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DESPATCHES TO SECRETARY OF STATE FROM GOVERNOR

8 January 1884 to 2 January 1888

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five pounds to meet the expenses of my return to England.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd Arthur Barkly.

No 118.

G. H. S. T. I
16th December 1886.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 15 of the 10th November

2. Governor Kerr landed from the Selembria this afternoon and will reassume the administration of the Government tomorrow.

3. As H.M.S Ruby is in the harbour and proceeds to Monte Video very shortly I have requested Captain Kennedy to give me a passage to that Port which the "Ruby" will reach in time to admit of my embarking for England on board the Pacific Company's steamer "Valparaiso" which leaves Monte Video on the 1st of January.

4. This arrangement will save both time and expense as it will obviate the necessity for my proceeding to Sandy Point by one mail steamer and back to Monte Video by another.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd Arthur Barkly.

No. 119.

G. H. S T. I.
17th December 1886.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I arrived here yesterday to resume the administration of this Government on my return from leave of absence

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope. M.P

I have &c
Sgd T. Kerr.

No. 122.

G. H. S. 7. I.
27th December 1886.

Sir

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the War Office, the enclosed Quarterly Return of Casualties among the pensioners paid in the Stanley Falkland Islands district, having reference to pensioner Charles Kent.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd T. Kerr.

No. 123.

G. H. S. 7. I.
27th December 1886.

£. 785. 14. 0.
On the Falkland Islands Co.
20th December 1886
£. 85. 0. 0.
On T. M. Dean Esqr.
24th Dec. 1886.
Total £. 870. 14. 0.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, the two Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting in the whole to eight hundred and seventy pounds fourteen shillings, to be placed to the credit of this Government

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd Thomas Kerr.

No. 124.

G. H. S. 7. I.
28th December 1886.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that H.M.S "Frolic" Commander Parr. R.N. is to sail to day for Monte Video, and that I have availed myself of the opportunity to forward a mail to England by her.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd Thomas Kerr.

No. 125.

G. H. S. 7. I.
28th December 1886

Sir,

I have the honour to report to you that

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per H. M. S. 'Frolic'
viâ Monte Video.

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 28th day of December 1886.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
122.	27th Dec. 1886	Return of Casualties among pensioners paid in the Stanley Falkland Islands district, forwarding.	1.
123.	" " "	Bills of Exchange, transmission of notifying	nil.
124.	28th " "	Departure of H. M. S. 'Frolic' for Monte Video, reporting	"
125.	" " "	Departure of Mr. Brooks on leave of absence, relative to	3.

Sgd Mark Kerr

Private Secretary.

that I have granted to Mr Edward Packenham Brooks,

Government Office,
Stanley,
20th December 1886

Your Excellency,

Urgent private affairs requiring my presence in England, I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to grant me three months vacation leave on full salary who followed by nine months leave on half pay:

Mr Jameson. Government Clerk.

Your Excellency
The Governor

has agreed to perform my duties as Colonial Secretary & Treasurer, and Police Magistrate, Collector of Customs, Postmaster, Harbour Master & Coroner during my vacation leave without extra remuneration, and Mr Mark Kerr your Private Secretary has kindly consented to perform the duties of Government Clerk, Shipping Master, Registrar of the Supreme Court, Registrar General and Receiver of Wrecks during the same period without entailing any extra expense on the Public.

After the expiration of my full pay

that I have granted to Mr Edward Pakenham Brooks,

pay leave. The half salaries of the appointments of Colonial Secretary and Police Magistrate, and Government Clerk will of course be available for those gentlemen during the remainder of my leave

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's

Most Obedient Servant,

E. Pakenham Brooks

Colonial Secretary & Police Magistrate

that I have granted to Mr Edward Packenham Brooks, Colonial Secretary, Treasurer & Police Magistrate of this Colony, three months vacation leave on full pay from this date, and that I have sanctioned the arrangement which he has proposed for the performance of the duties of the several Offices which he holds, by Mr H. B. L. Jameson the Government Clerk, and Mr Mark Kerr my private Secretary.

2. I have also, with the concurrence of the Executive Council, granted to Mr Brooks on the special grounds of urgent private affairs, nine months leave of absence on half salary, to take effect from the expiration of his vacation leave, subject to your approval and confirmation.

3. I transmit herewith the certificates of leave, and a copy of Mr Brooks's application containing his proposal for the performance of his duties during vacation leave, which I have sanctioned as the only possible arrangement, and which, with your approval, I shall continue during the subsequent leave of absence on half pay; Mr Jameson receiving half of his own salary as Government Clerk, and half of the salary of the Colonial Secretary, Treasurer and Police Magistrate; Mr Kerr receiving half of Mr Jameson's salary as Government Clerk, and the fees appertaining to the Offices of Registrar and Shipping Master.

I have &c

Sgd Thomas Kerr

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M.P.

1887.

No. 1.

G. H. S. J. 9
1st January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the War Office Nil Returns in duplicate, relating to Fortifications, Ordnance, Arms, Ammunition &c, Barracks Huts &c Colonial Naval Forces, Naval Reserve, Railways, Telegraphs and Canals, required by the Circular Despatch of the 14th of January 1879 to be transmitted annually for the use of the Intelligence Branch of the War Office.

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The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

No. 2.

G. H. S. J. 9
1st January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith in duplicate the annual Return of Arms and Stores in the possession of the Police Force of this Colony on the 31st December 1886.

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The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

No. 3.

G. H. S. J. 9
1st January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade an Account Current with supporting Vouchers for Disbursements on Account of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse for the Quarter ended 31st December 1886.

£103.17.6 31st Dec. 1886 on Board of Trade.

2. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange quoted in the margin in repayment of the amounts advanced.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

No 4.

G. H. S. F. 9.

1st January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade an Account Current with supporting Vouchers for advances made by this Government on account of Distressed British Seamen for the Quarter ended 31st December 1886.

No 226
£97 6 6
31st Dec. 1886
On Board of Trade.

2. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange quoted in the margin in repayment of the amounts advanced.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

No 5.

G. H. S. F. 9.

1st January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade the accounts shewing the Cash & Stores expended at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse during the Quarter ended 31st December 1886, together with the Meteorological Register for the half year.

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I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

No 6.

G. H. S. F. 9.

1st January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Report of the Survey of the Colonial Chest for the Quarter ended 31st December 1886 and a Certificate of Quarterly Survey containing a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony during the same period.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

No 7.

G. H. S. F. 9

1st January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission

No 1. £15. 4. 1 1st Jan 1887 & No 2 £. 6. 16. 6. 1st Jan 1887 On the Pay[illegible] to Year 1

transmission to the Admiralty and War Office, the accounts current, with supporting Vouchers, for advances to Naval and Military Pensioners for the Quarter ending 31st March 1887.

2. I have drawn the Bills of Exchange quoted in the margin in repayment of the amounts advanced.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
&c &c &c.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope. M P

No 8.

G. H. S. J. D.
1st January 1887.

Sir,

separate

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Department the Cash Accounts of the Colony for the month of December last, together with a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

No 9.

G. H. S. J. D.
1st January 1887.

Sir,

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I have the honour to transmit herewith, in accordance with Rule 182 of the Colonial Regulations sesc printed copies of the Ordinances ~~of the Falkland~~ enacted in this Colony during the year 1886.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope. M. P.

No 10.

G. H. S. J. D.
22nd January 1887.

Sir,

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I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of the minutes of proceedings of the Executive and Legislative Councils, for the half year ended on the 31st of December 1886.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

No 11

G. H. S. F. 9.

22nd January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of an Ordinance (No 1 of 1887) to enable Aliens to hold and dispose of Land in the Falkland Islands.

2. This Ordinance has been passed in accordance with the instructions conveyed in your Despatch No 3 of the 16th August last, and I trust it will meet with your approval and receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

No 12

G. H. S. F. 9

22nd January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith two copies of the Rent Roll for 1887, which should have accompanied the Estimates for the same year.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr.

No 13.

G H. S F. 9.

28th January 1887.

Sir,

In reply to your Despatch No 16 of the 11th November last, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Audit Department, on the subject of the Statement of Excess of Expenditure under various heads of Service in 1884, furnished by this Government, I have the honour to report as follows:—

2. The Annual Account for 1884, transmitted in my Despatch No 33 of 3rd March 1885, shewed an excess of Expenditure under the following heads, viz: Allowances £12. 19. 10½. Revenue Service £11. 19. 8. Drawback and Refund £146. 16. 7. Miscellaneous Services £101. 0. 8. Interest £44. 2. 6. Total £316. 19. 3½.

3. This Account was amended at the Audit Office

Office and returned to me with a letter (No 577 of the 20th July 1885) explaining the following amendments which had been made. £37. 1. 10½ was deducted from "Receipts Postage" and transferred below the line to "Money Order and General Post Office Account" thus making the latter £1477. 3. 2½. instead of £1440. 1. 4. The amount of £15. 18. 8., deducted by the Crown Agents from Mr Bulls pension and paid to Mr Haydon, was transferred from "Miscellaneous Receipts" and entered below the line under "Deposits received"; a corresponding alteration being made on the payment side of the account. The sum of £152., passages of Mr Brooks and Mrs Anderson, was transferred from "Miscellaneous Services" to "Transport" for which [redacted] no vote had been taken. These alterations left no excess of Expenditure under "Miscellaneous Services"; but, by an excess of £152. for "Transport" the total excess became £367. 18. 7½. instead of £316. 19. 3½.

4. The account — although altered in detail — was not found incorrect in the total amount; and in the balances, and it was, as amended, signed by me and transmitted in my Despatch No 116 of the 28th of September 1885 to be forwarded to the Audit Office.

5. I will as soon as possible introduce Supplementary Estimates and Ordinances for the Years 1884 and 1885. which will be transmitted when passed by the Legislative Council.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M. P.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees.

No 14.

G. H. & F. 9.
28th January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith for your consideration, a copy of a letter addressed to me by the Unofficial members of the Legislative Council, on the subject of the Offices of Chief Justice and Shipping Master being held by the Governor and Police Magistrate respectively.

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2. The objections which these gentlemen urge with respect to the present arrangement appear to be reasonable, and they are concurred in by the Members of the Executive Council, and, as far as I can learn, by the Colonists generally.

3. It is provided by the 6th Section of the "Administration of Justice Ordinance 1876" - that it shall be lawful for the Governor to fill the Office of Chief Justice, concurrently with that of Governor of the Colony, if he possesses the necessary qualification. - Should this provision have been introduced only on account of the embarrassed state of the finances of the Colony at that time, there can now be no objection to a rearrangement of offices, and the appointment of a Barrister to perform the duties of all the Courts.

4. The last Stipendiary Magestrate received a £500. Salary of Five hundred pounds a year, and it would scarcely be possible to obtain the services of a fit person for less; but the duties of the Judicial Offices in this Colony are so light that a person holding them alone would be practically unemployed, as the business of the Police Court does not occupy the Magistrate for more than one hour in each week on the average, and the sittings of the Supreme Court are so rare, that an average of four days in the year would be a high one.

5. The present Police Magistrate who is also Colonial Secretary, Treasurer, Post master &c. receives with salary, fees, and allowances Five hundred and £575. seventy five pounds a year, and if the Services of a Barrister could be obtained for five hundred pounds a year to fill the Offices of Colonial Secretary and Treasurer, as well as to preside in the Courts of Justice, the duties of Shipping Master and post Master could be performed by the Government Clerk, who also does almost all the clerical work of the Treasurer.

6. Should a small addition ~~be made~~ to ~~either~~ the Salaries of either of these Officers be deemed expedient, the present Revenue is quite able to bear the charge.

7. It is not necessary to repeal the Ordinance

of

of 1876, and revert to the old arrangement of the "Magistrates Court". Should the Chief Justice require it (as in the event of an appeal from his decision as Police Magistrate) the Ordinance gives him power to summon any number of Justices to sit with him as Assessors.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd H. Ker.

No 15.

G. H. S. I. 9.

31st January 1887.

No 226. December 31st 1886.
£ 97. 6. 6
On. Board of Trade

No 227. December 31st 1886.
£ 103. 17. 6.
On. Board of Trade.

No 1. January 1st 1887.
£ 16. 4 1.
On H. M. Paymaster General.

No 2. January 1st 1887.
£ 6. 16. 6.
On H. M. Paymaster General.

13th January 1887.
£ 647. 11. 2.
On. J. M. Dean Esqre.

21st January 1887.
£ 1000. 0. 0.
On. Jno. Dean Esqre.

24th January 1887.
£ 741. 14. 6.
On Mr Falk Land Islands Co.

Total. £ 2,612. . 10 . . 3.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have transmitted, by the present mail, to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, the Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting in the aggregate to, Two thousand six hundred and twelve pounds, ten shillings and three pence, to be placed to the credit of this Government.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd H. Ker

No 16.

282. W. 9th

G. H. S. F. 9
31st January 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to request that you will obtain for me, through the Crown Agents for the Colonies, information as to the probable cost of an iron or wooden structure suitable for a School house, of the Dimensions roughly indicated on the plan which I transmit herewith.

2. Since the destruction of the School House by the great ship in June last, the loft of the dockyard store has been used as a School room, but this is a very inconvenient arrangement for many reasons, and it is necessary to erect a new School House as soon as possible.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees.

No 17.

G. H. S. F. 9.
1st February 1887.

Nos	Dates
17 to 23.	13th November 1886 to 7th December "

Circulars.

2nd November
8th "
17th November.
18th "
19th November.

General. 19th November.
Secret & Confidential Circulars
1st November 1886.
" "

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt on this day of the Despatches & Circulars noted in the margin

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope
M.P.

I have &c.
Sgd J. Rees.

No 18

G. H. S. F. 9
2nd February 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to call your attention to the irregular manner in which the monthly mail service is performed by the vessels of the Kosmos steamship Company.

2. No mail has been received here since the 16th December last, until yesterday evening when the S.S. "Harda"

Uarda arrived from Punta Arenas with the mail which left England by the Pacific Company's steamer on the 14th December.

3. Had this delay arisen in consequence of no steamer being sooner available, it might have been considered unavoidable, but I find by the Company's Time Tables — which I enclose — that one of their steamers was to leave Punta Arenas on the 14th January which might have brought the mails for this Colony and taken on the homeward mail at the proper interval of one month after the mail of December.

4. I am sorry to have to complain of this irregularity on the part of the Kosmos Company, who have otherwise done good service, and substantially benefited the Colony ~~the Colony~~, and if you will be good enough to have the matter brought to their notice by the Crown Agents for the Colonies, I trust that they will take measures for the future delivery of the mails at regular intervals of one month.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope M.P.

No 19.

G. H. S. F. I.
2nd. February 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 21 of the 17th November last authorizing me to propose in the Legislative Council an addition of £200 per annum to the salary of the Governor, to commence from the 1st January last.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope M.P

No. 20.

