Government House
Port William Falkland Islands
February 11th 1847.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that a party of 12 distressed British Seamen wrecked in the Mary Gray are waiting here for a passage to England, and to request you will inform him how many you can receive on board your Ship.

I am

Sir

Your obedient Servant

J. R. Longden

Captain Daldy

Barque "Bolina"

Government House
Port William Falkland Islands
February 12th 1845.

Sir,

With reference to the letter I directed my Secy to write to you yesterday concerning the conveyance to England of certain distressed British Seamen erected in the "Mary Gray" I have now to inform you they are 2 in number namely, James Heard and John Mahoney (Apprentices) You will consider this letter as your authority for receiving them on Board and obtaining for the usual allowance upon your arrival in England.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) Rd. C. Moody
Governor

Captain Daldy
"Barque Bolina"
Port William

Government House
Port William Feburary 15th 1845

Sir

In your letter of the 14th Inst you mention having left unsurveyed a portion of the Peninsula between Port Pleasant and Port Victory. It is my wish it should be completed and allotted in the same manner as the rest, when you chance to meet an extensive district of worthless land not less than 15 square miles in area it may be well not to enter upon a survey of it but no portion under that quantity should be omitted.

Previous to your moving to the head of Island harbour you will do well to consider whether it is not advisable first to cross Port Pleasant creek at the spot you are now encamped, and to allot land in that direction. The position you are now in is a central one, and I deem it advisable to direct that the whole of the land around you be allotted. Should you however have good reasons for moving first to the head of Island Harbour you have my permission to do so.

I am

Sir

Your obedient Servant
(Signed) C. E. Moody
Governor

M. R. Robinson Esqr
Supt Survey Dept

Government House
Febuary 15th 1845.

Sir.

I am directed by H. E. the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of two plans one of the district from Bluff Cove towards the head of Port Fitzroy, and the other from the head of Port Fitzroy to Port Pleasant. H. E. also desires me to express his thanks to you for the Specimen of Bush Bushes from the Peninsula at Port Pleasant.

I am.

S. B. Spreadbury

M. B. Robinson Esqr.

Supt. Survey Dept.

Government House
Port William February 28th 1865.

Sir

Circumstances compel me to withdraw Corporal Watts No. 8 & Mr from the Survey Department you will therefore deliver the enclosed order to him

I am
Sir
Sir

M.R. Robinson Esqr.
Supt Survey Dept

R. C. Moody
Governor

Government House Port William
February 28th. 1845

Sir,

I have to request that while absent from "Stanley" you will upon all occasions acknowledge the receipt of despatches you may receive from my Office; stating their dates and a short summary of their contents.

I am

Sir

Your

Signed. R. C. Moody

Governor

Mr. R. Robinson Esqr
Supt Survey Dept.

Government House Port William
28th February 1845.

Sir.

I learn from your letter of the 12th Inst. that it is your intention to leave the head of Island Harbour on or about the 10th March. On my letter of the 15th Inst. I directed your attention to the necessity of having land surveyed and allotted on the East of the Creek opposite to where you were encamped on the 12 Inst.

Should you not have laid out allotments in that direction you will proceed to do so on quitting the head of Island Harbour, and as the inclement weather advances you will proceed to occupy the wooden house at "Mare Harbour" and to allot land in that neighbourhood. but I do not consider it necessary or advisable that you should prolong your "field operations" beyond the end of April as the favourable weather ceases in the beginning of May.

You will inform me by leave of the State of your Provisions accounting for the circumstance if it should appear likely that they will not last out the time for they were issued, namely to the 10th of April.

You will take care ~~in time~~ to inform me in due time of the day of closing your "field operations" but you will not take any measures respecting your return until you shall receive further instructions from me on the subject

I am

M. R. Robinson Esqr
Supt Survey Dept.

(Signed) R. E. Moody
Governor

Government Office Port Williams
Falkland Islands March 8th 1845

Sir /

I am directed by His Excellency the Govr to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterdays date and to inform you that he accedes to your request but that the Title Deeds of No 25 allotment must first be returned to the Government Office.

I am

Sir

Captain Anderson /Signed/ J. M. Longden
Master of the British Brig
"Glebe"

Government Office

"Stanley" Falkland Islands.

His Excellency the Governor and Commander in Chief has been pleased to appoint Henry Joseph Hamblin Esq.r to be Colonial Aide-de-camp on his Staff.

By Command

J. H. Slaughter
Sec.y to Colonial Government

Govt Office
Stanley March 24th 1845

Sir,

I have given my attention to the suggestions contained in your letter dated 21st Inst. respecting the allotment of the District Eastward of Campbell Creek there are however other considerations which render it advisable not to deviate from the plans laid down for the allotment Survey of the Crown lands in the Colony, you will therefore Survey and allot the Land you allude to in the usual manner. In the Survey you will also include the large Tussac Island in Port Pleasant.

About the period you mention that you will have completed your present operations, you will receive Instructions from me respecting your return to the Settlement, and the closing of your field operations for the season.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Signed R. C. Moody
Governor

M. R. Robinson Esq.
Supt. Survey Dept.

Government House Port Vila
March 25th 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by His Ex.y the Gov.r to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date and to inform you that Captain Young having applied to know if you might act as Auctioneer in the sale of the brig "Heaven" was informed that the Governor had no reason to object, but you are distinctly to understand that His Ex.y does not appoint you to be Auctioneer for the sale of that vessel. Your appointment is from Captain Young.

I am

&c. &c.

J. M. Dean Esq.r (Signed) J. B. Longden

"Stanley"

Government Office "Stanley"
March 24th 1845.

Sir,

I have to forward per Beaver Private Campbell the following letters and Parcels addressed to you, namely—

5. Letters
3. Parcels
1. Long Paper Roll
1. Small Box

There still remains in the Government Office one large Box also addressed to you, and I have to request you will have the goodness at your earliest convenience to inform me, to what Agent you would wish to employ to whose care it might be delivered over to during your present absence.

As soon as this information is ascertained the same proceeding will be observed on all future occasions.

I am

Sir
Your
Obt. Servt.
J. H. Slaughter
Lt. & Govt. Government

M. R. Robinson Esqr.
Supt. Survey Dept.

Government House Port Wm
February 5th 1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this days date informing me of the cause which you purpose to adopt with regard to the wreck of the "Mary Gray".

I am

Sir

Signed Rc. S. Moody

Lor.

Captain Burnett
Stanley. Port Williams

Gov.t House Port Williams
February 8th 1845

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated February 6th 1845 informing me that the wrecked Brig "Mary Gray" had been sold by public auction.

I am

Signed R.C. Moody
Gov.r

Captain Burnett
"Stanley" Port Williams

Government Office "Stanley"
March 25th 1845.

Sir,

Not having received an answer to my letter of the 24th Inst. I have to request you will have the goodness to inform me previous to your leaving the Settlement, who you intend employing as an Agent to receive any future parcels which may arrive addressed to you.

I am

Sir

Your

M. R. Robinson Esq.
Supt Survey Dept.

(Signed) J. H. Slaughter.
Lt to Colonial Govt.

Government House Stanley
March 27th 1815

Sir,

In consequence of your disgraceful conduct in the Government Office to me and all the Officers assembled I feel it to be my duty to suspend you from your Office as Superintendant of the Survey Department

I am

Mr. R. Robinson Esqr. (Signed) R. C. Moody
Governor

Government Office Stanley
Tuesday afternoon 4 O'clock
March 26th 1845.

His Excellency Governor Moody desires to see Mr. Robinson at the Government Office in one hour from the present time.

By Command

(Signed) J. H. Slaughter
Clerk to Colonial Govt.

Government House "Stanley"
March 25th 1845.

Sir,

In consequence of the arrival of Mr. Moore Stipendiary Magistrate there is no longer a necessity for your holding the appointment of Justice of the Peace, which commission ceases accordingly from this day's date.

I am

Sir

(Signed) R. L. Moody

M. R. Robinson Esqr.

Sir

Governor

Government House "Stanley"
March 26th 1845.

Sir,

Upon all occasions of your arrival in the Settlement from the Country you will notify the same to me by letter, stating the cause of your arrival.

When you are about to come in upon private affairs you will give me previous notification of your wishes and state the probable duration of your absence from your duty.

You are distinctly to understand that Government Officers are not to absent themselves from their duties without previous permission having been obtained from me.

I am

Sir

(Signed) R. C. Moody

Governor

M. H. Robinson Esqr.
Supt. Survey Dept.

Government House "Stanley"
March 28th 1845.

