

C.S.

NAVAL AND MILITARY

(Defence Force)

1923

DEF/FID/2#12

No. 49/23

The Governor

SUBJECT.

192 3

10th January

Previous Paper.

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

Appointment of Mr. D. R. Watson  
as Lieutenant in:

MINUTES.

*Minute from H.C. the Governor of 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 1923 — Encl ①*  
*Letter to Mr. D. R. Watson of 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 1923 — Encl ②*

*2/10/23*

*Mr. Watson.*

*Yr.*

*Submitted*

*The allowance to the Captain may  
be paid on issue of a Special Warrant, in  
anticipation of the approval of the Secretary  
of State, with effect from yesterday 11<sup>th</sup> instant?*

*Yr. plor. [Signature] 12/1/23  
12 January 1923*

*Mr. Inas.*

*Auditor*

*In wh. I will prepare a  
S.W. and I will also continue for the  
present to sign vouchers for payments from  
Head XIII [Signature] 12/1/23*

Subsequent Paper.



Local Auditing

Passed & yr accordingly

*B. Thompson*  
15.1.23.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted accordingly

M. Grainger Harkness  
22.1.23

For S.W. on XIII 1

*W. H. B. B. B.*  
*B. H. B. B.*

Hon. Treas.

S.W. to you for comments please

*W. H. B. B.* 24/1/23

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Hon:Col:Sec;

As I understand your minute of 23/1/23 in C.S.687/22, in connection with another Special Warrant that was submitted for approval, that so long as there is sufficient amount under subhead 1 "Personal Emoluments" under any Head of Expenditure on the Estimates, that a Special Warrant will only be required when it is definitely known what amount of excess expenditure under that subhead will amount to.

*Handwritten notes*

2. On the 1923 Estimates a sum of £36 which would seem to be available unless it is intended to appoint a "Drill Instructor", please.

*B. Thompson*  
Colonial Treasurer.

24th January 1923.

N.B:- Since writing the above minute, I have read and noted para:4(2) of the Governor's minute herein of 10/1/23.

*B. Thompson*  
24/1/23.

Hon. Treas.

On another sup. a copy of the letter appointing Constable Lawler to be Drill Instructor @ £36 has been sent to you.



Ys.  
S.W. submitted for favour of  
approval

31/1/23

J.R.  
31 January 1923

Hon. Treasurer.

S.W. No. 3 Herewith

to Barlas.

for C.S. 31.1.23.

Hon. Col. Sec.

S.W. No. 3 withdrawn.

W. Simpson  
Treasurer  
1/2/23

Spoke W. Octon  
21.7.27  
js

5. Government Notice No. 108 of 21/7/27

C.C. Letter to W. Octon who please.

js 21.7.27

6. Letter to Capt. Watson, 25/7/27.

P.H.  
19/6/29



Letter to Captain Watson 16/4/30

Minute to Captain Watson, 17/4/30

Minute to Sergt. Major Allan, 17/4/30

Letter from O.C. Defence Force 30 April 1930

H.C.B.

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11-14.

At an interview between His Excellency the Governor, Lieut. Allan and myself on the 2nd of May, His Excellency instructed that the four rifles on loan to the Sealing Company should be opened to the Company at a cost of £4 each.

2. His Excellency further instructed that 15,000 rounds of Mark VII ammunition should be ordered for supply in 1931. Revolver ammunition will also be required. Though 1000 rounds is largely in excess of a year's requirements I suggest this quantity should be ordered at a cost of £35 as I understand a smaller



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Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 3

Quantity will not be supplied.

GK 13  
A.C.S.  
13. V. 30

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Letter to Cpt J R Doherty 13. 5. 30

y.e. Submitted. ? So proceed.

jud

13. 5. 30.

Hm C.S

Peace.

All.

14/30  
5

Note. Ammunition ordered an.

Indent 59/30. AB

P.A. 14/5/30.

(16) Letter from Secretary  
F.L. Dependencies Sailing Co 19/5/30

y.e. Submitted. Will y.e. approve ?

jud

20. 5. 30.



Hon C.S

Approved. Inform Capt Watson  
rifles must be registered in  
due course under new Ordinance.  
Hon Col. Treasurer will kindly  
see the amount in question is  
collected & report in due course.  
Lt. Allan will write these  
rifles off charge getting this  
minute as authority. Put up  
again on Sept. 1. 1930.

$\frac{2030}{5}$  D.H.

