the expenditure actually incurred and brought to charge during the years 1926 and 1927 is £671. 9s. 11d so that the additional

3. I would add that the final cost of the

expenditure/

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

(52)

expenditure brought to charge since the date of your approval to proceed with the work totals £940. 19s. Od and is thus less than the approximate estimate of £1,000 quoted in paragraph 4 of my despatch to which reference has been previously made. Of this amount, however, the sum of 2161. 8s. Od represents the value of timber obtained but not debited in 1927 under the directions of Mr. R. B. Baseley, late Colonial Engineer, a circumstance of which Mr. Moberts was, as he explains, unaware at the time when he drew up his estimate. Furthermore the cost of transporting the necessary material to the site has proved much higher than anticipated. I consider that Mr. Roberts is in all the circumstances greatly to be complimented on having succeeded in completing the bridge within the original figure calculated.

- 4. On the technical side I wish to pay a strong tribute to Mr. Roberts and his men for the admirable work performed by them in carrying out this large work which has been so long outstanding in so short a time. I find it indeed difficult adequately to express my appreciation of Mr. Roberts' energy, initiative, and resourcefulness. The keen spirit moreover shewn by the men and their untiring labour are worthy of every commendation.
- 5. Mr Roberts proposes to start the construction of the Chartres river bridge before the end of
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the present month and to have it completed also by the beginning of the winter. I shall report further in this matter in due course.

6. I enclose also a copy of an article which has been written by Mr. J. M. Ellis, Colonial Secretary, on the building of this bridge and has been sent by him with my permission for publication, if acceptable, in the "Field" newspaper.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

ARNOLD HODSON.

enclosure IV.

# ENCLOSURE NO. I TO FALKLAND ISLANDS DESPATCH No. 106 of the 4th of AFRIL. 1928.

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- 3. Adverse weather was experienced during the first three weeks which added to the difficulties of transporting the materials upstream.
- 4. It has only been possible to complete the work in the time by working daily from daylight to dark, Sundays included.
- 5. I cannot speak too highly of the men; they have worked well, often under very adverse conditions.
- 6. I attach photographs showing the progress of the work during the five weeks.

(Sgd.) G. Roberts.
Acting Colonial Engineer.

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#### PIONEER WORK IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

#### THE BUILDING OF A BRIDGE.

The construction of a bridge over the large stream in the north camp of the East Falkland known by the old Spanish name of the Arroyo Malo has been recently completed by the Public Works Department of the colonial administration. The successful accomplishment of the work marks the beginning of a new era under the progressive governorship of Mr. Arnold Hodson, C.M.G., and it is hoped that before many more years are past this hitherto trackless Colony will be crossed by main arteries between the principal stations which serve as the headquarters of the sheepfarming industry. In the meantime bridges are a primary necessity. It happens at present not infrequently that long detours are necessitated to circumvent unfordable rivers and arms of the sea, or that weary waits are occasioned by sudden floods or by the rise of the tide. A bridge here may mean the saving of many hours to a tired horse and rider or the passage without loss of large flocks of sheep heavy with wool for shearing. It is to meet a need of this description that the Government of the Falkland Islands has built the Arroyo Malo bridge over the river between Teal Inlet and Douglas Station. And at the same time with a wise eye to the future the bridge has been constructed so as to carry motor-traffic such as light lorries or Citroen caterpillar cars the use of which is spreading rapidly in the Colony. As will be seen from our illustration the stream lies in a long deep valley set in the midst of rolling moorland of a rugged beauty peculiarly its own. At the actual point where it is now spanned its width/

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width 140 feet and its depth varies from a few inches in times of drought to as many feet after heavy rain. The current is normally rapid and in winter the water often rushes down in tompestuous torrent. The banks are not high seldom rising to more than six or eight feet and during the winter are subject to overflowing. principal difficulties to be overcome in the construction of the bridge were the transport of materials and the setting of the foundations of the concrete piles. All materials including steelwork, timber, and cement had to be conveyed by raft upstream for a distance of five miles and although the general level of the water was the lowest recorded for several years it was almost impossible to stand and work in the middle of the bed of the river on account of the force of the current. Despite these natural obstacles however the entire work was successfully carried out within a period of five weeks from commencement to The bridge itself is a girder bridge of the conclusion. bowstring type and was designed and supplied by Messrs. The Horsehay Company Limited, Horsehay, Shropshire, with advice of the Engineering Department of the Crown Agents for the Colonies who had had experience with similar bridges erected by the Government of Nigeria in West Africa. span of the steelwork is eighty feet and the remaining sixty feet between bank and bank have been covered by side approaches made of timber with which material the bridge is decked throughout its length. The construction was undertaken and completed by Mr. G. Roberts, the newly appointed Colonial Engineer, and a team of locally recruited and trained labour, to whom one and all great

credit/

credit is due for the satisfactory issue of their endeavours. The bridge was informally opened for traffic by Mr. Roberts on the 29th of February, 1928, on which day he drove over it in a Citroen caterpillar car. Our second illustration is a near view of the bridge as built.