Sir

I deem it my duty to inform you that I have had occasion to suspend Mr Robinson from the situation of Superintendant of the Survey Department in consequence of disgraceful conduct and gross insults to me, and the Government Officers assembled yesterday afternoon in the Government Office.

After this communication I leave it to yourself to act as you may think proper with respect to continuing to the above mentioned individual those courtesies, and hospitality he has received from yourself, and the Officers of H. M. S. "Pluto" after my having confidentially acquainted you with the fact of my having dismissed him from the situation of Private Secretary, and my determination not to meet him in society.

I do not wish in the slightest degree to take the libaty of pointing out any course for you to pursue, but my station as Governor of the Colony, compels me to submit for your serious consideration the injurious influence such courtesies cannot fail to produce in a small colony composed chiefly - I may say, with the exception of the Government Officers wholly, of the lowest orders of society, highly likely to be influenced in their conduct to the Government of this Colony by the acts and opinions of a Commander of one of H. M. Vessels lying in this harbour.

I am

Sir

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant
R. C. Moody
Governor

Commander Sullivan R. N.
H. M. S. "Pluto"

Government House "Stanley"
Port William Falkland Islands
March 29th 1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th Inst., and in reply, beg to inform you, that you appear materially to have misconceived the purport of my letter of the same date. That letter was not intended in any way to bring a charge against you, but simply to convey the information of the dismissal of a Govt. Officer on public grounds for gross insults offered to me and all the Govt. Officers of this Colony. In addition to the announcement of this fact, and without in the slightest manner dictating, or even suggesting a line of conduct to be adopted by you, I merely submitted for your serious consideration the injurious effects certain to arise from a discontinuance of the courtesies, attentions, and hospitalities formerly conferred on that Officer by you in a small colony such as this is composed for the most part of a disorganized mass namely Sailors who have either abandoned their Ships or been left here Sealers, and Whalers, Spanish Guachos and several others.

I beg leave to remind you that in a conversation on this subject in the presence of Mr. Moore, Mr. Hamblin, and myself, you admitted to Mr. Moore "that the continuance of such hospitalities, courtesies, and attentions to such dismissed Officer in this place might have an injurious influence, but you added what can I do?"

Commander Sullivan R. N.
H. M. Brig "Philomel"

it was not for me or any other person to dictate to an Officer of your ~~high~~ rank what you should do, and I have scrupulously abstained from it.

You appear also to be seriously in error with respect to that part of my letter which stated that "I leave it to yourself to act as you "may think proper with respect to continuing "to the above mentioned individual the cour- "tesies, and hospitalities he has received from "yourself, and the Officers of H. M. S. Pelorus, "after my having confidentially acquainted "you with the fact of my having dismissed "him from the situation of Private Secre- "tary, and my determination not to meet "him in society."

Upon a more attentive consideration of the above paragraph, you cannot fail to ob- serve that my remarks referred to the continu- ance of hospitalities, and courtesies after the announcement to you of his dismissal from the situation of "Superintendant of the Survey Department" for disgraceful conduct, and gross insults to myself and the assembled Officers of the Government.

The having shewn him the cour- tesies and attentions in the interval be- tween his dismissal as my Private Sec- retary, and his dismissal from a public situation is a matter entirely of private feeling with which I never interfered in any way, nor with respect to which, have I uttered a single remark.

In another colony composed of more extensive, and different materials

I.

I would have deemed it unnecessary to have addressed to you, either this or my former communication.

You are also pleased to express (Nov. 6) much concern in your letter of the 28th Inst. that you should feel the cause of Mr. Robinson's dismissal from the situation of Superintendant of Survey Dept. was so much involved with subjects of the most private nature that you ought not on any account to express an opinion on the subject.

With the utmost courtesy I beg to state that I neither sought for, nor do I conceive that the expression of any opinion was required from you, I wish you also distinctly to understand that the cause of Mr. Robinson's dismissal was one public grounds alone.

Mr. Robinson's futile attempt to disturb the intimate friendship which existed, and still exists between me, and one of the Govt. Officers is entirely beneath my notice and I must that Officer will treat with contempt that portion of Mr. Robinson's grossly insulting conduct.

I trust you will not for a moment suppose that I in the slightest manner wish to point out to you the fitness or unfitness of such persons as you may in the exercise of your discretion choose to make your private companions. But it would be a great omission of my duty as Govr. of this Colony, had I neglected to lay before you the circumstance that the continuance of

marked

marked attentions on board the Ship under your command to a dismissed officer would be highly prejudicial to the maintenance of H. M.ty Government in these Islands.

I am Sir
Your Obt. Servt
(Signed) R. B. Woods
Govr.

Government Office
Stanley March 30th 1845.

Sir /

In compliance with His Exy the Governor's directions, I enclose a receipt for the official correspondence handed over to me this day by you

I am

Sir

(Signed) I. W. Slaughter
Lt to Colonial Govt.

Mr. R. Robinson Esqr.
"Stanley"

Received from Mr Robinson late Superintendant of Surveys Dept. the following official correspondence (namely)

22 letters signed by His Exy the Govr.
2 do do do Mr Dean
2 do do do Mr Robinson
1 do do do Mr Ellis / Master of Brig "Nancy"
1 " Packet containing trials.

(Signed) I. W Slaughter
Lt to Colonial Govt.

Govt Office "Stanley"
March 30th 1845

Government Office Stanley
March 31st 1845

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you, that you have not handed over to me the Official letter of the 25th Inst. or a certified copy thereof, and have to request you will do so at your earliest convenience.

I am

Sir

Your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. H. Slaughter
Lt. to Falkland Govt.

Mr. R. Robinson Esqr.
"Stanley"

Govt. House "Stanley" March 31st 1845

Sir,

I have directed Mr Staughton "Clerk to the Colonial Government" to deliver you a receipt for the correspondence of the "Survey Dept." he being the Govt Officer responsible for the charge of such documents in the Govt Office.

(Signed) R. D. Moody

M. R. Robinson Esqre.

Govr.

Govt. House "Stanley"
March 31st. 1845

Sir /

You will proceed to morrow morning to the site of the Survey Encampment in the neighbourhood of Island Harbour, and there superintend being placed on board the Schooner "Revira" Melville Master, the Government Stores in your charge at that place.

You are at liberty to convey your private Stores and to avail yourself of a passage by the same opportunity.

Upon the return of the Revira to "Stanley" Harbour you will deliver over the different articles in a similar form to that pursued this day.

I am
Yr. Obt. Sert.

M. R. Robinson Esqre. (Signed) R. C. Moody
Govr.

"Stanley"
Govt House April 1st 1845.

Sir,

It is out of my power to make any alteration in the order conveyed to you in my letter of yesterday's date.

The schooner "Renira" has now sailed, and you will be under the necessity of proceeding by land to the site of the "Survey Encampment" in Island Harbour.

I am

Sir

M. R. Robinson Esqre (Signed) R. C. Moody

Governor

Government House "Stanley"
March 29th 1845

Sir

I have to desire that you will present yourself at the Government Office on Monday morning 31st Inst at 12 O'Clock to deliver over the Survey Stores, Plans, maps, Field books memoranda, and correspondence which are in your possession at "Stanley".

The Stores you will deliver to Mr Songden, the Correspondence to Mr Staunton, and the Plans, maps, Field Books, and general memoranda to myself.

I am

Sir

M. K. Robinson Esqr (Signed) R. C. Moody
Governor

Clearance

This is to certify that the British Brig "Ercol" whereof William Stephenson is Master, bound for Erica, Islay, and Sierra, ~~and~~ has been duly cleared out from this Port with a special cargo transhipped from the Brig "Mancy" condemned here with the following passengers:

Francisco Sarco Francisco Soto
Alice Mary M.c Queen &
Ann Slack

and Crew consisting of 11 Hands including the Master

"Stanley" Harbour Port Williams
Falkland Islands March 31st 1865

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Gov.r

Government Office
1st April 1845.

Sir,

I have read your communications, and must desire that you do not compel me to reiterate my orders to you in this manner respecting the removal of the Survey Stores from the site of the "Survey Encampment." Public duties are paramount to all private ones of whatsoever nature, and I must desire that there is no further delay in this matter. Now have a Govt horse with your charge, and I have no objection to your availing yourself of it to proceed by land. If that horse be not in the Settlement, you will communicate to bearer, my orderly, who has orders to procure one for you at any hour you may name.

