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GOVERNMENT

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Miscellaneous Letters

from the

Colonial Government.

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No 1.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 5th 1865.

Sir.

I have had under my consideration your Petition which I received on the 29th ultimo, praying that I would agree to your case "being again heard before the Magistrates."

2. I have called upon the Stipendiary Magistrate, Mr. Griffiths, for a report of the case brought under my notice, and I have given my attention to this report, but, I regret to say I am unable to find any ground which would justify me in interfering in the matter, particularly as the Spirit Licence Ordinance of the Colony No. 9. 1853, of which I inclose you a copy, places the power to issue or refuse licences entirely in the hands of the majority of Magistrates present at the time such applications are considered.

I have &c.

(Sd) Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

Mr. Thomas Aldridge
Publican "Star Hotel"
Stanley.

No. 2.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
January 9th 1865.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant, I have the honour to acquaint you that the finding of the Jury at the Inquisition held on view of the body of John Rogers Rudd was wilful Murder against Manuel Gill, perpetrated on the 15th October 1864. Rudd was 34 years of age at the time of his death, and by profession a Camp Manager.

A native of Exeter Devonshire.

The verdict returned at the Inquisition on the body of William Jones, Seaman, was accidentally drowned on the 19th November 1864. He was about 26 years of age at the time of his death

Nativity unknown.

The last Inquisition held by me on view of the body of Catherine Phillips found that the deceased came by her death by a visitation of God in a natural way on the 30th of December 1864. She was at the time of her death 35, and a native of Thurles, Ireland.

I have &c

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Registrar &c &c

Sd/ Ely Mackenzie
Gov.

Stanley.

No. 3.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 10th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th ultimo. accompanied by a statement made by Mr. Butler. in command of the Company's Schooner Perseverance. in which you advocate the existence of coal in the vicinity of Island Harbour; and suggest that an efficient search might be made by the Government. You state that Mr. Cooke the late Master of H.M.S. "Stromboli" has communicated to you the favourable opinion of a Mr. Plant, a geologist. on this subject; and, also. that the Chief Engineer of H.M.S. "Satellite". Mr. Clements. has corroborated that gentleman's opinion.

2. I have received a report from Mr. Clements who tried the virtue of the coal in endeavouring to get up steam on board the Satellite. but I regret to say that the very partial success of the Experiment is not sufficient to justify me in organizing an Expedition which would have to be of a most Expensive nature.

3. Moreover I do not as yet see that any sufficient reason is assigned for believing that the species of coal found is of the slightest value. or. that its existence is any indication of a more valuable substance underneath.

4. Some four years ago a sample of this Coal was sent home by my predecessor.

and

James Lane Esqre
Agent of the F. I. Company.
Stanley

and the Geological Society in London expressed a decidedly unfavourable opinion as to its merits, and said that unless fossils were discovered there would be nothing to denote the presence of coal.

5. If, however, you consider that you have found any different specimens, and will forward me a few samples of them, I shall be happy to send them home for a further trial.

I have &c
(S.) Ely Mackenzie
Gov.

No. 4.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
January 10th 1863

Sir,

I have duly received your letter of the 2nd instant tendering your resignation of the Office of Lightkeeper at Cape Pembroke Light-House, which I shall forward to the Board of Trade by the next Mail, with a request that a competent person may be immediately sent out to relieve you, until whose arrival it will be out of my power to accept your resignation.

2. It is prehaps as well that I should avail myself of this opportunity to request that you will not in future leave the Lighthouse to come into Stanley without first hoisting the usual signal for permission, unless in cases of emergency, as I strongly disapprove of the Lighthouse being left so often with no proper person in charge.

I have &c
(S.) Ely Mackenzie
Gov.

Mr William Creed.
Lightkeeper. Cape Pembroke
Lighthouse

No. 5.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 18th 1865.

Sir.

It has been through an oversight that I have delayed answering your letter of the 21st ultimo, requesting to be supplied with a service revolver from H.M.S. "Satellite"; and I have now to inform you that I did not make the requisition to Captain Crofton because I am of opinion that your application would have been more properly addressed to the Admiralty at home through the Deputy Adjutant General of Royal Marines.

I have &c.
(Sd) J.G. Mackenzie
Gov.

Lieut: G.H. Elliot. R.M.L.I.
Commanding Detachment
Stanley.

No. 6.

Government House.
Falkland Islands
January 11th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to request that you will be kind enough to furnish me with information, under the subjoined heads, of the amount of live stock, & value of produce of wool, hides, &c in connection with the establishment in your charge for the year 1864, which returns are required to enable me to complete the Annual Blue Book.

Number

Horned Cattle. ____
Sheep. ____

Number

Horses broken. ____
do Wild. ____
Pigs ____.

Produce.

	lbs	Sterling value.
Wool	—	— —
Hides	—	— —
Horse hair	—	— —

Animals Killed for consumption

Number of carcases.

Oxen — ____
Sheep — —.

Population on Outstations

Male ____.
Female. ____

Any additional information respecting the progress of sheep farming, as to which particular breed, if any, seem to thrive best — or any remarks on the average increase & mortality per cent. would be interesting.

I have &c
J. Ly Mackenzie
Govt.

C. C Furpin Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley.

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No. 7.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
January 11th 1863.

Sir,

On looking over the memorandum left with me by Mr. Forster last week, I find that the freeholds, for the purchase of which the land orders were to be received as payment, comprise the allotments within the districts leased to John Rudd, deceased, and also (Daniel Mc Garrell)

2. I hope it will not be inconvenient if I ask you to make application for the grants desired in writing; and in order that I may be able to bring the matter under His Excellency's consideration, I must request you to furnish me with certificates of the transfer of the respective leases from the original holders (in Rudd's case of course from his administrator), in accordance with the Land Regulations of April 1861.

3. I beg to return the Land orders, together with the Memorandum referred to.

I have &c

(Sd) W. R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

1st and 2nd parts of orders Numbers 6 and 8 for £100 and £400 respectively

James Lane Esqre
Agent for the F. I. Company
Stanley.

No 8.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 11th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to inclose herewith a blank schedule of the information required to compile the Blue Book for the year 1864, regarding the progress of the Colony, to be laid before Parliament; and I beg to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with the desired information at your earliest convenience, if possible before the Expiration of the current month.

I have &c
(Sd) Alg Mackenzie
Gov.

See Volume 3 page 223 & 224 for blank forms referred to

James Lane Esqre
Manager of the F. I Company.
Stanley

No 9.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 11th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to inclose herewith a blank schedule of the information required to compile the Blue Book for the year 1864, regarding the progress of the Colony, to be laid before Parliament; and I beg to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with the desired information at your earliest convenience, if possible before the Expiration of the current month.

See Vol VIII pages 223 & 224

George M. Dean Esqre
Stanley.

I have &c
(Sd) Alg Mackenzie

No. 10.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 11th 1865

Sir,

I have the honour to append several items of Expenditure appertaining to the Military Establishment of this Colony, upon each of which it is necessary to obtain information in order to complete the Returns of Statistics annually laid before Parliament; and I beg to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with the desired information for the year 1864, having reference only to the disbursements from Imperial Funds.

	£
1. Pay of Commrs Officer including allowances other than Commissariat	
2. Commissariat Allowances.	
3. Allowances to Chaplain.	
4 Do to Schoolmaster.	
5. Any other Allowances.	
6. Pay of Non-commissioned Officers and Privates of the Company.	
7 Good conduct Pay of above	
8. Pay of Military Pensioners residing in the Colony	
9. Miscellaneous Expenses of Military Department.	

I have &c
(Sd.) D. J. Mackenzie
Govr

Lieut G. H. Elliot.
R.M.L.I.
Commg Detachment
Stanley

No 11

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 12th 1865.

Sir.

I have had under my consideration your letter of the 6th instant, in which you express your regret for the misconduct for the misconduct which I felt it my duty to dismiss you from your employment under my Government, and as you promise never again to fall into so grave an error as to hesitate even for a moment in the observance of any similar order, I have no wish to enforce the punishment of dismissal on this occasion; but I wish you clearly to understand that, though I so far depart from the usual custom in such cases to allow you to retain your appointment of Schoolmaster, I do so only on the understanding that even an approach to such behaviour in future will never again be passed over.

2. Trusting that you will profit by what has passed, and that you will endeavour to show in your future conduct the genuineness of your regret by a strict and implicit obedience to orders.

I have &c

[S.] D. G. Mackenzie
Gov.

Mr G. A. Clarke.
Schoolmaster.
Stanley.

No. 12.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 12th 1853.

Sir,

I have received your application to succeed Mr Clarke in the Office of Schoolmaster in the Government Schools from which he was dismissed for misconduct, and I should have been disposed to have availed myself of your services, had not Mr Clarke offered Expressions of great regret for his conduct and prayed earnestly to be allowed to remain, which I have consented to permit him to do on the promise of more guarded behaviour in future.

I have &c
(Sd.) Alex Mackenzie
Govr.

Mr George Stanwell
Stanley.

No. 13.

Government House
Falkland Islands
January 18th 1853.

Sir,

I have the Honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date applying to be permitted to inspect the duplicate grant book of grants of land in these islands, under the 14th Section of the Registration Ordinance No. 12. 1853, and likewise asserting a claim to peruse the Lease book of Leases, maintaining that the Interpretation clause (No. 17) of the Ordinance authorises such perusal, inasmuch as it

States

states that the word "land" shall extend "to any "estate or interest in real property."

2. I regret to say that, although I am most willing to assist you in every way in my power to enable you to complete the returns you are desirous of furnishing to your Company, I am unable to admit that the Law entitles you, as a matter of right, to inspect the Lease Book; as leases by the Crown are especially exempted from being registered by the following proviso, contained in the second clause of the Ordinance; viz.

"Provided that no lease or Agreement for a "lease for any time, not exceeding 7 years "from the date thereof, nor any assignment "thereof, nor any lease or agreement for a "lease by the Crown, shall be registered." Whereby I am clearly of opinion that leases by the Crown are utterly alienated from the operation of the Registration Ordinance.

3. Moreover the concise and specific wording of the 4th Section, under which you urge your claim, is in itself sufficient to establish the correctness of my views on this subject - The Recital states - "Whereas of "each Grant of Land that has been issued by the "Crown a duplicate on parchment signed by "the Governor has been preserved in the Governor's Office" &c &c. It cannot be maintained that any Lease comes under this head as no "du "plicate" on parchment signed by the Governor" is preserved of any Lease.

Secondly, the Recital recites, "and at the time "each grant of land issued, a notice was sent "by the Governor to the Registrar containing the "particulars hereinafter required to be stated "in the notice of a Crown Grant." It is equally incontestable that no Crown Lease is here referred to, since no such notice is ever sent to the Registrar in

in respect to any Lease, nor does the Law require that such notice should be given, it on the contrary provides exactly the opposite, as I have already pointed out.

4. We will now proceed to see how impossible it is to misunderstand the proper meaning of this section, its enacting portion running thus; "Be it therefore "enacted, That any person may inspect & "peruse the said duplicate Grant book of "Grants which have been or shall hereafter "be issued upon payment of the sum of "ten shillings for each search &c &c". It must be obvious to anybody what Book, and what Books alone, is referred to under the designation of "the said duplicate Grant "Book of Grants".

I would remark incidentally that I do not see the weight to be attached to the reference you have made to the 17th clause, regarding the interpretation to be put upon the word "land", since the word does not occur once throughout the enacting part of the 14th section, though of course it may be understood to be included in the word "Grant" as having reference only to freehold property.

5. I have now to inform you that I am ready to afford you every facility for inspecting the duplicate Grant book of Grants and I have communicated with the Colonial Secretary to ascertain what time would be most convenient to him for you to do so, and he has fixed 11 o'clock on Friday morning next, if that hour will also suit you.