G. H. S. 7. 9.

87.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per S.S. Varda.
Viâ Monte Video

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 3rd day of February 1887.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
1.	1st January 1887.	Init Returns, relating to Fortifications &c. To War Office forwarding	10.
2.	" " "	Annual Return, Arms stores of Police Force, transmitting	2
3.	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Accounts for transmission to B. of T. forwarding	1
4.	" " "	Distressed British Seamen's account, for transmission to Board of Trade forwarding.	1
5.	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Oil and store account, for transmission to Board of Trade, forwarding.	1 Separate.
6.	" " "	Report of Quarterly Survey Colonial Chest. for transmission to Audit Office, forwarding	1.
7.	" " "	Naval & Military Pensioners accounts for transmission to Admiralty and War Office. forwarding.	2.
8.	" " "	Cash Accounts Colony for months December, Audit Office. forwarding	1 Separate

see over.

"Uganda" arrived from Punta Arenas with the mail which left England [illegible]

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
9.	1st January, 1887.	Copies Ordinances enacted Falkland Islands in 1886, forwarding	9.
10.	22nd "	Copies Minutes proceedings Executive & Legislative Councils, forwarding	2.
11.	" " "	Four Copies Ordinance No. 1, 1887 transmitting	6.
12.	" " "	Two Copies Rent Roll 1887. transmitting	2.
13.	28th "	Letter from Audit Office, relating to Accounts for 1884, reporting on.	nil.
14	" " "	Letter from Unofficial Members Leg Council, & report thereon, forwarding	1.
15.	31st "	Bills of Exchange, transmission of notifying	nil.
16.	" " "	Cost of new School House, concerning.	6.
17.	1st February.	Acknowledgement of Despatches	nil.
18.	2nd "	Irregular conveyance of mails by Rosmor Company; reporting	1.
19.	" " "	Addition to Salary of Governor, concerning	nil.

Sd Mark Rees
3/2/87.

No. 20.

G. H. S. F. I.
22nd Feby 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Department, the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of January last, together with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

separate.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

No. 21.

G. H. S. F. I.
22nd Feby 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Audit Office, a Certificate of a Surprise Survey held on the 1st December last, which should have been transmitted with the December Accounts.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope. M.P.

No. 22.

G. H. S. F. I.
22nd February 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Board of Trade a Casualty Report relating to the British Schooner "Hornet"

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon'ble.
Edward Stanhope M.P.

No. 23.

G. H. S. F. I.
22nd Feby 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch "Separate" of the 25th of November last enclosing a copy of a Despatch which you had addressed to the Governors of the Colonies under responsible Governments with reference to the nomination of representatives to take part in a Conference which it is proposed to hold for the purpose of discussing certain questions

questions of common interest to all parts of the empire.

2 I know of no person connected with this Colony who would be competent to take part in any discussion relating to the question of its military defence, but, looking to the great value of these Islands as forming an important station for coaling, and refitting the ships of the Royal Navy, as well as for affording shelter and and security for merchant vessels, I think that much valuable information might be furnished to the Conference, with reference to the defence of Port Stanley, and the capabilities of the many excellent Harbours in other parts of the Colony, by Major Cautley R.E. who, under instructions from the War Office, made a careful Survey and plan of defence for Port Stanley in 1881, and by Captain H. Bowden Smith R.N. who as senior Officer on the Station, visited the Islands on several occasions, and made arrangements for coaling Her Majesty's Ships at Port Stanley, and whom I accompanied in H.M.S. Amethyst in 1883, when we visited the old settlement at Port Egmont, and most of the principal harbours of the Group. Both of these Officers are I believe now in England

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr

The Rt Hon
Edward Stanhope M.P.

No. 25.

G. H. S. I. I.
23rd Feb. 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that as H.M.S. "Watchful" sails from this port direct for Monte Video to day, I have taken the opportunity of sending a mail by her, to be forwarded from Monte Video, in addition to the Regular mail, which will be sent via Punta Arenas by the Kosmos steamer "Menes"

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H.T. Holland Bart
K.C.M.G.

No. 24

Nos	Dates
24	29th December
1	7th January
2	11th "
3	" "
1	17th "
2	" "

Circulars.

December 1st 1886
" 2nd "
" 3rd "
" 11th "
" 13th "
" 21st "
January 7th 1887

Library

10th December 1886.

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands,

23rd February 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin. on the 22nd instant.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

Sigmund Kerr

Governor.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per H.M.S Watchful
Viâ. Monte Video

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 23rd *of* February 1887

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
20	22nd Feb. 1887	Cash Accounts of Colony for month of January 1887. forwarding.	1 Separate
21.	" " "	Certificate of Surprise Survey forwarding.	1
22.	" " "	Casualty Report to Board of Trade. forwarding.	1.
23.	" " "	Replying to despatch respecting the proposed conference, relating to the Colonies.	nil.
24.	23rd " "	Acknowledgement of Despatches	nil.
25.	" " "	Despatch of mail by H. M. S. Watchful, notifying	"
26.	" " "	Remittances to Crown Agents, reporting.	"

Sgd. Markham.
Private Secretary
23/2/87.

Governor.

No 26.

G. H. S. I. 9
23rd Feb? 1887.

Sir,

£ 263. 17. 11
On I. M. Drawers
Feb? 23rd 1887.

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this mail, to the Crown agents for the Colonies, the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin, to be placed to the Credit of this Government.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart.

No 27.

G. H. S. I.
10th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Despatch No 2 of the 11th January last, transmitting for my report a copy of a letter from Captain C. E. Inglis R.N. stating his wish to rent the Island of South Georgia on a 99 years lease, or to purchase the fee simple thereof if suitable for sheep farming.

2. The Island of South Georgia is said to be usually covered with ice & snow to the waters edge, and even in the summer season the valleys are covered with frozen snow of great depth — The Island is surrounded by icebergs and fringed with glaciers, and, from all the accounts I have heard of it, sheep farming would seem to be impossible. I have not seen the report of the German Scientific Expedition which remained in the Island from August 1882 until September 1883, but, from the account given by me by the Officer commanding the ship of war which conveyed it there, I think the place must be almost uninhabitable.

3. Should Captain Inglis, in the face of all these discouraging reports, be of opinion that he can turn the Island to account, I do not think there could be any objection, should you approve of it, to a lease being granted to him at a nominal rent.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.
Governor.

The Rt Hon
Sir H Holland Bart.

&c &c &c

No 29.

G. H. & F. I.
10th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Audit Office, the Annual Account, for 1886, of this Colony, a statement of Assets and Liabilities on the 31st December 1886, a statement showing causes of excess of Actual over Estimated expenditure under various heads, a statement showing causes of increase and decrease under various heads of Estimated Revenue, and a list of Deposits on the 31st of December 1886. These accounts are in duplicate.

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The Rt Hon.
Sir. H. Holland Bart.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.
Governor.

No 29.

G. H. & F. I.
10th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade, Casualty Reports relating to the two vessels named in the margin.

Leonora
Splendid

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. Holland. Bart.
&c &c &c.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.
Governor.

No 30.

G. H. & F. I.
11th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be be returned to the Board of Trade, the accompanying Query with the answer thereto.

The Rt Hon
Sir H. Holland Bart.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
&c &c &c

No 31.

G. H. & F. I.
11th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have

Per S.S. "Selembria"
on the 11th March 1887.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
27.	10th March 1887.	Letter from Captain Inglis R.N. concerning Lease of Island of South Georgia, reporting on	nil.
28.	" " "	Annual Account of Colony for Audit Office, transmitting	10.
29.	" " "	Casualty Reports to Board of Trade forwarding	2.
30	11th " "	Answered Query to the Board of Trade, forwarding	1.
31	" " "	Remittances to Crown Agents reporting.	—

Mark Kerr
Private Secretary
11/3/87.

remitted by this mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin for Two hundred pounds Sterling to be placed to the credit of this Government.

I have &c
Sgd J Rive.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. Holland. Bart,
&c &c &c.

No. 32.

G. H. S. I. O.
18th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith two copies of the Blue Book of this Colony for the year 1886. with the following report thereon.: —

Taxes and Duties.

No additional Taxes or Duties were imposed in 1886.

Revenue and Expenditure.

The Revenue of 1886 was £9295 .. 1 .. 4 or £1300 .. 1 .. 4 more than the estimated amount which was £7995. The excess under the several heads was as follows: —

Customs	£918	.. 1	.. 6
Licenses.	£35	.. 0	.. 0
Rents esc Land.	£24	.. 6	.. 10
Fenis Forfeitures & Fees.	£81	.. 8	.. 3.

Under the following heads there were deficiencies in the estimated receipts

Land Revenue	£14	.. 9	.. 6
Sale of Government Property.	£41	.. 10	.. 6.
Miscellaneous Receipts.	£21	.. 13	.. 3.
Auction Duty.	£7	.. 1	.. 0
Interest on Investments.	£7	.. 16	.. 4.

No aid was received from Imperial funds during the year.

The Expenditure in 1886 was £7950 .. 19 .. 1 or £424 .. 0 .. 11 less than the estimated amount, which inclusive of a supplemental vote of £500 for Public Works was £8375.

The excess of Assets over Liabilities on the 31st of December 1886 — inclusive of Cash in the Colonial Chest (£1208 .. 5 .. 2) and in the hands of the Crown Agents (£1150 .. 17 .. 9) was — £6511 .. 4 .. 9.

Of this balance £2000 has been invested on account

account of Land Sales, and £1000. on account of surplus funds, in Colonial securities; the annual interest on which amounts to £107. 19. 2.

There is no Public Debt.

Public Works.

No new Public Works were undertaken, but extensive repairs were made to the Government House and Offices, including the roofing of the Government Offices and part of the large building known as the Barracks, with galvanised iron, the painting of the interior of Government House and the supply of some furniture to replace what had become unserviceable, the painting inside and outside of the Government Offices and the Court House. The construction of Roads and Drains and the removal of a mass of peat which slipped from the Hill behind the Town of Stanley and obstructed some of the principal Streets.

Legislation.

Nine Ordinances were passed in 1886:—

No. 1. "Public Health Ordinance." This Ordinance provides for the appointment of a Board of Health to be the sanitary authority in the Colony, with power to make Bye Laws with respect to the construction of new streets, Buildings, drainage & sewerage, the protection of water and prevention and removal of nuisances.

No. 2. "An Ordinance to amend the Customs Consolidation Ordinance 1882." This Ordinance provides for the due reporting of vessels arriving in Stanley from other parts of the Colony.

No. 3. "Town Lands Ordinance." This Ordinance authorises the Governor to sell, without auction, frontages to owners of adjacent lands in Stanley, or any other Town in the Colony, at prices to be fixed by him with the advice of the Executive Council.

No. 4. "An Ordinance to extend to the Colony a certain Act of Parliament." This was the Act 41 & 42 Vic c. 19 entitled

entitled an Act to amend the Matrimonial Causes Act. This Ordinance was afterwards repealed, and in its place an Ordinance was enacted (No. 8) to make better provision for the protection of married women.

No. 5. "Naturalisation Ordinance."

No. 6. "An Ordinance to make further provision for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1886." This Ordinance provides for an increased expenditure under the head of Public Works.

No. 7. "An Ordinance to prevent the introduction of spirituous or fermented liquors on Board Her Majesty's Ships without the Consent of the Commander.

No. 8. "An Ordinance to make better provision for the protection of married women." This Ordinance was enacted in the place of No. 4 which it repeals.

No. 9. "An Ordinance to provide for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands" This is the Appropriation Ordinance for 1887.

Civil Establishment.

Governor J. Kerr left the Colony for England on leave of absence on the 3rd of March and returned on the 16th of December. During his absence the Government was administered by Lieutenant Governor A.C.S Barkly.

Mr. E. P Brooks, Colonial Secretary, Treasurer, Police Magistrate, Coroner, Collector of Customs, Harbour Master, Shipping Master, Postmaster, Registrar General, Registrar of Courts & Receiver of wrecks, obtained leave of absence and left the Colony on the 27th of December; his duties as Colonial Secretary, Treasurer, Police Magistrate, Coroner, Post Master Collector of Customs and Harbour Master, being performed by Mr. H.B.S. Jameson. Government Clerk, and those of Shipping Master, Registrar General, Registrar of Courts and Receiver of Wrecks by Mr. Mark Kerr who also acted as Government Clerk and Clerk to the Councils.

Mr. George Hurst was confirmed in his appointment as Chief Constable, and was also appointed to the office of Inspector of Nuisances, created by the Public Health Act.

Mr. B. J. Heuston, Assistant Colonial Surgeon, left the Colony

Colony on the 30th of November, having been appointed to an Office in the Medical Department of Western Australia.

Pensions.

There is no change under this head. The whole annual charge for Pensions is £ 235 . 16 . 8.

Population.

There were 67 births during 1886 of which number 34 were males and 33 were females.

There were 17 marriages.

The deaths registered were 15 of which 13 were males and 2 were females. The causes of death were as follows:-

Accidental drowning.	2
Inanition.	1
Tabes mesenterica.	2
Suffocation (perished in the peat slip)	2
Phthisis.	3
Consumption.	1
Infantile disease.	2
Pneumonical Typhoid.	1
Tubercular Meningitis.	1
	15.

The health of the Colony was good. The following report has been sent in by the Colonial Surgeon which applies only to Stanley & the surrounding District

(Colonial Surgeon's Report.)

Stanley. Falkland Isds
22nd March 1887.

" Sir,

" I have the honour to report, for the information of
" H.E. the Governor, on the healthy condition of the settlement
" for the year 1886. It is indeed a most satisfactory to state that
" the number of cases of preventible disease has been very
" small, even below the average, which speaks well for this
" remarkably healthy Climate, considering the number of
" drawbacks that exeist (not having a pure water supply, the

" the want of proper drainage, and defective sewerage.).
" I have on a former occasion drawn His Excellency's
" attention to the fact that this climate exercises a prophylactic
" effect on Phthisics, Tubercular, and other pulmonary diseases,
" especially of the respiratory organs; Bronchites, Pneumonia
" Pleurisy, Laryngites, and even infantile diseases are few
" in number.

" The Hon
" H B L Dameron.
" Acting Colonial Sec?

I have &c
" Sgt. Sam Hamilton "
" Colonial Surgeon "

No medical reports were received from the Darwin or West Falkland Districts, but, as no deaths occurred in the West Falklands, and only one (that of a new born infant) in Darwin, the omission is not important.

It is impossible to state with exactness the number of the population at the end of 1886. The census taken in 1881 placed the total number at 1553, and the annual returns of the Registrar General since that time, indicate 1728 as the probable number at the end of 1886, but, as there have been many arrivals of whom no account has been kept, the actual number may be about 1800. From a rough account which I have had taken of the population of Stanley, I find that the number has increased since 1881 from 508 to 725.

Education.