I am

Sir

Your obedient Servant

(Signed) R. C. Moody

M. R. Robinson Esqr.

Governor

Government House
Port Wm. April 2nd 1845.

Sir,

You will have the goodness to take upon yourself the entire management of placing the Govt. Survey Stores on board the "Renina" including the boat in which service Private Campbell is ordered to afford you every aid, both from himself and party under his command.

You will also afford a passage to those men of the party who may require it.

Upon your return you will call at the Govt. Office, and report your proceedings.

I am

Sir

(Signed) C. C. Moody
(Governor

Captain Melville.
Master of the British
Colonial schooner "Renina".

Government House Port William
April 3rd 1845

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 1st April 1845 and to express how deeply I sympathize with you in the trials, inconveniences, and certainty of great pecuniary loss you will suffer from the present want of dwellings, Offices, and Store houses to accommodate you, and your stores and to enable you to commence your duties in a manner suitable to your rank. I can appreciate your inconveniences very fully, all the Government Officers and Settlers having experienced greater difficulties, and I have felt them myself to the fullest extent. The Chamber having been for many months my only dwelling room, Office, reception room as well as bed-room, in which I transacted all the duties of Government, and even at present my Library serves as my Office as well as dwelling room for myself and Establishment. It would be idle vain to promise you further assistance than the very little I have been enabled to afford for the present and although I feel every inclination to afford you the advance of salary you require the orders of the Secretary of State are so imperative on that head that I have no power left me to deviate from them. I shall however enclose your letter to His Lordship for his information and consideration.

I have

W. H. Moore Esq
Stipendiary Magistrate

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Govt.

Government House
2nd April 1845.

Sir,

I have received two letters from you dated 27th March 1845 and one dated the 29th March

With to respect to your requiring information on the "Rules and Regulations for Her Majesty's Colonial Service" you are at liberty to call at the Government Office to read, and make extracts from the book provided your presence is not continued beyond a period which would inconvenience the public service conducted in that Office.

With respect to your proceeding to England you are at liberty to do so as soon as you shall have delivered over the Survey Stores in your charge.

The third letter I conceive is tendered as an exculpation of your conduct upon this I shall merely remark you have mingled affairs of a private nature in matters with which they have no concern.

You are suspended for disgraceful and insolent conduct to me and the Government Officers of the Colony on matters of a public nature. Your "private" insults in their presence and your attempt to disturb the intimacy which exists between me and a Government Officer are not worthy of notice

Your suspension and the causes which led to it, form the subject of deliberation by myself and Executive Council,

and /

and you will shortly receive further infor-
mation on the subject.

I am

Sir

(Signed) R. C. Moody

M. R. Robinson Esqr. Governor

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Government Office "Stanley"
April 4th 1845.

Sir /

I am directed by His Excy the Govr to inform you that he has appointed every Monday for killing beef and sufficient to last the Settlement and Shipping for one week, and to request that you will make such arrangements as would enable the Regulations to be adhered to.

I am

&c &c

G. O. Pechell Esqr Signed James R. Longden
H. M. Brig "Philomel"

Government House "Stanley"
April 5th. 1845.

Sir,

I have directed Mr. Longden to receive from you the Maps, Plans, and Field Books enumerated in your list furnished to me this morning, and I am unable to afford you the interview you request respecting some work in one of the Field Books.

I am
Sir,

Mr. R. Robinson Esqr. &c. &c. &c.

R. C. Moody
Govr.

Government House
Port Williams Falkland Islands
5th April 1845.

Sir

In consequence of the disturbed state of the Colony and the probability of its continuance I feel myself compelled with the advice and concurrence of my Executive Council to exercise the authority confided to me by Her Majesty's Commission as Governor and Commander in chief of the Falkland Islands and their Dependencies to call upon you as the Senior Officer on this Station to order one of Her Majesty's vessels under your Command to visit this Colony as soon after the receipt of this despatch as may be in your power

By the time of the arrival of such vessel Her Majesty's Surveying Vessel "Philomel" now there will have been absent three months and I am unwilling to detain her during the whole of that period

I have

(Signed) R. L. Moody
Governor

Commodore Purvis R. N
or the Senior Officer of the
Navy Place

Government House
Port William Falkland Islands
5th April 1845.

Sir/

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th Inst and as you have this day received a letter communicating to you the result arrived at by myself and Executive Council after the most mature and attentive consideration of your case, I have to decline any further correspondence on the subject.

I am
&c. &c.

M. R. Robinson Esq. (Signed) R. N. Moody
Govr.

Government House "Stanley"
April 5th 1845.

Sir,

I have laid before my Executive Council the circumstances which caused me to suspend you from the office of "Supt. of the Survey Department"

Upon due deliberation on those circumstances and referring to Lord Stanley's despatch No 22 dated 18th May 1844 I, and my Executive Council found that you were first classified under the head of Officers of "considerable" rank, trust and emolument" nor do we conceive that your subsequent increase of salary entitles you to such classification without a notification from the Secretary of State by a despatch for the purpose, or a Warrant under the Royal Signet, and Sign Manual neither of which have been received. I therefore with their advice and concurrence do exercise the full powers entrusted to me by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, and do now therefore dismiss you from the Service of Her Majesty's Government in this Colony for disgraceful conduct to me in your manner, words, attitude, and abrupt and frequent interruptions in a sneering, and otherwise insulting tone of defiance at a meeting of the Govt. Officers convened by me, and at which you were directed to attend, also for applying

there-

there and then contemptuous expressions in a highly offensive manner to the Government Officers there present, which expressions you admitted to have previously used, and for which, you had just been reproved by me, and cautioned as to what the result of repeating such expressions to them would be; such conduct being highly conducive to bring the Government of the Colony into contempt, and prejudicial to the maintenance of all law and order.

I am

Sir

M. R. Robinson Esq.[1] (signed) R. C. Moody

Governor

Government House "Stanley"
April 5th. 1845.

Sir,

I am directed by His Ex.y the Gov.r and Commander in Chief and the Executive Council of the Falkland Islands and their Dependencies to request your attendance at the sitting of the Council at Gov.t House on Monday the 7th day of April Inst.t at 12 o'clock at noon to communicate circumstances of an important nature.

I have

&c &c &c

(Signed) J. H. Slaughter
Lt.t to Col.o Gov.t

Commander Sullivan R.N.

H. M. Brig "Philomel"

Gov.t House Stanley
4th. April 1845
10 P.M.

Sir,

I am commanded by H. E. The Gov.r and Com.r in Chief to send you the enclosed Proclamation in order that you may have due notice of the purport thereof. You should have received it last night had your vessel been in the Harbour.

I have &c &c

(Signed)

J. H. Slaughter
Clerk to the Colonial Gov.t

To Commander Sullivan
R. N.
H. M. Brig "Philomel"

Government Office "Stanley"
April 7th 1845.

Sir,

I have been commanded by His Ex.y the Governor to desire that you will without loss of time deliver over to me, the remainder of the official correspondence still retained by you.

I am

&c &c

J. H. Staughton

Mr. R. Robinson Esq.r Clk. to Colonial Govt.

Government Office "Stanley"
April 9th 1845.

Sir,

I have been commanded by His Excellency the Governor to desire you will without delay comply with the request contained in a letter to you of the 7th Inst. relative to the remaining official correspondence still retained by you

I am Sir

(Signed) I. Mc. Slaughter

Mr. R. Robinson Esqr. Sec. to Colo. Government

Government House Pt. Wm.
Falkland Islands 10th. April
1845.

Sir,

I have to request that you will receive on board the brig "Hebe" and convey to England the distressed British Seaman James Herd named in the margin.

Upon your arrival in England you will present this letter as your authority for receiving him on board, and applying for the usual allowance in such cases.

I am

Sir

(Signed) R. C. Moody

Gov.

Captain Anderson
Master of the British
Brig "Hebe"

Government House Port William
Falkland Islands April 12th 1845

Sir,

It is with deep regret I perceive by your letter of the 11th Inst. that you have misconstrued the legal phraseology of a common Magistrate's Warrant into a charge that the person had the power to deviate from points an offence to yourself and a branch of Her Majesty's Service which all men highly honoured. I had framed the draft of a letter to you on the subject of taking charge of and conveying from hence the two persons named in the Warrant, pressure of business had alone prevented your receiving it. I did not however suppose that a letter from me previously was necessary to induce deference from you to the Civil Power and to secure your aid for its support, the more so as my own name and authority backed the Warrant.