Letter to D. B. Watson Esq., 21st May, 1930. 17.

O.C. Defence Force, J.M. 23/5/30.

The Treasurer.

Please see.

J.M.

23.5.30.



Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted.

Mr. George Harkness  
Treasurer

27. 5. 30

PA 27. 5. 30  
G.B.

18 Minute from Hon. Col. Treasurer 30/9/30

G.S.

Scheduled.

J.P.D.

1. 9/30

Hon. C.S.

O.C.D.F. to be informed.  
Rifles in quarters can now  
be written off their books

(1/10)

M.

O.C. Defence Force

J.P.M.

4. 10. 30

To you please

Jullian

2. 10. 30

PA. 4/x/30



Y.E.

Will Y.E. be pleased to approve the appointment of Captain D.R. Watson to act as Adjutant of the F.I. Defence Force during the time Lieut. Allan will be absent on leave.

M. Brian Harker  
A.C.S.  
29.2.32.

Actg. C.S.  
Approved  
J.P.  
1.3.32

Letter to Capt. D.R. Watson of 2/3/32.

19.

O.C. Defence Force.

To note.

You will no doubt arrange for Lieut. Allan to hand over to Capt. Watson at a convenient date.

A.S.  
A.S.  
3/3/32.

The Adjutant F.I. D.F.

For necessary action, please

James Mori. 4/3/32.

O.C. Defence Force

mutual certificate of Handing over herewith.

The 11<sup>th</sup> March was the most convenient time for Mr Watson to take over

Amala Prasad  
F.I. D.F.  
12/3/32



Hon. Col. Secy.

Submitted, please. J.S.M. 12/3/32

J.E. Submitted for information.  
Mr. Brajji Halder  
Ag. C. S.  
15. 3. 32.

Ag. C. S.

Noted  
J.S.M.  
15. 3. 32

21. Letter to Capt. D.R. Watson of 14/3/32.
22. Govt. notice no. 28 of 14/3/32.

Hon. Treasurer

Local Auditor.

Please note : in

particular authority for payment of  
allowance to Adjutant on vol 19.

J.S.M.

18. 3. 32.



Local Auditor

Notes passed to you.

Hon. Ch. Sec.

Noted.

C.G.T.R. for L.A.

22-3-32

See B for bot item  
18. 3. 32

P. A  
27/3/32

Govt. notice no. 45 of 18/10/32.

23.

67.

25. 10. 32.

per 18 10 32

Minutes from C.O. Defence Force, 20/10/32

24.

y. 2.

Submitted with a draft

letter to Capt. J. R. Owen.

Hon. C. P.

draft letter of appreciation Approved

J.P.C.

20-11-32

J.P.C.

20. 10. 32.



25. Letter to Capt. D.R. Watson 22/10/32.

O.C. Inf. Force.

Please see

JMM  
24.10.32  
Muller  
22.10.32

P.H.  
24/10/32

26. Letter from Capt D.R. Watson 16/33

Y.L. Submitted. Will Y.L. be pleased to. frame the permission apphs for:

M. Gargi Kulkarni  
a/c. S.  
26.6.33

Hon Ali C.S.

yes!

Go  
24.6.33

27. Letter to Capt D.R. Watson of 24/6/33.

P.A.  
24/6/33



Letter from Capt D. R. Watson, of 31/10/33

(28)

Y/6. Submitted for approval.

C. J. G.  
for 31/10/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Approved.

McH  
31. X. 33

Capt. Watson informed.

PA  
31/10/33

Letter from Capt D. R. Watson, 11/10/34

(29)

Y/6. Submitted for approval.

C. J. G.  
for 12/10/34

Hon. Col. Sec.

Approved. Informed Captain  
Watson verbally.

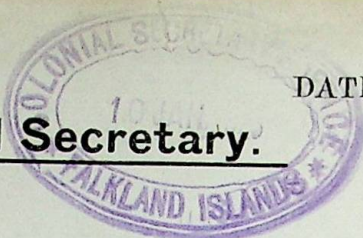
McH  
13. X. 34.

PA  
13/10/34



From Governor to Colonial Secretary.

DATE 10<sup>th</sup> January 1923



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Mr. D.R. Watson resigned from the Volunteer Force on the ground of ill-health after 20 years service for a long period of which he was Colour Sergeant. At the outbreak of war he was in command of the Free Cavalry Troop Stanley Turner took over from him. He was also Drill Instructor and in addition during part of the time for which the Volunteers were on active service he was Paymaster.