6. With the respect to the information you may desire concerning any Crown Leases, I can only say that I shall be happy to

assist

assist you to the utmost of my power if you will furnish me with the particulars regarding which you seek any information affecting the Company you represent

I have &c

[s/] Ely MacKenzie
Gov.

James Lane Esqre
Stanley.

No. 14.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 18th 1865.

Sir.

It is with feelings of much regret that I acquaint you of the melancholy intelligence of the entire destruction of Her Majesty's Ship "Bombay", bearing the Flag of Admiral the Honorable G. B. Elliot, by fire, on the 14th ultimo.

2. The loss of this vessel reduces the Squadron on the South East Coast of South America to a very low Standard, there being at this time on the Station only the Satellite, Strombolo, Triton, and two gun boats, when there is reason to believe that the City of Monte Video is besieged and the Port blockaded, by the Brazilian Fleet, most of the Republics of La Plata being in a State of Civil War.

3. I need hardly remind you that there are many British residents in the Town of Monte Video, and I mention these circumstance in case you may deem it advisable to communicate with Admiral Elliot on your passage home from this Port.

I have &c

[s/] Ely MacKenzie
Gov.

Commander W. A. Fennicks
H.M.S. "Harrier"
Stanley Harbour.

No. 15

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
January 24th 1865

Sir

In reply to your letter of yesterday's date I have to acquaint you that there are no letters addressed to anywhere in my Office, there must therefore be some mistake in the information you have received.

2. I am glad to find however that this information was not given to you by any person with authority to give it, which I have ascertained by enquiry on the subject.

I have &c.
(Sd). W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

The
Revd. C. Butt. M.a.
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley

No. 16.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands
January 25th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to inclose Vouchers, in duplicate, of the Accounts of this Government with the Company for the Quarters ended respectively on the 30th September and 31st of December 1864, amounting in the aggregate to £191.16.5. Against which I have set the various Rents due by the Company to the Government, namely;

	£
Stations Nos. 7 & 8. due 9th December 1864.	20
Government Farm	5
Slaughter House.	11.10.
Dairy.	18.15

Carried forward 55.15
Station

	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	55	5	
Station No. 26 "Archer Cove" due 15th August 1864. leased to John Rudd	10		
Station No. 27. "Bluff Creek" due 25th September 1864 leased to D. McGarrell	10		
Station No. 20 "Port San Carlos" due 9th September 1864 leased to John Bonner	10		
	£ 85	5	

Leaving the Government in debt to the Company a sum of £106. 11. 5

2. I have included in the above Account the rent of John Bonner's Station because he is now, I am informed, in the employment of the Company, and there is great difficulty in communicating with him.

3. Bearing in mind the wish you expressed the other day to obtain a Government Bill, I am authorized by His Excellency the Governor to state that he is prepared to draw upon the Paymaster General, at par, for the sum of £250. 0. 0: and if you still wish this bill sent you be good enough to send the balance of £143. 8. 7 to my office in the course of tomorrow morning.

I have &c
(s) W. R. Pyne.
Colo: Secretary

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley

No. 17

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 27th 1875

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 31st July 1874, from Melbourne, and also the Wardian case of plants you were so kind as to send me.

2. They arrived here safely in H.M.S. Harrier, and nearly all of them are in a perfectly healthy condition.— I need not tell you how much obliged to you I am for the trouble you have taken, and I am sure that if my efforts to acclimatise these plants are successful you will be considered in the Colony as a general benefactor.

3. In accordance with your request I have had the Wardian case packed with Tussac grass roots, which I send to Sir William Hooker at Kew Gardens, together with a bag of tussac seed, for transmission to you as early as possible. I am afraid the seed will not prove of much use as it has been gathered at an unfavourable time of the year, I shall therefore make a point of sending you some more at a time when the seed can be gathered in a better condition

4. I am much interested in the experiment of introducing the Tussac grass into Australia and other parts of the world, and I would ask you to inform me of the result of your endeavours.

I have &c

[S.] J. H. MacKenzie
Govr.

Doctor Mueller
Botanical Gardens
Melbourne.

No 18

Government House.
Falkland Islands
January 27th 1864.

Sir

I have the honour to acquaint you that, at the solicitation of Dr Mueller at the Botanic Gardens, Melbourne, I have addressed to your care a Wardian Case planted with Tussak grass roots from these Islands, for transmission to that gentleman at some favourable opportunity, and also a small bag of the seed of this grass.

2. H.M.S. "Harrier," Commander Lenvick B, will convey them to England in the course of a few days and I sincerely hope they will reach their destination safely.

I have &c.
(Sd) Ily MacKenzie
Gov.

Sir William Hooker F.R.S.
&c &c &c
Kew Gardens.
England.

Government House.
Falkland Islands
January 27th 1864.

No 19

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No $\frac{7603}{2311}$, dated the 6th July last, transmitting a Copy of a Work on the strength, composition, and organization of the Army of Great Britain; and in accordance with the request that the receipt might be sent to the Director of the Topographical Department, I have returned thence by this mail

I have &c
(Sd) Ily MacKenzie
Gov.

Major General
Sir Edward Lugard. K. C.B.
Under Secretary of State
War Department
Pall Mall.

No. 20.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 27th 1863

Sir,

I have the honour to return inclosed the receipt for a copy of a Work on the strength Composition and organization of the Army of Great Britain, sent to me by Major General Sir Edward Lugard K.C.B.

I have &c.

(S.) Ely MacKenzie
Gov.

Colonel Sir Henry James.
R.E.
Director of the Topographical Department
4. New Street. Spring Gardens. S.W.
London.

Copy of Receipt.

7603
2311.

The Governor
of the Falkland Islands.

Received from Colo. Sir Henry James. R.E. Director of the Topographical Department. by order of the Secretary of State for War - One Copy of a Book 2d Edition. on the Organization. Composition & Strength of the Army of Great Britain

(S.) Ely MacKenzie
Gov.

It is requested that this receipt may be signed and returned to

The Director
Topographical Department
4. New Street. Spring Gardens.
London. S.W.

No. 21.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 27th 1865

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith the usual Quarterly Accounts of this Government with the War Department for the year ending 31st December 1864, which I trust will be found satisfactory

I have &c.
pd/ Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

Quarter ended on the 31st March 1864.
Quarter ended on the 30th June 1864.
Quarter ended on the 30th September 1864.
Quarter ended on the 31st December 1864
Accompanied by the Vouchers in support thereof.

The Right Honorable
The Under Secretary of State
War Department
Pall Mall. S.W.
London.

No. 22

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
January 27th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to return the Queries of the Commissioners of Audit on the accounts of my predecessor and myself for the year ended 31st December 1862 and I trust the answers given in explanation may be deemed satisfactory

I have &c.
pd Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

C. Macaulay Esqre
Secretary to the Commissioners
for Auditing the Public Accounts
Somerset House.

No. 23.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
January 27th 1865

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter "No 67,742. Colonial"; and in compliance with your request I beg to transmit herewith the required acknowledgements of receipt of the mails despatches from England on the 9th of February and the 9th March 1864.

I have &c
(Sd) W.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary

Frederick Hill Esqre
Secretary
General Post Office
London.

No. 24.

Government House.
Falkland Islands
January 30th 1865

My Lords,

I have the honour to report to your Lordships that I have drawn the following bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury on the credit of the Parliamentary Vote in aid of the support of this Government for the current financial year.

Number

The Right Honorable
The Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury
Whitehall
London.

£	s	d	
			Number Sixty four. dated January 29th 1865.
52	0	0	The sum of Fifty-two pounds Sterling drawn in favour of Gobby Haines & Co
			Number Sixty-five. dated January 30th 1865
50	0	0	The sum of Fifty pounds Sterling drawn in favour of Messrs Whitmash & Co
			Number Sixty-six. dated January 30th 1865
40	0	0	The sum of Forty pounds Sterlings drawn in favour of Arthur Walker.
			Number Sixty-seven. dated January 30th 1865
50	0	0	The sum of Fifty pounds Sterling. drawn in favour of Robert. C. Packe.
192	0	0	

These four bills were all drawn in exchange for cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony – Exchange at par.

I have &c
(Sd) Ely Mackenzie
Govr

No. 25.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands
January 31st 1865.

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to instruct you as follows:

1. That you leave this Harbour with the Mail for Monte Video before 4 o'clock this evening.

2. That on your arrival you deliver the Mail to H.B.M.s Packet Agent, and having obtained the English Mails you proceed at once to Stanley, remaining only 48 hours in Monte Video.

3. That you remain in Monte Video only 48 hours in the event of your not reaching that Port before the arrival of the Mersey from Rio de Janeiro, but should you anchor in Monte Video 48 hours or more, before the English Mails arrive you will

will proceed to sea at once.

4. That under no circumstances do you run alongside any vessel at sea unless for the purpose of saving life or rendering assistance to those in imminent danger

5. That on your return to Stanley you immediately land the Mails, and that you allow no person on board your vessel until you have done so except the Harbour-Master

6. That you report officially to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of each trip to Monte Video as soon after your return here as you conveniently can, stating in full the extent of repairs required, if any, and any matter of moment connected with the vessel.

I have &c
p/ WR Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

Captain Smithers
Government Yacht "Foam"
Stanley Harbour.

No. 26.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
January 31st 1865.

Sir.

It has been through an oversight on my part that I have ommitted to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th September last which I duly received, as also your account with this Government up to the End of July 1864: which, however, His Excellency does not propose to settle by this Mail as it

Richard Wilson Esqr.
Monte Video.

it would be more convenient to pay your accounts only once a year and that about the end of March when our financial year expires.

2. I would ask you to be kind enough to send down by the Foam's return 60 feet of copper piping 3/4 inch diameter, and four elbows to match, as these articles are unprocurable here. The 30,000 shingles arrived quite safe.

I have &c
(s/) W.R. Payne.
Colonial Secretary.

No. 27.

Government House.
Falkland Islands
February 1st 1865.

Sir.

With reference to the letter you addressed to His Grace the Duke of Newcastle on the 23rd of May last. I am instructed by the Right Honorable Edward Cardwell. M.P. Secretary of State for the Colonies, to forward to you the enclosed copy of a despatch which I have received on the subject of your letter.

I have &c
(s/) Ly Mackenzie
Govr.

The Reverend W. H. Sterling
Superintendent Patagonian
Mission Society

No. 28.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 1st 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to request that the Marine blacksmiths may be employed as soon as possible in repairing the stove belonging to the "Sophy" in such manner as Melville may wish to render it more serviceable

I have &c
(Sd) Ly MacKenzie
Govr.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
&c &c
Stanley.

No. 29.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 1st 1865

Sir.

Frequently within the last eight or nine months I have called your attention to a claim made by Private George Stynam, late of the Falkland Islands Garrison Company, in respect of certain water chutes erected by him in one of the cottages, near the Reservoir, in which he was quartered.

2. I received another application from Stynam the other day, who is a poor man who can ill afford to have his just wages kept from him, and this application I sent to you by him with a request that you would attend to it.

3. Private Stynam informs me

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
Stanley.

that your only remark was that you "had no "authority for paying him".— I am disposed to think that he must have misunderstood you, inasmuch as I cannot conceive what other authority you would wish for than mine

4. I regret that after all you should have obliged me thus to address you by letter on this subject; but, to avoid any further useless delay in the matter, I must require you in the course of to-day or to-morrow to inspect the work, and report to me the amount of wood and other materials used in making the chute referred to, with their approximate value, and also an estimate of the number of days in which you would suppose the work might have been performed by one man, in order that I may judge of the fairness of the man's claim

5. I shall also require a duplicate certificate of inspection from you, and when I have received it, together with your report, I will instruct you accordingly

I have &c

[S.] D. G. MacKenzie

Jos.

