

1921

C.S.

DEF/FID/2#4

<u>Military</u> (7 <sup>th</sup> Defence Force) Arms.
No. 635/21

C.E. 10/5.

Cr. Agents 669/1494  
S. of S. Dec 63

SUBJECT.

1921

10<sup>th</sup> June

Previous Paper.

7<sup>th</sup> Defence Force

Issue of Arms on Special terms

822/20

Letter from Cr. Agents <sup>MINUTES.</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> June

S. of S. Dec 63 of 10<sup>th</sup> June 1921

Encl ①

Encl ②

H. E. the Governor

Submitted with C 822/20

W. H. G. G. G.

P. C. S. 27/8/21

See minute of 11<sup>th</sup> July 1921 in 822/20

for  
28 Aug 1921

Copied from C. S. 822/20.

Cases should be deposited in armoury of Defence Force and certificate obtained that they are intact and in good order.

(intd) J. M.  
11th July, 1921.

Original Advice of Shipment  
19<sup>th</sup> August 1921 - - - - -

Encl ③

Minute from Colonel Engineer  
22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 1921 - - - - -

Encl ④

Subsequent Paper.

M.S.

Submitted for directions as to whether Chief Constable or Colonial Engineer should have charge of the Magazine

W.H.H. 24/9/21

H.P.S.

Colonial Engineer has informed me verbally that he has only been on the Magazine on one occasion & that key was kept previously by O.C. Volunteer Force: that are no officers Volunteer Force at present.

- 2. Chief Constable should have charge of Magazine.
- 3. The Magazine should be thoroughly cleaned & Col. Engineer says he can supply necessary labour: Magazine should be supplied as recommended.

W.H.H.  
24 Sept 21

Colonial Engineer }  
Chief Constable }

In necessary action and  
please

W.H.H. 25/9/21

The Hon. Col. Secy., Noted.

*R. S. Basely.*  
Colonial Engineer.  
4/10/21.

Chief Constable,

Passed to you accordingly.

*R. S. Basely.*  
Colonial Engineer.  
4/10/21.

*The Hon<sup>d</sup> Col Secy noted by Sullivan  
Chief Constable  
4/10/21*

*Minute from Col. Treasurer, 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. 1921 file  
encl (5)*

*The Treasurer,  
This is in order. Will you  
please accept the charge against XIV 4*

*[Signature] 27/11/21*

*Hon: Col: Sec.*

*Thanks. Noted.*

*[Signature]  
Treasurer,  
29-11-21.*

*Original Advice of Shipment — Encl (6)*

*J.P. submitted for instructions as to  
who is to take charge of these machine  
guns. One hopes that they are Jewish  
guns.*

*Must*

*[Signature] 27/12/21*

*Chief Constable can take charge of them.*

*Others are advised. 28. 10 Dec 21*

Chief Constable  
In necessary action please

12/12/21

Hon Col Secretary  
noted.

16/1/22  
D/O Latham  
Chief Constable

Advice of Stones sent by Post — Encl (7)

Letter from Manager F.G. Co  
of 11th Oct. 1923 — " (8)

O.C. Defence Force.

There is no report in this  
paper that packages were delivered  
and found correct. Will you  
please say goods were delivered  
as specified on B/L.

M.H.B.  
D/C Sec  
17 Oct 1923

H.C.S.

I find that 5 Cases Rifles as per B/L  
were delivered in good condition into the Armoury.

L. R. Watson  
C. C. F. I. S. T.

27th. Octr. 1923.

Letter to manager, J. Lloyd, 29/10/23. (9)

66 G

Falkland Is. 1494.



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

4. MILLBANK,  
WESTMINSTER.

LONDON. S.W. 1.

10th June 1921.

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

Sir,

I have the honour to state that, on the instructions of the Colonial Office, we have submitted formal demands to the War Office for the following arms and ammunition allotted to the Government of the Falkland Islands under the special terms referred to in Colonial Office circular of November last.