The following report from the Colonial Chaplain, who acts as School Inspector, affords all the information which can be given under this head:—

Education Report 1886.

" The Government Infant and Senior Schools in Stanley
" were attended during the year by 81 and 108 children on
" respectively. The average attendance was 57 and 68
" respectively. There are 309 children under the age of 16
" years in Stanley; the above average attendances is there-
" fore small.
" In Darwin there is a small School attended by 21
" children.

With

With the exception of Stanley and Darwin the state of education throughout the Islands is deplorable.

In the Falkland Islands company's district there are 133 children of whom only 30 have any educational advantages.

Throughout the rest of the Islands there are about 150 children for whose education no provision whatever, exists.

By His Excellency Governor Kerr's permission a childrens penny savings bank has been conducted in connection with the Government Schools for the last eighteen months. On December 31st there was a balance to the credit of the Bank of £4 3 6 "6 .. 6. I most respectfully call His Excellency's attention to:—

First. The need of compulsory attendance at School in Stanley.

Second. That some steps might be taken to assist education in the country parts of the Islands.

Third. The advisability of the Savings Bank being put on a more public & permanent basis.

March 23rd. 1887
Stanley. F.I.

Sgd. L.E. Brandon M.A.
Government School Inspector.

Imports & Exports.

The value of the Imports in 1886 was £73.602. In 1885 it was £48.314. and in 1884 it was £67.848. The value of the Exports in 1886 was £108.946. In 1885 it was £97,846, and in 1884 it was £101,338.

The following Table represents the relative value of the several articles of Export during the five years ending with 1886:

	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.
Wool.	70.927	57.655	68,313	74,652	82.113	72.998
Tallow	4,519	10.120	8,735	13,314	3,360	3,640
Sheepskins	3,226	3,893	4,345	5,686	5,125	3,813
Hides.	8,206	4,819	2,775	4,242	4,727.	1,850
Old Metal & Junk	nil	339	306	196	350	nil
Seal skins.	968.	nil	nil	191	nil	nil
Seal Oil.	nil	nil	nil	125	nil	nil
Horn Bones & Bone Ash.	33	20	118	62	93	8
Live Sheep.	nil	nil	2,400	2,720	2,078.	10,949
Live Horses.	nil	nil	nil	150	nil	nil
Frozen Mutton	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	15,670
Live Geese.	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	18
Total £	87.919	76.846	86,992	101,338	97,846	108,946

Shipping.

Twenty two sailing vessels arrived in the Colony in 1886. The tonnage of the whole was 15,505. The crews numbered 333. Of these arrivals 13 vessels were engaged in the trade of the Colony and nine put into Stanley to repair damages sustained at sea. Of these 2 were declared unseaworthy, and one, the Sidney Dacres, was totally lost while being towed out of Port William by the breaking of the towing hawser. The remaining six, after being repaired proceeded on their voyages.

The monthly mail service was regularly performed by the steamships of the Rosmos Company, and the "Selembria", a large steamship fitted up for carrying frozen meat, arrived and took a cargo of frozen sheep for London.

Her Majesty's Ships "Ruby", "Ready", and "Frolic" visited the Colony during the year; the first named vessel commanded by Captain W. R. Kennedy, R.N. Senior Officer of the Station made two visits. The Yacht "Marchesa" with Earl Dudley & a party, also visited the Islands.

Criminal Statistics.

There was no conviction in the Supreme Court during the year.

year. Forty nine persons were summarily convicted before the Police Magistrate. Of these, 32 were punished by fines, 6 by imprisonment in lieu of fine, 7 by peremptory imprisonment and 4 were bound over to keep the peace.

General Remarks.

The continued prosperity of the Colony is proved by the fact that notwithstanding the ravages of disease among the flocks, occasioned, it is said, by the unusual severity of the two preceding winters, the value of the Exports rose to the unprecedented amount of £108.913.
In 1876 the value of the Exports was £37,121. The average of the five years ending in 1880 was £61,591, and of the five years ending 1885 £89,710. In 1886 the first export of frozen mutton was made, the value of which, when shipped, was £15,670. It is said that the expense attending this enterprise has been so great that the frozen meat company have sustained some loss, and that a new arrangement has been proposed, under which the price paid to the sheep farmers has been reduced by twenty per cent – or from ten shillings to 8o shillings for a carcase weighing 75 lbs.
This is likely to lessen the supply considerably, as the colonists whose stations are not yet fully stocked, are unwilling to sell their sheep at the reduced rate. It may be that the first expenditure was excessive and that future voyages may be made at less cost, at any rate the "Selembria" – the fine steamship which has been fitted up for the trade – arrived on the 16th of December for a second cargo.
The exportation of ewes to the new settlements in Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego, which commenced in 1883, rose to a large amount in 1886. In 1883 it amounted to £2,400, in 1884 to £2,720, in 1885 it was £2,078 and in 1886 it was £10,949.

The great rise in the price of wool in 1886 must have proved of great advantage to the Colony.

The financial condition of the Government has also been most satisfactory. The Revenue amounted to £9,295 and the Expenditure to £7,950.
There is no Public Debt, and the excess of Assets over

Liabilities

on the 31st of December, including the cash balances in the Colonial chest and in the hands of the Crown Agents, was £6,511; of this amount £3000 has been invested in Colonial Securities, in pursuance of an arrangement for securing the permanency of the Revenue derived from the rent of Crown Lands, by capitalizing the proceeds of sales of land, nearly half of the Revenue of the Colony being derived from the rent of the Crown Lands for pastoral purposes.

A calamity, which might have had more fatal consequences, befel the town of Stanley on the night of the second of June. The weather had been very rainy, and the large peat bog on the rising ground at the Back of the Town which supplies the inhabitants with fuel, became so saturated, that a large mass in a semi fluid condition, slid down the slope, filling the lower parts of the houses in its course to the Harbour, and carrying away the fences, outhouses, and smaller obstacles; two persons were swept away and suffocated, and but for the extreme darkness of the night, which deterred persons from venturing out of their houses, it is probable that many more would have perished. The Building which formed the Church and School house was so much injured by the pressure of the mass of peat which accumulated against it, that it has been found necessary to take it down. A similar peatslip took place in 1878, of which an interesting account was given in the Blue Book for that year.

Efforts were made to secure as worthy a representation of the Colony at the Colonial and Indian Exhibition as the limited range of productions would admit of, but, owing to the isolated residences of the producers — who are all engaged in sheep farming, on large stations in a rough country, without roads, and where intercommunication is difficult — the attempt failed and the Government was unable to procure any Exhibits to forward to the Exhibition. The Directors of the Falkland Islands Company in London, however, exhibited at their own expense samples of wool and tallow from their stations in the Colony.

The

The Governor left the Colony for England on leave of absence on the 3rd of March, and – his term of Office having been extended – returned on the 16th of December. The Government was administered ad interim by Lieut.-Governor Barkly, Chief Commissioner of the Seychelles.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland. Bart. M.P.
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I have
Sgd J. Kerr.
&c &c &c.

No. 33.

G. & S. I. 9
18th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Office the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of February last, together with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

3 sheets

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland. Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c.
Sgd J. Kerr.
&c &c &c &c

No. 34.

G & S. I. 9.
21st March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith an amended statement of the Assets and Liabilities of this Colony for the year 1886, in duplicate, to be forwarded to the Audit office.

2. This statement is to be taken instead of that which accompanied the Annual Account of the Colony transmitted in my Despatch No. 28 of the 10th of March last, it having been found that the Treasurer had omitted to enter as a Liability the sum of £12. 8. 8., being portions of the Salaries of the Colonial Secretary and Assistant Colonial Surgeon due in 1886, but which would be paid by the Crown Agents after the arrival of these Officers in England on leave of absence.

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3. This correction reduces the amount of the balance to the credit of the Colony on the 31st of December 1886, from £6523. 13. 5 to £6511. 4. 9.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
&c &c &c &c.

No 35.

G. H. S. F. I.
21st March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith in duplicate, the Return showing the Revenue Expenditure and debt of this Colony for the year 1886, as required by Lord Kimberley's Circular Despatch of the 2nd of May 1881.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland. Bart. M.P
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees.
Governor.

No 36.

G. H. S. F. I.
25th March 1887.

Sir,

No 361 25th March 1887 £101 : 10 : 8 on the Falkland Islands Co

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies. the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin amounting to One hundred and one pounds ten shillings and eight pence to be placed to the credit of this Government.

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Rees
Governor.

No 37.

G. H. S. F. I.
25th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that Mr. George Markham Dean, the senior unofficial member of the Legislative Council sailed for England on the 12th of March instant in the "S.S." Selembria", with the intention of being absent from the Colony for twelve months.

2. Should you deem it necessary that Mr G. M. Dean's seat in the Council should be filled up I recommend Mr Charles Montague Dean, who now represents the Mercantile House of Messieurs J. M. Dean and Sons, as the most eligible person to be appointed to the seat which has become vacant by the absence of his brother Mr George Markham Dean.

3. I transmit herewith a copy of Mr G. M. Deans application

application for leave of absence — on which, however, I could take no action owing to my not having received it before his embarkation.

I have &c
Sgd Kerr.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

No 38.

G.H.S.F.I.
29th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch (Circular) of the 14th of January last, informing me that Her Majesty had been pleased to entrust to your care, as one of her Principal Secretaries of State, the Seals of the Colonial Department.

I have &c
Sgd Kerr.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland. Bart M.P.
&c &c &c.

No 40.

G.H.S.F.I.
29th March 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the Rosmos Company's steamer "Totnes" arrived here today from Punta Arenas, bringing the English mails of the 8th of February which were left at Punta Arenas by the P.S.N Company's steamer "Britannia".

2. The "Totnes" also brought back from Punta Arenas the mails for England and Monte Video which were sent from the Post Office here on the 24th of February last by the Rosmos Steamer "Menes" to the Post Office at Punta Arenas for transmission to Monte Video & England. These mails consisted of two parcels addressed to the Post Master Monte Video, and one sealed mail bag marked "From Falkland Island for England" and having a label addressed to "the Secretary, General Post Office. London," secured by the seal which closed the Bag.

3. When this bag was received here today the seal of this Post Office had been broken, and the label was missing; the bag had been opened and the two separate parcels.

bravely containing the mail for Montevideo were inside of it.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per S.S. "Totnes"

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 30th of March 1887

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
32	18th March 1887	Annual Blue Book two copies and report thereon transmitting	2 Separate
33	" " "	Cash Accounts of Colony for month of February for transmission to Audit Office forwarding	Separate 1.
34	21st March 1887	Amended Statement of Assets and Liabilities for transmission to the Audit Office forwarding	2
35	" " "	Return shewing Revenue Expenditure and debt of Colony for the year 1886 transmitting	2
36	25th March 1887	Remittances to Crown Agents reporting	—
37	25th March 1887	Absence of Mr. G.M. Dean Senior Member of the Legislative Council reporting	Unofficial 1
38	29th " "	Assumption of Office, receipt of despatch Announcing and Acknowledgement	nil

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
39	29th March 1887	Acknowledgement of Despatches	nil
40	29th " "	Irregularity in transmission of Mail by Post Office Authorities at Punta Arenas reporting.	

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Gov: Kerr
Ld. 7. to A. Stanley
No 14. 11/1/86.
Sec: of State
to Gov: Barkly
No 9 18/9/86.
(with enclosures)

parcels containing the mail for Montevideo were inside of it, as well as a registered letter from Bordeaux for this Colony; the bag was tied and sealed with the seal of the Post Office of Punta Arenas.

4. The mail which has been returned will be forwarded together with the present mail by the "Potunes".

5. After the correspondence noted in the margin, which has already taken place with respect to the repeated irregularities of the Post Office Officials at Punta Arenas, and to the apparent hopelessness of any improvement I fear it will be necessary to send duplicates of all important correspondence going by this uncertain route by the following direct mail.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.
Governor.

No. 41.

G. H. & F. I.
4th April 1887.

Ans by No. 25 of 21st May

Sir,

With reference to my despatch No. 16 of the 31st of January last, requesting information, through the Crown Agents for the Colonies, as to the probable cost of an iron or wooden structure suitable for a School house, I have the honour to inform you that I have since been able to convert one of the Government Buildings into a School House which affords sufficient accommodation for the purpose.

2. A wooden building in the Dockyard, originally erected for a Coal store, but which, about eighteen years ago, was fitted up as a Theatre for the use of a local amateur Dramatic Company, — and which has for some time been unused for that purpose — appeared suitable in size and situation for at least a temporary School house.

3. The necessary repairs and alterations have been made and the School has been opened in it.
The schoolmaster reports it to be well suited for a schoolroom and it will accomodate a greater number of Scholars than the present maximum attendance.

4. The

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4. The contracts for this work do not exceed eighty pounds, but when the outside painting, for the preservation of the building, and some other accessories are completed, the whole expenditure will probably be nearly one hundred pounds.

5. There is no necessity at present to consider the erection of a more permanent building, as the number of scholars is not likely, for a long time, to increase to such an extent as to require increased accommodation.

6. Should the expenditure which has been incurred exceed what can be spared from the Vote for Works and Buildings, I trust that you will approve of a supplemental Vote being proposed for such excess.

I have &c
Sgd T Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H.G. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c. &c. &c. &c. &c.

No 42.

G. H. S. T. O.
4th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department, the report of the Survey of the Colonial Chest for the Quarter ended on the 31st of March 1887, and a certificate of Quarterly Survey, containing a statement of the Receipts and disbursements of the Colony during the same period.

I have &c
Sgd T. Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c. &c &c &c

No 43.

G. H. S. T. O.
4th April 1887.

31st March 1887
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Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Board of Trade, an account current with supporting Vouchers for disbursements on account of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse for the Quarter ended 31st of March 1887.

2. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange quoted in the margin in repayment of the amounts advanced.

I have &c
Sgd T. Kerr.

The Rt Hon
Sir H T. Holland Bart M.P.

No. 44.

G. H. S. F. I.
4th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the accounts shewing the expenditure of oil and stores at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse during the Quarter ended 31st of March 1887.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart M.P.
&c &c &c

No. 45.

G. H. S. F. I.
4th April 1887.

1st April 1887 Sir,
Rec'd Hm Paymaster Gen
£ 15.. 4.. 0

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Admiralty and Ho as Office, the accounts current with supporting Vouchers for advances to Naval and Military Pensions for the Quarter ending 30th June 1887.

1st April 1887
Rec'd Hm Paymaster Gen
£ 16.. 3.. 6

2 I have drawn the Bills of Exchange quoted in the margin in repayment of the amounts advanced.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.
Governor.

The Rt Hon
Sir H.T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

No. 46.

G. H. S. F. I.
6th April 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that as H. M. S. "Ready" sails today from this Port for Monte Video, I have taken the opportunity of sending a mail by her to be forwarded from Monte Video.