He is now in good health;

as Lieutenant

2. I have offered him a Commission in the Defence Force of the Colony & he has accepted it.

3. Will you please send him the Commission which accompanies this & request him to attend at Fort Mervin on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January at noon to take the prescribed oath.

4. I further appoint<sup>(1)</sup> Mr. Watson to be adjutant with an allowance of £50 a year and<sup>(2)</sup> Police Constable Lawton to be Drill Instructor with an allowance of £36 a year.

5. With Mr. Watson as Lieutenant or adjutant in command & a competent Instructor I hope it will be possible to proceed with the reorganization of the Force in accordance with the Defence Force Act 1920. I recognize however that having regard to the long period for which the Force has been without an officer & Instructor much hard work is required. Mr. Watson is prepared to ~~undertake~~ to tackle the task unflinchingly.

10 January 1923



P.S. There is no provision in the statute for an  
allowance for an adjutant but having regard to the  
work of the organization which has not diminished  
I consider such an allowance necessary & a special  
warrant may issue

J. H.

10 January 1913.



49/23.

10th January,

23.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to appoint you to be an officer of the Defence Force of the Colony with the rank of Lieutenant with effect from the date of your assumption of duty.

2. I am to request you to proceed to Government House at noon tomorrow the 11th instant in order to take the oath prescribed by law.

3. His Excellency has further been pleased to appoint you to the office of Adjutant of the Force. While performing the duties of this appointment you will, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, be granted an allowance at the rate of £50 per annum.

4. Your Commission is enclosed herein.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. R. Watson, Esq.,

Stanley.

H. Henniker-Heaton,

Colonial Secretary.



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GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.  
11th January, 1923.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to grant a Commission as an Officer in the Falkland Islands Defence Force to

DUNCAN RUSSEL WATSON, ESQUIRE,

and to appoint him to the rank of Lieutenant.

The Commission takes effect from the 10th of January, 1923.

By Command,

H. Henniker-Heaton,

Colonial Secretary.







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GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

No. 108.

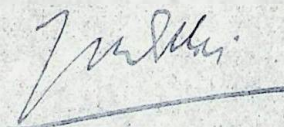
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.  
21st July, 1927.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased  
to appoint

LIEUTENANT AND ADJUTANT D. R. WATSON.

to be acting Captain while in command of the  
Falkland Islands Defence Force.

By Command,



Acting Colonial Secretary.



49 /23.

25th July, 27.

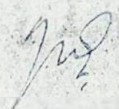
Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to appoint you to be acting Captain while in command of the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,  
Falkland Islands Defence Force,  
STANLEY.



Head Quarters

Falkland Island Defence Force.

15th April 1930.



The Hon,  
Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

Sir,

I hereby beg to tender my resignation as  
Officer Commanding and Adjutant of the F.I.D.  
Force, to take effect from the 1st May 1930.

I am,

Sir,

yours obediently,

*B.R. Watson* Captain

Officer Commanding F.I.D. Force.



Draft Lr to Capt Watson.

(M)

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> of April tendering your resignation as Officer Commanding and Adjutant of the Falkland Islands Defence Force with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1930.

2. His Excellency in accepting your resignation His Excellency desires <sup>me</sup> to express his grateful appreciation of your loyal services as Officer Commanding and Adjutant and his hope that you will long continue



active member of the Force.

3. I am to add that His  
Excellency has been pleased to  
grant you leave of absence  
on full pay from the 1st of  
May up to and including the  
31st of July.

I am  
Yours

V. B.  
A further letter will be sent  
to Capt. Watson regarding handing  
over to Sgt. Maj. Allen

VB



49/23.

16th April,

30.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th of April tendering your resignation as Officer Commanding and Adjutant of the Falkland Islands Defence Force with effect from the 1st of May 1950.

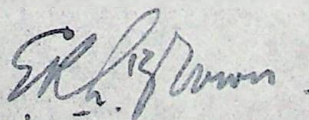
2. In accepting your resignation His Excellency desires me to express his grateful appreciation of your loyal service as Officer Commanding and Adjutant and his hope that you will long continue an active member of the Force.

3. I am to add that His Excellency has been pleased to grant you leave of absence from the 1st of May up to and including the 31st of July.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
for Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,

STANLEY.



No. 49/23.

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

MINUTE.