No. 30.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 6th 1865.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 1st instant in reply to mine of the same date, enclosing a Medical Certificate to the effect that you were unable to attend to your public duties on account of illness, I have to acquaint you that I was altogether unaware of your indisposition when I desired you to inspect the work stated in my former letter.

2. As you inform me that you have already seen the extent of the work done by the man Hyman, and have satisfied yourself of the equity of his claim, there will of course be no occasion for you to do so again.

3. For the purpose of putting an end to this business, in the manner which occurs to me to be most convenient, I now enclose a paylist, in duplicate, with the necessary funds for you to pay Hyman, and I request that you will sign the certificate subjoined thereto after you have paid him, and then return the Vouchers to me. But I do not wish you to inconvenience yourself by attending to this matter until you are perfectly recovered from your illness, which I trust is not of a very serious nature.

£	s	d
1.	5.	0

I have &c
/sd/ Ely MacKenzie
Govr

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General &c
Stanley.

No. 31.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 6th 1865.

Sir,

On several occasions lately when I have sent directions to Officers, and servants, of my Government, I have found that they were invalided; and as my ignorance of such matters frequently causes inconvenience to the Public Service, I honour to request that you will in future inform me of every case when any Government Officer or servant is under your care, and also when you consider them to be convalescent.

I have &c
(Sd) Ily MacKenzie
Gov.

Doctor W. H. MacClinton. R.N.
Actg. Colonial Surgeon.
&c &c.

No. 32.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 6th 1865.

Sir,

I regret much that I did not receive your letter of the 1st instant at an earlier date as the explanations it contained would have been sufficient to have assured me that the contravention of the 5th section of the Auctioneer's Ordinance No. 5. 1853, for which an information was preferred against you at the Police Court on the 28th ultimo, arose more from negligence than from wilfulness

2.

George. M. Dean Esqre
Auctioneer &c &c
Stanley

2. I am sure you will agree with me how important it is that such mistakes should be stringently guarded against, affecting as they might often do, vast amounts of money and property. Even with regard to the case in point, had the Law been obeyed, the owners of the coal sold at the illicit Auction in question, would certainly have realized a far higher price for their goods.

3. I am equally confident that you will readily see that I have no alternative than to submit every circumstance of this nature to judicial investigation, as the only sure means of protecting the Govern=ment from imputations of partiality in individual cases.

4. With respect to your suggestion that I might deem it right to withdraw the proceedings against you after the explanations you have given, I have to acquaint you that it would be altogether beyond my province for me to attempt to check the due progress of the Law in any criminal case, once it has been set in motion. In a Civil action at Law, I might be disposed to act differently, but in this instance it is plainly not in my power to interfere.

5. It only remains for me to now to assure you that I am perfectly satisfied with your explanations: that I directed the proceedings against you with great reluctance in the discharge of my duty: that I have no wish to see any pecuniary loss entailed upon you for what appears to have been entirely the result of accident; and that as you have promised me to be more careful in future, I will take the subject further into consideration when the result of the trial

is

is reported to me by the Chairman of the Courts, and I will then communicate with you on the subject.

I have &c
(s.) Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

No. 33.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
February 6th 1865.

Sir,

I have the Honour to enclose a receipt
£8. from Henry Pettit for the Eight pounds left in my Office by Mr. Foster some short time ago, to pay for the cattle killed under Government Licence dated 1st March 1862.

I have &c
(s.) Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley

£8. 0. 0

Colonial Secretary's Office
Stanley. February 4th 1865.

Received of the Falkland Islands Company the sum of Eight pounds Sterling to pay for certain animals killed from the Wild Herds under Government Licence, dated the 1st March. 1862.

(s.) H. Pettit.

No. 34.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 6th 1865.

Sir,

With reference to the case now pending before the Court against Wm. Dean, a licensed Auctioneer, for a breach of the provisions of the Ordinance No. 5. 1863, I have the honour to request that you will report to me officially the result of the trial, as I have received a letter of explanation from Wm. Dean which leads me to think that the whole matter arose more from his negligence than wilfulness; and as the Law gives no discretionary power to the Bench to assess the penalty, I should be disposed to treat Wm. Dean with every due and proper leniency, if it should be in your power after the trial, to recommend such a course to me.

2. I beg to enclose a copy of Wm. Dean's letter to me and of my reply.

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c
Stanley.

I have &c
(Sd) Ed Mackenzie
Gov.

No. 35

Government House.
Falkland Islands
February 6th 1865.

Sir,

Seeing no objection whatever to the request contained in your letter of the 4th instant. I beg to inclose an authority to the Falkland Islands Company to kill from the Crown Herds of Cattle as many animals as their servants Portes Louis, Enoch and Williams Gleadall, may require for their own consumption.

I have &c.
(Sd) Lg MacKenzie
Gov.

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islands Company
Stanley.

No. 36.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 6th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, on the subject of the Estate of the deceased Manuel Gill, executed for Murder on the 15th November last.

2. As you inform me that this unhappy man expressed a wish before his death that his small property, or the proceeds thereof, might be bestowed upon his Mother living in Monte Video, I am prepared on behalf of Her Majesty to waive the rights of the Crown in this instance.

3.

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre
Chairman of the Courts
&c &c &c
Stanley

3. I, therefore, have to request that you will be good enough to instruct Mr. Constable Parry to dispose of such saleable property as the man possessed, by Public Auction in the usual way. And I leave it entirely to your discretion to decide whether you pay the residue of the deceased's Estate into the government Intestate Estate Fund here, or whether you take such steps as may seem to you advisable, for the direct transmission of the amount to his Mother. This latter course has one clear point in its favour, and that is, that you have doubtless more facility in your department of discovering where the woman actually resides. Should you think proper to adopt this course it will only be necessary that the receipt of the deceased's mother be obtained and kept of record among the archives of the Court.

I have &c

(Sd) Ely MacRedzie
Govr.

No. 37.

Government House
Falkland Islands
February 6th 1863.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will communicate with Mr. Lane on the subject of the inclosed letter, addressed by that gentleman to the Colonial Secretary, and ascertain in what part of the respective Stations Nos. 26. 27. 30 and 31 he is desirous of having the several plots of freehold

land, of 160 acre each.

2. And when you have ascertained this information, I wish you to be good enough to inform me whether it is in your power to describe and mark off by Chart each freehold plot, leaving the arrangement of the boundary stakes for future accomplishment, as it would be inconvenient at this moment to organize a Survey expedition. Moreover, there will doubtless at a later period be more work of a similar Kind in the same locality, which might all be surveyed together

3. I forward to you the letter referred to and its enclosures which I request you will return to me at your earliest convenience.

I have &c.

/S/ Dy MacKenzie
Govr.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
Stanley

No. 38.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 14th. 1865.

Sir.

I have for some time past been very desirous of restoring the Graveyard at Port Louis which I am informed is in a most delapidated condition, and recently persons have offered to enter into a contract with the Colonial Government to build a peat wall round it; but before anything decided can be done I should wish you to ride over there and have a measurement taken of the exact distance of wall which will be required; and I should also wish you to acquaint me what price per yard you would consider reasonable to be charged for the execution of the work, the wall to be of any dimensions as to height and thickness which you may deem advisable. While engaged on this work it would be as well for you to take measure of any graves of those who where in any of the public Services, and also of Governor Brisbane's, as it will in course of time be necessary for the Government to place them in proper repair.

2. I inclose a copy of a Contract I have entered into with Mr. James Watson for the cutting and tickling of 700 yards of peat, and I have the honour to request that you will proceed to obtain such information as will enable you to sign the required certificate as to the due performance of the contract, as referred to in the 3rd clause of the agreement.

3. Before concluding I wish you to understand that I do not desire these matters to be attended to until your health is sufficiently recovered to enable you to do so conveniently.

I have &c
(Sd) Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
&c &c &c

No. 34.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands
February 11th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to enclose Vouchers in duplicate, of the Accounts of this Government with Messrs Dean & Son for the Quarters ended respectively on the 30th of September and 31st of December 1864, amounting in the aggregate to £ 233.12.9 Against which I have set the various rents due by that firm to the Government both on their own account, and in their Capacity as Agents for the Patagonian Mission Society, & for Messrs Smith Brothers in Monte Video namely:

	£
Station No 21. "Pebble Island" due on the 13th November 1864	20.
Station No 6. "Keppel Island" due on the 15th December 1864	10.
Station No 13. "New Island" due on the 7th August 1864	10.
	£ 40.

Leaving the Government in debt to Messrs Dean & Son a sum of £ 193.12.9 which I transmit accompanying this letter by the Government Messenger.

2. It is perhaps as well that I should remind you that the occupation Licence for Bluff Cove will fall in on the 4th of May next.

I have &
(Sd) W. R. Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

Messrs Dean & Son.
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No. 40.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
February 14th 1865.

Sir.

I have laid your letter of the 16th ultimo before His Excellency the Governor, and His Excellency has communicated with the Surveyor General on the subject to which it alludes. In that gentleman's reply occurs the following paragraph;

"Mr Lane informs me that he is quite unable "to point out the situation for the freehold plots "to be selected, and that it will be the same "thing whether the Survey of the 160 acres is "made now or next summer, as far as the "Company is concerned, and that probably by "the latter time there will be another plot in the "same neighbourhood to survey."

2. Assuming that the Surveyor General has correctly understood your wishes on this subject I beg to be allowed to return the said Orders Nos 6 & 8 Parts I & II. until such time as the Company may be desirous of effecting the purchases in question.

I have &c

(Sd) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No. 41.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
February 14th 1865.

Sir.

I enclose the usual Vouchers for your signature in duplicate for the two Quarters. ended 31st December 1864. amounting to £ 119.8.4.

2. The following rents have now become due by Captain Packe to the government which I have set against a corresponding proportion of the above accounts; namely

	£
Station No. 1 "Port Harriet" due 22nd December 1864.	10
Station No. 2. Kelp Lagoon due 19th October 1864.	10
Station No. 4 due 29th June 1864. "Kidney Island."	10.
Station No. 5. due 19th July 1864. "Port Louis."	10
	£ 40.

Thus leaving the Government in debt to Captain Packe the sum of £ 79. 8. 4. which balance is charged with a further reduction in respect of Draft No. 67 on H.M.s Treasury drawn in that gentleman's favour on the 30th ultimo.

2. I now send by the Government Messenger the remaining amount of £ 29. 8. 4.

I have &c
pd. W.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

C. C Forsyth Esqre
&c & c
Stanley.

No. 42.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 16th 1865.

Sir,

I have had under my consideration your letter of the 14th instant reporting to me the imposition of a fine of £50 upon Mr. Auctioneer Dean for a breach of the Auctioneer's Ordinance.

2. I entirely concur with your sentiments in this case; therefore, acting upon your recommendation, I hereby authorize you to repay to Mr. Dean the sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling from Judicial Funds in your department; and I trust you will take occasion to impress upon Mr. Dean that any similar delinquency in the future will not be met by such unusual leniency.

I have &c.
(Sd.) Ilay Mackenzie
Govr.

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre
Chairman of the Courts of Justice
&c &c &c
Falkland Islands.

No. 43.

Government House
Falkland Islands
February 16th 1865

Sir

I have received from the Chairman of the Courts a report of your convictions under the 5th Section of the Auctioneers Ordinance No. 5. 1853, and as Mr Griffiths speaks favourably of your case, I have authorized him to repay you the sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling, being the amount of the penalty inflicted. but

I

G. M. Dean Esqre
Auctioneer &c
Stanley.

I wish you seriously to see the necessity of great care in future, as it will be impossible for me ever again to extend similar indulgence.