Romance attaches all the world over to the building of a bridge and our excuse for the inditing of these few lines must be the thrill thus cast upon us even here in this somewhat strewn country by the touch of that ever blithe sprite.

J. M. ELLIS.

588/25.

7th April, 28.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose an article with accompanying photographs written by Mr. J. M. Ellis, Colonial Secretary, on the subject of the construction of a bridge over the Arroyo Malo, East Falkland, in the hope that it may be of interest to you and that in such case you may wish to publish it in your paper.

- 2. In this case I should be glad if you will cause Mr. Ellis to be supplied with fifty copies of the issue in which the article appears against payment by the Crown Agents for the Colonies on presentation of your account.
- 3. I would say that Mr. Ellis is acting in this matter with the full knowledge and consent of His Excellency the Governor.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

for Colonial Secretary.

Excloren.

The Editor,
The "Field",
Bream's Buildings,
LONDON, E.C. 4.

# UPLICATE

PAIXLAND INVALIDATION -



11 June, 1926.

Air.

12-5-3 -47-5-3 I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your sepatch to 106 of the 4th of wrill last relative to the crection of the bridge over the arroys halp and the chartres rivers.

2. I have learned with ratiofaction of the completion of the arroyo halo river bridge and note with pleasure the admirable and economic work perference upon this bridge by Mr. oberts and his men.

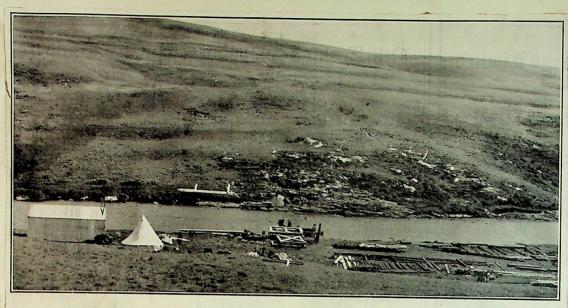
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Your most obedient humble servent.

(Signed) L. S. AMERY

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SITE OF THE NEW BRIDGE IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS: (1) THE EARLY STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION

#### BRIDGE BUILDING IN THE FALKLANDS

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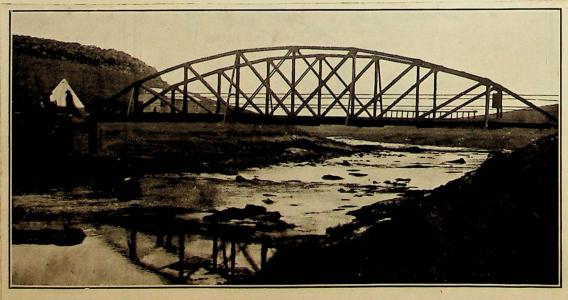
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Stanley, Falkland Islands.

J. M. Ellis.

### EXTRACT FROM "THE FIELD" OF 21ST JUNE 1928



(2) THE FINISHED STRUCTURE



ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
GROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

104 P/Misc.Falk.Is.1.

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN LONDON." TELEPHONE: 7730 VICTORIA.



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

13th July,1528.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a copy of an account in respect of the supply of 50 copies of "The Field", and to inform you that, in accordance with the terms mentioned in the second paragraph of your letter No.588/25.of the 7th April last, addressed to the Editor of that Journal, we are paying the sum of £3.10.0d. to the Field Press Ltd. from Falkland Islands funds. This amount will appear debited in our account with the Colonial Government in due course.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary, Falkland Islands.

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#### From His Excellency the Governor

to The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

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588/25.

17th February, 30.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to refer to the understanding on which the bridge over the Arroyo Malo river was erected on the property under your management, namely that the Government bore the cost of the erection of the bridge and you became responsible for its subsequent maintenance, and to say that His Excellency trusts that you are taking and will take in the future all such steps as are necessary to preserve the bridge from damage or deterioration.

2. I am to add that the Colonial Engineer states that <u>inter alia</u> the steelwork of the bridge should be cleaned and painted at least once in every three years.

I am,

Sir.

Your obedient servant,

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Colonial Secretary.

The Hon. G. J. Felton, M.L.C., Teal Inlet, EAST FALKLAND. 588/25.