2. The last mail for England was taken by the Roumanian steamer "Tolmes" on the 30th of March, and as that vessel came from Valparaiso and was liable to quarantine at Monte Video, by which the mail, if landed there would have been delayed in transmission, I gave directions that it should be taken direct to Dartmouth.

3. The mail for Monte Video was taken by H.M.S. Swallow which sailed from this Port for Monte Video on the 31st of March ultimo.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.

No. 47.

G. H. S. F. D.
5th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department, the Duplicate account Current of the Crown Agents for the Colonies with this Government for the year 1886.

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

No. 48.

G. H. S. F. D.
5th April 1887.

31st March 1887
On Assist Sec? Board of Trade.
£76 .. 9 .. 6.
1st April 1887.
On Hm Paymaster General.
£15 .. 4 .. 0.
1st April 1887.
On Hm. Paymaster General.
£16 .. 3 .. 6.
Total £108 .. 17 .. 0.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this opportunity to the Crown Agents for the Colonies the Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting to the sum of one hundred and eight pounds. seventeen shillings, to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

No. 49

G. H. S. F. D.
16th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Admiralty, the life Certificates of the two naval Pensioners whose names are noted in the margin, which were not received in time to be forwarded with the Naval & Military Pensioners Accounts transmitted with my Despatch No 45 of the 4th of April instant.

E. Hill
Thos Bettesworth

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees
Governor.

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bart M.P.
&c &c &c

No 50.

G. H. S. F. 9.
16th April 1887.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per H. M. S. Ready.

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 5th *of* April 1887

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
41.	4th April 1887	Government School House in Stanley, concerning	—
42.	" " "	Quarterly Survey of Colonial Chest, for transmission to Audit Office, report of forwarding.	1.
43	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Accounts for March Quarter, for Board of Trade, forwarding	1.
44	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Oil and Store account, for Board of Trade, forwarding.	1.
45	" " "	Naval & Military pension Account for transmission to Admiralty & War Office, forwarding	2
46	5th " "	Forwarding of mails by H.M.S. "Ready" notifying	—
47	" " "	Duplicate account current of Crown Agents with this Government, for year 1886, forwarding	1.

See over

No. 47.

G. 4. S. 7. 0.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
48	5th April 1887.	Remittances to Crown Agents indistinct.	—

Mark Rees
Private Secretary.
5/4/87.

No.

31st Mar
Can Assist
£76
1st Apr
On Hon Pa
£15
1st
On Hon.
£16
Total £

The R
Sir

No. 49.

E. Hdt
Hon Battcock

The R
Sir

No. 50.

G. H. S. F. 9.
16th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade a Casualty Report relating to the British Ship "Cape Breton".

I have &c
Sgd J Rees.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P
&c &c &c.

No. 51.

G. H. S. F. 9.
16th April 1887.

Sir,

In reply to Mr Stanhope's Circular Despatch of the 7th of January last, having reference to his Circular Despatch of the 31st of August 1886, enclosing a copy of the International Copyright Act 1886 and a copy of correspondence respecting the formation of an International Copyright Union, I have the honour to inform you as follows:—

2. No laws respecting Copyright have ever been passed in this Colony.

3. There are no appliances or facilities for the publication of Books or other works, and from the small number and widely dispersed condition of the population no change in this respect is probable in the near future, and Legislation on the subject appears to be unnecessary.

4. The questions asked in the Circular of the 7th of January last must therefore be answered in the negative.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H T Holland Bart M.P
&c &c &c &c &c &c

No. 52

G. H. S. F. 9
18th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in accordance with the instructions conveyed in Circular "Secret" of the 1st of November 1886, the Annual Return of Naval & Military Resources of the Colonies for the year 1886

1886, in duplicate;

2. These forms of the Circular above referred to were not received here until the 1st of February, and after I had already transmitted the Returns in the forms required by the Circular Despatch of the 14th of January 1879.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr

&c &c &c &c &c &c

No 53.

G. H. S. J. D.
18th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Audit Department, the accompanying Queries (Nos 4 & 5) with the answers thereto.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr

&c &c &c &c &c &c

No 54.

G. H. S. J. D.
18th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Audit Office, the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of March, together with supporting Vouchers & a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bart M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr.

&c &c &c &c &c &c

No 56.

G. H. S. 7. 9

Draft.

No 55

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands,

19th April 1887.

Sir

Nos	Dates
10 of	9th Feby 1887
to	to
15	19th March 1887.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin. on the 17th inst

Circulars

Feby 10th 1887
" 15th "
" 16th "
" 21st "
" 22nd "

Library
11th March 1887

Circulars Confidential
Feby 17th 1887
March 10th "

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

Sgd Ykerr.

Governor.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

No 56.

G. 44. S. 7. 9

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per S.S. "Iberia" via Punta Arenas -

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 20th *day of* April 1887

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
50.	16th April	Casualty Report, to Board of Trade, forwarding.	1.
51.	" "	Formation of International Copyright Union, respecting.	nil
52.	18th "	Annual Return of naval and military Resources of Colonies, transmitting.	2.
53.	" "	Queries with answers thereto, to the Audit Office, forwarding.	3.
54.	" "	Cash Accounts of Colony for months of March, to Audit Office forwarding -	1 separate
55.	19th "	Ack of Despatches.	nil.

SS. "Clark Kerr."
20/4/87.

No 56.

G. H. S. 7. 9
13th May 1887.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No 13 of the 18th march last, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Foreign Office and requesting me to furnish you with a duly legalised certificate of the death of the Austrian seaman a.m. Schofinick, I have the honour to forward herewith a duly legalised copy of the certificate of death as requested.

The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland. Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
Governor.

No 57.

G H. S. 7. 9
13th May 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Office, the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of April last, together with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

separate

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bart M P
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
&c &c &c.

No 58.

G-H. S. 7. 9.
13th May 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade, the Casualty Reports relating to the vessels named in the margin.

Vidstow Hill
Aphrodita

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bart M P
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
&c &c &c.

No 59.

G H. S. 7. 9.
19th May 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 11 of the 21st of February last on the subject of

of the appointment of Mr C. M. Dean as Vice-Consul for the United States of America at Port Stanley, and to inform you that I am not aware of any objection to this appointment and that I have recognised him in that capacity.

I have &c

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bart M.P.
&c &c &c

Sd J. Berr.
&c &c &c

No 60

G. H. S. I.
19th May 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 12 of the 7th of March last, transmitting for my information copies of letters from the Falkland Islands Co. and the Board of Trade on the subject of the duties of Shipping Masters, with reference to the masters of merchant Vessels when seamen are being engaged.

2 Mr Brooks, the Shipping Master at Port Stanley whose practice has been complained of by the Falkland Islands Company is absent from the Colony on leave but I have instructed the Acting Shipping Master to be guided in future by the information received from the Board of Trade as to the practise which prevails in the Mercantile Marine Offices of the United Kingdom in such cases.

I have &c

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

Sd J. Berr
&c &c &c

No 61.

G. H. S. I.
19th May 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 15 of the 19th of March last, informing me that as the Guarantee Society will incur no liability under Mr Brooks Bond No 87577 for £1400. during his absence from the Colony they have agreed to refund the last premium paid

2. Mr Jameson has given the necessary security in a Bond for £1400, with Mr J. S. Cobb, Manager of the Falkland

Falkland Islands Company and Mr C. M. Dean managing partner of the Mercantile House of J. M. Dean Sons as Sureties

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart. M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Rose.
&c &c &c

No 62.

G. H. S. I.
19th May 1887.

Sir,

With reference to queries Nos 4 & 5 from the Audit Department, which, with the replies thereto, were transmitted in my Despatch No 53 of the 28th of April last, to be forwarded, I have now the honour to transmit in duplicate, to be forwarded to the Audit office the annual account of this Colony for 1886, amended according to the instructions of that department, and an amended statement shewing the Excess of Expenditure under various Heads of service during 1886.

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The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bart MP
&c &c &c

I have &c.
Sgd J Rose
Governor

No 63.

G H S I
24th May 1887.

Sir,

In view of a desire which has been generally expressed by the inhabitants of this Colony that the advantages of the Parcels Post might be extended to them I have the honour to request that you will communicate with Her Majestys Post Master General on the subject of such an extension, should there be no objection to such a course.

The Rt Hon
Sir H T Holland Bart MP
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Rose
Governor

No 64.

G H S I.
23rd May 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a copy of a letter which I have received from the Accountant General

General of the Navy, having reference to the Vouchers for the Naval Pensioners Accounts forwarded in my Despatch No 7 of the 1st of January last.

2. In future I will transmit the Naval Pensioners Accounts in a separate Despatch, instead of sending them with those of the Military Pensioners, and will draw a Bill for Reimbursement on the Accountant General of the Navy.

I have &c
Sgd Y Rees
Governor

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bart M.P.
&c &c &c

No 65.

G.H. S 7 I
23rd May 1887.

25th April 1887
On the T.I. Company.
£110 .. 0 .. 0

25th April 1887
On the Treasurer Esqre
£130 .. 6 .. 6

23rd May 1887
On the Treasurer Esqre
£500 - 0 - 0
Total £740 .. 6. 6.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have forwarded by this opportunity to the Crown Agents for the Colonies the Bills of Exchange quoted in the margin, amounting to the sum of Seven hundred and forty pounds six shillings and six pence, to be placed to the credit of this Government.

I have &c
Sgd Y Rees
Governor

The Rt Hon
Sir H Y Holland Bart M.P.
&c &c &c

G. H.S.7.9

1887.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per S.S. "Setos".

via Monte Video.

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 24th *of* May *1887*

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
49.	16th April	Life Certificates of Pensioners, to Admiralty, forwarding.	2.
56.	13th May.	Certificate of death of A.M. Schwpinick for transmission to Foreign Office. forwarding.	1.
57	" "	Cash Accounts of Colony for month of April, to Audit Office. forwarding.	1 separate
58	" "	Casualty Reports to Board of Trade, forwarding.	2.
59	19th "	Appointment of Mr. C.M. Dean as US Vice Consul. concerning	nil.
60	" "	Practice of Shipping Masters with reference to engagement of seamen, concerning.	nil.
61.	" "	Security given by Acting Colonial Treasurer, concerning.	nil.
62.	" "	Amended Annual Account for for 1886, to Audit Office transmitting	4.

see over.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
63.	23rd May.	Extension of Parcels Post to Colony, concerning.	nil.
64	" "	Naval Pensioners accounts. concerning.	nil
65.	" "	Remittances to Crown Agents. reporting.	nil.

S.S. Mark Kerr

Private Secretary

24/5/87.

No. 66.

G. H. S. 7. 9

11th June. 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, a petition from Charles Williams, a naturalized Portuguese Trader and Tavern Keeper in Stanley, having reference to the sale of Crown Land.

2. The Petitioner has for some time been speculating in the purchase of land in Stanley, and from his command of money he outbids all competitors of moderate means. It was on account of his attempt to prevent a poor widow named Kelway from purchasing at auction a piece of land which formed the only access to her house that it became necessary to pass the Ordinance No 3 of 1886, which authorises the Governor in such cases to sell frontages, which form the only access to the adjacent lands, by private sale.

3. In the case of the petitioner these conditions do not exist. The Lots of land to which he refers are portions of a block of which the whole frontage is on Ross's Place — as shown in the plan (copied from the Official Survey) which accompanies this Despatch —.

4. The Lot marked A formed part of the land, granted in December 1885, as a site for a Church, and was enclosed with a substantial fence by the Church Building Committee, and when it was surrendered in the beginning of the present year, in exchange for another site, several applications were made to purchase it for building purposes, and, on considering the matter in Executive Council on the 21st of February last, it was decided to sell it by Auction at a reserved price of fifty pounds, and at the same time to offer the Lot, (marked B on the plan), of larger area, on the Eastern side of the block at a reserved price of £100 which was considered the minimum value of land in that locality, and notice was accordingly given that the sale would take place on the 22nd of March following.

5. In the meanwhile Mrs Dean suddenly offered the adjoining Lots, which had belonged to the late Mrs Wm Smyley, for sale by Auction. The sale took place on the 9th of

of march, and the petitioner, after a keen competition, purchased the two Lots. (marked C & D on the plan) containing together three roods, for the sum of £ 925. from which, after deducting the estimated value of two ruinous cottages — £ 500 — it appeared that he paid £ 425 for the land alone, which was at the rate of £ 566 per acre.

6. On the 22nd of march the Lots marked A & B were sold by Auction, and were purchased by the petitioner for £ 245, or at the rate of £ 490 per acre, a price much lower than he paid for the Lots on which these adjoin.

7. The petitioner has no real grievance, and his application is only an audacious attempt to obtain valuable land for less than the value which he would himself place upon it, and for which he could readily dispose of it, if he desired to do so.

8. Since the census of 1881 the population of Stanley has increased from 508 to 725 and the number of inhabited houses from 98 to 136. There are seven others building and land is wanted by several persons for building purposes. The value of land in all the central and eligible parts of the Town has risen considerably in value, and the old minimum price of £ 100 per acre is far exceeded.
There is no longer any Crown Land for sale, except in the outskirts of the Town; this will also increase in value should the population continue to increase.

9. I may add that Hebe Street, to which the Petitioner refers, has not yet been formed into a roadway — no houses having as yet been built there but is a rough hill of peat and quarry boulders. The frontages of all the Lots, and the positions of all the houses in that district are on Crozier Place and Ross Road.

I have &c
Sgd. J Kerr
Governor

The Rt Hon
Sir H T Holland Bt. M.P.
&c &c &c

No 67.

G. H. S. J. 9
11th June 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be returned to the Board of Trade, four Queries with the answers thereto.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
Governor.

The Right Hon^ble
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P
&c &c &c

No 68.

G. H. S. J. 9.
11th June 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Office, the Cash accounts of this Colony for the month of May last, together with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's cash Book.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
Governor.

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P
&c &c &c

No 69.

G. H. S. J. 9
13th June 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith an address of congratulation to Her Majesty the Queen on her having completed the fiftieth year of her reign, and to request that you will be so good as to present it to Her Majesty.

2. This address, although signed only by the Governor and members of the Executive & Legislative Councils, represents very truly the feeling of the inhabitants of this Colony, who are evincing their loyalty by their liberal contributions to the fund which is being raised, at the suggestion of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, for the formation of an Imperial Institute of the Colonies and India as a memorial of Her Majesty's Jubilee.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
Governor.

The Rt Hon^ble
Sir H. T Holland Bt. M.P.
&c &c &c

No 70.

G.H.S.F.I
18th June 1887.

Sir,

On the 29th of September last Sir Philip Cunliffe Owen wrote to the Governor of the Falkland Islands by the direction of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, forwarding a copy of the letter which H.R.H. addressed to the Lord Mayor of London, conveying a proposal for the formation of an Imperial Institute of the Colonies and India, as the memorial of Her Majesty's Jubilee, with his Lordship's reply thereto, and stating that H.R.H. had expressed a hope that this proposal would have the support of the Government and people of the Falkland Islands, and that he might receive in due time an assurance to that effect.