- 50 Rifles complete with bayonets and scabbards.
- 4 Guns Lewis with usual complement of spare parts.
- 25,000 rounds S.A.A. .303" Mk.VII in box chargers and bandoliers (for rifles).
- 40,000 rounds S.A.A. .303" Mk.VII bundle packed (for guns)

We have also demanded, on Colonial Office instructions, a further 100 rifles in replacement of those supplied by the War Office at the end of 1919 which were found to be unsatisfactory. These rifles complete with bayonets and scabbards will be supplied free of all charges including the cost of the arms, packing and freight together with ammunition at the rate of 500 rounds per rifle.

2. The special rates quoted in the Colonial Office circular include bayonets and scabbards for the rifles and the usual complement of spare parts for the guns, but do not include oil bottles, pullthroughs, slings or chests for the rifles, or slings, pouches or braces for Lewis gun equipment etc. Chests for the rifles, oil bottles and pullthroughs have been demanded from the War Office on repayment, but we shall await the receipt of indents before ordering any further accessories required.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Colonial Secretary,  
Falkland Islands.

*W. J. Patten*  
for Crown Agents.

COPY.

(2)

C.S. 635/21

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 65.

DOWNING STREET,

10th June, 1921.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 8th November last, replying to Lord Milner's telegram respecting the offer made by His Majesty's Government for the issue on special terms of up-to-date arms and ammunition for re-arming the local forces.

2. The matter referred to in Mr. St. Johnston's despatch No. 7 of the 8th of January 1920 has received consideration by the Army Council. They regret that it is not possible to take back the rifles of which complaint is made, or to refund any portion of the cost. They have, however, agreed to present the Colonial Government with 100 of the up-to-date rifles referred to in Lord Milner's Circular despatch of 12th November last with bayonets and scabbards, free of any charge whatsoever whether for repairs: packing or freight, to replace the defective weapons: and to furnish on the terms stated in the Circular a further 50 rifles, bayonets and scabbards, 4 Lewis guns, and the appropriate allowances of ammunition in respect of the full number of rifles (150) and the Lewis guns. On behalf of your Government I have accepted this arrangement as very reasonable, and the Crown Agents have received the necessary instructions to arrange with the War Office for packing and shipping the material, charging the expenses to Falkland Islands funds except in the case of the hundred rifles to be

GOVERNOR  
J. MIDDLETON, ESQ., C.M.G.

forwarded.

forwarded absolutely free of expense to the Colony.

3. The defective rifles, which are regarded as valueless can be broken up.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.



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CS 633/21

ORIGINAL ADVICE OF SHIPMENT.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies have to report the undermentioned shipment:—

" C 1494 " (This reference and the date of this letter should be quoted in all communications.)  
B/L

Colony Falkland Is.  
 Indent No. C.O.Ltr to Gov. 63  
 Dept. - Special A/c (if any) --  
 Steamer Huanchaco  
 From Liverpool  
 To Falkland Is.  
 Consigned to The O.A.G.  
 Date of shipment 19/8/21.

The documents enclosed will enable the consignee to obtain possession of and to check the goods. Complete documents shewing the total cost of this consignment will be sent with the duplicate advice.

NUMBER OF PACKAGES.	DESCRIPTION OF STORES.
	104 Boxes Cartridges

ENCLOSURES.	Packing Particulars.	£	s.	d.
Bill of lading				
Invoice:— Woolwich		700	10	-
The Colonial Secretary				
To FALKLAND IS.				18/8/21. GC

Date

Office of the Crown Agents for the Colonies,  
4, Millbank, London, S.W. 1.

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[COPY.]

## RECEIVED BY THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES

from His Majesty's Stores at Woolwich

the undermentioned articles:—

G/ 1494 Falkland Is.

[War Office Reference Numbers 1/13491 d/- 4/7/21 57/20/2812]

Service

Voucher No 27/301.

ITEM No.	ARTICLES.	Quantity	VALUE.			PACKAGES.			TONNAGE								
			Rate.	TOTAL.			Description.	No.	Mark.	Measurement	Tons.	Feet.	Inches.	Tons.	Cwt.	Qrs.	Lbs.
				£	s.	d.											
	(ISSUED ON REPAYMENT.) <u>Free Issue</u>																
	Cartridges S A Ball 303" Cordite Mk VII	75000	1000 7.12.9	572	16	3											
	Chargers 303" Cartridges Bandoliers Cotton 50 rds Mk II Boxes A Set 1000 rds 303" in chargers H 1 Mk I	15000 15000 75	2.5.3. 10/6 doz 8/6 ea	33 65 28	18 12 2	9 6 6	Boxes	75 x 1000	1/4x0/11x0/9 0/11 E	75½ lbs E	1 28 9	2 10	2 6½				
				700	10	-	<u>Marks for Packages</u>										
							Reqn. No. 1494 C.A. No. O.H.M.S. O.A.G. Falkland Is. Freight charges to Crown Agents.										

