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PORT & MARINE.

DEF/NVI/2#4

(Miscellaneous.)

19 38.

No. 113/38.

Mr. J. White.

SUBJECT.

19 38.

20th May.

DAMAGE OF MOTOR BOAT BY PINNACE FROM  
H.M.S. "EXETER" WHILE AT STANLEY IN  
NOVEMBER, 1937.

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MINUTES.

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Letter from Mr. James White of 20. 5. 38.

*Harbour master.*

*In favour of your  
observations. This does not  
appear a matter for this  
Govt. to undertake.*

*MCH*

*25. 5. 38*

*Hon. Col. Sec.*

*I agree that this is not a  
matter for this Govt.*

*This motor boat was damaged  
and the shipwrights from H.M.S. Exeter*

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put the boat on the Gout slip and carried out the necessary repairs.

The Gout Tugmaster and Pilot reports that the repairs were well carried out, and that the boat has been in use ever since.

He further states that some time ago whilst White was in hospital the boat was left bumping at the Public Jetty, and later put amongst the piles at the F. J. Co. East Jetty.

Ratcliffe knows the boat well and asserts that if there is damage to the hull it has been caused since the "Essex" left.

In view of the above it would appear to be a try on.

S. Roberts.  
26/5/38.

Letter to Mr. James White of 28/5/38.

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P.A.  
30/5/38.

Stanley,  
Falkland Islands,  
20th May, 1938.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that my motor boat was damaged by the pinnace from H.M.S. "Exeter" while at Stanley in November, 1937. I saw the Commander about the damage and he agreed to have the boat repaired. Ratings were sent on shore but they put only an overall patch on the boat.

I would be grateful if I could be rendered any assistance as I depend on the boat for fishing to earn a few shillings. She cannot be used as she is and I have no money to spend on her repair. It would cost about £8 to put her in order.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*James White*

The Honourable  
The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

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29th May, 38.

Sir,

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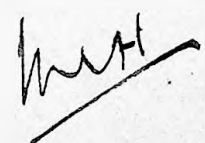
I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th of May, 1938, and to inform you that it is regretted that the Government cannot assist you in repairing your boat.

2. From enquiries which have been made it would appear that shipwrights from R.M.S. "Exeter" put the boat on the Government slip and carried out the necessary repairs. It is further reported that the repairs were well carried out and that the boat has been in use ever since.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

Mr. James White,  
STANLEY.