It is with still further regret that I learn you have rebuked, rejected and sent back to the Store the mutineers from a vessel in the Harbour, tried and condemned by a legal tribunal although in the warrant it is expressly stated that on shore the means are not sufficient to ensure their safe custody. In person I trust I may say - I feel assured will more regret than yourself the effect such proceedings cannot fail to have on the class of persons of which this colony is chiefly composed.

Permit me to explain to you the causes which render a Warrant necessary as well as the nature of it.

A Warrant is necessary to enable the

the constable to take charge of the Prisoners in the first instance it is necessary also in order that he may be enabled to grant writs thereunto the charge of another authority and power. The prisoners cannot be conveyed from hence and delivered over to another authority elsewhere, except they be in the charge of the Jordans &c conveying them, to prove the authority for having them in charge they must be in possession of a warrant addressed to them or no other authority can legally receive them - hence it is that you have been directed in the warrant, and not I assure you most sincerely with the least disrespect to you or the Naval Service, but from confiding in your good faith and zeal for Her Majesty's Service. Upon your arrival in Monte Video you will hand over the prisoners and warrant to the chief British authority there, who will again back the warrant and forward them to England or elsewhere by a safe and proper conveyance.

With respect to the prisoners being on board for twelve months in case of not being able to find bail or in the event of the Commander of the "Philomel" not being able to deliver them over to a proper authority I apprehend it is the usual mode of drawing up the document, but I do not conceive that any such result is either necessary or likely to occur as of course you will hand them over to the British authorities in Monte Video on your arrival. The Magistrate has however now included the words — "or to the Custody of the Consul or of the Senior Officer of any of H. M. Vessels of War which will have the first opportunity

" of delivering over the bodies of the said John
" Eades, Robert Fleetwood, William Stone, and
" John M. Sellars to the keeper of one of Her
" Majesty's Goals" which set this matter to
rest.

But there is another portion of your
letter which has attracted my serious attention
and compels me to call upon you for some
explanation. You state, "neither can I allow,
" for a moment, the right of any Magistrate to issue
" any commands to myself or Officers even al-
" though such commands should be backed
" by your Excellency. I shall be happy to give
" you any assistance that you may think pro-
" per to request should it be in my power. This
" I shall be ready to do if your Excellency will
" request it in writing". by these remarks do I
understand you to mean that the authority of
a Govr. and Commander-in-Chief in a Colony whose
Commission you have heard read extends no
further than to request, or according to what I
am obliged to suppose from the spirit of your re-
marks solicit aid from a vessel of war and that the
Comdr. of such vessel is at liberty to grant or withhold it?
If such be the case I confess I have been greatly in error
in my view of the authority confided to me. From courtesy
alone I should never deem it necessary to command
I have always conceived the power to be admitted through
the desire for assistance be signified in terms of deference
to a high and honorable branch of H. M's Service.

It may be well that you should inform me as early as pos-
sible of your view of the nature of my authority over the
Executive force in H. M's Civil & Military because in conse-
quence of your refusal to receive these Prisoners - and also in con-
sequence of two of them being infected with a cutaneous disease
which it is to be feared may have communicated itself to the remainders of the
Prisoners in the Gaol — I shall by the advice of my Executive Council feel myself
compelled to address a letter to you on the subject of your proceeding me and the respon-
sible of H. M's authority in these Islands, which letter will shortly be laid before you

I am &c.

(Signed) R. C. Moody Lieut.

Lieut. Sullivan R. N.
H. M. S. "Philomel."

Government House Stanley 12th April
Falkland Islands 1845

Sir,

In consequence of the concluding portion of your letter dated the 11th Inst. I directed the Colonial Surgeon to report to me on the subject of the disease among the prisoners at present in the Jail, and I have to inform you that he confirms the report made by the medical officers on board H. M. B. "Philomel."

He further reports to me that he trusts the measures he is about to pursue will shortly restore them to perfect health and enable you to receive them on board H. M. S. "Philomel" for conveyance from hence without fear of infection. In the mean time I feel it my imperative duty to detain H. M's vessel under your Command for the peace of the Colony and the maintenance of Her M's authority. I am aware it is unusual to detain one of H. M. S. Vessels except under the most urgent circumstances and I have not taken this step unadvisedly or without giving it my serious attention.

I am

(Signed) R. R. Moody

Gov.

Comm. Sullivan R. N.

H. M. S. "Philomel"

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 11th April 1845.

Sir,

I was unable to answer your letter of the 9th Inst. in time for you to forward a copy from hence by the brig "Rebe" but I would now mention, it is entirely out of the usual course to furnish copies of a correspondence with the Secretary of State to other parties.

Should his Lordship deem it necessary to forward Mr Slaughter's complaint to the Lords of the Admiralty and a charge be preferred, your Officers will be informed of the circumstances in detail of a transaction they are pleased to characterize as a joke.

I did not consider it strictly just however to suffer such a document to be laid before the Secretary of State without causing it to be read to your their Com.d Officer, in order that they may be prepared with their account statement of what occurred if they should be called upon for it.

In the excited state of feeling in all parties no good to either could arise by discussion or disputation here. I conceive that others unbiassed by all that has occurred lately in the Colony will take a clearer view of the matter, and be better able to define the limits of a joke.

I am &c &c

Com.r Sullivan R.N.
H.M.S. "Philomel"

(Signed) R. R. Moody
Gov.r

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 14th April 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of two letters from you both dated 12th Inst. in which, you distinctly lay down that I as Governor and Commander in Chief of one of H. M. Colonies have not the power to detain H. M. B. "Philomel" for even a temporary period of a few days notwithstanding I have informed you it is for the peace of the Colony and the maintenance of Her Majesty's authority, and that you intend sailing to-morrow morning contrary to my wishes at day light leaving the 2 Prisoners on my hands.

Not to allow you to labour under any mistake I would remark that I attribute the safe and quiet custody in which I have been able to keep the prisoners in the temporary Jail chiefly to the circumstance of H. M. B. "Philomel" being in the harbour.

I enclose a report from the Colonial Surgeon to me respecting the probable time namely four days which would have to elapse before the prisoners could be placed on board the "Philomel" without fear of contagion and I strongly protest against your leaving before that time has transpired. I shall now further in addition to protest against your sailing to-morrow as the present and other collateral circumstances compel me to address despatches of importance to the Secretary of State, which despatches cannot be completed by to-morrow, nor before Wednesday evening at the earliest

With

Commander Sulivan R. N
H. M. B. "Philomel"

With respect to the legal phraseology of the warrant I again repeat in the most earnest manner that it was not intended in the slightest degree to wound your feelings or give offence to the Naval Service, but you must know me personally to be able to suppose that I could for one moment designedly offer an offence of any description to a service that has my warmest admiration, and I trust you will believe me when I say I deeply regret that such phraseology has reached you in any manner.

I am willing to take any step which the law will admit of that may relieve you from unpleasant feelings on this head, and I will consider with the Stipendiary Magistrate upon the matter as to how it can be arranged.

I must request you to acquaint me as early as possible with your intentions respecting your departure after receiving this letter.

I am

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(Signed) R. C. Moody

Yours

Government House Port William
Falkland Islands 23rd April 1845

Sir,

I have been disappointed in obtaining a supply of lime by which I expected to have obviated the necessity of applying to you for aid in procuring it for the service of H.M. Government in this Colony.

I should feel much obliged therefore if you would cause 30 Tons of fresh burnt lime to be forwarded by the same opportunity as the shingles written for in my letter dated April 4th 1845.

Permit me to offer the following observations as a guide to the agent whom you may instruct to procure and forward the lime.

The lime should be fresh lately and thoroughly burnt. The lime from Parangua on the Brazil coast I have proved, and found to be good. but I understand it is occasionally shaken at that place with salt water, this would in my opinion have so very injurious an effect as to prevent my using it.

The lime should be tried by a good and honest bricklayer, and it ought to take up 3 parts of clean sharp sand in making mortar.

The lime ought to be sent here packed in water tight barrels, unless carefully packed in a large bulk in the hold, and in such a manner as to prevent any water getting to it. If such a circumstance should happen the lime would become valueless.

Ps per Sauga is a fair price for lime sold here but of course this must depend upon

upon the Rio Market.

I am also desirous of receiving by the same opportunity. 30 Hardwood balks 12 Inches square, and 25 feet to 30 feet in length & 30 beams (not Hardwood) 30 ft Long 12 Inches thick, and 14 Inches wide. I have

(Signed) R. C. Moody

Commodore Purvis R.N. Govr.
Senior Officer of the
River Plate.