17th Tebruary,

30.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to refer to the understanding on which the bridge over the Chartres river was erected on the property under your management, namely that the Government bors the cost of the erection of the bridge and you become responsible for its subsequent maintenance, and to say that His Excellency trusts that you are taking and will take in the future all such steps as are necessary to preserve the bridge from damage or deterioration.

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Sir.

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

The Hon. W. H. Luxton, M.L.C., Chartres, WEST FALKLAND.

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West Falklands

Apr 11 9th 1930

Sir

With reference to year letter of Feb 17th No 588/25. I was not aware that I gave the Government my assurance that this Station would be responsible for the maintenance of the Chartres River Fridge.it seems hardly fair that this Station should bear the whole cost of maintenance when other Stations use it.you can be assured that I will do my share towards the upkeep of the bridge.

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I might add I inspected the bridge yesterday and there is no sign of deterioration, there will be no necessity for it to be cleaned and painted for at least a year.

I am,

Sir

Your obedient servant

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Honourable Colonial Secretary

Stanley

1st May,

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Sir,

I am directed by the Covernor to refer to my letter of the 17th of February, 1930, regarding the maintenance of the Arroyo Mulo Bridge and to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with a reply at your early convenience.

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Sir,

Your obadient servant.

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Colonial Secretary.

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Hon. G. J. Felton, M.L.C., Teal Inlet, EAST FALKLAND. pg 19/5-

588/25.

23rd May,

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Sìr,

In furtherance of my letter No. 589/25 of the 17th of February, 1930, and with reference to our recent telephonic conversation, on the subject of the maintenance of the Arroyo Malo Bridge, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency will be prepared to assist you in this connection by the refund to you of the cost of the necessary paint, estimated at £15, on each occasion when overhaul of the bridge is required, as to which you will be advised from time to time, and on completion of the work to the satisfaction of the Colonial Engineer.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Colonial Secretary.

588/25.

23rd May,

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In reply to your letter of the 9th of April,
1950, on the subject of the maintenance of the
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to inform you that His Excellency will be prepared
to assist you in this connection by the refund to you
of the cost of the necessary paint, estimated at
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required, as to which you will be advised from time
to time, and on completion of the work to the satisfaction of the Colonial Engineer.

2. I am to add that His Excellency is of the opinion that in view of the assistance which will thus be afforded to you it will scareely be necessary for you to call upon other station managers to share in the upkeep of the bridge.

I am.

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Colonial Secretary.

Hon. W. H. Luxton, M.L.C., Chartres, WEST FALKLAND.

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No.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute the above Number and the date may be quoted.)



30th August. 1932.

From To

To From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORL	ζS.
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#### PAINTING ARROYO MALO BRIDGE.

Hon; Colonial Secretary,

I beg to report that the paint and brushes for painting the above bridge were sent to Teal Inlet in August, 1932, Mr Felton then promised to commence the work of scraping and painting within a few weeks.

In conversation with Mr Felton last week I learn that nothing has been done, and he now states that he cannot afford to paint the structure, and requests that the Government might undertake the work.

I submit that the onus for the upkeep of these bridges is on the farms concerned.

Submitted for instructions, please.

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Director of Public Works.

588/25.

7th September,

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Sir,

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with reference to my letter No. 588/25 of the 23rd of May 1930, I am directed by the Governor to say that his Excellency is informed that a supply of point and brushes for painting the Arroyo Malo bridge was sent out to Teal Inlet by the Director of Public Works in August, 1931, on the understanding that the work of scraping and painting the structure would be undertaken by the station.

- 2. I am also to say that His Excellency further learns that the work has not yet been undertaken and that you now state that the station is unable to afford it and ask that the Government may undertake the work.
- 3. I am to inform you that His Excellency regrets that the above-mentioned understanding has not been carried out and I am to request you on the occasion of the next visit of the s.s. "Lafonia" to Teal Inlet to arrange for the paint and brushes to be returned to the Director of Public Works at Stanley.

I am.

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Honourable G.J. Felton, M.L.C.,
The Manager,
Teal Inlet Station,
East Falkland.

Colonial Secretary.

#### MINUTE.

3rd April, 1934

To

From Director of Public Works,

Stanlev.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

#### ARROYO MALO BRIDGE.

I beg to submit a report of inspection by Mr. G.L.Challen (General Foreman of Works) on the approaches, south bank and trestle supports of the Arroyo Malo bridge.