2. When this communication came into my hands I took measures to inform the Colonists of the proposal referred to, and requested Mr F.E Cobb, one of the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council to receive contributions to the fund which was being collected for the purpose of carrying it into effect.

3. Owing to the isolated position of the settlers in the Western Islands of the Group, and the difficulty of intercommunication, the progress of the collection has been very slow, but Mr Cobb has paid to me today the sum of Two hundred and twenty pounds as the amount of individual subscription which he has received down to this time. The Colonial Treasurer has taken over this sum as a Deposit and, I will feel obliged if you will authorise the Crown Agents for the Colonies to pay this sum over to the person authorised to receive it out of the funds of this Government in their hands as a repayment of deposits.

4. Although the sum remitted is in itself very small, I hope it will not be found relatively insignificant in comparison with the contributions of Her Majesty's Subjects in other parts of her dominions, as there are not more than three hundred inhabited houses in the Colony, and the poorest of the people have been equally earnest in their expression of loyalty to their Sovereign with those who are in better circumstances.

5. I.T.

5. It is probable that further contributions may come in from the outlying Islands, which I will remit as soon as I receive them.

The Right Hon.
Sir H T Holland. M P
&c &c &c.

I have &c
S^d. J Kerr
&c &c &c

N°71.

G. H. S. F. I.
18th June 1887

Sir.

With reference to your Circular Despatch of the last, I have the honour to return herewith, for transmission to the Board of Trade, the Statistical Abstract filled up as requested.

2. I also have the honour to enclose a copy of the tariff of Customs Duties.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H.T. Holland M P
&c &c &c

I have &c
S^d. J Kerr
&c &c &c

N°. 72

G. H. S. F. I.
18th June 1887.

Sir.

I regret to have to inform you of the death of Assistant Colonial Surgeon A.T. Anderson of the West Falkland district of this colony.

2. I heard a rumour of Dr Anderson's death more than a week ago, but I was only assured of it today by a letter from his widow, from which I find that he died on the 20th of May from lung disease, which is said to have been occasioned or accellerated by exposure to severe weather in an open boat in January last, when returning from visiting a patient on Beaver Island.

3. Dr Anderson has left a widow and several very young children, who are to leave West Falkland in the "Granville", a merchant steamer which is to sail direct for England without coming to Stanley.
I am informed that Mrs Anderson is in straitened circumstances and is returning to her father who is

Sheriff's

Sheriff's Clerk of Banffshire.

4. I have as yet had no communication from the Settlers in the West Falkland as to a successor to Dr. anderson.

I have &c.
Sgd. J. Kerr
Governor

The Right Hon.
Sir H T Holland Bt. M.P
&c &c &c

C. B. S. I. S.

No 7

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands,

19th June, 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin, on the 16th inst— by private Steamer — "Selembria"

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

Sgd. J. Kerr.

Governor.

Nos Dates.

16 of 23rd March
to to
21 of 2nd May.

Circulars

8th March 1887.
18th " "
23rd " "
24th " "
7th April (Secret)
" " "
" " "
15th "
29th "

Library

25th March. 22nd April.

Ack of Despatches 5th April.

The Right Honourable
The Secretary of State
for the Colonial Department.

G. H. S. Y. D.

No. 74

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands,

19th June 1887.

Nos	Dates.
22	12th May 1887
to	to
24	14th " "

Circulars.

April 29th 1887 (Secret)
May 6th " "
May 7th " "
May 13th " "

Ack of despatches 14th May 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin. on the 18th inst per SS. "Drudarah."

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

Signed

Governor.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

No 75.

Per S.S. "Dendarah" on 19th June 1887. G.H.S.Y.D.
Viâ Punta Arenas.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
66.	11th June	Petition of Charles Williams & report thereon, forwarding	3
67.	" "	Queries with answers thereto, for transmission to the Board of Trade, forwarding.	14
68	" "	Cash Accounts of Colony, for month of May, forwarding.	1 Separate
69	18th "	Address of congratulation to Her the Queen, forwarding	2.
70	" "	Contribution towards Imperial Institute, concerning.	—
71	" "	Statistical Abstract to Board of Trade, forwarding.	2.
72	" "	Death of Mr Anderson, reporting	—
73	" "	Ack of Despatches, containing	—
74	" "		

Sgd. Hankey
Private Secretary
19th June 1887.

No. 75.

G. H. S. F. I.
1st July 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a Report of the Quarterly Survey of the Colonial Chest made this day, and a Certificate of Quarterly Survey containing a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony for the Quarter ended on the 30th of June last.

2.

I have &c.
Sgd. J. Kerr
Governor.

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP
&a &c. &c.

No. 76.

G. H. S. F. I.
4th July 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Admiralty, the account current, with supporting Vouchers, for advances to Naval Pensioners for the Quarter ending 30th September 1887.

1st July 1887.
On the Accountant Genl of the Navy
£ 6.. 16.. 7

2. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin in repayment of the amount advanced.

I have &c.
Sgd J Kerr
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt MP
&c &c &c

No. 77.

G. H. S. F. I.
4th July 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the War Office the account current with supporting Vouchers for advances to Military Pensioners for the Quarter ending 30th September 1887

1st July 1887.
On the Paymaster General
£ 15.. 4.. 0

2. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin in repayment of the amount advanced.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr.
Governor.

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP
&c &c &c

No 78.

G.H.S.F.D.
4th July 1887

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade, an account current with supporting Vouchers for Disbursements on Account of Capse Pembroke Lighthouse, for the Quarter ended on the 30th June 1887.

30th June.
on the Assist Secy of the Board of Trade
£76..9..6

I have drawn the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin in repayment of the amount advanced.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.
&c &c &c.

I have &c.
Sgd J. Kerr.
Governor.

No 79.

G.H.S.F.D.
4th July 1887.

Sir.

Acct of Tools
Quarter ended 30th June
Acct of Oil consumed.
April. May. June
Acct of Stores.
April May June
Meteorological Register.
April, May June.

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade, the Lighthouse Returns & Meteorological Register sent in by the Lightkeeper at the Capse Pembroke Lighthouse, as detailed in the margin.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H.T. Holland Bt M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
Governor.

No 80.

G.H.S.F.D.
4th July 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the Account Current for Distressed British Seamen for the Quarter ended 30th June 1887.

I have instructed the Crown agents for the Colonies to pay to the Board of Trade the sum of £10..10..6, being the balance due, to be debited to this Government

The Rt Hon.
Sir H T. Holland. Bt. M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
Governor.

No 81.

G. H. S. F. I.

4th July 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of the minutes of the proceedings of the Executive and Legislative Councils for the half year ended on the 30th of June last.

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland. Bt. M.P
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J. Rose
Governor.

No 82.

G. H. S. F. I.

6th July 1887

Sir.

I have the honour to inform you that I have this day received, by a sailing vessel from Punta Arenas your telegraphic despatch instructing me to issue a Proclamation for the observance of the 21st of June last, and that the Queen desired to render thanks to almighty God for many mercies vouchsafed during her reign, and for the loyalty of her faithful subjects throughout her dominions.

2. This telegram was not received in route Video before the departure of the Rosmos Steamer "Denderah" with the mails for this Colony, and it was transmitted by the Argentine Consul, to the Agent of the Rosmos Company at Buenos Aires, at which port the "Denderah" called before proceeding to the Falkland Islands; but the Denderah had again sailed before it arrived and it was sent on to Punta Arenas by the first following steamer, and brought here by a casual vessel which was leaving that Port for the Falkland Islands soon afterwards.

3. I at once issued a Proclamation making known Her Majesty's gracious message as expressed above.

4. Her Majesty's Jubilee was celebrated in Stanley on the 20th of June. Special Divine Service was conducted by the Colonial Chaplain which

which I attended with the Officers of the Government, The Royal Standard was hoisted, a Royal Salute was fired from the Dockyard battery, and the principal Inhabitants were entertained at the Government House and united in expressing their loyalty and devotion to our beloved Sovereign and their hopes and wishes for a long continuance of her happy and beneficent reign.

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr
Governor.

The Right Hon
Sir H.T. Holland Bt. MP.

No 83.

G. H. S. F. D
7th July 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this opportunity to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, the Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of eleven hundred and eighty four pounds fourteen shillings and nine pence, to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c
Sgd J. Kerr
Governor.

18th June 1887
Falkland Island Comp.y
£ 220 . 0 . 0

1st July 1887.
Accountant Genl of the Navy
£ 6 . 16 . 7.

1st July 1887
H.M. Paymaster General.
£ 15 . 14 . 0

30th June 1887.
Asst Secy Board of Trade.
£ 76 . 9 . 6

6th July 1887.
J. M. Dean Esqre
£ 500 . 0 . 0

7th July. 1887
J. M. Dean Esqre.
£ 204 . 14 . 8.

4th July 1887
Falkland Islands Co.y
£ 161 . 10 . 0

Totals £ 1184 . 14 . 9.

The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.

No 84.

G. H. S. F. I.
July 8th 1887

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the audit office, the cash account of this Colony for the month of June last, with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt MP
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Rex
Governor.

No 85.

G. H. S. F. I.
12th July 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the Casualty Reports noted on the margin.

ss "Salem Inia"
"Star of Scotia"

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J. Rex
Governor.

No 86.

G. H. S. F. I.
13th July 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade, a copy of the proceedings at an Inquiry held before the Acting Police Magistrate and two nautical Assessors, concerning the loss of the British Barque "Star of Scotia" on the East Falkland Island on the 27th of June last

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Rex
Governor.

No 87.

G. H. S. F. I.
14th July 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your

Grant 238.

Map

your Despatch No 18 of the 23rd of April last, transmitting for my report thereon a copy of a letter from the Revd James Foran, relating to a grant to him in 1876 of certain land for a Roman Catholic Cemetery, and enclosing the Deed which I herewith return as directed.

2. By reference to a map — copied from the original Survey on record — which I enclose herewith, it will be seen that Lot 38 (coloured pink) is not an acre, as described in the Deed of Grant, but contains only one rood & 24 perches, being one of twelve lots of equal size, forming a block between James Street and the Ross Road, which are all occupied as sites for dwelling houses and gardens, except Lots 38 and 39, for the purchase of which, for similar purposes, repeated applications have been made.

3. Lot 38 is also close to several dwelling houses and it is therefore an improper situation for a Burial Ground. It is not enclosed, and it has never been occupied or taken possession of

4. When I spoke to the Revd Mr Foran concerning the grant, he informed me that he had not applied to Governor D'Arcy for it, and had no need for it as a cemetery, and that it was entirely a voluntary gift from the Governor on his leaving the Colony. I could find no record of the transaction in the Minutes of the Executive Council, or in the correspondence of the Governor with the Secretary of State, and I told him that the Grant was irregular and unnecessary as the present Cemetery was sufficient for all classes of the Inhabitants of Stanley, a special part of it having been used for the interment of some Roman Catholics.

5. The total number of Roman Catholics in Stanley at the time of the last Census was 87 out of a total population of 508, and there have been 30 burials of Roman Catholics in the last ten years, which number includes seamen and strangers, and bodies brought from distant Stations, the funeral services being usually performed by the Colonial Chaplain in the

the absences of a Roman Catholic Priest.

6. The Colonial Chaplain has been consulting me as to the expediency of framing Regulations to control interments in the Cemetery, as hitherto spaces for graves have been selected and enclosed at will, and a larger space of ground than is necessary has thus been appropriated. I have this subject under consideration, and I think it advisable to pass an Ordinance, on the lines of 10 and 11 Vic. c. 65, - and other Acts of Parliament relating to Burial grounds, - defining the situation and limits of the Cemetery, and appointing a Burial Board, to be responsible to the Governor in Council, with authority to grant exclusive right of Burial in particular parts of the Cemetery, and to receive payment for such, and for enclosing, and placing monuments or grave stones, according to a fixed scale, whereby a sufficient Revenue might be obtained to pay the cost of enclosing walls, and for other necessary purposes.

7. When the site of the Town of Stanley was surveyed on the establishment of the settlement, the space - of which the present Cemetery forms part - which is coloured green on the map, was laid out as a Reserve for a Church and Burial Ground and marked "Trinity Church Square". A portion of this space - about two roods - was enclosed at the time by a wooden fence and was the Burial Ground until 1879 when the area was increased to an acre by a Grant - a copy of which is enclosed - and it was then consecrated by the Bishop. In 1873-4 it was enclosed by a substantial wall, the cost of which was chiefly defrayed by subscriptions from all classes of the inhabitants and by the proceeds of public readings and other entertainments given for the purpose.

Grant 1879

8. For the last few years a small fund has been raised by annual subscriptions, to keep the walks and graves in order and a private Committee of the subscribers have voluntarily superintended the expenditure.

9. I propose to increase the area of the Cemetery

cemetery to the limits indicated by a red line on the map, which will enclose about four acres and a half, a space sufficient for all probable requirements; and a reasonable portion of it may be specially set apart for the members of the Roman Catholic Church if they wish it.

10. From my knowledge of the Revd Mr Foran I feel sure that, on this explanation being given to him, he will surrender the Deed which he refers to, which could not under any circumstances be of any value to him

11. I was not aware that Mr Darley had been applied to, or that he had expressed an opinion on this subject, with the circumstances of which he probably was not fully informed.

I have &c
Sgd. J. Rees
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP
&c &c &c

No 88.

G. H. S. I.
14th July 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 21 of the 2nd of May last, transmitting for my report thereon a copy of a letter from the Revd James Foran, having reference to a piece of land in Stanley which was purchased by the late Colonel D'Arcy, while Governor of the Colony, as a site for a Roman Catholic Chapel.

2. It is quite true that both Mr Foran and Mr C. Mc Dean have spoken privately to me concerning the transfer of the piece of land in question but it is a mistake to say that I have interfered in the matter, or refused to allow the transfer, which it did not appear to me that I had authority over.

3. On being requested by Mr Foran to advise him concerning the removal of the Chapel and of transferring the land from Colonel D'Arcy to Mr Dean I told him that as Colonel D'Arcy had purchased for

for himself Land of the Crown, which he was forbidden to do by the Royal Instructions, except by Special permission of the Secretary of State of which I could find no record, a question might be raised as to the validity of the sale, and that it would be better to make a formal application for the sanction of the Secretary of State. As this was only a private conversation and the parties took no further action, I felt a delicacy in taking the initiative in a matter affecting the act of one of my predecessors in Office. by communicating with the Secretary of State on the subject otherwise than by forwarding an application.

4. I transmit herewith copies of two Grants of land purchased by Colonel D'Arcy when Governor, No 209 is the Grant referred to by Mr Foran and it remains in Colonel D'Arcy's name, no transfer or assignment being on record at the Registry.

5. The other Grant, No 234. refers to two acres of Crown Land which Colonel D'Arcy sold to himself on the 20th of January 1876, and conveyed to Captain R.C. Packe on the 13th of May in the same year when he was leaving the Colony.