Government House, Port William
Falkland Islands 14th April 1846

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have deemed it advisable to remove from this Colony, and to forward by Her Majesty's Survey-ing Vessel "Philomel" four men of the detach-ment of Royal Sappers and Miners, named in the margin and have to solicit your assist-ance in causing them to be forwarded in one of Her Majesty's Vessels of war to one of the Naval and Military Ports of Great Britain.

Pte Alexander Liddell
do Christopher McRae
do William Richardson
do Samuel Turner.

I would further request that you cause the Commander of the Vessel having them in charge to be instructed not to allow them to land anywhere until he shall have been able to communicate with the Commanding Engineer at the nearest Station to where the Vessel may arrive.

I have addressed the enclosed letter to the Commanding Engineer having the name of the Station, and of the Vessel conveying the men blanks, and take the liberty of requesting that it may be forwarded with the men and the blanks filled up at Rio de Janeiro.

I have

(Signed) R. C. Moody

Commodore Purvis R.N.
or the Senior Officer
Rio de Janeiro.

Gov.

Government House Fort William
Falkland Islands 15th April 1845

Sir,

I have to inform you that I have placed on board H.M. Surveying Vessel "Philomel" for conveyance from hence to Rio de Janeiro four Prisoners named in the margin.

John Eades
Robt Parkwood
William Stone
John McLellan

They are mutineers from the British Brig "Camoëna" now lying in this harbour, and have been sentenced to imprisonment for twelve months in one of Her Majesty's Jails in England.

I have no means of forwarding them to their destination except through the Naval authorities on this Station and must therefore solicit your aid in forwarding them with the constable having them in custody holding a warrant for that purpose, in one of Her Majesty's Vessels of War.

It is of the greatest importance that neither constable or Prisoners be permitted to land at any place on any account whatever until received by the Jailer of the Prison at the Port in England at which they may arrive.

I have reason to believe the ends of Justice can only be ensured by the transfer from the Constable to the authorities in England being made on board the vessel conveying them and I trust that such arrangement may be permitted by the Officer commanding the vessel.

I have

(signed) &c &c

R. C. Moody
Govr

Commodore Purvis R.N.
Senior Officer Rio de Janeiro

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 15th April 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have requested the aid of the commanding Naval Officer on this Station in forwarding to England the privates of the Royal Sappers and Miners named in the margin.

I have addressed a letter to the Brigade Major on the subject, but as in all probability the men will be landed at one of the Naval and Military Ports, I have deemed it my duty to address this communication to you in order that the Officer commanding the vessel in which they are conveyed may please direct under your orders for further conveyance to head Quarters - Woolwich.

The men not prisoners, but their general conduct has been so bad as to render necessary their removal from this Colony

I have

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Govr.

To the Commanding Officer Engineer

To be filled up at Rio according to the Station to which the men are sent.

Plymouth
Portsmouth
Sheerness or
Woolwich

Privates Christopher Mc Ras
" Bevan den Arbold
" William Richardson
" Samuel Jarvis

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 15th April 1845.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that in consequence of the habitual mis-conduct and drunkenness of Privates Mc Rea, Sibbald, and Richardson, and the spirit of insubordination and worst description of feeling on the part of Private Turner I have deemed it right to remove them from hence at once and forward them to England through the Naval authorities of this Station

The mass of this Colony consists of a most disaffected set of men and the detachment under my Command unavoidably coming in Contact with the latters great corruption has latterly crept in among them tending to a total subversion of discipline

The repetition of military punishments has failed in producing any beneficial effect, and the only mode left open to save the remainder is to remove the worst at once.

In the defaulters' sheets which I have the honor to enclose you will perceive the crimes of which these men have been guilty. against Private Turner there appears to be very little but his conduct has been a sullen and constant vexatious, and petty opposition with remarks of an insubordinate nature. He has in addition latterly shown demonstrations of the worst and most vindictive feeling towards the non-commissioned officer Serjt Hearnden in charge of the Detachment.

This

This feeling elsewhere or under other than the present circumstances of the Colony, I should have been inclined to view in a less serious light, and as the result would be among the chances of a military life, it would be unbecoming to notice it, but the disastrous results which might be produced in this Colony by this man giving way at any time to the savage principle he appears at present to brood over make me deem it wise to remove him

I enclose all the documents necessary to accompany the men, and I have addressed a letter to the Commanding Engineer of the Military Port to which the men may be conveyed. The name of the Station I left blank to be filled up by the Naval authority forwarding them Rio de Janeiro. In this letter I have requested the Commanding Engineer to forward them to head Quarters

I have
Signed R. E. Moody
Gov.r & Captain R. E

Brigade Major Sandham
R. E. &c &c &c.

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Government House
Port William Falkland Islands 15th April 1845

Sir,

I have to request your aid in receiving on board H.M.S. "Philomel" and in conveying from hence the four prisoners named in the margin, concerned in the late mutiny on board the Brig "Carnoena" they are in the charge of Francis Parry, Constable, who holds a warrant for their safe custody and who will accompany them throughout to England.

John Eades
Robt. Hitchcock
William Stone
John M. Sellan

I have further to request that upon your arrival at Monte-Video you will take the necessary steps for forwarding the prisoners by one of H.M. Vessels of War to the Senior Officer at Rio de Janeiro for a further conveyance to England.

I have addressed the accompanying letter to the Commodore on the subject and shall feel obliged by your causing it to be forwarded with the Prisoners.

It is of importance that neither the Constable nor Prisoners be allowed to land at any place on any account whatever until received by the Jailer at the Port in England at which they may arrive.

I have

Comr. Sullivan R.N. / Signed /
H.M.S. "Philomel".

&c. &c. Moody
Govr

Government House Port Williams
Falkland Islands 15th April 1845

Sir,

In consequence of some intelligence which has reached me, I deem it my duty to request you to send at once with as little delay as possible a party of Marines under arms with ball cartridge and the boats crew also to be armed and headed by an officer to receive charge of the Prisoners I am about to place on board H. M. Vessel under your command.

I shall also feel obliged if you will direct the Officer commanding the Escort to report himself to me in order to receive my general Instructions.

I have

(Signed) H. C. Moody

Commander Sulivan R.N. Gov.

H. M. Surveying Vessel

"Philomel"

Government House
Fort William Falkland Islands
16th April 1845

Sir

I have taken upon myself to exchange the arms of the four privates of Royal Sappers & Miners sent home from Pebble as I have no means of effecting proper repairs here.

I have

&c. &c.

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Governor

Brigade Major Sandham
R.E. Sec. & Mtn.

Government House
Port William Falkland Islands.
April 15th 1845.

Sir,

I beg leave to request you will receive on board H.M.S. Philomel and afford me your aid in forwarding from hence to England the four Privates of the Royal Sappers & Miners named in the margin.

The men are not prisoners but as they are removed from the Colony on account of their general bad character I deemed it advisable to request that they be not permitted to land anywhere until they are finally placed under the orders of the commanding Royal Engineer at the Port in England to which they may be conveyed.

I would further request your favour in forwarding to the Senior Officer on the Station the accompanying despatch bearing reference to these men.

I am
(signed) W. C. Moody
Gov.

Commander Sulivan R.N.
"
H.M.S. Philomel

Privates Mc Rae
Gibbett
Richardson
Jansen

Government House "Manby"
April 8th 1845.

Sir,

In answer to your note dated the 29th March, I am directed by His Ex.y the Governor to communicate to you the pleasure he feels at learning your progress in erecting your dwelling and his desire of affording you every assistance in his power. What the pressure of business on the Government works will prevent him for the present granting you the assistance of Private Yards. C. S. & Co. Miners as he otherwise would, he will request Lieut. Sullivan to give you any assistance it may be in his power.

I am

&c. &c.

John Cudey Esq.

Signed James Longden
P. S.

Govt. House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands
25th. April 1845.

Sir,

I am directed by His Ex.cy the Govr. to desire that you do not allow a man named William Nyres to leave the Colony in your vessel without a Certificate from His Excellency that he had leave to do so, as he has some debts in the Colony unliquidated.

I am
&c. &c.

(Sgnd) J. Rc. Sorgden
P. S.

Capt.n Baird
Brig "Samoëna"
Stanley Harbour

Government Office Stanley
11th May 1845.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excy the Governor to request that you will come ashore, as early as possible after the receipt of this Communication, and present yourself at Government Office; and also that you will bring with you the whole of the effects of Richard Kenny deceased, with the wages due to him at the time of his unfortunate death.