I have &c

s/ Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

No. 44.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 28th 1865.

My Lords.

I have the honour to report to your Lordships that I have drawn the following bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury on the credit of the Parliament Vote in aid of the support of this Government for the current financial year.

£	s	d	
30	0	0	Number Sixty Eight dated February 28th 1865. The sum of Thirty pounds Sterling - drawn in favour of Jane Stephen.
15	0	0	Number Sixty-nine. dated February 28th 1865. The sum of Fifteen pounds Sterling. drawn in favour of Matilda. L. Sibbald.
10	0	0	Number Seventy. dated February 28th 1865, The sum of Ten pounds Sterling. drawn in favour of Henry Coulson.
£55	0	0	

These three bills were all drawn in exchange for Cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony. Exchange at par.

I have. &c

s/ Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

To
The Right Honorable
The Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury
London.

No. 45.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
February 28th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th December 1864. and in reply to inform you that the Quarterly Cash Accounts for the Quarters ended respectively 31st March & 30th June 1864, as well as the subsequent ones to the end of the year, will be forwarded by the next Mail which will arrive in England on the 4th of May next.

I have &c.

(Sd) Lg Mackenzie
Govr.

C. Macaulay. Esqre
Secretary to the Commissioners
for Auditing Public Accounts.
Somerset House.

No. 46.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
March 2nd 1865.

Sir.

I am directed by His Excellency to instruct you to adopt the directions given you in my letter No. 25 of the 31st ultimo to your present voyage, as far as possible; and I am to add that in the event of the Mails from England having been taken on to Buenos Ayres you will proceed immediately to that City to obtain them, and having done so, you will proceed to sea on your return

voyage to this Port within twenty-four hours of your arrival there; and you are further directed to make all possible speed back to Stanley as His Excellency is very anxious for this particular Mail.

I have &c

(Sd) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

Capt. Smithers
Government Yacht "Foam"
Stanley Harbour.

No. 47.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands
March 7th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to reply to your letter of the 27th ultimo, informing me that the "Francis Drake" has been chartered by the Company to bring out 200 tons of coal, and I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to ask whether you would have any objection to an order being given to the Pilots to anchor her on her arrival opposite the Dockyard, in order that the 100 tons which the Government have agreed to take may be more conveniently landed. The vessel to be moved to any part of the harbour you may wish by the Harbourmaster, free of charge, afterwards.

(Sd) W R Pyne.
Colonial Secretary.

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islands.
Stanley.

No. 48.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 7th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date. and I beg to assure you that the favourable report you have given of the operations of the Mission Society under your superintendence, is a matter of much satisfaction to me.

I have &c

(s/) Ely MacKenzie
Gov.

The Revd Waite H. Sterling
Superintendent
Patagonian Mission Society
Stanley Falkland Islands.

No. 49.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands
March 7th 1865.

Sir,

Some short time ago a loan of 6000 shingles was made to the Company from the Government Storehouse, in consequence of a Memorandum that they were urgently needed having been given, on the understanding that the Company would return a similar quantity when they received a supply they expected from Monte Video. It would however be more convenient to the Government if a moneyed payment was to be made of their value.

The price is 7/2 dollars dollars per ℔ at 4/2 the dollar. £9. 7. 6.

I have &c

(s/) WR Payne.
Colo: Secy

James Lawes Esqre
F. I. Company.
Stanley

No. 50.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
March 7th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 17th ultimo, and in reply thereto I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acquaint you that the Surveyor General has been instructed to proceed to the Southward to complete the survey of the freeholds of Stations Nos 26 & 27 30 & 31 on the Shore of Choiseul Sound: and on that Gentleman's return the grants will be issued and the Land orders endorsed with a reduction of Two hundred and fifty five pounds the cost of the purchase of such freeholds.

Nos 6 & 8

£ 256

I have &c
(Sd) W R Pyne
Colo: Sec.y

James Lane Esqre
F. I. Company
Stanley.

No. 51.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 7th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Right Honorable Edward Cardwell. M.P. has forwarded your application for payment as Paymaster of Pensioners in this Colony, to the Secretary of State for War; and I have to acquaint you that Earl de Grey has sanctioned a commission at the rate of two and a half per cent on your disbursements to the Pensioners, and that you will be allowed to charge that rate of remuneration from the first day of January last.

I have &c
(Sd) Ed Mackenzie
Gov.r

Lieut. G.H. Elliot R.N. I.I.
Com.g Detachment &
Paymaster of Pensioners.

No. 52.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 7th 1865.

Sir.

I duly submitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies the Memorial signed by yourself and several other of the inhabi= tants of Stanley, praying that certain alterations might be made in the Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance, & the Administration of Justice Ordinance; and I am directed to acquaint you in Reply thereto, as well for your own information as for those other gentlemen who signed the Memorial, that the Right Honorable Edward Cardwell M.P. does not consider it necessary that any amendment need be made in either of those Laws.

No 11. 1853
No 12. 1853

I have &c.
(Sd) Ely Mackenzie.
Govr.

James Lane Esqre.
Falkland Islands Compy
Stanley.

No. 53.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 8th 1865.

Sir.

With reference to your proposed Expedition to the Southward & Survey Stations Nos 26. 27. 30 & 31 on the North Shore of Choiseul Sound, as far as regards their freehold allot.

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Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.
&c &c &c

allotments. I have the honour to request that you will communicate with Mr. Lane and acquaint him of the day on which you intend to start, as it is necessary that he should know.

It will be requisite for you to send in a list of the articles of provisions &c which you may require for the use of the whole party. I have given an order to Melville to remain there the whole time, and as his duty will be to look after the boat, I have sanctioned the employment of four extra hands which I think I understood you to say would be sufficient.

3. Trusting that you may have fine weather to enable you to accomplish the work speedily.

I have &c

(s.) Lt Mackenzie
Gov.

No. 54.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 13th 1863.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose an appointment nominating you to be Deputy Registrar of this Colony during Mr. Baileys present absence in the camp. I understood from Mr. Bailey that you were willing to undertake the Office & I have accordingly this day gazetted your appointment

I have &c

(s.) Lt Mackenzie.
Gov.

Capt. John Sibbald R.N.
Deputy Registrar &c &c.
Falkland Islands.

I, James George MacKenzie, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Falkland Islands & their Dependencies do hereby nominate and appoint you Captain Sibbald R.N. to be Deputy Registrar of this Colony during the absence of Arthur Bailey Esqre on his present Expedition into the interior

(s.) Lt Mackenzie
Gov.

No. 55.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
March 13th 1865.

Sir.

I should be glad to be informed whether the licence to kill cattle from the Crown Herds, for which you have recently made application, contemplates killing for consumption only, or, whether you are desirous of obtaining a licence for the purpose of stocking your Stations at Bluff Cove.

I have &c

(Sd) W R Payne
Colo: Sect.y

George M. Dean Esqre
Stanley

No. 56.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 13th 1865.

Sir.

In my letter to you No. 4 dated the 10th of January last I desired that you would not come into Stanley without obtaining previous permission to do so, and I gave you this direction hoping to guard against a practice you have fallen into rather too repeatedly of late, namely, coming into the Settlement on the most trivial pretexts and remaining here nearly the whole day, going about from one Public House to another, until you have arrived at a state of intoxication which has attracted universal attention, and which cannot fail to interfere with the due

Mr. William Reed.
Light Keeper at
Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

discharge of your important duties

2. Within the last month I have received two separate charges against you, for direct disobedience of orders, and for gross impertinence, while in a state of semi-drunkenness; but as you have already sent in your resignation and will shortly be relieved, I do not propose to dwell upon your misconduct further than to caution you that if you still persist in such very discreditable behaviour, it will be my duty at once to dismiss you, without waiting for the arrival of your successor from England.

3 I have likewise to acquaint you that I certainly shall not pass over your misconduct without reporting it fully to the Trinity House Department of the Board of Trade in order to place those authorities in a position to meet any future application from you for employment.

4. I transmit herewith a supply of paper for your accounts in the absence of any proper forms, and likewise a blank book for the Meteorological Register, in accordance with the requisition you sent in last week.

I have &c

(S.) Sy Mackenzie

Gov.

No. 57.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands
March. 14th 1865.

Sir.

I am directed by His Excellcy the Governor to inclose the Lease of Station No. 32 on the North Shore of Choiseul Sound. & also an occupation licence of the adjoining Station Eastward in Conformity with your application of the 9th instant.

£ 10
£ 5
£ 15

I have &c.
(Sd) D R Payne
Colonial Secretary

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islds Company
Stanley.

No. 58.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March. 14th 1865.

Sir.

In consequence of a recent infringement of the Gaol Regulations. and bearing in mind your frequent assertions as to a want of accommodation in the Church. I have instructed the Gaoler that in future the prisoners are not to leave the Gaol on a Sunday for the purpose of attending the Church. I have therefore to direct you to read Divine Service in the Gaol every Sunday as was done in the time of your predecessor the Reverend Wm. Faulkner. and I believe by yourself. before I allowed a departure from the established custom.

I have &c.
(Sd) Lg MacRendie
Govr.

The
Revd C. Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley.

No. 59.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
March. 14th 1865.

Sir.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acquaint you that during the absence of the Harbourmaster it will be your duty as a licensed Pilot for this Port to go to the Flag-staff every morning at 9 o'clock to see if there is any signal made from the Lighthouse. and if necessary to communicate with His Excellency. and to reply to any signal

I have &c
(s.) W.R. Pyne
Colo: Secretary.

Wm. J. MacLauchlan
Licensed Pilot of
Port Stanley.

No. 60.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 14th 1865.

Sir

I learn with regret that you are again in the Settlement without permission, and I must require you to return to the Lighthouse within one hour of the receipt of this letter, or you will incur the punishment of instant dismissal from the Service. I am aware that you have not yet received my letter of yesterday's date No. 56 owing to difficulty of landing at Cape Pembroke, I therefore do not on this occasion act upon the caution I therein gave you.

2. A Pilot has been selected to be on the look out for any signal from the Lighthouse at 9 o'clock every morning.

I have &c
(s.) Lysmachus Gn
Gov

Mr W. J. Reed
Light Keeper at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse
Stanley.

No. 64.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
March. 16th. 1865.

Sir.

I have had under my consideration your consent to undertake the duties and responsibilities of an Inspector of the Government Schools, and as I fully appreciate the benefit that must arise from a more intensive supervision over the Educational Department I am most anxious to avail myself of your services. I have therefore this day gazetted your appointment. I cannot but feel that general satisfaction will be felt in the settlement that the Chief Judicial Authority in the Colony should thus prominently show an interest in so important a subject as the progress of Education.

2. I beg to enclose for your information a copy of a set of Regulations I am about to publish; and I need hardly say that I shall be at all times pleased to receive any suggestions from you with a view to effect a more efficient system of instruction than has hitherto been in vogue.

3. I feel confident that you will bring your best efforts to a work voluntarily undertaken, and I trust you will endeavour to urge upon the other Magistrates how much good would flow from their co-operation in occasionally visiting the Schools as is contemplated in the Regulations.

4. I enclose, likewise, a copy of a letter I have addressed to the Colonial Chaplain apprising him of your appointment and I am sure you will mutually render each other every possible assistance.

I have &c
(Sd) Lt. MacKenzie
Gov.

Edward R. Griffith Esqr
Stipendiary Magistrate &
Inspector of Schools
&c &c &c.

No. 62.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 16th 1865.

Sir.

I beg to inclose a copy of a set of Regulations henceforth to be observed in the Government Schools, which you will see are materially the same as were issued by my predecessor.