6. Should it appear to you that this irregularity cannot be cured by your subsequent sanction. it might be well, should you approve, to issue new Special Grants to the parties now in actual possession, so as to secure their titles.

7. It will be seen by reference to the Map which accompanies my Despatch No 87 of this date, that the piece of land now in question (86. C.) is part of the Space which surrounded the Public Well, and that a corresponding Lot (85. B.) is now in the possession of Mr C. M. Dean, having been sold about the same time, thus nearly shutting in the well, and contracting the adjoining street to a narrow lane, to the great inconvenience of the public. This, however, is now incapable of remedy.

I have &c

Sgd J. Kerr

The Right Honble
Sir H T. Holland Bt MP

&c &c &c &c &c &c

No 89.

G. H. S. F. D.
14th July 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 24 of the 14th of May last informing me that you had authorised the Crown Agents for the Colonies to comply with a requisition for post & rail fencing, the articles costing in the aggregate more £100-0-0 than one hundred pounds.

2. I regret that this unintentional irregularity should have occurred, but the information available here led me to believe that the cost would not have £60-0-0 exceeded Sixty pounds or at the most seventy £70-0-0 pounds, and I am sorry to find that the actual cost is so high.

I have &c
Sgd. T Rees.

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt, MP
&c &c &c

No 90

G. H. S. F. D.
14th July 1887.

Sir,

With reference to the proceedings of a Court of Inquiry concerning the Stranding of the British Barque "Star of Scotia" on Bull Point in the East Falkland and the loss of eight lives, which is transmitted in my Despatch No 86 of this date, to be forwarded to the Board of Trade, I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to bring to the notice of that Department the numerous casualties — in some instances attended with loss of life — which have occurred on and near that dangerous headland.

2. It has been suggested that a Lighthouse on Bull Point would probably prevent the occurrence of such disasters.

3. Bull Point is the South western extremity of the East Falkland, being on the East side of the entrance to Falkland Sound, which separates the

the two main Islands. The Point itself has an elevation of seventy feet and there is a hill about two and a quarter miles to the Westward with an elevation of sixty five feet, a light from either of these points would be visible to all vessels approaching the land from the southward. The position is laid down on a large scale in the Admiralty Chart No 1935.

4. Homeward bound sailing vessels, after rounding Cape Horn, pass to the southward of the Falkland Islands, and, in stormy weather, and in the long dark winter nights, they often inadvertently approach this dangerous coast, either, through errors in the compasses, or, from strong and uncertain currents setting towards the Falkland Sound, and between and around the Islands.

5. Seven ships and thirteen lives have been lost on or near Bull Point since 1880, besides the ship "Yarra Yarra" which was lost in that vicinity with all hands. There have also been numerous shipwrecks of older date of which I am unable to give an account.

6. The Argentine Government have recently erected a lighthouse on Staten Island, but that light is of no use to homeward bound sailing ships, and the furious tide rips in the vicinity of that Island would deter most shipmasters from passing near it.

7. As it is not vessels engaged in the trade of the Colony, but those passing by, which are endangered, the cost of putting up a lighthouse — should it be thought expedient to establish one — is a question solely for the consideration of the Board of Trade.

I have &c
Sgd. J. Kerr

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP
&c &c &c &c &c &c

No. 91

G. H. S. J. I.
15th July 1887

Sir,

With reference to my Despatch No. 72 of the 18th of June last, relating to the death of Dr. Anderson the late Assistant Colonial Surgeon for the West Falkland District, I have now the honour to transmit to you a copy of a letter which I have just received from Mr. Blake, the gentleman through whom the petition of the Inhabitants of the West Falkland Island for the appointment of a Surgeon was sent in in the first instance.

2. Although the fact was never directly brought to my notice I have heard that the late Surgeon was addicted to drinking, which accounts for Mr. Blake's request that his successor should be a person of strict sobriety.

3. Although it is requested that a married man may be appointed to the vacancy, it is not desirable that he should be a man with a large family, the cost of passages for a large party, as in the case of Dr. Anderson, being a heavy charge on the slender finances of the Colony.

4. I transmit herewith, in duplicate, the particulars of the vacancy, as required by Rule 74, as the Salary and emoluments of the Office £200-0-0 exceed Two hundred pounds a year.

The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.
&c. &c. &c.

I have &c.
Sgd. J. Kerr
Governor.

No. 92.

G. H. S. J. I.
18th July 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 23 of the 13th of May last, having reference to the absence of Mr. George Markham from the Senior unofficial Member of the Legislative Council from the Colony.

2. In

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per S.S. Varda. via Monte Video.

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 25th *day of* July 1887

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
75.	12th July 1887	Certificate of Quarterly Survey.	2.
76.	4th " "	Naval pensioners account, Quarter ending 30th September, 1887. forwarding.	1.
77	" " "	Military Pensioners Account, Quarter ending 30th September 1887. forwarding	1.
78.	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Accounts, Quarter ended 30th June 1887. forwarding.	1
79	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Returns, Quarter ended 30th June. forwarding.	1 Separate?
80	" " "	Distressed British Seamen's Account. Quarter ended 30th June, forwarding.	1.
81	" " "	Minutes of Executive and Legislative Councils. 1/2 year ending 30th June.	2.
82	6th " "	Telegraphic Despatch. concerning Jubilee of H.M. the Queen, acknowledging.	nil
83	7th " "	Transmission of Bills of Exchange noted for	"

See over.

No 91

G.H.S.J.D.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
84.	8th July 1887	Cash Accounts of Colony for month of June, forwarding	1 separate
(2) 86.	13th July 1887	Copy of proceedings of Court of Inquiry in loss of Barque "Star of Scotia," forwarding	1.
(1) 85.	13th July 1887.	Casualty Reports, for transmission to the Board of Trade, forwarding	2
87	14th " "	Report on the Revd I. Foran's letter relating to a Cemetery	3.
88	" " "	Report on the Revd I. Foran's letter, relating to a Roman Catholic Chapel	2.
89	" " "	Requisition for post & rail fencing, concerning	nil.
90.	" " "	Frequent Wrecks on Bull Point, concerning	"
91.	18th " "	Successor to Dr A.J. Anderson, appointment of concerning.	3.
92	" " "	Certificates of leave of absence granted to Mr G.H. Dean, forwarding	4.

Sgd Markham
24th July 1887.

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands,

13th August 1887

Secret

No. 94

Sir.

Circulars (Confidential)

May 17th 1887.

June 18th ..

.. 25th ..

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin. on this day.

Circulars (Secret)

May 18th 1887

June 8th ..

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

General (Secret)

June 6th 1887.

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

Governor.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands,

13th August 1887

No. 93

Nos. Dates

25 May 21st 1887 Sir

to to

30 July 2nd 1887

Circulars.

May 4th

" 10th

" 20th

" 21st

" 24th

" 25th

" 27th

" 30th

" 31st

June 1st

" 6th

" 28th

Library

May 25th June 13th

June 17th

Accounts. June 23rd

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin. on Thursday.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

S.P. Merr

Governor.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

2. In accordance with your instructions, leave of absence has been formally granted to Mr Dran by the Governor in Council for twelve months as from the 12th of March last, and I herewith transmit in duplicate the usual certificate of leave.

3. Mr Dran's address in London is I believe at the House of his Father Mr J. M. Dran.

Southampton House.
Lordship Road
Stokenewington
London.

The Rt Hon
Sir H.T. Holland
Bt MP
&c &c &c

I have &c
J.P. Y Ker
Governor.

No 95.

G.O.S.7.9

16th August 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for your consideration a proposal to establish a Government Savings Bank in this Colony.

2. A Savings Bank Ordinance was introduced by Governor D'Arcy in 1872, and passed by the Legislative Council on the 9th of May in that year; the Ordinance was disallowed for the reasons given by the Secretary of State in the Correspondence noted in the margin, from which, however, it appears, that an enactment based upon the provisions of the Jamaica Government Savings Bank Law No 20 of 1870, a copy of which was forwarded to the Governor by Lord Kimberley, might have been favourably considered, but, the method proposed by Governor D'Arcy in his second Despatch was one which, he was informed, could not be safely adopted.

Gov D'Arcy
to
Lord Kimberley
No 16. 15th May 1872

Lord Kimberley
to
Gov D'Arcy
No 75. 5th Sept 1872

Gov D'Arcy
to
Lord Kimberley
No 51 9th Nov 1872

Lord Kimberley
to
Gov D'Arcy
No 18. 30th May 1873.

3. In July 1884 the Colonial Chaplain,—who is Inspector of the Government Schools in Stanley—after conferring with me on the subject, and in order to encourage and incite early habits of thrift, opened a penny Savings Bank for the children of the

the Schools having first made an arrangement to lodge the money invested as Savings with Messrs J. M. Dean & Sons, Merchants in Stanley, who agreed to pay interest at the rate of 2½ p% per annum until £500. the sum deposited exceeded Five hundred Pounds.

4. This experiment has proved so successful that in less than three years upwards of eight £800. hundred pounds have been deposited, and the balance in Messrs Deans hands in the beginning of June £520. last exceeded Five hundred and twenty pounds.

5. On receiving a formal report on this subject from the Colonial Chaplain — a copy of which I transmit herewith — I considered in Executive Council the expediency of establishing a Government Savings Bank, as a means of developing the initiatory effort which had been made, and of extending its benefits to the working classes generally.

6. The only difficulty which occurred to me was that of remitting money to England for investment, but it was represented that the local merchants were under the necessity of importing large sums in specie to meet the demands on them in the Colony, that it would be to their interest to obtain from the funds of the Savings Bank all the money which they required for themselves and for the Sheep farmers, for which they would give Bills of Exchange at par, payable to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, and that, as a matter of mutual benefit, they were in favour of the Establishment of the proposed Savings Bank.

7. In the event of your signifying your approval of such a course, I propose to introduce an Ordinance similar in most respects to that in operation in Jamaica, which I observe by the recent report on the Blue Book for that Colony is working successfully, and without entailing any expense on the Government.

8. The scanty population of the Falkland Islands, and the peculiar circumstances of the Shepherds and

and labourers on the distant Stations, as well as the length of time necessary for making remittances and forwarding notices to England are conditions which have to be considered in the preparation of such an Ordinance.

9. The artizans and labourers in Stanley are paid monthly, and, as the rate of wages is high, the possession of a comparatively large sum is a temptation to intemperance which might, and no doubt would, in many cases be resisted if, at the time of receiving their wages, they could at once deposit a portion of the money in a Savings Bank.
The Shepherds and labourers on the sheep farms are paid at the end of the shearing season by orders on the merchants in Stanley and they usually receive the amount which they have earned during the year in one sum; They are often decoyed by worthless associates and Tavern Keepers, and, once intoxicated, spend or lose all their money in a few days. I have heard of more than £100 being thrown away thus by by one man in less than a week. These men would probably in most cases deposit part of their earnings in a Savings Bank before being overcome by temptation to drink.

10. Those who are thrifty hoard their savings in their dwellings, where it is non-productive and unsafe, and this is said to account for the constant withdrawal of gold coins from circulation

11. I transmit herewith a rough draft of such an Ordinance as I propose, for your approval, and I shall await your instructions before taking any further action.

I have &c
Sgd. J Rees.
&c &c &c

The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland bt K.C.
&c &c &c

No 96.

G.H.S.7.9
17th August 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a certificate of an examination of the funds in the Colonial Chest of this Colony which I caused to be made this day without previous notice.

I have &c
Sgd. T Kerr

The Right Honble.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt MP
" " "

No 97.

G.H.S 7.9.
20th August 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith for your consideration and instructions, a copy of an application from Mr Brooks to Lieutenant Gov. Bushby that he might be permitted to occupy free of rent, the Government premises known as the East Wing of the Courthouse, in which he resided.

2. Mr Brooks applied to me on his arrival in the Colony for permission to occupy these premises free of rent, but he was informed that neither as Colonial Secretary nor as Police Magistrate was he entitled to free quarters.

3. The Annual Blue Books show that no official — except the Chaplain, and more recently the Schoolmaster — has been allowed to occupy Government premises free of rent;

4. In 1875. Mr Smith, the Stipendiary Magistrate, who at that time occupied the same premises, applied to Governor D'Arcy to have them rent free, but, on the application being referred to the Secretary of State, the Governor was directed to inform Mr Smith that his request could not be complied with.

Gov D'Arcy to Lord Carnarvon No 53. 1st Oct 1875

Lord Carnarvon to Gov D'Arcy No 31. 24th Nov 1875

5. On reference to the Cash Account of the Colony I find that the following Stipendiary Magistrates paid rent to the Government:- Mr Montague, 1850 to 1854. £40 a year; Mr Brook 1855 to 1860 £26. Mr Griffith

Griffith 1865 to 1872 £24 and Mr Smith 1873 to 1876 £24; there is no record concerning Mr Goodlake except in the Blue Book, which states that he was not allowed quarters.

6. On the premises becoming vacant by Mr Smiths removal they were rented by the Revd Mr Foran at £16 a year until the end of 1881, when Mr Collins, the Colonial Treasurer, took them immediately before his arrest, after which I allowed Bishop Sterling the temporary use of them during a short visit to the Colony, and when Mr Green arrived he also occupied them free of charge for a short period, on condition of his paying the expense of some repairs and alterations which were needed, after which he would have had to pay rent.

7. Mr Brooks has paid rent at the reduced rate on which the premises were held by Mr Foran, which, as the structure is wood, and very old, is scarcely more than is sufficient to keep it in good repair.

8. I do not think that Lieut.nt Governor Barkly had been made acquainted with the circumstances related above when he made a minute complying with the request made by Mr Brooks and I shall await your decision with regard to it

I have &c

The Rt Hon
Sir H.T. Holland Bt MP

Sgd J Rees

&c. &c. &c.

&c &c &c

No 9.

G. H. S. 7. 9.

20th August 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch ("Accounts") of the 25th of June last, transmitting the Statements furnished by the Crown agents for the Colonies exhibiting the state of the balances in the Accountants hands this Colony for the 4 quarters ending 31st of March last.

2. These statements have been compared with the Accounts sent direct to the Colony by the Crown agents and are found to be correct.

I have &c

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP.

Sgd. J Rees

No 99.

G. A. S 7. 9

22nd August 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Department the accompanying Query (No 1) with the answer thereto.

I have &c

The Right Hon
Sir H. J. Holland Bt MP

Sgd J. Rees

&c &c &c

&c &c &c

No 100.

G. A. S. 7. 9

23rd August 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit office the cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of July last, with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

separate

The Right Hon
Sir H J. Holland Bt. MP

I have &c

Sgd. J. Rees

&c &c &c

&c &c &c

No 101.

G. A. S. 7 9.

August 23rd 1887.