- 2. The approaches are boggy, and Ir. Shallen considers that the trestle supports to the bridge on the south side which have sunk through scouring, and the bank on the South side should be repaired to prevent further erosion.
- 3. It will be necessary to hire a schooner to take men and materials to the site. The charge for this is not known as both schooners are now out of port, but it is estimated at 224m and it is suggested that the crew of the schooner be employed on the work whilst there. Mr. Challen has made arrangements regarding boarding of men and supply of mutton.
  - 4. The estimated cost of the work is :-

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In accordance with His Excellency's instructions, with the Hon. G.J. Felton I visited the Arroyo Malo bridge on Tuesday afternoon the 27th March, 1934.

I left Stanley at 6.30 a.m. on the 27th, and returned on the 23th March, 1934.

#### APPROACHES.

- 2. The approaches to the bridge on both sides are bad and very boggy. From the South or Stanley side it is difficult for a horse and rider to get to the bridge. This requires paving with rocks back to a distance of 20 yards by 4 yards wide and covered with shingle from the stream. It will be necessary to extend the decking on the Couth side another 4'6" to cover the place where the bank has washed away from underneath the timber approach.
- 3. With regard to the Morth approach there are some bed peat holes between rocks, and the peat should be dug out and holes filled with rock and levelled off and dressed with shingle.

#### TRESTLE SUPPORTS TO BRIDGE AND BANK ON SOUTH SID!

- 4. The bank on the South side of the bridge has washed away since the bridge was erected back to a distance of 5 feet, leaving less than 4.00 of a bank for the stringers of the wood portion of the bridge to rest on. The two trestle supports between the bank and the main nier of the bridge have sunk I inch caused by scouring. This could be stopped with a good slab of rock and concrete with the trestles wedged up to allow the grout to run under them. About 9 cubic yards of concrete would be required for this.
- 5. The bank could be saved by sheeting around the first trestle support and taken well into the bank at an angle on the upstream side and square

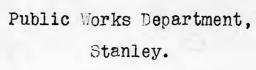
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into the bank on the down stream side, the whole then being filled with rock leaving a space from the sheeting about 6" to face with concrete. About 4 cubic yards of concrete and 24 cubic yards of rock would be required for this.

- 6. The main piers and the iron bridge itself are quite safe.
- 7. It will be necessary to hire a schooner to take men and materials for the work.
- 8. The Hon. G.J. Felton will lend a cart but the Government to supply cart horse, driver and harness. He will also supply mutton for the men 7/6d. per sheep, and arrangements have been made for Irs Mac. Cullum at the Arroyo Malo house to board and lodge up to 7 men 2/23/- per week each.

G. L. Challer.

General Foreman of Works.
-3rd April, 1934.



7th April. 1934.

Sir.

With reference to 'phone conversation regarding work at Arroyo Malo bridge, will you kindly reserve accommodation to Teal Inlet in "Lafonia" sailing Monday evening the 9th April, 1934, for:-

> Mr. A.H.Hills. A. Blyth. 11 C.Paice. 11 A. Peck. M. Campbell.

2. The following packages etc., marked for shipment to Teal Inlet will be sent to your warehouse on Monday morning: -

I4 casks Cement each 400 lbs. nett. (Gross 428 lbs)
I8 lengths I" x 8" x I2 ft. S.P. timbers.

3 " 2" x 4" x I2 fts " "

5 " 2" x 9" x I2 fts. " "

I bale hay. 4ft x 2 ft. x I'9".

2 bags Oats, each 36" x I8" x I5".

I sack containing tools etc. 36" x I8" x I2".

I bag containing tent 36" x 22" x I2".

I bundle " tent poles, 72" x 6" x 3".

I " shovels etc. 40" x I2" x I2".

I " crowbars. 72" x 4" x 4".

I " harmers, 36" x 6" x 6".

2 hand barrows tied together, 60" x 22" x 8". also I box containing harness gear. (This is at your warehouse and belongs to M.Hardy).

- All charges should be forwarded to this office.
- It is noted that you are kindly allowing one of the "Lafonia's" scows to be left behind at Teal Inlet to allow the materials to be towed by motor boat from Teal Inlet to Arroyo Malo, for which you are making no charge, but on the understanding that the scow is securely moored at Teal Inlet and received back by "Lafonia" in the same condition.

I am,

The Manager, Messrs Falkland Islands Co. Ltd., Stanley.

Sir.

Your obedient Servant,

for Director of P homes

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#### STATERUM OF COST.

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#### M.P. 588/25.

# PHOTOGRAPHS OF REPAIR WORK CARRIED OUT TO THE QRROYO MALO BRIDGE.

- (I). Showing shutteringto new pillar built on South or Stanley side of bridge and small extension of decking to bank.
- (2). Chowing same pillar from upstream with shuttering up and concrete being made for filling.
- (3). Approach road made on South or Stanley side with rock to new pillar formed. This road was dressed with sandy clay from side of bank.
- (4). Showing depth of the approach road in places.





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