I am &c
(Signed)
J. Rc. Longden

Captain C. Melvill
Master of the British
Colonial Schooner "Beniva"

Govt Office Stanley May 12th 1845.

Mrs Penny.

In consequence of the death of the late Richard Penny it is necessary that his widow Barnelita Penny should come up to Stanley in order that the affairs of her late husband may be settled.

H. E. the Governor sends her son down to Arstone with a spare horse and wishes her to ride up with him.

By Command of His Excellency The Governor

(Signed) James R. Longden

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 15th May 1845.

Sir,

I enclose to you the will of the late Richard Penny and have to request your legal advice and opinion as to its validity. The Heir to Richard Penny being Richard his only legitimate child who is a minor.

I am &c.
(Signed) R. C. Moody
Govr.

The Honble
M. Moore
Stipendiary Magistrate
"Stanley" Cottage.

Government House Port William
Falkland Islands April 4th 1845.

Sir,

I have earnestly to request that the Provisions, Specie and other Stores written for in my despatch dated Nov.r 29th 1844 may be forwarded by the very earliest opportunity.

I have received a letter from Sir Thomas Paslew Senior Officer in the River Plate accompanying Provisions which have been forwarded from the River Plate by his influence and which Provisions I have had to purchase myself from the Merchant by whom they were sent.

The receipt of these Provisions will make no difference as to my wishes for the further and speedy supply of those above referred to.

I wish to be added to the list of Stores written for by me One Hundred and Fifty Thousand of the best Shingles, and Two Hundred weight of Shingle nails, and 6 reams of Foolscap Paper.

I have &c.

Signed R. C. Moody

Governor

Commodore Purvis R. N.

Senior Officer of the River Plate.

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 19th June
1845.

Sir,

I beg to enclose for your information an extract from a despatch I have had the honor to receive from the Secretary of State for the Colonies and have to inform you that until proper offices are built I purpose to leave the Books therein mentioned in your charge.

I am &c.
Signed
R. C. Moody
Governor

W. H. Moore Esqr.
Stipendiary Magistrate.

"Under all the circumstances and
"adverting to the absence of any public
"Library in the Falklands I authorized
"the Agent to purchase the following
"Books, and to transmit them to you by
"the hands of Mr. Moore. Viz!

Burns' Justice
Watts Magistrate's Statutes
Starkies Evidence
Burgess' Colonial Law
&c.
Vatels Law of Nations by Chitty

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 28th. June 1845.

Sir,

I have to desire that you will inform me of the date of your embarkation for the Falkland Islands as from Instructions I have had the honor to receive from the Secretary of State I find that your Salary will commence from that date.

I am &c
(Signed) R. C. Moody
Governor

The Honble
W. H. Moore. M. C.
&c &c.
"Stanley Cottage"

Govt. House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 22nd. April 1845

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th. June last enclosing a former communication dated 7th. May 1844 and also a copy of a report of a second board of Survey held on board the Barque "Venture" of Dundee, Stewart Patrick, Master.

I conceive that the most satisfactory reply I can give you will be a simple narration of all the facts regarding the vessel in question, that have come to my knowledge.

The barque "Venture" arrived at Port Louis on the 8th. of November 1843 and three days afterwards Captain Patrick wrote to me informing me that he had brought his vessel into Port in distress and requesting my advice and assistance. Thereupon I applied to Captain Sullivan of H.M.S. "Sulomid" then lying in the harbour who appointed some of his officers to examine and report upon her. You appear by your letter of the 7th. May last to possess a copy of their report.

Soon after this Survey the Master proceeded to Monte Video and engaged the brig "Hannah" which arrived here on Dec. 26th. 1843, and into which vessel the greater part of the cargo was removed. The remainder was, I believe, transhipped into the schooner

Frederic Secretary &c &c
Alliance Marine Insurance Office
London

schooner "Princess Royal".

I may here remark that Captain Patrick's Protest of which you appear to possess a copy, was not sworn to or signed before me until January 31st 1846 nearly 3 months after the arrival of the "Venture" and more than a month after Captain Patrick's arrival from Monte Video in the Brig "Hannah".

When Captain Patrick arrived from Monte Video, H.M.S. "Pluto" had left the Port to continue her surveying duties. After the cargo had been entirely removed, Captain Patrick, being desirous of completing his arrangements and the "Pluto" not being expected for some weeks appointed the second board of survey without previously informing me of his intention and without any sanction or authority from me. This board of survey, I believe, condemned the vessel. I confess I had at this time a doubt on my own mind as to whether strict justice would be done to all parties but having no legal authority and as my doubts were upon very general grounds I was unwilling to interfere in the proceedings.

With respect to the question as to
" whether the impossibility of repairing the
" ship arises from natural decay and damage
" accruing therefrom or whether from the perils
" of the sea it self the cause of her being
" condemned." I regret that I am unable to give you any satisfactory information. I did not examine the vessel myself nor did not consider I should be capable of forming an opinion

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on the matter if I had; neither can I bring my mind to place Reliance on the parties who made the second Survey.

I am &c &c

(Signed) B. C. Moody

Governor

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 22nd April
1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th July last and with reference to the questions contained in it have to inform you that the letter therein alluded to was received at the Govt Office and on the same day I directed the enclosed letter to be addressed to Captain Bailey having previously caused my letter dated 7th February 6th 1844* to be addressed to him. On the following day I sent off Serjt Robt Hearden of the Royal Sappers & Miners to the vessel with the four men in a boat I enclose a copy of his letter to me reporting the proceedings On the next morning 8th February 1844 the vessel sailed from Port Louis without a clearance and against my express orders. I directed my orderly Corporal Watts R.S.M's to go on board the vessel, on perceiving that she was preparing to leave, with a letter addressed on H.M. Service, to Mr Martinier a passenger on board, but Capt Bailey threatened to throw the orderly overboard and sailed away without permitting him to deliver the letter. I enclose a copy of Corporal Watts report to me of his proceedings on board the vessel.

In consequence of Capt Bailey's resistance to my orders, the difficulties he threw in the way when endeavouring to

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* Also Among st the enclosures—

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transact business with him, and the contempt he showed throughout for my authority, I deemed it advisable after receiving Serjt Hearnden's report, not to renew my application, on behalf of these men, to him as I considered his answer and conduct to Serjt Hearnden tantamount to a refusal to obey my orders and I accordingly applied to Capt.n Melville, Master of the Schooner "Montgomery" then lying in the harbour for a passage for the men to Rio de Janeiro which latter he accordingly conveyed them.

Captain Bailey's conduct throughout his stay at Port Louis was most disorderly and insulting to the Govt of the Colony on several occasions when summoned to the Govt Office to receive verbal instructions concerning the passage of the men, or to transact any business, he almost invariably appeared so intoxicated that he could not be seen. With regard to his refusal on the day of the vessels departure to allow my orderly to deliver the letter with which he was charged I have since learned that he had locked up Mr. Martineer, the gentleman in question, in his cabin in order to prevent any communication with him.

I enclose for your information copies of the whole correspondence entered into with Capt.n Bailey.

I have made you acquainted with the above details because I consider it advisable to give you a better insight into

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this portion of the mans mis-conduct in the Falkland Islands than could be gathered from reading the official correspondence concerning the conveyance of the distressed seamen.

I am &c.

(Signed) R. C. Moody.

W. T. Robson Esqr.

Solicitor to the Lords
Commissioners of the Admiralty

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Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands April 22nd 1845

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 4th January last enclosing a bill of lading for Specie shipped on board the schooner "Reina" which I am happy to say arrived here safely - the coins, when counted, were found to agree exactly with the numbers in the "Specification" attached to the bill of lading

The "Carmena" arrived here on the 14th of March last bringing the provisions mentioned in your letter which I accordingly purchased for the use of the Colonial Government I have to thank you for the trouble you have taken with regard to them and am sorry that I cannot yet convey to you the sentiments of H. M. Government on the subject.

I am &c.

(Signed) R. C. Moody.

Governor

Capt Sir Thos. S. Pasley Bt.
R. N.
H. M. S. "Curaçoa".

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 22nd April
1845.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 26th August last I am sorry to say that I cannot give you no information regarding the individual therein alluded to.

No person of that name has visited the Colony since my arrival nor has any grant of land, that I know of, been made to him.

I am &c.

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Governor

Henry Hinton Esqr.
4 County Terrace
Harper Street, New Kent Road
London

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands June 30th 1845.