2. You will also observe that I have appointed the Stipendiary Magistrate, W. Griffiths, to be ex officio an Inspector of Schools jointly with yourself. I therefore desire that you will obtain that Gentlemans full concurrence in all matters or arrangements connected in any way with the Schools, and I feel confident that co-operating one with the other great improvement and advantage may be obtained

3. You will be good enough to give a copy of the inclosed Regulations to the Schoolmaster.

I have &c
(Sd) I G MacRenzie
Gov.

The
Rev. L. Butler M.A.
Colonial Chaplain &
Inspector of Schools.

No. 63.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March. 23rd 1865.

Sir.

An Application has been made to occupy a Station at Middle Point Falkland Sound, lying between Elephant Creek and Smyley's Creek. Middle Bay, and I am anxious to be furnished with the usual statement of its boundaries.

2. At the same time I should be glad if you would at your earliest convenience send me the boundaries of the Freeholds at Choiseul Sound recently surveyed.

I have &c
(Sd.) Alg Mackenzie
Govr.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
&c &c
Stanley.

No. 64.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 27th 1865.

Sir

I have the honour to reply to your letter of the 25th instant, and it affords me much pleasure to be able to give you the information you wish to obtain. —

Station No. 28, on the North shore of Port Sussex, was leased to Mr. John Bonner on the 21st day of May 1864.

A Station at Fanning Head was occupied by Mr Andrez Petaluga under an occupation licence, and subsequently surrended to the Government. No lease of this district has ever been granted; and you will see by an advertisement of this days date that the land allude to has been declared a Crown Reserve.

I have &c
(Sd) Alg Mackenzie
Govr.

James Lowe Esqre
&c &c

No 65.

Government House.
Falkland Islands
March 27th 1865

Sir,

Pursuant to your application of the 24th instant, I beg to enclose a Lease of Station No 34 on the North Shore of Choiseul Sound the rent of which can be paid into the Colonial Treasury.

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley.

I have &c
(s) Alex Macdonell
Govr

No 66

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
March 27th 1865.

Sir,

With reference to my letter No 50, of the 7th instant I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward to you the Grants of the Freehold Allotments recently surveyed, and purchased by the Falkland Islands Company, situated respectively within Stations Nos 26, 27, 30 and 31, on the North Shore of Choiseul Sound.

Crown Grant Book Grants Nos 155. 156. 157
Survey Records Numbered C.11. C.12. C.13. and C.14.

2 I do not return Land Order No 8 as it has now expired its remaining value. viz £215, having been accepted together with a sum of £41 on Order No 6, in payment for the above Freeholds - I return Land Order No 6 Part 1 & 2, with an endorsement under the hand of the Governor reducing its future value as regards Land purchases to the sum of Fifty nine Pounds Sterling (£59) - likewise requiring that the whole value of the order be absorbed within twelve months from the date of the endorsement.

I have
(s) W R Payne.
Colo: Secy

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March 25th 1865.

I hereby certify that James ~~Goss~~ Lane Esquire the Agent of the Falkland Islands Company has tendered this Land Order in payment for Lands purchased of the Crown to the Extent of Forty one pounds Sterling (£41. 0. 0.) and that the same has been accepted by me in lieu of that amount of cash, which transaction reduces the value of this Land Order as available for future purchases of Land to the sum of Fifty nine Pounds Sterling (£59. 0. 0.).

It is understood that this Land Order must be tendered for its remaining value within twelve months from the date first above written.

(Sd.) Ely MacKenzie
Govr.

No. 67.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
March 30th 1865.

Sir.

I have to thank you Extremely for your letter of this morning's date acquainting me of your resolve to sail twenty-four hours after the arrival of the "Foam", or to leave at 8. a.m. on Monday next in the Event of her not arriving in the course of the previous day.

2. I have communicated this information to His Excellency the Governor who has decided that the period of twenty-four hours mentioned will be too short to be convenient, as regards availing himself of your kindness in sending a general public Mail. His Excellency therefore desires me to state that he will not trouble you further than to place in your charge a small bag of despatches and letters which it may be found most important to send.

I have &c.
(Sd) W R Pym
Colo Secy.

Captain W Ritchie
Master of the Barque "Ada"
Stanley Harbour.

No. 68.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March. 31st 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this morning's date, detailing to me the circumstances under which you guaranteed, and subsequently paid, to the man Law the sum of Five
£5. 0. 0 Pounds for services rendered by him in furthering the ends of Justice under your direction; having regard to which, I have no objection whatever to the adoption of the plan you have suggested for reimbursing yourself in that amount. I therefore authorize you to act according to your suggestion.

I have &c
/s/ Ely Mackenzie
Gov.

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c

No. 68A

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
March. 31st 1865.

My Lords

I have the honour to acquaint Your Lordships that I have drawn the following bill on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury on the credit of the Parliamentary Grant for the financial year which expires this day.

Number Seventy one dated 31st March 1865
£ – s – d
245 .. 15 .. 4 The sum of Two Hundred and forty five Pounds fifteen shillings and four pence, drawn in favour of John Casey in exchange for Cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony. Exchange at par

The above bill exhausts the Parliamentary Grant for the year ended 31st March. 1865.

I have &c
/s/ Ely Mackenzie
Gov.

The Right Honorable
The Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury.

No. 69.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 1st 1865.

My Lords,

I have the honour to report to your Lordships that I have this day drawn the undermentioned bills on Her Majesty's Treasury on the Parliamentary Vote in aid of the support of this Government for the financial year commencing this day.

	£ s d
Number Seventy two, dated 1st April 1865. The sum of Fifteen pounds Sterling, drawn in favour of Rachel Anderson. Exchange at par.	15 .. 0 .. 0
Number Seventy three, dated 1st April 1865 The sum of Fifty pounds Sterling drawn in favour Benjamin L. Atkinson. Exchange at par.	50 .. 0 .. 0
Number Seventy four, dated 1st April 1865 The sum of Three hundred and fifty pounds four shillings and Eight pence Sterling, drawn in favour of John Casey. Exchange at par.	350 . 4 .. 8
Number Seventy five, dated 1st April 1865. The sum of Eight hundred pounds Sterling, drawn in favour of Daniel Mc Garrell in Exchange for cash. Exchange at par.	800 .. 0 . 0
Number Seventy six, dated 1st April 1865. The sum of Two hundred and Sixty pounds Sterling drawn in favour of Patrick Mc Guire. Exchange at par.	260 .. 0 . 0
	£ 1475 .. 4 .. 8

All these drafts are drawn in Exchange for cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony.

I have &c

(Sd) Ley Mackenzie
Govr.

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

No. 71.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 4th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to request your immediate attention to the enclosed documents, in reference to the sudden death of a man named William Stewart, & I wish for your opinion as my legal adviser, as to what legal responsibilities are involved in cases of this description either as regards the Coroner or myself. I also wish for your opinion as to whether under all the circumstances of the case there is any absolute necessity for an Inquest in this instant.

I have &c
(S) Ilymackenzie
Govr.

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate

No. 70.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
April 4th 1865.

Sir.

In the afternoon of Saturday last I was engaged on business of the Public Service with the Colonial Secretary in his office, when Mr. Forster arrived and communicated the sad intelligence of the death of William Stewart, one of the Company's shepherds, who was found dead in the camp about 60 or 70 miles from here. Mr. Forster also left with the Colonial Secretary, who is likewise Coroner for the Islands, a letter addressed to you by the Company's

Returned enclosed

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islds Company.

Company's Camp Manager detailing the circumstances under which the deceased was discovered.

2. I gave the subject serious attention, and I felt at once how very desirable it would be that an Inquest should be held both on account of the peculiarities of the case itself, and unmeasureably more so when viewed in connection with the recent revolting murder of John Rudd, which was, as I understand, perpetrated in the vicinity of where the body of the man Stewart has been found. I had also in mind the late melancholy & somewhat miraculous disappearance of Mr. Jermingham of H.M.S. "Harrier" whose body if dead, has never yet been found.

The Coroner's opinions being in entire unison with my own, I at once directed a coffin to be made by the Government Carpenter, and sent an order to the Master of the "Fawn" to prepare for sea, intending her to leave at daybreak this morning, or last night if the coffin could be got ready.

3. I now address this letter to you because I have heard with much surprise and regret that the body of the deceased has been carried some 40 or 50 miles and buried at Hope Place. I am at present unaware by whose authority this has been accomplished, and I can only hope that it is incorrect, as it seems to me a strange proceeding; particularly when it is known that it is an indictable offence to bury a man that dies a violent death before the Coroners Inquest has sat upon him. I must ask you to be good enough to furnish me with all the information in your power on this subject at your earliest convenience, as I cannot take right of the importance of an Inquisition

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in the present case; for it occurs to me that any neglect of adequate enquiry could only tend to stimulate a feeling, unfortunately prevalent, that life is especially insecure, when travelling through the interior, & that even murder may be committed with impunity; a state of things which ought never to exist in so small a Colony, and which must be put an end to.

4. In writing this I fully feel that you must be deeply interested in this matter, & I have relied with confidence upon receiving from you all the support and assistance in your power.

5. The holding of an Inquisition in this case is beset with many difficulties which I fear may prove insurmountable unless I receive the fullest co-operation from you. As it is necessary that the Inquest be held super visum corporis there are but two courses open, viz. to have corps sent up here, or for the Coroner to hold his enquiry in the neighbourhood of where the body was found. In the first case all local evidence will be lost, & you must be prepared to have those of the Company's servants who were present at the finding sent for as witnesses; on the other hand a corresponding advantage will be gained to the community by not having the only medical man in the Colony sent away from the settlement. If the latter course is pursued these difficulties can be cleared away, but only for new obstacles to present themselves, which it is perhaps premature to conjecture the extent of until I know whether the body is in reality buried or not, and where it has been taken to.

6. If the statement I have heard is correct, I am still prepared to send the "Joana" to Darwin Harbour, if you will undertake to facilitate the further prosecution of the object in view by rendering such assistance as you can give on the spot. I have every reason to believe that you will do so willingly & I only mention this because without such help on your part it will be impossible in my opinion to

to effect what is desired - I would only further point out that the "Foam" has shortly to leave for Monte Video with the Mails, and she needs much repair before she can leave. I would therefore, suggest, under all the circumstances of the case, whether it would not be in your power, with the additional means at your disposal of the two vessels the "Fairy" & the "Perseverance", now in the harbour, to send home for the body & to bring into Stanley, and to have up such witnesses only as are absolutely re-quired

I have &c
(sd) Lg. Mackenzie.
Govr.

No. 72.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
April 5th 1865.

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to request your attendance at a Meeting of the Executive Council to be held on Thursday the 6th instant at 11. o'clock a.m. in the Council Chamber.

I have &c
(sd) J Byrne.
Clerk to the Council.

the Honble. W.R. Pym
&c &c &c.

No. 73.

The
Hon'ble Edwd R. Griffith.
Stipendiary Magistrate &
Member of the Executive Council
&c &c &c.

No. 74

To
The Honorable Arthur Bailey
Surveyor General &
Member of the Executive Council
&c &c &c

No. 75

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 5th 1865.

Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter of this day's date in reply to mine of yesterday No. 70.

2. Under the circumstances you describe there remains but two points that need further reference

3. First, I beg to enquire whether you will undertake to have the body of the deceased William Stewart disinterred and taken to Darwin Harbour if I send the "Foam" down there to receive it on board for conveyance hither, which I am prepared to do. I make this request relying upon the impressions of willingness to render any assistance contained in your letter.

4. Before concluding I think it right that I should tell you that Mr. Foster's statements in respects to his interview with the Coroner are sadly incorrect, and this I know from my own knowledge, as I was present the whole time. I am unable to conceive why Mr. Foster should have impressed you with the idea he did.

5. Trusting it will not be inconvenient to ask for an early reply.

I have &c
(sd) J. Y. Mackenzie
Gov.