17th April, 19 30.

*From*

*To* Capt. D. R. Watson.

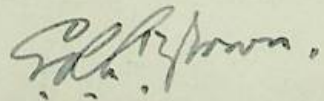
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I am directed by the Governor to request you will arrange to hand over to Sergt. Major Allan all books, keys, stores and equipment in your custody as Officer Commanding and Adjutant of the Falkland Islands Defence Force furnishing a certificate in the form prescribed in Store Form M.

2. I am to add that in view of your resignation on the 1st of May this should be done as soon as possible.



for Colonial Secretary.



No. 49/23.

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

MINUTE.

17th April, 19 30.

*From*

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

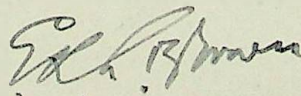
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

*To* Sergt. Major Allan.

Stanley.

I am directed by the Governor to attach a copy of a memo addressed to Captain D. R. Watson asking him to hand over to you all stores and equipment in his custody as Officer Commanding and Adjutant of the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

2. I am to request you will see Captain Watson for this purpose as soon as possible.



for Colonial Secretary.



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Head Quarters,  
Defence Force,  
April 30th, 1930.

Small Arms handed over property of Defence Force.

Rifles.

In armoury Mk.LLL.	125	
In Care of Captn Coutts	1	
In Care of Captn Watson	1	
		-----
		127
In Armoury Mk.vl.	44	44
		-----
		171
Darwin Mk vl.	12	
N.Arm	5	
Fox Bay East	1	
San Carlos N. Mk.vl.	6	
Hill Cove	3	
Douglas Station (Armoury)	-	
Teal Inlet	3	
Sealing Company	4	
Port Howard	12	
	-----	46
	46	
		-----
Total.		217

See  
Watson

In Armoury.

.22 Rifles 3 only.

Revolvers 8.

*Br. Watson Capt.  
30.4.30.  
A. M. Allen  
1.5.30*



Head Quarters

Defence Force

April 30th 1930.

Guns under charge of Defence Force.

- 1 - 12pdr. 18 cwt field gun Ex. "Glasgow"
- 1 - 3 pdr. Hotchkis handed over from Afterglow.
- 2 Machine Guns ( one of these has local made - mounting)
- 5 Lewis Guns
- 2 6ln.Guns ( one on Sapers Hill and one on Mount Low, these have not been in care of Defence Force but considered as Defence of the Colony.

*Dr. Watson, Capt.*  
30.4.30.

W. M. Allen, Lieut  
1-5-30



CERTIFICATE OF HANDING OVER STORES.

.....Department.  
**Military**

I hereby certify that I have handed over to Mr. ....  
all Government Stores hitherto under my charge, including <sup>W.M. Allen</sup> cash, notes, cheques and stamps,  
as detailed below:

- Vote book and Vouchers audited by Mr Marshall 28.4.30
- Defence Force Act, Book - Do. Do.
- and Cash \$1 -14 -1
- Register & Oath Book (2)
- Furnishing of Office and drill Hall as per inventory.
- Drill Hall & Buildings
- Armoury & Tools
- Clothing & equipment as per store ledger
- Ammunition as per inventory.
- Rifles and small arms as per list.
- Guns
- quantity of papers including indents , invoices etc.
- Typewriter Underwood Complete.

.....  
*W.R. Watson Capt.*  
Signature of Outgoing Officer.

I hereby certify that I have this day taken over from Mr. <sup>W.R. Watson</sup>.....  
charge of all Government Stores of the <sup>Military</sup>.....Department, having compared  
the stores on hand with the Ledger Balances and furniture and office equipment with the  
inventories and found all to be (a) <sup>Correct and in order</sup>.....

I have also checked all cash, notes, cheques and stamps as detailed above and found all  
to be (a) <sup>Correct and in order</sup>.....

.....  
*W. M. Allen*  
Signature of Incoming Officer.

<sup>30<sup>th</sup> April</sup>.....19<sup>30</sup>.....

(a) Here state "correct and in order" or "correct and in order with the exception of  
(here give details)" as the case may be.



Head Quarters  
Defence Force

April 30th, 1930

The Hon,  
The Colonial Secretary,

Sir,

In reference to your letter of 17th April date No.49/23 I beg to report as follows;-

I have to day handed over to Mr W.M.Allan all books stores and equipment which is the property of the Government under my charge. Store form M.herewith enclosed.

