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C.S.

MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 674/26.

H.E. The Governor.

SUBJECT.

1926.
21st December.

Proposed arrangements for broadcasting correct time by means of a gun fired at noon every Saturday.

Previous Paper.

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MINUTES.

- 1. Minute from His Excellency the Acting Governor dated 21.12.26.
Letters accordingly please to
Hon.T.
Hon.Col.S.
Hon.H.H.R.Gresham.
Postmaster.
Harbour Master, and
Chief Constable.
(Intld) J.M.E. 22/11.
- 2. Memos. to Hon.Treasurer, Hon.Col.Surgeon, Postmaster, Harbour Master and Chief Constable dated 24.12.26.
- 3. Letter to Hon.H.H.R.Gresham dated 24.12.26.

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to 24. 12. 26 -

Minutes from Harbour Master of 29 Dec. 1926.
Memo from Hon. W.C. Craigie: Kalkett. 29 Dec 1926
Letter from Manager G.L.S. 30 Dec 1926

4. 5. 1. 27
to 30. 12. 26

Subsequent Paper.

- Minute from Hon. Col. Surgeon, of 30 Dec. 1926. 7.
- Minute from Ag. Col. Postmaster of 30 Dec. 1926. 8.
- Memo from Chief Constable 1st Jan 1927. 9.

y.s. Subd. 1 beg to recommend the adoption of y.s.'s suggestion namely that a signal fire be fired when the superintendent of the Chief Constable a Victory fire at 12 noon each Saturday commencing with Saturday the 1st Jan 1927.

2. The correct time to be furnished to the Chief Constable by the Harbour Master.

3. Cost to be charged against ~~the~~ the

23. Miscellaneous:

Jud
1.1.27.

1. Arrangements should be made accordingly

2. The general public should be warned of the proposed arrangement by means of a S.H.

Jud
3 Dec. 1926

c.c. please submit draft for notice.

LCS
Draft above herewith
J. C. 6/1/27

Jud
7. 1/2/27

10. Government Notice No. 10 of 6 Jan'y, 1927

Hester Nash

Chief Constable

The Treasurer.

To see if necessary

cdm.

W. H. S.

W. H. S.

E. 1. 27

7/1/27

Submitted

W. H. S.

W. H. S.

W. H. S.

To Chief Constable.

Hon. C. S.

noted and instructions issued
to Police

2/8/27
cc
14/1/27

chf.

12.

No. ~~126~~
(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above number and the date may be quoted).

MINUTE.

..... 24th December, 19 26.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To... The Hon. Treasurer.
The Hon. Col. Surgeon.
The Hon. H.H.R. Gresham.
Ag. Col. Postmaster.
As Harbour Master, and
As Chief Constable.

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21.12.1926.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to attach herewith a copy of a minute from His Excellency relating to the question of instituting a time-gun in Stanley, and to request your observations on the arrangement proposed.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

1.

From His Excellency the ^{Acting} Governor

to The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

1. In a separate minute of even date I have raised the question of having our local times checked by a wireless time signal from Ferris.

2. It now occurs to me that in the absence of any reliable public clock in Stanley it might prove of some benefit if we could "broadcast" the ~~time~~ correct time by means of a gun fired every Saturday at noon. I should like to have your views on this suggestion, together with those of Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Colonial Surgeon, Hon. H.R. Graham ~~and~~ Postmaster and Harbour Master. The Chief Constable also might be asked for his views, and to furnish an estimate of cost of the necessary ammunition.

B.
21 Dec. 1926

29/12/26.

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Submitted
I consider a gun fired on Saturday would be
good

M. M. M.
H. M. M.

The Colonial Secy
P. Stanley.
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No. 674/26

MINUTE.

(25)

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

December 29th 19 26

From Col. Treasurer

To

Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Hon. Col. Sec,

With reference to your minute No. 674/26 dated the 24th inst., on the subject of instituting a time-gun in Stanley, I beg to state that I concur with the suggestion.

2. Formerly a gun was fired at noon on every Monday, the time being given by the Harbour Master whose Chronometers were checked with those on board P.S.N.Co's steamers. In my opinion there will be no difficulty in obtaining Wireless time signals from Cerrito.

M. Graigie Hather

Treas.

Stanley. Falkland Islands.

December 30th 1926.

674/26.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th instant enclosing copy of a Minute from His Excellency the Governor as regards the firing of a time-gun in Stanley.

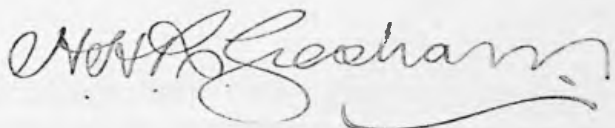
2. In reply, I am to say that I am very much in favour of the adoption of His Excellency's suggestion that a gun should be fired every Saturday at noon. As Manager of the Falkland Islands Company, I know that throughout the year considerable time has been lost to the Company owing to our employees "turning to" by the Government bell and "knocking off" by the Cathedral Clock or vice versa.

3. It would also be an advantage if a radio time signal could be obtained from somewhere. According to the last P.S.N.C. vessel which called at the Port, we are about 35 to 40 minutes wrong in our time, irrespective of the hour allowed for "Summer Time".

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary.

S T A N L E Y.

MEMO.

Departmental Number.

From....The Colonial Surgeon....

IX. MEDICAL.....

Date.....30th December, 1926.

To...The Hon. Col. Secretary..

Reference
Numbers.

Formerly a tire gun was fired on Mondays at noon but this was discontinued I am informed on account of a shortage of ammunition. I consider it an excellent suggestion and if an arrangement could be made to fire the gun by electricity from the Wireless Station such as is done daily at Edinburgh at 1 p.m. when the gun is set off from the observatory any loss of time could be done away with please.

J. V. Deane

Colonial Surgeon.



No. 674/26

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MINUTE.

30th December, 19 26

From Ag. Col. Postmaster

To

Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

With Reference to your Minute of the 24th of December, I have consulted the Operator-in-charge and am informed that a time signal can be received each night from Buenos Aires. The time, to the nearest minute, will be transmitted to the Telephone Exchange or to the Telegraph Office the following day at any hour. In order that the time may be as accurate as possible I have instructed the Operator-in-charge to ascertain the ^{daily} variation of the clock which he intends to use.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. Barlas".

Ag. Colonial Postmaster.



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

C.S. No.....

MEMO.

Departmental Number.

From *The Chief Constable*

VIII Police & Prison

Date *Jan 1 1927*

To *The Hon Col Secretary*

Reference Numbers.

Sir,
with reference to your minute No 674/26 of 24th Dec/26, respecting the proposed broadcasting of the correct local time by means of a gun fired on Saturdays at noon, I quite agree with the suggestion, as the local time has been very irregular of late.

The time could be received from the Wireless Station at noon on Saturdays the Police Station clock to be corrected and the Gun fired by the Constable on duty.

I estimate the cost of one 16 oz charge and fuel at 4/-.

I am Sir
your obedient servant
P. Sullivan
The Constable

No. 10.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
6th January, 1927.

His Excellency the Acting Governor directs
it to be notified for general information, that
commencing on Saturday the 6th of January, 1927,
the corrected time will be broadcasted by means
of a gun fired on Victory Green at noon on every
Saturday.

By Command,



Acting Colonial Secretary.