James Lane Esqre.
&c &c &c

No. 76.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
April 5th 1865.

Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 3rd inst; I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acquaint you that it is not even yet decided whether or not the "Foam" will leave here for Darwin Harbour. It depends entirely upon the reply which Mr Lane may give to a communication from the Governor of this days date.

2. I am further to add that any inconvenience to Mrs Forster under the circumstances you describe would be a matter of great regret to His Excellency. But that in the interests of the Public Service it will be impossible to do otherwise than to order Doctor MacClinton to Darwin Harbour if Mr Lane's decision may be of a nature to render it desirable that the Inquest should be held down there:- if, on the other hand such assistance is obtained as will enable the body of the deceased William Stewart to be conveyed to Stanley, there will then be no necessity for Doctor MacClinton to leave the Settlement.

I have &c.

(s.) A R Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

Julius Forster Esqre
Stanley.

No. 77.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 6th 1865.

Rec'd Jan'y 17th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of a despatch I have received from the Right Honorable Edward Cardwell M.P. Secretary of State for the Colonies, confirming his decision relating to the reprimand against you by the Executive Council of this Colony, which despatch has this day been read to the Council.

I have &c
(s.) D. G. Mackenzie.
Gov.

The Rev.d J. Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain.
Stanley.

Government House.
Falkland Islands
April 8th 1865.

No. 78.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant; and I am informed by the Coroner that satisfactory arrangements have been made by him with Mr. Bonner the Company Camp Manager. I beg to offer you my sincere thanks for the assistance you have directed to be given.

2. As you are doubtless aware, the "Foam" has already sailed for Darwin Harbour; and I trust a willing co-operation among those concerned will effect a speedy accomplishment of the object in view.

3. I have no wish to dwell upon the latter portion of your letter, as it relates to a subject

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James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islands Company

of very secondary importance, beyond assuring you that I have no intention whatever of entering into an argument as to what passed at the interview between Mr Foster and the Coroner, because as I have already told you I was present the whole time and I consider I shall have said sufficient in the matter when I tell you candidly that in my opinion the only cause of the "difficulties and inconvenience" which have arisen is to be attributed to those who, however unintentionally offended against the Law by burying the body of the deceased before the Coroners Inquest had sat.

I have &c
(s.) Lt Mackenzie
Gov.

No. 79.

Government House
Falkland Islands
April 8th 1863.

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable Edward Cardwell M.P. Secretary of State for the Colonies to inform you that he has received the papers which you forwarded to him on the 24th of September last relative to the Ordinance recently passed in the Falkland Islands for the protection of Penguins.

I have &c
(s.) Lt Mackenzie
Gov.

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley

No. 80.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
April 10th 1865.

Sir.

In reply to your letter of this days date I am authorized by His Excellency the Governor to state that the Government is willing to take the full quantity of 220 tons of Coal off your hands at the price stated in your letter, if it can be understood that only 100 tons are to be paid for on delivery, and the remainder on the 1st of April next, as no other mode of payment will suit the financial arrangements of the Colony.

I have &c
(Sd) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islands Company.
Stanley.

No. 80.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
April 8th 1865.

Sir,

By the last mail from England I received a reply to my despatch No. 55. inclosing an application from you to be allowed an increase of pay since Dr. Stanbliss's departure from the Colony, and it gives me much gratification to be able to acquaint you that the Secretary of State for the Colonies has sanctioned an exception to be made in your case, and has authorized me to pay you Salary at the rate of £100 a year, originally allotted to you, in addition to £175 the half pay of the office of Colonial Surgeon.

2. I have instructed Mr. Elliott to re-insert your name in his paylists as heretofore, from the 1st instant, inclusive; and I send by the Government Messenger the sum of Eighty seven pounds seven shillings and Eleven pence being the amount due to you from the 16th of May 1864 to the 31st of March 1865 the latter inclusive. You will be good enough to sign the inclosed receipts & return them to the Colonial Secretary.

£ s d
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3. This rate of pay will continue until the arrival in the Colony of a new Colonial Surgeon.

I have &c

(s.) Ely Mackenzie
Govr.

Doctor W. F. Macklinton
R.N.
Actg. Colonial Surgeon
Falkland Islands.

No 83.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 13th 1865.

Gentlemen.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th instant, bringing under my notice the fact that no Examination of the children in the Schools has been held for the last 15 months, and requesting me to appoint a day for the Examination & for the distribution of Prizes.

2. Your recommendation has received my best attention and I fully agree with you as to the efficacy of such Examinations as a general rule, but in the present instance it seems to me doubtful whether it might not perhaps be as well to wait until the Summer months, since the matter has been put off so long, (nearly four months) after the usual time. - I can assure you, however, that it will be a pleasure to me to bow to your better judgment if you still think an Examination at this time to be desirable.

3. With regard to the expense of purchasing suitable prizes, I do not think the amount expended should exceed £4 or £5, at the utmost, unless you report to me that you do not consider that sum sufficient for the same.

I have &c
(Sd) Jas Macleuzie
Govr.

Edward R Griffiths Esqre
& The Revd C Bull M.A
Inspectors of Schools.
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No. 84.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 13th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant suggesting certain alterations in the Spirit Ordinance, & I beg to assure you that the subject will receive my serious consideration as soon as the exigencies of the Public Service will permit, when it will give me much pleasure to call upon you to furnish me with the reasons & grounds upon which you rest your recommendations.

I have &c
[s.] Alg. Mackenzie
Gov.

C. C. Turpin Esqre. J.P.
M.L.C.
Falkland Islands.

No. 85.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 13th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant advocating certain amendments in the Spirit Licence Ordinance.

2. I will give the matter my serious attention at some future & more convenient time, & I will communicate with you further on the subject.

I have &c
[s.] Alg. Mackenzie
Gov.

Lieut. G.T. Elliot R.M.L.I.
Comm. Detach.
Falkland Islands.

No. 86.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
April 13th 1865.

Administration of Justice Ordinance No. 10 1853. Clause VII.

Sir.

I have the honour to report to you that on the 11th instant a Coroners Inquisition found that a man named Felice Garcia, a native of Patagonia, died by the visitation of God, on the 7th instant at Darwin Harbour.

2. To the best of my belief this man died intestate, and I enclose a copy of a list of his property forwarded to me by Mr John Bonner, in case the Magistrate's Court may be pleased to issue letters of administration in this behalf.

I have &c
(s.) W R Pyne.
Colonial Secretary &
Coroner for the
Falkland Islands.

Edward R Griffiths Esqre
Chairman of the Courts of Justice.
&c &c &c

No. 87.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
April 13th 1865.

Sir.

In conformity with the 22nd clause of the Registration Ordinance No. 12 1853. I have the honour to inform you of the findings of the Coroners Inquests, held on the 11th instant. on the bodies of William Stewart and Felicie Garcia.

2. William Stewart died about the 29th day of March at the age of 64 years, he was a shepherd by profession and a native of Colvain in Scotland. He died by the visitation of God in the natural way.

3. Felicie Garcia, a native of Patagonia

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General &
Registrar &c &c

by profession a Gaucho, died on the 7th instant by the visitation of God in a natural way at the age of 45 years

I have &c

(sd) W.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary
& Coroner.

No: 88.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
April 20th 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that as the "Francis Drake" has now nearly discharged all her cargo of Coals, he would like to know whether you are desirous of obtaining more than 5 tons of coal at the rate of 49/- a ton; also that you would authorize the payment for the same to be deducted from the Salary which will become due to you on the 1st of next month.

I have &c

(sd) E. Pyne
Govt. Clerk.

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre.
Stipendiary Magistrate
Stanley.

No. 89.

The same as No 88, but with the difference of 10 tons instead of 5.

Edwd R Lyster Griffith Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate.
Stanley.

No. 90.

The same as No. 88.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General.
Stanley.

Government House
Falkland Islands.
April 22nd 1865.

No. 91.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date, inviting me to attend at the Sunday School to-morrow to distribute prizes to the 16 most regular and attentive children

2. It is a matter of much gratification to me that you have been enabled to secure so much valuable assistance among the Colonists and I wish every possible success to your united efforts: but I am sorry to say that circumstances prevent my complying with your request, otherwise it would afford me pleasure to do so.

I have &c.

(Sd) J. Y. Mackenzie
Govt.

The Revd C. Bull. M.A
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley

No. 92.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 24th 1865

Sir.

I am much obliged to you for your letter of the 18th instant forwarding to me an account of some incidental sums of money received and expended in connection with the Church; and, also; a list of Subscriptions from Government Officers and others towards the purchase of a new Harmonium.

2. I am sure it must be a matter of Equal gratification to you, as it is to me, that some of the Colonists have contributed so liberally; and I am much pleased to see the improvement evinced on their part to aid, be it ever so slightly, in defraying the expenses of the Ecclesiastical Department, the benefits of which they have so long enjoyed, without ever being called upon to assist in its maintenance.

3. I regret very much that I am unable to direct a compliance with your wish to have the document forwarded to me published among the Government Gazettes, as it would be at variance with the usual custom, and more especially as there is a part of the Gazette Board reserved expressly for the advertisement of Notices of the nature of the one in question. I, however, am decidedly of your opinion that it would be desirable to publish the list of Subscribers to the Harmonium, and also an account of the mode in which the amount realized has been

The Rev. C. Bode M.A.
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley.

been expended. Partly because such a course is usual, and partly because in this instance there seems to be some misunderstanding about the donation of a Miss Wagborn in England of a sum of £4.0.0

4. Of course personally I know that the matter needs no explanation but it is generally understood, but I am informed that many persons labour under the impression that this amount is the discount allowed on the purchase of the instrument & inadvertently included in the list of subscriptions

5. I never should have thought of mentioning this circumstance to you, if you had not addressed me on the subject, I should have dismissed it as a mere idle gossip; but I feel confident you will understand my motive for doing so now, in a small community where misunderstandings are unfortunately rife, and where very little things are often augmented into serious difficulties

Yours &c.

(Sd) D. Mackenzie

&c.

No. 93.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 24th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you, in reply to your letter of the 20th instant, that I shall willingly be prepared to render to the Mission Society which you represent every assistance which the exigencies of the Public Service will permit, as regards sending the "Foam" round to Keppel Island, during the absence of the "Allen Gardiner"; but as I cannot undertake to say positively that I shall be enabled to do so, I would venture to recommend that you should leave instructions with the Society's Agent here to charter some other vessel in case of my not being able to send the "Foam".

Wishing you a favourable and pleasant voyage.

I beg to remain
Sir
Your obedient Servant

Rev. W. R. Stirling. B.A.
Superintendent
of the S.A. Mission Society

pd/ G. Y. Mackenzie
Govr.

No 94.

Government Offices.
Falkland Islands.
April 24th 1865.

Sir.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to reply to your Petition of the 17th instant: and to acquaint you that His Excellcy. would be happy to assist you in any way in his power but that the issuing of licences under the Spirit Licence Ordinance is a matter solely within the Jurisdiction of the Courts of Justice and therefore His Excellency cannot interfere.

I have &c
(Sd). H. Byng.
Govt Clerk.

Mr. Laurence Ennis
Stanley.

No. 95.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
April. 25th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to inclose the counterpart of the Agreement between Stephen Walcott Esqre and George Cripps Esqre in respect of the Emigrants sent out by the Commissioners in the "Francis Drake" and I also transmit the usual certificate of safe landing duly attested.

I have &c
(Sd) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

James Jane Esqre
Falkland Islands Compy.
Stanley.

No. 96.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 25th. 1865.