In regard to rifles shown as handed over these are in excess of rifles on charge by the amount of seven. I have given this to the best of my ability but as rifle Clubs in Camps were hurriedly formed and rifles returned from time to time I should like to have the numbers still on the Stations verified.

The sealing Company have on loan four of the old Rifles for which I am responsible.

I have the honour,  
to be,  
Sir,  
yours obediently,

*B.N. Watson Capt.*



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49/23.

13th May,

30

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that it is the intention of the Government to dispose of the four .303 rifles on loan to the Falkland Islands Sealing Company, Limited and to enquire whether the Sealing Company is desirous of purchasing them at a cost of £4 each.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*W*  
Colonial Secretary.

*Captain*  
D. R. Watson, ~~Esq.~~,  
Secretary,  
Falkland Islands Sealing Company,  
STANLEY.



# KELVIN STORE,

PORT STANLEY.

May 19th, 1930 19

The Falkland & Dependencies Sealing Co. Ltd.

The Hon.,

The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of No 49/23 of the 13th. May date and in reply state as follows:-

The Directors of the above Company thank you for the offer to purchase the four rifles at present on loan and that they will be pleased to purchase same.

The difficulty for us at the present time is short of finances until we can have returns of Oil sold. I ask if you will kindly consider allowing us credit until the end of September when I guarantee payment will be made.

I am,

Sir,

Yours obediently,

*D.R. Lockson*

Secretary Sealing Co. Ltd.



49/23.

21st May,

30.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 19th of May, 1930, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to approve of payment for the four rifles purchased by the Falkland Islands Sealing Company, Limited, being deferred until the end of September of this year.

2. I am to invite your attention to the requirements in the matter of the registration of firearms laid down in the Firearms Ordinance which will be introduced into the Legislative Council this month and to say that the registration of all firearms in the possession of the Sealing Company should be effected in due course when the measure has passed into law.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*W.S.*

Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,  
Secretary,  
Falkland Islands Sealing Company, Ltd.,  
STANLEY.



From Colonial Treasurer.  
Stanley.

To the Honble,  
the Colonial Secretary.  
&c., &c., &c.,

Dated 30th September 1930.

Hon. Col. Sec,

I beg to report that the Falkland Islands Sealing Co, Ltd, this day paid in the sum of £221--3s-10d on account of the following:-

Final instalment for purchase of "Afterglow" ... ..	£200--0--0	
Interest to 30th Sepbr... ..	<u>5--3-10</u>	£205-3-10
Purchase of 4 Rifles at £4 each ... ..	<u>£16--0--0</u>	16--0--0
		<hr/>
Total ... ..		<u>£221--3-10</u>

2. The sum of £205--3-10 has been credited to Revenue Head IX Misc. new item "Sale of Afterglow", and the sum of £16 has been brought to account as an O.P.R. under Head XIV Military item 3.Arms &c., in accordance with instructions received.

*M. Craigie Halliday*  
Treasurer.

*Copy filed in Mb 860/7*



49/23.

2nd March, 32.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to appoint you to act as Adjutant of the Falkland Islands Defence Force during the absence on leave of Lieut. W. M. Allan, with effect from the date of his departure from the Colony on or about the 13th of March, 1932.

2. I am to state that while so acting you will receive an allowance at the rate of £50 a year.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*M. S. H. Haskett*

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Capt. D. R. Watson,  
STANLEY.



20.

CERTIFICATE OF HANDING OVER STORES.

M I L I T A R Y

.....Department.

I hereby certify that I have handed over to Mr. D.R. WATSON.....  
all Government Stores hitherto under my charge, including cash, notes, cheques and stamps,  
as detailed below:

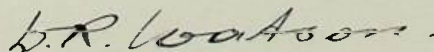
- I. Vote Book and Vouchers, Audited by the Local Auditor
2. Defence Force Account Book - do - do -  
and Cash on hand £10- 15 -4.
3. Defence Force Register & Oath Book.
4. Rifles & Revolvers as per number on charge.
5. Lewis & Vicker Guns.
6. Guns in Drill Shed.
7. Armoury & Tools, per Inventory.
8. Furnishings of Office and Drill Hall as per Inventory.
9. Typewriter, Underwood, complete.
10. Quantity of papers, including Indents, invoices etc.
11. Uniforms, Equipment & Range material as per Store Ledger
12. Ammunition in Magazine as per Inventory.