G.G.

Co. Rec to Bore. 63 of 10/1/21.

C /



The Honble. S.S. "Oceana."  
The Colonial Secretary  
Falkland Islands.

The enclosed document(s) ~~were~~ <sup>was</sup> not received in time for Letter " C "  
B/L CIF 1602  
of the 27th Feb. 1921.

OFFICE OF THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,  
4, MILLBANK, S.W. 1.

31st March 1921.



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C.S. 63570



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

C.S. No.....

MINUTE PAPER.

Departmental Number.

From The Colonial Engineer

Date 23rd. September 1921.

To The Hon. Col. Secretary.

SUBJECT.

Delivery of 104 cases of Ball Cartridge.

Reference Numbers. }

I should be glad to receive instructions as to the delivery of 104 cases of ball cartridge received this day ex S.S. "Huanchaco".

- 2. Before these cases are placed in the Magazine I am of opinion that it should be cleaned out and also that mat shoes should be provided to enable men to carry cases in the Magazine with safety.
- 3. Up to a short time ago, when explosives were required from the Magazine P. C. Hardy was requested to issue same. Since he has been on leave I have retained the key and when explosives have been required, the Chief Constable has arranged for a Constable to issue the charges.
- 4. I should be glad to know which Department is responsible for the care of the Magazine.

*A. R. Barclay.*  
Colonial Engineer.  
23/9/21

(5)  
Hon.Colonial Secretary,

In the Crown Agents' A/c Current for September 1921,  
the following charge appears in their freight account;-

Per s.s."Huanchaco", August 1921	
Freight on 104 boxes cartridges	£40. 7. 6
Carriage to Liverpool, cartage, shipping charge, etc.	<u>14. 2. 0</u>
	£54. 9. 6

This would appear to be a charge against Head  
XVI.MILITARY, 4. Arms & Ammunition. Will you please  
confirm this?

The reference quoted on the Pay Voucher is  
C.O.Ltr.to Governor No. 63 (no date), presumably  
S. of S. Despatch No. 63.

*H. Thompson*

Treasurer,

23rd November, 1921.



ORIGINAL ADVICE OF SHIPMENT.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies have to report the undermentioned shipment:—

"  $\frac{C}{B/L}$  1494 " (This reference and the date of this letter should be quoted in all communications.)

Colony Falkland Islands  
 Indent No. C.O.Ltr.18587/21 of 14/5/21  
 Dept. -- Special A/c (if any) --  
 Steamer Orcoma  
 From Liverpool  
 To Falkland Is.  
 Consigned to The O.A.G.  
 Date of shipment 2/11/21

The documents enclosed will enable the consignee to obtain possession of and to check the goods. Complete documents shewing the total cost of this consignment will be sent with the duplicate advice.

NUMBER OF PACKAGES.	DESCRIPTION OF STORES.
	8 Pkges. Machine Guns

ENCLOSURES.	Packing Particulars.	£	s.	d.
Bill of lading  Invoice:—  Woolwich Arsenal		<i>Will follow.</i>		
To The Colonial Secretary, FALKLAND ISLANDS.				

Date 31/10/21.

Office of the Crown Agents for the Colonies,  
4, Millbank, London, S. W. 1.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE  
19 JAN. 1922  
FALKLAND ISLANDS

\*M. 2 (late T. 46).

Mercantile Marine Department,  
Board of Trade,  
St. James's Park, S.W.1.

**IMMEDIATE.**

**MINISTRY OF SHIPPING,**

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

16th December, 1921.

The Director of Transports and Shipping,  
Ministry of Shipping, as opposite  
London, S.W.1

Sir,

I beg to acquaint you that the Freight Ship  
" *Orita* " has been engaged  
for the conveyance of *Army*  
Stores from this country to *Port Stanley, F.I.*  
and is appointed to sail from *Liverpool*  
on the *19th December.*

It is desirable that every reasonable expedition be used in discharging the Stores, and that a report be sent to this Department, by the first opportunity, stating the date of the Ship's arrival.