Sir,

I have just received your letter of this day's date, and as you would seem to advocate the remission of the residue of the sentences of the prisoners Scott and Jackson now in Gaol, I am willing to act upon your recommendation; I will, therefore, send an authority to the Gaoler to discharge them from his custody within 12 hours preceding the departure of the Vessel, on condition however that they are not to be allowed to come ashore before the "Ohanea" sails and they must be accompanied on board by Mr. Constable Parry.

2. It is perhaps as well that I should mention here as applicable to future similar occasions that I cannot sanction any repayment to the seaman Scott in respect of the subsistence money lodged in the Court by the Master of the Ship from which he was discharged.

I have &c
(Sd) Ilg MacRuadgie
Govr.

Edward R Griffiths Esqr
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c

To
Mr Gaoler Hocking
Stanley Gaol

You will release from your custody into the charge of Mr Constable Parry the

the person of Jackson and Scott now prisoners in the Gaol, to be conveyed on board the Schooner "Onaniea" now lying at Anchor in this Harbour; at any time the constable may make application for them within twelve hours preceding the sailing of the vessel; and for your so doing this is your warrant.

Given under my hand
at Stanley Falkland Islands
this 25th. day of April 1865

s/ D. MacKenzie
Govr.

No. 97.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
April 28th. 1865

My Lords.

I have the honour to acquaint your Lordships that I have this day drawn the undermentioned bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury on the credit of the Parliamentary Vote in aid of the support of this Government for the financial year 1865-66.

£	s	d	
100	0	0	Number Seventy seven, dated April 28th. 1865. The sum of One Hundred Pounds Sterling, drawn in favour of John Stuart. Exchange at par.
40	0	0	Number Seventy eight. dated April 28th. 1865. The sum of Forty Pounds Sterling drawn in favour of Messrs. Stilwells & Co. Exchange at par.
60	0	0	Number Seventy nine, dated April 28th. 1865 The sum of Sixty Pounds Sterling, drawn in favour of John Smithen - Exchange at par.
£200	0	0	

Number

The Right Honorable
The Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury
Whitehall.
London.

	£	s	d
	200	0	0
	20	0	0
	160	0	0
	£380	0	0

Number Eighty. dated April 28th 1865. The sum of Twenty Pounds Sterling. drawn in favour of William Forbes & Sons. Exchange at par.

Number Eighty one, dated April 28th 1865. The sum of One hundred and Sixty Pounds Sterling, drawn in favour of Messrs Stilwells & Co. Exchange at par.

All the above bills are drawn in Exchange for cash to be expended in the general service of the Colony

I have &c

(Sd) Ely Mackenzie
Govr

No. 98.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 2nd 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you, enclosed, a Circular I have received from the Right Honorable Edward Cardwell M.P. on the subject of Prisons, Prison Discipline, and a variety of matter connected with Gaols, and the treatment and routine of offenders.

This Circular is accompanied by a series of interrogatories, & I have marked with a red cross those which especially apply to your department.

2. Putting aside that there is of course much important matter, involved in the comprehensive way in which this subject has been handled in England, which is quite inapplicable to this Colony, in its present

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present infant state, I still feel that an opportunity is now offered to us to bring under the notice of Her Majesty's Government the inefficient, I might almost say, disgraceful state of the whole police and Gaol Establishment in the Colony, and if you will be good enough to give your early and serious attention to the papers now laid before you, I have little doubt but what we shall be enabled to effect much that is desirable and necessary.

I have &c

(Sd) Ed Mackenzie
Govr.

Edward R Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c

No. 99.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 2nd 1855

Sir.

I have the honour to enclose a series of interrogatories respecting the construction, state, & discipline of the Stanley Gaol, and I have marked with a red cross those which particularly refer to your department.

2. I must ask you to be good enough to give your utmost attention to the subject, & to return me the answers at your earliest convenience

I have &c.

(Sd) Ed Mackenzie
Govr.

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Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
&c &c &c

No 100

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 2nd 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a printed description of the weight and dimensions of the Regulation "Cat." to be used in all cases of the infliction of Corporal Punishment.

2. I also send you a model of this "Cat" when made, which, however, I must ask you to return to me, as I am about to direct the Surveyor General to have another made for actual use in the Gaol.

I have &c
(Sd). Dy Mackenzie
Govr.

Edward Rylyffith Esqre
&c &c &c

No. 101.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 2nd 1865.

Sir,

This morning a man named Manuel Penne, a native of the Western Islands, who has been some five years resident in the Colony, applied to know whether there existed any prohibitive law which would debar him on account of his alienage from holding freehold landed property in the Town of Stanley. It appears that this man has saved money and is desirous to invest it in the purchase of a small portion of land upon which to erect a house, but he is naturally disinclined to sink his Earnings in this manner if he open to any exceptional

risk

risk of becoming dispossessed of his property to which risk persons born in the Queen's allegiance are not liable.

2. I refer the question for your legal opinion because much diversity of opinion has existed throughout the Colony on the subject from the first days of the Establishment of a settlement here

I have &c.
(sd) Lt. Mackenzie
Lgov.

Edward Rylipps Pitts Espe
&c &c &c

No. 102.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May. 3rd 1865.

Sir.

I have received a despatch from the Right Honorable. Edward Cardwell M.P. on the subject of the Ordinance No. 1, 1864, passed by the Colonial Legislature, and also, having reference to a letter which you addressed through me to the Secretary of State in connection therewith.

2. In the above despatch Mr. Cardwell says that he does not think that the sufficiency of your ministrations as Chaplain is in any treated as questionable in the Ordinance referred to, and he desires me to acquaint you that he would be glad to believe that the feelings which led to this discussion have long since passed away.

3. Her Majesty's Government are however of opinion that, on other grounds, some amendments are desirable in the original Ordinance: & the alterations suggested will be proposed to the Legislature at a convenient time.

I have &c
(sd) Lt. MacKenzie
Gov.

Revd. J. Bulk. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain

No. 103.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 5th 1863.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a claim made by the Falkland Islands Company against the Government for Compensation with reference to the Judgment of the Privy Council given on the 28th day of July 1864; and as many of the items comprised in this claim are fees, & Costs, fines &c levied in the Colonial Law Courts, it is necessary that each such item should be checked.

2. If, after a careful investigation, the amounts and dates prove to be correct, will you be good enough to furnish me with a certificate to that effect, and, if on the other hand, there should appear to be any discrepancy between the enclosed document and the Records of the Police Court, I shall feel obliged if you will forward me a detailed statement of any such inaccuracies

I have &c
(Sd) Sly MacKenzie
Govr

Edward Griffiths Esqre
Stipendiary Magistrate
&c &c &c
Stanley.

Jobs returned

No 104.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
May 5th 1874.

Sir,

I have communicated with His Excellency the Governor on the subject of your letter of the 3rd instant, and I am directed in reply to acquaint you that no definite answer can be given as to your chance of succeeding Mr Creed in the Office of Light Keeper at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse until it is known whether or not the Trinity House Department of the Board of Trade intend to send any person out from England to fill the situation on its becoming vacant.

2. I am however authorized to tell you that, in the event of His Excellency being enabled to make a selection here, your application will be favourably borne in mind among any other candidates who may present themselves.

I am Sir &c
W Pope
Colonial Secretary.

Mr Alexander Law
Stanley.

No. 105.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
May. 5th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that I have laid your letter of the 30th of March last before His Excellency the Governor. and I am directed to state that it will be next to impossible to complete the surveys of Districts Nos 32 & 34 at Choiseul Sound before the Summer months, as the winter is so far advanced.

2. I will either retain the Land Orders Nos 6 & 7. parts 1 and 2. dated respectively the 7th March 1861. & the 30th January 1862, for which this letter may be taken as a sufficient receipt, or, I into return them to you until such time as the grants of the freeholds can be issued, whichever course you prefer.

(£100 one hundred pounds each Order.)

I have &c.
(Sd) W. R Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No. 106.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 5th 1865.

Sir,

I find I have not yet answered your letter of the 10th ultimo, and in now acknowledging its receipt I have only to

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remark that I am extremely sorry that the expression in which your apology is couched will not allow me to receive it as any atonement for your past misconduct; though, I trust I may regard it as a guarantee of better behaviour for the future. I may add, also, that it would afford me much pleasure to forget all that has passed, if hereafter I remark that exclusive and proper attention to your clerical duties which may enable me to do so.

2. In connection with this I think it well to mention a recent occurrence which, by itself, would be trifling to need any reference. - I allude to a Hymn Book having been placed in my pew in Church with a most absurd label pasted in it about Churchwardens (functionaries which you well know I do not recognise the existence of). I also find my name made use of in this instance, as well as in other placards inserted in some books distributed by you as Sunday School Prizes to several of the children of the settlers, in both cases without my permission, and which acts I cannot help regarding as a very great liberty to have taken.

Returned enclosed

It is not my intention to take further notice of this beyond expressing a desire that nothing of the kind may be done in future.

3. With reference to your letter of the 1st instant, I should be willing to sanction any payment, in respect of burials, to which you are entitled. But in the instances to which you refer I need only point out that the Government never pays fees to its own Officers for work done on Government behalf. Annual salaries are given to each Officer for his services to the Government - The certified Schedule of fees appended to your letter is intended as applicable to the public generally, & is in itself sufficient evidence that you ought not to expect payment for the burials in question from the Government

Government in whose service you are employed. The sum of 10/- paid to the Sexton is not paid as a fee but an allowance, duly estimated for, to enable him to meet the expenses he must necessarily incur in having a suitable grave prepared — I find that your predecessor Mr. Faulkner never either "demanded", or received fees from the Government for similar services.

4. Lastly, I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date asking permission to hold the Sunday School in the Boys schoolroom instead of in the Church, and to use the Schoolroom as a place for some pleasurable entertainment it is proposed to give to the children of the Colonists. I have much pleasure in giving my sanction to both these measures, and it is most gratifying to know that so much interest is taken in arrangements which cannot but have a beneficial effect. I fear I shall not be able to attend, but I can assure you I wish every prosperity to the laudable exertions of those who take part in both undertakings.

I have &c.

s/d Ly. Mackenzie

Govr.

Revd. Charles Bute Reed.
Colonial Chaplain.
Hanley

No. 107.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 12th 1865.

Gentlemen.

I have had under my consideration your letter of the 6th instant, & have given my serious attention to the alterations you have suggested in the School Regulations. I will proceed to give you my views respecting such alterations

2. The proposed amendment in the 6th rule I think highly desirable for the Excellent reason you have given, and it meets my entire approval.

3. With regard to the alteration in the 10th rule, I can only say that, if it is thought desirable that the boys & girls should receive religious instruction together in the Church on Wednesdays & Fridays, I am quite willing to adopt your recommendation. And, further, if the Colonial Chaplain considers that the amount of religious knowledge possessed by the children of parents belonging to the Church of England is such as to require more frequent care and attention, I am prepared to give my fullest support to any arrangement for that purpose, even to sanctioning a regular daily attendance in the Church for religious instruction: but, I do not think it would be judicious to permit the Bible to be read in School hours, in the schoolrooms as such a practice would be at variance with the strictly secular character of the schools, and might give umbrage to those of various religious

Edward R. Griffiths Esqre
&c &c &c
The Revd C. Bull. D.D. A.
&c &c &c
Inspector of Schools.

religious denominations, which it is of the first importance to guard against.

4. In respect of the 15th rule, I can easily see how much difficulty might be experienced in carrying out its provisions to the letter, though I do not at present consider that difficulty as insurmountable. I am, however, inclined to defer to your better judgment on this question if you think it impracticable to throw open without any distinctions, to the Public the facilities for having needle-work done in the girls' school. But, if the general principle contemplated in the original regulations is to be restricted in the mode suggested, there are in my opinion, obvious and important reasons to render it almost necessary to confine the work to be done to such as may be furnished by each child's own relatives, and to exclude without exception, all other descriptions of needle-work. On many grounds I am much in favour of this latter plan if any amendment is to be made.