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 20th Novr 1844 and, in reply to that portion of it which related to the payment of £55.14.6 to John Pownall Dale Esqr late H. B. M. Consul General at Monte Video, beg leave to refer you to the enclosed copy of a letter from him acknowledging the receipt of that amount. With regard to the apparent over computation of £6.13.0 I can offer no other explanation than the one alluded to before stated which was, that in consequence of the constant fluctuation stated to have been by Mr Dale in his letter dated 14th Feb. 1843 to exist in Monte Video in the rate of exchange as regards British currency, I deemed it right to compute the balance at 52 per dollar which is the par in the Colony instead of at 46 which was the certified rate of exchange at Monte Video at the date of Mr Dale's letter but which, I considered it probable would be altered before the second remittance could reach him

May 15th 1846

With reference to the settlement of this and the remaining overcomputations I have to inform you that I have this day paid into the Colonial Chest the sum of £10.12.7 being the total amount of the surcharges after deducting £49.1.6 the amount of the balance forwarded to Mr Dale computing the Dollar at 46.

I regret to observe

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in relation to the sums mentioned as short-paid that all the persons to whom those sums are due have left the Colony and I am unacquainted with the places of their residence—

I am &

(Signed) R. C. Moody

Govr.

John Lewis Mallet Esqr.
Secy. to the Commissioners
for Auditing the
Public Accounts.

I hereby certify that the annexed is a true Copy of a Letter addressed home by H. E. Dale Esqr.
(Signed) R. C. Moody.

Monte Video May 13th. 1844

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 1st. April last. I have the honor, with many apologies for the omission to acknowledge having received from your Govt. the sum of Fifty Five Pounds, fourteen shillings, and sixpence, being the balance of expenses incurred by me in forwarding to the Falkland Islands, Guanos and Horses for the use of Govt.

I have &

(Signed) John Pownall Dale

His Excy.
R. C. Moody
Govr. of the Falkland Islands—

Government House Stanley
Falkland Islands 1st July 1845

My Lords

I have the honor to inform your Lordships that I have drawn the undermentioned Bills on H.M. Treasury.

No Sixty nine the sum of One hundred and forty five Pounds twelve shillings and sixpence drawn in favour of Messrs Grandy & Co in payment of salary due to H.E. Governor Moody up to date June 30th 1845.

No Seventy. The sum of nineteen Pounds three shillings and one farthing drawn in favour of W.H. Moore in payment of salary due to him up to date June 30th 1845.

No Seventy one The sum of Seventy Two Pounds sixteen shillings and threepence drawn in favour of W.J. Hamilton in payment of salary due to him up to date June 30th 1845

No Seventy two. The sum of Thirty six Pounds eight shillings and one penny halfpenny drawn in favour of Jn H. Slaughter in payment of salary due to him up to date June 30th 1845.

The authority by which I have drawn the above-mentioned bills is Lord Stanley's despatch No 17 dated 6th April 1844

I have &c
R.R. Moody
Gov.

The Right Honble
The Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury
London

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands July 10th 1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from you informing me of your appointment to the Naval Command in this part of the world.

My attention has been drawn to the circumstance of your letter and those of several others from the Naval Department being addressed to me as "Lieutenant" Governor. It is proper, therefore I should inform you that Her Majesty by Letters Patent dated so long back as the 23rd of June 1843 appointed me "Governor" and Commander-in-chief of the Falkland Islands and their Dependencies. It is also of importance that you should be acquainted with the fact of an Admiralty Court being established in this Colony over which I preside by a Commission I hold as "Vice Admiral"

I am &c &c
(Signed) R. C. Moody
Governor.

Rear Admiral Inglefield
C. B.
Commander-in-Chief on the
Brazil Station

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands.

Sir,

In consequence of my being unable to procure in these Islands, the Building materials requisite to carry on the works in progress, I have to request that you will cause to be forwarded for the use of H. M's Govt in this Colony the Stores mentioned in the enclosed lists marked A and B

A
B

The Articles enumerated in the enclosed list marked B, were written for previous to your assuming the Command on the Brazil Station, but they have not yet arrived.

I am &c.
(Signed) Ro. C. Moody
Govr

Rear Admiral Inglefield
Ro. N.
or Senior Officer on the
Brazil Station

A

50.000 Shingles
2 Cwt of Shingle Nails
1000 feet of Inch Dark Brazil Furniture Wood
1000 do of ½ do do do do do
500 do of 2 do do do do do

B

Thirty Tons of Fresh Burnt Lime
30 Hardwood Balks 12 In.s Square and from
7 25 to 30 Ft in Length.
30 Beams not Hardwood 30 Ft Long, 12 Ins thick
and 14 Inches thick

List A continued
6 Reams of Foolscap Paper
2 Reams of Note do
1 Do of letter do
250 Letter Envelopes
2 lbs of Sealing Wax
1 Box of Small Wafers for Notes
12 Pieces of Strong Green ribbon for despatches
560 lbs of Raisins
5 Cwt of White Lead
20 Gallons of Boiled oil
10 Do of Turpentine
28 lbs of Umber
14 lbs of Lake

Government House Stanley Pt. Wm.
Falkland Islands July 14th 1845.

Gentlemen/

I have had the honor to receive an address presented home by Messrs. Scully & Dean. on behalf of the Inhabitants of this Colony, conveying unanimous sentiments of confidence in me. I feel conscious of meriting your confidence in my best endeavours, but at the same time am highly flattered by the terms in which it has been expressed in the address. I am happy to perceive that any insult offered to the Government is considered by you to be an indignity offered to yourselves. This is as it ever ought to be.

The past occurrences have given proofs that in the administration of H. M. Govt here no private considerations or feelings towards those immediately about me can influence me in discharging the duties of my office. You may rest assured that such will ever be the case.

I fully participate in your indignation with respect to the reports alluded to in your address. A little reflection will however remind you that it is a common occurrence for those who have received and are conscious of having merited just punishment to endeavour to revile and calumniate the power which inflicted it.

I beg to thank you for your expressions towards me and to assure you of my earnest desire for your happiness and the prosperity of the Colony.

I have &c &c
(Signed) W. C. Moody
Governor

To the Inhabitants of the
Falkland Islands

Government Office "Stanley"
June 28th 1845

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date, and to enclose for your information a copy of the Secretary of State's despatch bearing upon the subject of your salary.

A

I am also directed to enclose an extract from a former despatch, relating to the salaries of Govt. Officers —

B

I have &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Ro. Longden

The Hon^ble
W. H. Moore M. C.
Stanley.

" I have to acquaint you that an advance of £ 200 has been
" made to that Gentleman on account of his salary.
" You will take measures for the adjustment of Mr.
" Moore's salary with reference to the period at which he
" may have actually embarked and to any appropriation
" that may have been made by you out of the salary
" assigned for the Magistrate for any period subsequent
" to the date of such embarkation for temporary perfor-
" mance of the duties of that Office.

(Signed) Stanley.

" In consideration of the very peculiar circumstances under
" which the first Officers proceeding from this Country to fill
" situations in the Falkland Islands are placed, and the un-
" usual expenses to which they have been exposed in being
" compelled to carry with them every thing that may be necessa-
" ry for their establishment there, H. M. Govt. have thought it
" right to allow them to receive full salary from the date of embarkation
" in all cases where no portion of the salary voted by Parliament has been
" assigned to any person temporarily performing the duties of any of the Offices

Signed Stanley

Govt. House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 8th. July 1845.

His Excellency the Governor desires the under-
mentioned persons to meet at the Govt. Store-
house on Wednesday Morning the 9th. Inst. at 10
o'clock and report upon certain Govt. Stores.

Messrs. Hamblin M.D. & Colonial Surgeon
Slaughter, Clerk & Colonial Govt.
and Serjt. Reardon, R. Sappers & Miners

Government House Stanley
Falkland Islands 8th. July 1845.

Government House Stanley
Falkland Islands 20th June 45

Sir,

I have to inform you that I have received a despatch from the Secretary of State enclosing a copy of a letter from you to his Lordship dated 25th September 1844.

By his Lordship's despatch I am instructed under the circumstances represented by you to grant now an exchange of Town Land from Ainsow to Port William unless I should see any objection to such a course.

As your letter does not lay before his Lordship a full and exact State of your case but on the contrary is, I am sorry to be obliged to add, calculated to mislead, and because also I conceive I should first receive permission to extend the same indulgence to other individuals who hold lands that had been occupied previous to my arrival, I deem it my duty to withhold from you his Lordships indulgence until I receive further instructions

At the same time I will add for your information that I have taken the liberty of recommending that the indulgence should be granted to all Settlers who may choose to avail themselves of it.