6th August 1887
£ 77 . 3 . 2
on Board of Trade

6th August 1887
£ 44 . 12 . 0
on the Accountant
General of the Navy
£ 121 . 15 . 2.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this opportunity to the Crown Agents for the Colonies the Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of One hundred and twenty one pounds fifteen shillings and two pence to be placed to the Credit of this Government.

The Right Hon
Sir H J. Holland Bt. MP.

I have &c

Sgd. J Rees

&c &c &c

&c &c &c &c

No 102.

G.H.S.7.9

24th August 1887

Despatches sent per SS "Selembria" on the 24th day of August 1887.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
93.	13th August	Acknowledgement of Despatches	nil
94	" "	—— Do ——	"
95.	16th "	Establishment of a Government Savings Bank, relative to.	2
96	17th "	Certificate of Surprise Survey, forwarding	1.
97	20th "	Occupation of Quarters free of rent by Police Magistrate, concerning	1.
98	" "	Crown Agents to Quarterly balances, concerning	nil
99	22nd "	Answered Query to Audit Office returning.	1.
100	23rd "	Cash Accounts of Colony for months of July, forwarding.	1 separate.
101.	" "	Remittances to Crown Agents, notifying.	nil
102	24th "	Acknowledgement of Despatch relating to Blue Book Report for 1886	nil
103	" "	Distressed British Seamans Account, forwarding.	1.

Sgd Markham
Private Secretary
24th August 1887.

No 102.

G. H. S 7. 9

24th August 1887

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No 22 of the 12th. of May last, I have the honour to thank you for the favourable opinion you were good enough to express with reference to my administration of the Government of this Colony - which I am happy to find accords with the previously expressed opinion of Lord Derby in acknowledging the receipt of my report on the Blue Book for 1886.

2. I trust that I do not take too great a liberty under the circumstances in expressing a hope that you may be able during the changes of administration in Colonial Governments which are likely soon to take place to transfer me, by promotion, to the Government of a more important Colony in a more genial climate.

3. I made a similar application personally to your predecessor in office before my departure from England on the extension of my term of Administration here, which, I was assured, would not be continued beyond the first opportunity which offered for my promotion.

I have &c

The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.

&c &c &c

Sgd. T Rees

&c &c &c

No 103

G. H. S. 7 2

24th August 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade, the Account of this Government with that Department for Expenditure on behalf of Distressed British Seamen during the months of July last, together with the supporting Vouchers.

£77. 3. 2. 6th August 1887 to the Board of Trade

2. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange quoted in the margin in repayment of these advances.

I have &c

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.

Sgd. T Rees.

&c &c &c

No. 104.

G.H.S.7.9

1st September 1885.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, a petition from Mrs E. Anderson, widow of the late Assistant Colonial Surgeon for the West Falkland Island praying that she may be allowed the cost of the passage of herself and her children from the West Falkland to England.

2. In my despatch No. 72 of the 18th of June last, I stated that Mrs Anderson had arranged to leave the West Falkland direct for England in the merchant steamer Granville, but it turned out that she could not obtain a passage by that vessel and she was obliged to come with her children to Stanley, where she remained until the 24th of August when she embarked with her children in the Steamer "Selembria" for London leaving the petition, which I now transmit, to be forwarded to you.

3. While Mrs Anderson was in Stanley she received intelligence of the death of her Father, to whom she had intended to return, and she left the Colony in great sorrow and distress.

4. The cost of Mrs Andersons passage to London, inclusive of her passage from the West Falkland to Stanley is, I am informed, fifty four pounds £54

5. Should you find it possible — under the distressing circumstances of the case — to sanction the payment of Mrs Anderson's return passage out of the funds of this Colony, the Crown agents for the Colonies might be instructed to pay it to her at her address which was to be that of her Mother, 44 High Street Banff.

The Rt Hon
Sir H.T. Holland. Bt, MP.

I have &c
Sgd J Ker

&c &c &c &c &c &c

No. 105.

G.H.S.7.9.

1st September 1885.

Sir

I have the honour to inform you that I have appointed

D:

Dr. Walter Francis Dale – the Surgeon who is employed by the Falkland Islands Company for the Darwin district – to be Coroner for the Darwin and in the Camp Districts in the East Falkland Island.

2. This office was formerly held by Dr. Newton, there is no salary attached to it, but there is a fee of two guineas £2-2-0 for each Inquest. These are of rare occurrence, one case in every three years has hitherto been the average.

The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt M.P.

I have &c.
Sgd J Rees

&c &c &c

No 106

G.H. S 7 0.

13th September 1887.

Sir

Secretary of State to Lieut Governor Hornby No 11. 21st April 1886

Lieut Governor Hornby to Secretary of State No 64. 21st June 1886.

Secretary of State to Lieut Governor Hornby No 12. 13th October 1886

Referring to correspondence noted in the margin on the subject of Supplementary Appropriation Ordinances for 1884, and 1885, I have the honour to transmit herewith, two manuscript copies of an Ordinance which has been passed by the Legislative Council, for the purpose of legalising the payments in excess of the amounts provided for by the appropriation Ordinances in each of the years 1884, 1885 and 1886. The Ordinance is numbered 2 of 1887 and is intituled an Ordinance to make further provision for the Service of the Colony for the years 1884, 1885 and 1886.

2. I trust that this Ordinance will be approved by you, and that it will receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance.

The Right Honble
Sir H. T. Holland Bt M.P.

I have &c.
Sgd J Rees

&c &c &c

No 107.

G.H. S. 7. 9

13th September 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith two manuscript copies of Ordinance No 3 of 1887, being an Ordinance to provide

provide for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1888 as well as two copies of the Estimates which accompany the Ordinance.

2. As no expense of an unusual nature is comprised in the Estimates for 1888, it is unnecessary that I should make any remarks respecting them; I trust that they will meet with your approval and that the Ordinance will receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance.

3. The passing of this Ordinance has been delayed beyond the regular period in consequence of the absence from Stanley of the only unofficial member of Council at present in the Colony, and of the long and continued illness of the only printer in the Colony, on which latter account, I will be glad if you will give instructions to the Crown Agents to have one hundred copies of the Ordinance printed in England for the use of this Government, as well as one hundred copies of the supplementary Appropriation Ordinance No 2 of 1887 transmitted in my Despatch No 106 of this date.

The Right Honble
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP
&c &c &c

I have &c
S? J Rees.
&c &c &c

Rent Roll P.S. The rent Roll of the Colony for 1888 is also transmitted herewith

S? J.Rees.

No 108.

124 BOOK 22

G. 44. S. 79
19th September 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I am sending — by the mail steamer which is about to sail with the direct homeward mail — to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, a sample of water from the Government Reservoir in Stanley with a request that it may be forwarded to Dr Percy F. Frankland for Analaysis and for a report from him as to its fitness for use as drinking water, or otherwise.

2. There has lately been a great deal of agitation with reference to the use of this water for the consumption of the

A copy of analysis noted in Engineers notes to 24 W. GW.

the Inhabitants of Stanley, and for supplying vessels in the Port.

3. The Reservoir was constructed in 1844. It is supplied from a stream flowing from the peat bog, which covers all the high ground to the southward of the Town. The stream becomes a torrent after heavy rain or melting snow, but it is ordinarily a very small trickling stream which nearly disappears in very dry weather. The water has a brownish tinge from the peat, but it has never, until quite recently, been spoken of as impure and unwholesome. The water does not enter the Reservoir directly from the stream but by percolation through a mass of rough stones and sand, and the flood water passes by in a trench which leads directly to the shore.

4. The Reservoir was built with a view to the supply of water to the shipping, and for that purpose a pipe connected with a sluice valve leads the water to the end of a watering Jetty where boats and barges are supplied, through a hose, by gravitation. The Inhabitants of the Town are chiefly supplied by the collection of rain water from the roofs of the houses, and from a few small surface wells on private land, in situations a little above the sealevel, and, only in very dry weather, do they resort to the Reservoir, which at such seasons is open to them at certain hours, when a police officer attends to prevent careless pollution of the water.

5. The Reservoir water has been constantly supplied to the shipping to the extent of 100,000 to 140,000 gallons a year, which has yielded a Revenue of from £50 to £70 a year.

6. In December 1885 I appointed Colonial Surgeon Hamilton, Assistant Colonial Surgeon Houston and Mr. Cobb, R.E. under a commission, to enquire into, and report on, the Sanitary condition of Stanley. In their Report – which was forwarded to the Secretary of State in my Despatch No 29 of the 1st March 1886 – they recommended that the Reservoir – in which some sediment had accumulated – should be cleaned out, and this was done immediately afterwards.

7. In April 1886, an Ordinance was passed

constituting a Board of Health, of which the Colonial Surgeon is, ex officio President, and assumes the guidance of the Board in all matters of Hygiene.

8. On the 6th of July 1886, the Colonial Surgeon reported to Lt Governor Barkly a recommendation of the Board that the Reservoir should be cleaned and drained every six months. The correspondence noted in the margin ensued in which the Lt Governor requested the Colonial Surgeon to furnish full particulars as to the impurities which he found in specimens of water sent him from the Reservoir, to which after some delay, he replied that he had found by Chemical Analysis. certain impurities viz: an excess of peaty matter, 5 grs of Chlorine and a weak trace of Organic matter, and concluded by stating that he did not consider the water bad.

President Bd of H. to Lt Governor 6th July 1886

Col Secty to President Bd of H. 17th July 1886

President Bd of H. to Col Secty 22nd July 1886

Colonial Secty to President Bd of H. 24th July 1886

9. In march last I received from Mrs G Leane C.E. of 21 St Annes Gate, Westminster, specifications of a patent process for the purification of water on a large scale by filtration through shale Carbon — a process which I was led to hope might be used with advantage in improving the quality of the Reservoir water, I placed the correspondence in the hands of the President of the Board of Health for the consideration of the Board, and about the same time I was requested by him to forward two samples of the water to England for analysis.

President Bd of H. to Act Col Sec'y 28th March 1887

10. In sending these samples to the Crown Agents I requested them to allow Mrs Leane to be made acquainted with the results of the analysis, as a guide to him — should I find it expedient to adopt this process — as to the quantity of Carbon and size of filter which would be required.

Acting Col Secty to Crown Agents 30th March 1887

11. The Analysis was made by Mr. Alfred Gibson F.C.S. who reported on it, through Mrs Leane, and the Analysis and Report, which I received through the Crown Agents in due course were at once forwarded to the ~~Board of Health~~ Colonial Surgeon for the information of the Board of Health.

12. At

Enclosed is from Minutes of Bd of Health 1st Sept 1887

12. At a meeting of the Board on the 6th September last the President laid Mr Gibsons Report and Analysis before them, at the same time condemning the water in the strongest terms and declaring that no filtration would make it wholesome. On this Mr Cobb called attention to the Presidents own Report on the water to Mr Bartley in which he stated that he did not consider it bad, and to this the President replied that undue pressure had been brought to bear upon him when he wrote that letter.

13. When the minutes of the meeting were sent to me and I observed the above statement, I requested Dr Hamilton to explain the nature of the pressure which had caused him to make an incorrect Report to Mr Bartley. His reply to this being very vague and inexplicable, he was again applied to, and his last reply, which I have only received to day, he gives no intelligible explanation.

Act Col Secy to President Bd of H. 15th Septem ber 1887

President Bd of H. to Act Col Secy 16th September 1887

Act Col Secy to President Bd of H 17th Septem ber 1887

Colonial Surgeon to Act Col Secretary 18th September 1887

14. In consequence of the effect which Dr Hamiltons vehement condemnation of the water has had upon the Public, I have issued a notice, at the request of the Board of Health, warning persons against the use of the water, and I have adopted the suggestion that a fresh sample of the water shall be sent for analysis, as stated in the first paragraph of this Despatch

15. I must confess that after the contradictory opinions expressed by Dr Hamilton, and from the view I take of the nature of Mr Gibsons Analysis and Report, I do not personally concur in the opinion that the water is bad and unfit for use, but I shall await the Report of Dr Frankland on the subject; and in the meanwhile proceed to empty the Reservoir for the purpose of putting in a new sluice valve which I have procured, and of paving and lining it with cement and concrete to preserve any pure water which may be obtained in the future from contamination by infiltration from the surrounding soil.

16. I have requested the Crown Agents to apply to Mr Gibson for a more distinct expression of opinion

opinion as to the quality of the water analysed by him.

3 17. I transmit herewith copies of all the correspondence and enclosures referred to in the margin.

I have &c
Sgd. T Rees

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.

&c &c &c &c &c &c

No 109.

G. H. S 7 9.
19th September 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Cash Accounts of the Colony for the month of August last, together with a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book with supporting Vouchers

separate

I have &c
Sgd. T Rees

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt MP

&c &c &c &c &c &c

No 110.

G. H. S 7 9.
19th September 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have transmitted by the present mail, to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, the two Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting together to Five hundred pounds, to be placed to the credit of this Government.

15th Sept 1887 £300-0-0 on London drawn &c

15th September 1887 £200-0-0 on London drawn &c

I have &c
Sgd. T Rees

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. MP

&c &c &c &c &c &c

No 111

G. H. S 7 9
19th September 1887.

Sir,

£220. Referring to my Despatch No 70 of the 18th June last, in which I stated that the sum of Two hundred and twenty pounds had been paid to me as a contribution from the Inhabitants of this Colony to the Imperial Institute fund, I have now the honour to inform you that I am transmitting by this mail a draft

draft on the Falkland Islands Company in London for the

Despatches received from the Sec State by the Kosmos SS Lusar
12th February 1886

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
1	1st January 1886	Transmitting extract of letter for report	1
2	9th " "	With reference to sales of land by special grant	
3	" " "	Notifying appointment of H.C.S. Barkly Esq as Lieut Governor	
Circular	4th Dec	1885 Respecting Regulation on Vaccination Licence	
do	5th "	" Transmitting Act relating to taking evidence by Commissioners	1
do	28th "	" " correspondence on International Sanitary Conference	
do	29 "	" Respecting Extradition from United States	
do	30 "	" Reporting Cholera at Trieste & Venice	
Library	" "	" Notifying transmission of Parliamentary papers	

Confidential 23rd Dec 1885 respecting leave of absence

1	"	"	August forwarding	Separate
110	"	"	Remittances to Crown Agents notifying	ment.
111	"	"	Fund for Imperial Institute, further subscriptions to, forwarding.	1.
112.	26th	"	Printer for service of Colony. Having reference to.	

Sgd. Markham
26th September 1887.

draft on the Falkland Islands Company in London for the

FALKLAND ISLANDS. Per SS Thelen
Vià Monte Video.