5. Lastly, I have the honour to acquaint you that I have authorized the purchase of the copy books required, and I accompany with this letter the two manuscript books asked for.

6. Again expressing the pleasure it gives me to see the interest you take in the good of the schools.

I have &c

[s/] Eg MacKenzie

Govr

No. 108.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
May 15th 1865.

Sir,

I have just received your letter asking to be lent twelve barrack tables from the Store. I am quite willing to accede to your request if the tables can be got at in time. I will communicate on the subject with the officer in charge of Government Stores, and I have no doubt you will be able to obtain all you require if it can be managed.

2. I would, however, recommend you for the future on any similar occasion to make your application at a much earlier period.

I have &c
(Sd) Alex Mackenzie
Gov.

The Revd C Bull M.A.
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley

No 109.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
May 29th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a Memorandum of the Accounts of this Government with the Company for the Quarter ended 31st March 1865: accompanied by the usual Vouchers for your signature

Govt Dr to the Company

		£	s	d
1.	Stores supplied to Marines as per Vouchers	66	12	8
2.	Sundry Stores. ——— " " "	35	19	3
3.	Allowance towards the Repair of the Peninsula Fence	10	0	0
4.	Coals (39 tons at 49/. a ton	95	11	0
5.	Coals (61 tons " " " ")	149	9	0
	£	357	11	11

Company Dr to Government.

1.	Sundry Rents as per receipt enclosed	70	0	0
2.	Rent on behalf of John Bonner as per receipt enclosed	10	0	0
	£	80	0	0

Balance due to the Company sent herewith by the Government messenger 277 11 11

It will be seen that some difference of Calculation exists as to the account of Provisions for the Marines. but I trust the Government account sent herewith may be found correct.

I have &c

James Lane Esqre
Falkland Islds Coy
Stanley.

No 1 W R Payne
Colo: Secy

No. 110.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
June 15th 1863

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 30th ultimo, I have the honour to refer you to my letter No. 80. of the 10th of April last, by which you will see that the Colonial Government agreed to pay for 100 tons of coal on delivery, only the remainder to be paid for next year.

I have &c.

(Sd.) W.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No. 111.

Government House.
Falkland Islands
June 12th 1863.

Sir,

In pursuance of your letter of the 1st instant I have authorized an issue of 1 ~~cwt~~ of coal per week for the use of your Office and for the Government Library to which you allude.

I have &c.

(Sd.) G.F. Mackenzie
Govr

Lieutenant G.A. Elliot. R.M.L.I.
Comdg. Detachment
Stanley.

No. 112.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Falkland Islands.
June. 15th 1865.

Sir.

I have the honour to acquaint you that I duly received your letter of the 18th of April last containing an account of the Company's claim for Repayment of Royalties &c. in respect of cattle Killed on the Company's leased lands. I have hitherto delayed acknowledging the receipt of your letter because His Excellency the Governor informed me that it was his intention to communicate with you on the subject before transmitting the claim home.

2. Much delay has been occasioned in reducing the various claims sent in into a concise and proper form owing, in many instances, to an utter disregard of the requirements of the Proclamation No. 6 dated March 13th 1865.

I have

&c. &c. &c.

/s/ H.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary.

James Lane Esqre
&c. &c. &c.
Stanley.

No. 113.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
June. 13th 1863.

Sir,

I have had under my consideration your letter of the 2nd instant making application for a licence, under the 2nd clause of the Proclamation dated 5th April 1861, to kill wild bulls in the neighbourhood of the Company's Stations Nos 9 & 10 at Port Salvador.

2. Under the circumstances you have set forth I herewith enclose a licence for the destruction of One hundred old wild bulls, though, until now, I had always thought that it was rather the habit of these animals to pursue and domicile themselves among tame herds of cows for a time, than to decoy them away into the mountains. I cannot increase the number of bulls to be killed until I am satisfied that it would be judicious to do so, as I am informed by the Surveyor General who has recently travelled over the country that in his opinion the proportion of bulls is anything but excessive.

3. I particularly call your attention to the boundaries specified in the enclosed licence by which you will see that I am unable to set aside for the purpose of the licence the whole of the district lying between the "Bombilla Hill" and the "Arroyo Malo" as part of that land is situate too near the Government Reserve. I have however marked out a far larger extent of land running more to the Southward.

I have &c
(s.) D. G. MacKenzie.
Govr.

James Lane Esqre
&c &c &c
Stanley.

No. 114.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
June 13th 1865.

Sir.

You will see by a Public Gazette of this days date that I have arranged for the Funeral of the late Sub-Lieutenant Fitzhugh D'Este Jerningham R.N. to take place tomorrow at one o'clock. The procession will start from the Stone Cottages in front of the Dockyard and proceed to the Church.

2. I have directed the Surveyor General to have the Church hung with black on this solemn occasion.

I have &c.
(s.) Alg. Mackenzie
Gov.

Rev. Charles Bull. M.A.
Colonial Chaplain
Stanley.

Circular.

His Excellency the Governor requests that every Government Officer on the Fixed Establishment of the Staff of this Government will attend at Government House at 20 minutes to 1 in the afternoon of tomorrow the 14th instant in order to follow in the Funeral procession at the burial of the late Sub Lieutenant Fitzhugh D'Este Jerningham R.N. of H.M.S. "Harrier"

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
June 13th 1865.

No. 115.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
June 19th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to supply this Government with the articles enumerated in the subjoined list, from the vessel under your Command, if the Stores can be spared without much inconvenience.

2. I am compelled to make this requisition because the materials wanted are not procurable in the Colony. I will authorize the Colonial Secretary to pay the cost of the Stores on application at his Office.

I have &c.

(s) Ely Mackenzie
Gov.

Commander Edwin A Porcher. RN.
H.M.S. "Sparrowhawk"
Stanley Harbour.

List

5 yards of No 1. blue cloth.
35 " " No 2 " "
35 " " blue serge.
20 " " White flannel.

No. 116.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
June. 23rd 1865

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a letter received from the Lightkeeper at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse by which it appears he is still in difficulty about his stove.

2. I can very plainly see that Mr. Creed is disposed to be troublesome, and to enjoy the privileges of a person whose services cannot well be dispensed with; but as in all probability he will be shortly superseded I think it advisable rather to humour him than to express any further dissatisfaction at the annoyance he so needlessly gives.

3. I must therefore request you to inspect the apparatus at the Lighthouse, and to take in hand any alterations or repairs which may in your judgment tend to preserve the efficiency of the Light, and Mr. Creed's convenience.

I have &c
(Sd) Ely Mackenzie
Gov.

Arthur Bailey Esqre
Surveyor General
&c
Stanley.

No. 117.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
June 23rd 1865.

Gentlemen,

I have had under my consideration your letter requesting that the Bark "Cosmopolite" might be allowed to remain at her present anchorage, and in reply I have to acquaint you that Mr. Melville, the Harbourmaster, has instructions on the subject, which I trust may equally suit your convenience.

I have &c
(Sd) Lt Mackenzie
Govr.

Messrs. Dean & Son.
Stanley.

No. 118.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
June. 27th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that I have this day drawn a Bill No. 5. on the Accountant to the Board of Trade for the sum of One hundred and eighteen pounds Sterling in repayment of Advances made in the Colony, for the support of the Cape Pembroke Light-house, on behalf of the Board of Trade.

£118. 0. 0.

I have &c
(Sd) Lt Mackenzie
Govr.

To
The Accountant
to the Board of Trade
Whitehall
London

No. 119.

Government House.
Falkland Islands.
June 27th 1865.

My Lords

I have the honour to report that I have drawn the following bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury on the credit of the Parliamentary Vote for the current financial year. —

	£ s d
Number Eighty two, dated June 27th 1865. The sum of Thirty five Pounds Sterling drawn in favour of Messrs Smith Elder & Co. Exchange at par.	35 . 0 . 0
Number Eighty three, dated 27th June 1865. The sum of Fifteen Pounds Sterling drawn in favour of Matilda L. Sibbald. Exchange at par.	15 . 0 . 0
Number Eighty four, dated 27th June. 1865. The sum of One hundred and fifty Pounds Sterling, drawn in favour of the Crown Agents for the Colonies. Exchange at par	150 . 0 . 0
Number Eighty five, dated 27th June 1865. The sum of Three hundred pounds Sterling, drawn in favour of John Bele. Exchange at par.	300 . 0 . 0
	£ 500 . 0 . 0

All these bills are drawn in Exchange for cash to be expended in the General Service of the Colony, and were negotiated at par.

I have &c

(Sd) D. Mackenzie
Gov.

The Right Honorable
The Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury
Whitehall
London.

No. 120.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
June 27th 1865

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose the 2nd first of exchange of a bill No. 84. on Her Majesty's Treasury of even date with this, for the sum of One hundred and fifty pounds Sterling, and I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to desire that you will apply this amount to defray the passage of the new Colonial Surgeon when appointed to this Colony.

£ s d
150. 0. 0

I have &c
(Sd.) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

W. C. Sargeaunt Esqre.
Crown Agents for
the Colonies
Spring Gardens. S.W. London.

No. 121.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
June 29th 1865

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 10th of March 1864, I have the honour to acquaint you that the vessels registered in this Port since the "Perseverance" Offi: No. 40.500. are as undermentioned

"Enterprise" Offi: No. 40.501. Tons 46.
"Foam" Offi: No. 40.502 tons 71.

I have &c
(Sd.) W R Pyne
Colonial Secretary

To
The Chief Registrar
of Shipping
London.

No. 122.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
June 29th 1865.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 19th of January last No. 4797. Colonial. I have the honour to transmit the acknowledgment of receipt required for the two registered letters despatched to the Colony by the Mail from England of the 9th September 1864.

I have &c
(sd) W.R. Pyne
Colonial Secretary

Frederic Hill Esqre
General Post Office
London.

No. 123.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
June 29th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your two letters Nos 21.080 and 22894 dated respectively the 20th & 31st of March last, respecting two registered letters addressed to Mrs Lee. Hope Place. Falkland Islands. & to the Revd C Bule. M.A Stanley. both of which have been reported by you as having gone astray.

2. I made made very careful enquires as regards both of these letters, and the result of my investigations is as follows..

3. The first letter was without the possibility of a doubt received by Mrs Lee, as I hold in my Office her receipt for the same.

4. The second letter involves a mistake somewhere. A reference to the letter bill accompanying the mail of the 9th November 1864 shows that no such letter was despatched from England to the Colony, and it certainly was never received. I presume the apparent mistake to have arisen thus: A letter of the same address (registered) was sent to the Revd C Bule. by the previous mail & for this one I hold his receipt. It would be easy to ascertain from Miss. A.A Carpue 8 Manchester Square the sender of the letter, whether or not she addressed two registered letters to this person by consecutive Mails.

5. If the representation has been made to you from the Revd C. Bule, I think it my duty, to say that further Inquiry need hardly be made in the matter, as he is rather given to indulge in a monomaniacal notion that all his letters mis-carry

I have &c
(Sd)
W. R Pyne.
Colonial Secretary

Frank Ives Scudamore Esqre
Receiver & Accountant-General
General Post Office
London.

No. 124.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Falkland Islands.
June 29th 1865.

Gentlemen,

I have only time hastily to reply to your letter of the 30th of March last.

The only importers of boots & shoes into this Colony are the Falkland Islands Company Messrs. D.M. Dean & Son. and Wm. I. & Goss. The imports of the last three years have been as follows:

1862	1863	1864
£ 1,577	£ 840	£ 1089.

I have &c
(sd) W.R. Pyne
Colo. Secty.

Messrs. Turner Bros. Hyde & Co.
112. Fore Street
London.