.....  
*Signature of Outgoing Officer.*

I hereby certify that I have this day taken over from Mr. W. M. ALLAN.....  
charge of all Government Stores of the M I L I T A R Y Department, having compared  
the stores on hand with the Ledger Balances and furniture and office equipment with the  
inventories and found all to be (a) Correct & in Order....

I have also checked all cash, notes, cheques and stamps as detailed above and found all  
to be (a) Correct & in Order.....



.....  
*Signature of Incoming Officer.*

11th March

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(a) Here state "correct and in order" or "correct and in order with the exception of  
(here give details)" as the case may be.



49/23.

17th March,

32.

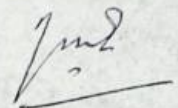
Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to appoint you to act as Officer Commanding the Falkland Islands Defence Force during the absence on leave of Major the Honourable J. Innes Moir, with effect from the 17th of March, 1932.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

Capt. D. R. Watson,  
STANLEY.



Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

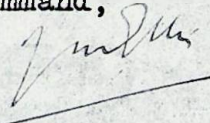
17th March, 1932.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to  
appoint

CAPTAIN D. R. WATSON

to act as Officer Commanding and Adjutant of the  
Falkland Islands Defence Force during the absence on  
leave of Major the Honourable J. Innes Moir and  
Lieutenant W. M. Allan, with effect from the 17th  
of March, 1932.

By Command,



Colonial Secretary.



GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

18th October, 1932.

It is hereby notified, for general information,  
that

MR. HERBERT GLYN EDMUNDS, M.S.A.,

Medical Officer, acted as Principal Medical Officer from  
the 17th of March to the 11th of October, 1932, inclusive.  
M.P. P/141.

CAPTAIN D. R. WATSON

acted as Officer Commanding and Adjutant of the Falkland  
Islands Defence Force from the 17th of March to the 11th  
of October, 1932, inclusive. M.P. 49/23.

MR. A. H. HILLS,

Water Bailiff, acted as General Foreman of Works, Public  
Works Department, from the 4th of April to the 11th of  
October, 1932, inclusive. M.P. P/129.

By Command,

J. M. Ellis.

Colonial Secretary.



No.

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



MINUTE.

20 — 10 — 1932

From C. O. F. I. D. F.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I have to report that Mr Allan, Adjutant F. I. D. F., has taken over the Military Department from Captain D. Watson, Adj. Adjutant. Mr Allan reports that the military premises, equipment, & stores are all correct, & in good order.

Submitted that Captain Watson should receive a letter of thanks from the Government for the satisfactory manner in which he has conducted the affairs of the Military Department.

J. James Mow.



49/25.

22nd October,

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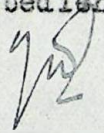
Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to convey to you His Excellency's appreciation of and thanks for the good service rendered by you as Officer Commanding the Falkland Islands Defence Force and Adjutant during the absence on leave of Major the Hon. J. Innes McIvor and Lieutenant W. M. Allan between the 17th of March and the 11th of October, 1932.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,  
STANLEY.



(26)

3 Jubilee Villa,  
Port Stanley.

23rd, June 1933.

Sir, ( application for leave as Officer of the F.I.D.F. )

I have the honour to hereby apply for permission  
to leave Stanley for the period of about three months.

I propose to proceed to Albemarle to take charge of  
the Sealing station and will be returning about the  
1st, of October.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*B.R. Watson.*

Captain F.I. Defence Force.

The Honourable,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley,



49/23.

27th June, 35.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 23rd June last, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief has been pleased to grant you permission to leave Stanley for a period of about three months.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*M. Conji Hackett*

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,  
STANLEY.



3 Jubilee Villa,  
Port Stanley,

31st October 1933.

Sir,

I hereby beg to ask permission to leave Port -  
Stanley for a period of about ten days. If leave is  
granted I shall be making the round trip by the  
S/S. "Lafonia" leaving on the evening of the 1st of Novr.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

*B. R. Watson*

Captain F.I.D. Force.

The Honourable,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.



Kelvin House,  
Stanley,  
11th October 1934.

Sir,

As I have been recommended to take a few weeks in camp for the benefit of my health, I beg to ask if his Excellency The Governor & C.in C. will kindly grant me the required permission. I propose going to Salvador & Douglas Station.

I have,  
the honour to be,

Sir,

yours obediently

*K.R. Westwood*

Captain F.I.D.Force.

The Hble,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.