*The Offices Administering Government,  
Falkland Islands.*

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

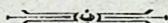
*A. G. Faulkner*  
Director of Transports and Shipping.



LETTERS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED  
TO "THE COMPANY."  
TELEGRAMS TO "PACIFIC,"  
LIVERPOOL.

# The Pacific Steam Navigation Company.

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1840.)



Liverpool.....

22 DEC 1921 19

To  
The O.A.G.  
Port Stanley

At the request of Consignors,

The Pacific Steam Navigation Company

have the pleasure to enclose herewith

*One* Bill of Lading

Consular Invoices..... Parcel Receipt,

for Goods shipped per R.M.S. "ORITA"

sailing to-day.



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1494 Falkland Is.

[COPY.]  
RECEIVED BY THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES

from His Majesty's Stores at W.D. WOOLWICH the undermentioned articles:—

[War Office Reference Numbers I.R.644 23/8/21 57/20/2830]

Voucher No. 16B/R.127

Service

ITEM No.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	VALUE.			PACKAGES.			Measurement.	TONNAGE							
			Rate.	TOTAL.			Description.	No.		Mark.	Tons.	Feet.	Inches.	Tons.	Cwt.	Qrs.	Lbs.
				£	s.	d.											
	(ISSUED ON REPAYMENT.)																
	Guns m/c Lewis.303"E-	4	11/6p.100	-	-	6											
	Screw Clamp ring No.2																
	Guns m/c Lewis.303"I:-	1	6/4 each	-	6	4	Parcel	1	16B 554							10 18	
	Jack screw assembling and removing barrel																
	Screwdrivers small H.G.	4	6/10 doz.	-	2	3											
				£	-	9											
									Packages marked:-								
									Reqn. O.H.M.S.								
									1494								
									C. A. O.A.G.								
									No..								
									m/c Gun parts								

ADVICE OF STORES SENT BY POST.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies have to report the despatch of the undermentioned stores by post.



"  $\frac{C}{P.P.}$  1494 " (This reference and the date of this letter should be quoted in all communications.)

Colony Falkland Islands  
 Indent No. G.O.Lr. No. 18587/1921 of 14/5/21.  
 Dept. -- Special A/c (if any) --  
 Despatched from Woolwich  
 Addressed to The C.A.G.  
 Date of posting 1/2/22.

Number of Parcels, &c.	Description of Stores.
	Screw Clamp Rings No.2, Jack Screws & Screw Drivers.

ENCLOSURES

Invoice :—

W.D. Woolwich

£	s.	d.
	9	1

In duplicate


NOT INSURED.

To The Colonial Secretary,  
 FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Office of the Crown Agents for the Colonies,  
 4, Millbank, S.W. 1.

3/2/1922.

WP.

  
The Falkland Islands Company, Ltd, 9  
AGENTS, Pacific Steam Navigation Co.,  
Stanley, 11th October, 1923.

Sir,

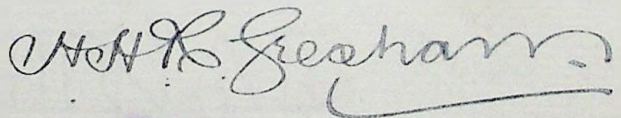
We have received an advice from the Pacific Steam Navigation Co., Liverpool, to the effect that the Admiralty Agents require a receipted Bill of Lading for 5 packages of rifles shipped to this port per "Orita" in January, 1922, consigned to the Officer Administering the Government.

As the original Bill of Lading in question seems to have gone astray we send you herewith duplicate Master's Copy, and shall be obliged if you would give the usual acknowledgment of receipt on the back and return to this Office at your early convenience.

I am,

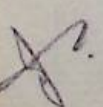
Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Manager.

The Honourable  
The Colonial Secretary.



635/21.

9.

29th October, 25.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th October and to return herewith the duplicate Bill of Lading on which an acknowledgment of receipt of the goods has been noted.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. R. L. Brown.

for Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,

Falkland Islands Company, Limited,

Stanley.