I am &c &c
(Signed) R. C. Moody
Governor

Comdr Sulivan R.N.
H. M. S. "Philomel"

Govt House Falkland Islands
July 26th 1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date, and hasten to assure you that so far from taking your application amiss I am pleased to find that you have spoken out your sentiments so freely. I also beg to inform you that I will as early as possible give a more detailed reply to your letter.

I am &
Signed / RC. C. Moody
Governor

Capt.n Melville
Master of the British
Colonial Schooner "Renira"
Stanley Harbour

Gov.t House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 15th July 1815.

Sir,

I have to inform you that I have received a letter from Mr Tomlinson dated 13th ult.o May last enclosing bills of lading for Provisions and Stores shipped on board His Schooner "Despatch" for this Gov.t and also for the Specie recently received from H. M. S. "Frolic."

With respect to the Provisions, I have to inform you that the article "Raisins" the warranty of which appears by the bill of lading to have expired previous to their shipment on board the "Despatch" have been found by a board of Survey to be unserviceable and have therefore, by my directions, been condemned and sold.

I have to state that on several occasions the provisions forwarded to this Colony from the Naval Depot at Rio de Janeiro have at the time of my receiving them been bordering on the period of the expiration of their Warranty and in some instances that period had expired. I should therefore feel obliged if you would give instructions which will have the effect of preventing this in future, and that a fair and reasonable time be allowed between the articles being furnished for the Colony, and the period of the expiration of their Warranty. This period should never be less than 9 or 10 Months.

I enclose receipts for all the Provisions Stores and Specie furnished by the Naval authorities at Rio de Janeiro for this Gov.t as requested by Mr Tomlinson in his letter above referred to.

Mr Tomlinson in his letter states with regard

regard to the Specie forwarded by H.M.S. "Isabella" as follows. "I should beg to observe that I am afraid that a deficiency of £2..8..11 will be observed this I have provided against by sending by the Master of the Schooner 3 Sovereigns to be delivered to your Excellency to make the same correct." I caused an enquiry to be made of the Master of the Ship who informed me that he had not received the money in question. The deficiency in the coin is as follows: namely

11/16 of a Doubloon

8 Shillings

36 Sixpences

which computing the Dollar at 5/2 amounts to £3..13..8

I am &c &c

(Sigd) R. C. Moody

Gov.

Rear Admiral Dobbfield

C.B.

Commander in Chief on the

Brazil Station

Gov.t House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands July 11th. 1843

Received from the U. S. Schooner "Sarah Ann" W. H. Smiley, Master, the undermentioned Provisions forwarded by the Naval authorities at Rio de Janeiro for the use of the Colonial Government June 1st. 1843.

	Tons.	Cwt.	Qrs.	Lbs		Cwt	Qrs.	Lbs
Flour	3	2	3	0	Candles	2	0	0
Biscuit	1	6	2	0	Soap	1	1	0
Oatmeal		9	2	0	Pepper			14
Rice		6	0	0	Mustard			14
Farina		6	0	0				
Tea			3	14		Gallons		
Coffee		1	2	14	Vinegar	66		
Sugar	5	0	0		Rum	133		
Raisins		3	2	0				
Salt Pork	1	0	0	0	Peas 22 Bushels			
Salt	13	2	0					

Calavances 1 Sack

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Gov.r

Gov.t House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands July 11th 1845.

Received from the U. S. Schooner "Sarah Ann" W. H. Smiley Master the undermentioned Provisions forwarded by the Naval authorities at Rio de Janeiro for the use of the Colonial Govt.
21st October 1843

Bread	3360	Pounds
Spirits	110	Gallons
Pork	624	Lbs Pieces
Flour	7056	Pounds
Vinegar	70	Gallons
Salt	19	Bushels
Peas	40	Bushels
Oatmeal	11	Bushels
Chocolate	326	Pounds
Sugar	752	"
Pepper	14	"
Mustard	14	"
Candles	224	"
Soap	113	"
Tea	83	"

Signed
R. C. Moody
Govr.

Govt House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 11th July 1845.

Received from H. Ms. S. "Dolphin" the undermentioned provisions, forwarded by the Naval authorities at Rio de Janeiro for the use of the Colonial Govt on the 30th March 1845.

Bread	4144 Pounds	Tobacco	170 Pounds
Rice	1465 "	Soap	400 "
Mustard	50 "	Tea	82 "
Pepper	48 "	Indian Corn	50 Bushels
Pork	1664 "	Barley	30 do
Flour	6272 "	Oats	6 do
Currants	172 "	Peas	25 do
Candles	288 "	Salt	4 do
Raisins	400 "	Spirits	218 Gallons
Sugar	979 "	Vinegar	54 do
Coffee	826 "		

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Govr &c.

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 11th July 1845.

Received from Commander Sullivan H.M.S.
"Philomel" on the 21st October 1844 Eight Thousand
Dollars forwarded by the Senior Officer at
Monte Video for the use of the Colonial Govt.

(Signed) R. C. Moody.
Governor.

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands July 11th 1845

Received from the British Schooner "Penira" C. Melville, Master, the undermentioned Provisions and Stores forwarded by the Naval authorities at Rio de Janeiro for the use of the Colonial Government on the 12th October 1844.

Bread —	1904 Lbs	Barley — " —	13½ Bls
		Oats — " —	3 — do
Rice —	640 lbs	Indian Corn —	15 — do

6 Blank Folio Books Large
10 do — do — do — Small
1 Ream of Foolscap Paper
1 Do. Cartridge — Do.
1 Do. Brown — Do.
6 Quires Letter — Do.
6 Do. Note — Do.
500 Foolscap Envelopes
6 Penknives

(Signed) Ro. C. Moody
Governor

Government House Stanley
Falkland Islands 11th July 1845.

Received from the British Schooner "Renira"
C. Melville, Master, the undermentioned Specie
in an Iron Chest forwarded by Sir Thomas S. Pasley
Bt. at Monte Video for the use of the Colonial
Government on the 4th of January 1845.

68 Sovereigns

13 Crowns

243 Half Crowns

1 Three Shilling Piece

665 Shillings

1347 Six-pences

15 4/-pieces

1 Quarter Doubloon

18 Eighth Do.

13 Dollars

99 Half do

2482 Quarter do

837 Eighth do

(Signed) RC. C. Moody
Govr.

Government House "Stanley"
Falkland Islands 11th July 1845

Received from Commander Hamilton H.M.S. "Rodie"
on the 7th June 1845 the following Specie, forwarded
by the Naval authorities at Rio de Janeiro for the
use of the Colonial Government.

138	Sovereigns	138. 0. 0
7	Half do	3. 10. 0
1	Crowns	1. 15. 0
775	Half do	96. 17. 6
3648	Shillings	182. 8. 0
3886	Sixpences	97. 3. 0
1948		1. 4. 0
7	4 pieces	2. 6
10	3/ pieces	519. 18. 4
390	Doubloons	57 2. 2
36	Half do	1 16. 2
69	Quarter do	
108	Eighth do	
1	Sixteenth do	
1	Dollar	

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Govr.

Govt House "Stanley"
Falkelands Islands July 11th 1845

Received from the British Schooner "Despatch" G. Gruitrilles, Master, the undermentioned Provisions and Stores forwarded by the Naval authorities at Rio de Janeiro for the use of the Colonial Government on the 30th April 1845.

Flour	6272 Pounds	Mustard	48 Pounds
Bread	4144 "	Pepper	50 "
Sugar	1108 "	Tea	66 "
Coffee	837 "	Tobacco	283 "
Rice	1509 "	Pork	560 4 lb Pieces
Raisins	504 "	Spirits	274 Gallons
Soap	464 "	Vinegar	55 do
Candles	260 "	Indian Corn	50 Bushels
Currants	160 "	Salt	4 do
		Peas	33¾ do

94,000 Shingles

224 lbs of Nails for Do

1 Cart complete

6 Reams of Foolscap Paper

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Govr

Landing Certificate

Government House "Stanley"
July 19th. 1845.

I hereby certify that the undermentioned goods have been landed at the Town of Stanley Falkland Islands from the British Schooner "Despatch" George Gruzilier Master

40 Barrels of Flour
94,000 Shingles
6 Cases the property of H. J. Hamblin Esqr.
10 Tins of Preserved Potatoes.

(Signed) R. C. Moody
Governor