

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 328/15

Governor's Office.

Date of Receipt.



From

SUBJECT.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

"SYDHAVET" WHALING COMPANY.

Application for licence by

No.

Date

89

13th August, 1915.

Colonial Secretary's Record No.

1003/15.
492/15

MINUTES.

Hon Col. Secy.

Please report.

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Registered Number of last Despatch.

H. S. / "Sydhavet" is known to us as the "Southern Whaling Co." - The Licences of this Company have been sent, received, and acknowledged. (vide CS. 492/15) - The matter may therefore be considered as settled.

C. F. Condeley

CS.

11.10.15

Despatch to S/S No 127 of 11.10.15

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No. next Despatch.



FALKLAND ISLANDS

NO. 89.

Downing Street,

13th August, 1915.

Sir,

30th July, 1915.

I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a letter from the Foreign Office forwarding a copy of a despatch from His Majesty's Minister at Christiania with regard to the question of the grant of a licence to the "Sydhavet" Whaling Company.

2. I shall be glad if you will report whether this Company holds a licence and whether it is intended to renew it.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. Bonar Law

GOVERNOR

W.D. YOUNG, ESQ., C.M.G.

&c., &c., &c.

ENCLOSURE TO DESPATCH

No. 89 OF 1318/15

Copy.

No. 102345/15.



The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, and, by direction of the Secretary of State, transmits herewith copy of the under-mentioned paper, for observations.

Foreign Office,

July 30th, 1915.

Reference to previous correspondence:

Description of Inclosure.

Name and Date

Subject.

H.M. Minister at

Christiania

Despatch No. 523 July 23rd.

Licence for "Sydhavet"

Whaling Company.

CHRISTIANIA.

No. 523.

July 23rd, 1915.

Commercial.

Sir,

With reference to my telegrams Nos. 555 and 515 of June 20th and 14th, I have the honour to report that Mr. Rasmussen, director of the "Sydhavet" Whaling Company, expressed to me to-day some anxiety on the subject of the delay in granting license to fish to his company.

He feared that the delay might be due to the fact that Messrs. L. Klaveness and T.F. Andorsen, who were implicated in the attempt to sell the oil cargo of the steamship "Mimosa" to Germany, had been members of the Committee of Shareholders. He reminded me that in view of their conduct in this affair, the two persons above-mentioned had been forced to resign, and stated that they would be replaced by others at the General Meeting in August. At the same time Mr. Klaveness was forced to resign his position in the "Capella" Company, and steps were being taken to obtain his exclusion from the "Ækvator" and from Mr. Bogen's company.

Mr. Rasmussen is a prominent member of the Whaling Union; he took a leading part in preventing the "Mimosa" oil from going to Germany by combining with other members of the Union to buy it up at a considerable expense, and has dealt with great good faith as regards the further disposal of this oil. He also was largely responsible for the exclusion of Mr.

Klaveness

Klaveness from directorship of the companies
above-mentioned.

I would therefore strongly recommend his
company to favourable treatment, and hope that a
license to fish may be granted.

I have, etc.,

(SD) M. DE C. FINDLAY.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

SIR E. GREY, BART., K.G., M.P.

&c., &c., &c.

PALM LAND ISLANDS.

No. 127

Government House, Stanley.

11th October, 1915.

Sir,

In reply to your despatch No. 99 of the 13th August received by me on the 4th Instant I have the honour to state that the "Sydhavet" Whaling Company is known locally as the "Southern" Whaling Company, and that the licences to this Company, empowering them to take whales in the waters of South Shetlands and Grahams Land during the season 1915-16, with one floating factory and two catchers, with an additional licence for a third catcher, were issued in July last.

2. The licences granted to the Southern Whaling Company are mentioned in the extract from the minutes of the Executive Council forwarded under cover of my despatch No. 91 of the 21st July.

3. I enclose a copy of a letter from the Crown Agents dated 4th August, reporting the payment of the licence fees by the Southern Whaling Company.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

Douglas Young
Governor.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

Whitehall Gardens.

London. S.W.

4th August, 1915.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the Southern Whaling Company Limited have remitted to us the sum of £300 in respect of fees for Licences to take whales in the territorial waters of the South Shetland Islands and Graham's Land, and for the use of a third whaler, during the season 1915-16; and that, as we understand from the Colonial Office that the licences in question have been renewed, we have accepted the payment. The amount will be found credited in our account with the Colonial Government for July.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(SGD) H. Martin

for Crown Agents.

The Hon.

The Colonial Secretary,

etc., etc., etc.

Falkland Islands.