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 26th *day of* September 1887.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
104.	12th Sept	Petition from Mrs Anderson, forwarding	2.
105.	" "	Appointment of Mr Dale as Coroner for Darwin District, notifying	nil.
106.	13th "	Ordinance No 2 of 1887, transmitting for confirmation and assent	2.
107	" "	Estimates for 1888 and Ordinance No 5 of 1887 transmitting for confirmation & assent	5.
108	19th "	Transmission of water for analysis concerning.	3
109	" "	Cash a/c of Colony for month of August, forwarding	1 Separate
110	" "	Remittances to Crown Agents notifying	nil.
111	" "	Fund for Imperial Institute, further subscriptions to, forwarding.	1.
112.	26th "	Printer for service of Colony. Having reference to.	

Sgd. Marksen
26th September 1887.

draft on the Falkland Islands Company in London for the
£ 45. sum of Thirty five pounds as a further contribution to
that Fund.

2. The total amount of the contributions from
the Inhabitants of the Falkland Islands is two
£ 255. hundred and fifty five pounds, which represents two
2/-.10d shillings and ten pence for each unit of the population,
now estimated at 1000.

3. I transmit herewith a copy of the subscription
list to be available, if required, for publication

The Right Hon
Sir H.T. Holland Bt M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J Kerr.
&c &c &c

No 112.

G H.S 7 9
26th September 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will be authorise the Crown Agents for the Colonies to procure if possible a printer for the Service of this Colony.

2. The only printer in the Colony is an old military pensioner, who for the last few months has been unable to work from incurable disease.

3. There is not enough of printing work to give constant employment to a printer, but as there will shortly be a vacancy in the Police force, it will be possible to combine the duties of Police Constable and Printer, if a suitable person can be found.

4 The arrangement under which the Police Constables are employed is, that when not on duty their services are to be available for any other Public work for which they are fitted at the rate of four shillings a day when so employed, in addition to their pay of £60 a year, a house and garden, and uniform clothing, and thus in the case of a printer would make his gross income £100 per annum.

5. I wrote a private letter to Sir H. Holland on this subject and he informs me that with your consent he thinks he can procure a suitable person who should be sent out as soon as possible.

I have &c,
Sgd J. Kerr.

The Rt Hon
Sir H.T. Holland Bt. M.P.

No 113.

G. A. S. 7. 9.

4th October 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Office, the Cas Account of this Colony for the month of September last, together with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurers Cash Book.

separate

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees

No 114.

G. A. S. 7. 9.

4th October 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a Report of the Quarterly Survey of the funds in the Colonial Chest made on the 1st of October instant; and a Certificate of Quarterly Survey, containing a statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony for the Quarter ended on the 30th September last.

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The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees

No 115.

G. A. S. 7. 9.

4th October 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade, an account current with Supporting Vouchers for Disbursements on account of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse for the Quarter ended on the 30th September 1887.

30th September
Assistant Secty
Board of Trade
£76-9-6

2. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin in repayment of the amount advanced.

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees

No 116.

G. H.S. 7.9.

4th October 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Board of Trade, the Account shewing the Expenditure of Oil and Stores at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, during the Quarter ended 30th September 1887.

I have &c.

The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P

&c &c &c

8rd T. Rees.

&c &c &c

No 117.

G. H.S 7 9.

4th October 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade the account current for distressed British Seamen for the Quarter ended 30th September 1887.

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2. I have instructed the Crown Agents for the Colonies to pay to the Board of Trade the sum of Seven pounds one shilling and seven pence, being the Balance due, to be debited to this Government.

£7.1.7.

I have &c.

The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P

&c &c &c

8rd T. Rees.

&c &c &c

No 118.

G. H. S 7 9

11th October 1887

30th September 1887
Asst Sec? Board of Trade
£ 76 . 9 . 6

14th October 1887
Or H.M. Paymaster Genl.
£ 15 . 4 . 0

14th October 1887.
To the Account Genl of the Navy.
£ 6 . 16 . 7.
£ 98 . 10 . 8.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this mail the Bills of Exchange noted in the margin amounting in the aggregate to the sum of ninety eight pounds ten shillings and one penny to be placed to the credit of this Government.

I have &c

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P

&c &c &c

8rd T. Rees

&c &c &c

No 119.

G. H. S. 7. 9.
17th October 1887.

Query No 2 Sec.
Query 8/1887.
p/s Sept 8/1887.

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Board of Trade, the accompanying Query with the answer thereto.

The Rt Hon
Sir H. J. Holland Bt MP
&c &c &c

I have &c
Sgd J. Ren.
&c &c &c

No 120. (vide Lithographic Despatch).

No 121.

G. H. S. 7. 9.
15th October 1887

Sir

I have the honours to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 37 of the 15th of September last with a copy of a correspondence with the Crown Agents for the Colonies having reference to the employment of Harold Millett as Printer and Police Constable in this Colony.

2. Harold Millett arrived here on the 16th inst and is now at work as a Printer; he will be enrolled as a Police Constable on the 24th instant when a vacancy will occur by the retirement of one of the Constables.

3. You will have been informed by my Despatch No 112 of the 26th of September last — in which I applied to you to authorise the employment of a Printer — that my Private letter to Mr Blake was in the nature of an enquiry to be followed by an application to you in the event of a favourable reply.

4. The appointment involves no increase in the expenditure of the Colony.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. J. Holland Bt MP
&c &c &c.

I have &c
Sgd J. Ren
&c &c &c

No 120.

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands,

17th October 1887

Nos 30 2nd July 1887

to

No 37 10th September 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin. on the 16th inst.

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

S&G. J. Rees.

Governor.

General.

26th August 1887.

Circulars.

8th July 1887.
23rd " "
30th " "
6th August "
13th " "
16th " "

Circulars (Secret.

29th July 1887.
19th August "
23rd " "

Library

20th July. 27th July.
7th September.

Ack. Despatches 9th August & 10th Sept.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

Per S.S. "Ibis" via Punta Arenas.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
113.	4th October 1887.	Cash Accounts of Colony for month of September, forwarding.	1 Separate
114.	" " "	Certificate of Quarterly Survey to Audit Office, forwarding.	1.
115	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Accounts September Quarter, forwarding.	1.
116	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Oil and Store Account; forwarding.	1.
117	" " "	Destressed British Seamens Account September Quarter, forwarding.	1.
118.	11th " "	Remittances to Crown Agents. notifying.	nil.
119	17th " "	Answered Query to Board of Trade, forwarding.	1.
120	" " "	Ack of Despatches.	nil.
121	18th " "	Appointment of H. Millett as Govt. printer, & arrival in Colony, reporting.	"
122	" " "	Repairs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, concerning. Sgd. Markham. 19th October 1887	3.

No 123.

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands.

15th November 1887

SIR,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Department, the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of October. last, together with Supporting Vouchers, and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

separate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Your Most Obedient,
Humble Servant.

Sgd. J Kerr.

Governor.

The Right Honourable
The Secretary of State
for the Colonial Department.

No. 124.

Government House,

Stanley,

15th November 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade a Casualty Report relating to the British Ship "Talisman".

"Talisman"

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant,

Sd J. Rose.

Governor.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

No 122.

G. H. S. 7. 9.

18th October 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to state for the information of the Board of Trade, that in consequence of the Lightkeeper at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse having reported that certain repairs were necessary to secure the foundations of the tower and outbuildings, I requested him to furnish an Estimate of the probable cost, and, on his delaying to do so, I issued a Public Notice calling for tenders for the performance of the necessary work which is represented as urgent.

2 I transmit a copy of the Lightkeeper's report as also copies of the only two tenders which I have received and I have decided to accept that of John Slade, who is
£ 29. an experienced mason, for twenty nine Pounds, which includes all the materials which will be required, and to this must be added the cost of placing the materials
£ 5. on the spot which will probably amount to five pounds
£ 34. more, or Thirty ~~four~~ four pounds in all

3 As it is necessary that the work should be proceeded with early in the season, I trust that my action in the matter may be approved of as it would be too late should I wait for a formal Sanction before commencing it.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees
" " "

The Rt Hon.
Sir H T Holland Bart M.P.
&c &c &c

No 125

G H S 7 9

15th November 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 31 of the 22nd of August last, having reference to the petition forwarded to you from Mr Charles Williams in my Despatch No 66 of the 11th of June last, and asking for an explanation of the reason for selling the strip of land taken from Fibre Bay Road by private contract instead of by Public Auction.

2. The

2. The Lots of land forming the blocks between Crozier Place and Fitz Roy Road as well as those between John Street & Fitz Roy Road, have in many cases been subdivided since the original purchase of the land from the Government, so that many of the parties now in possession have come to have frontages on the Fitz roy Road only, and, after the passing of the Town Lands Ordinance of 1886, it was decided by the Lieut Governor Executive Council in Council to sell the portions of the strips of Fitz roy road to the adjacent owners by private contract at £100. 0. 0 the rate of One hundred Pounds per acre

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt MP

I have &c
Sd/ J. Ross

&c &c &c. &c &c &c

No 126

GHS 71
15th November 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 32 of the 22nd of August last, transmitting to me for my report, with reference to my Despatch No 65 of the 23rd of May last, a copy of a letter from the General Post Office on the subject of the parcel post proposed to be established between England and this Colony.

2. As some risk, and probably much difficulty would attend the transmission of parcels by way of Punta Arenas, it would I think be better to confine the operation of the parcels Post to the steamers leaving Dartmouth every alternate month for the Falkland Islands, and to the steamers leaving the Falkland Islands every alternate month on the homeward voyage viâ Monte Video.

3. I did not expect that the Rosario Company would have made any charge for including parcels with the Ordinary mails, considering the large subsidy paid to them by this Government in proportion to the actual weight ~~of the~~ and Bulk of the mails which they carry.

4. The

4. The average weight of the mail is 444 pounds for each outward voyage, and 43 pounds for each homeward voyage, which comes to a little more than two and a half tons in the year; the proportion of letters being about one fifth and the newspapers and book post parcels about four fifths of the whole.

5. The mail subsidy of £1000 a year is equal to one pound for each unit of the population, and the profits derived by the Rosmos Company from freight and passengers is very considerable.

6. Should a sea rate of three pence per lb be paid, the Rosmos Steamers would be required to call at Dartmouth on every homeward voyage to land the Parcel mail, and the carriage of that mail would be confined to the steamers of that line.

7. Under these circumstances this Government would, with your approval, accept the second proposition of the Postmaster General, that a rate of 9d per lb throughout should be fixed and be apportioned as he suggests

Imperial Rate	3d per lb.
Sea Rate	3d per lb.
Colonial Rate	3d per lb
Total	9d per lb.

8. The proposition as to the Colonial Share of postage in the case of parcels exchanged with countries of the continent of Europe, through the United Kingdom, seems a very reasonable one, and this Government will also be satisfied to leave the arrangement of the Exchange of Parcels from German or other Continental Postal Administrations direct with the Falkland Islands under the Provisions of the International Parcel Post Convention of Paris, 1880, to the Postmaster General, with the understanding that all parcels from the Falkland Islands will be sent direct to Dartmouth by the Rosmos Company's steamers and that no parcels are to be sent to the Falkland Islands except by the Rosmos Company's steamers leaving Dartmouth.

I have &c

Sgd. J Rees.

The Rt Hon
Sir H.G. Holland Bt MP

No 127. G.H.S. 7.9
22nd November 1887

Query-No 1. 14th Sept
Query-No 2 14th Sept.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade the accompanying Queries, on Lighthouse Accounts, for the Quarter ended on the 30th of June last, with the answers thereto.

The Right Hon
Sir H. T. Holland bt MP
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I have &c
Sgd J. Rees.
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No 128. (printed Despatch. pasted in

No 129. G.H.S.7.9
12th December 1887

Sir.

I have the honour to forward to you herewith a certificate of a Survey of the Funds in the Colonial Chest of this Colony which I caused to be made on the 26th ult. without previous notice

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The Right Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland bt MP.
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I have &c
Sgd J. Rees
Governor.

No 130. Accounts, pasted in.

No 131. Casualty Reports. pasted in

No 132. G. H. S 7. 9
17th December 87

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of a Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance No 4 of 1887. intituled an Ordinance to make further provision

provision for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1887" which I hope will meet with your approval and receive Her Majesty's most gracious sanction and

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Government House,

Stanley,

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22nd November 1887.

No 128.

Sir

Circulars.

31st August 1887.
6th September 1887.
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8th " "
9th " "
10th " "
12th " "
13th " "
14th " "

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin. on the 21st instant.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

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30th September 1887.

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant,

Ack of Despatches

4th September 1887.

S. J. Ross

Governor.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

provision for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1887" which I hope will meet with your approval ; and

Per SS. Selos. via Monte Video.
on the 22nd of November 1887.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatches	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
123.	15th November	Cash Accounts of Colony for month of October, forwarding.	1 Separate.
124	" "	Casualty Report, to Board of Trade forwarding.	1.
125	" "	Sale of frontages on Fitz Roy Road by private contract, concerning.	nil
126	" "	Establishment of Parcels Post, concerning.	nil
127	22nd "	Answered Queries to Board of Trade, forwarding.	2.
128	" "	Acts of Despatches.	

St. Marks
22nd November 1887.

provision for the service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1887" which I hope will meet with your approval

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands.

16th December 1887.

No 150

SIR,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Department, the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of November last, together with Supporting Vouchers, and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

Separate

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Your Most Obedient,
Humble Servant,

Governor.

The Right Honourable
The Secretary of State
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No 136.

Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands.

17th December 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade a Casualty Report relating to the British vessels "Ascalon" & "Ocean Rover".

"Ascalon"
"Ocean Rover".

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

Governor.

The Right Honourable
The Secretary of State
for the Colonial Department.

provision for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1887" which I hope will meet with your approval and receive Her Majesty's most gracious confirmation and allowance".

2. The circumstances under which it became necessary to pass the above mentioned Ordinance arose from necessary and unavoidable expenditure under the Heads of "Public Works" "Transport" and "Medical exclusive of Establishments" in excess of the Votes for these services for the year 1887.

3. The vote for "Works & Buildings" was Thirteen
£1300 hundred pounds, and the actual expenditure will reach
£1812. Eighteen hundred and twelve pounds or nearly so.
No provision was made in the Estimates for the construction of a new School House in the place of that which was destroyed by the great ship in 1886, and this necessary work cost One
£120. hundred and twenty pounds. The fence enclosing the Dockyard was found to be so much decayed that it was necessary to replace it without delay, and a new fence was
£130. imported, which cost £130 exclusive of freight. The Board of Health condemned the water supply for the Reservoir and it became urgently necessary to cut a trench and lay pipes to a spring in the vicinity of Stanley at a cost of
£64. Sixty four pounds for labour.

4. A supplementary vote was taken in 1886 for five
£500 hundred pounds for repairs to Government House and Government Offices, and requisitions were forwarded to the Crown Agents for the Colonies for furniture and materials for the purpose. There was an apparent saving
£230. in the Annual Account for 1886 of Two hundred and Thirty Pounds on that Vote, but some of the materials sent for on that authority were entered in the Crown Agents
£198. Accounts for 1887 to the amount of One hundred and ninety eight pounds, and so became an additional and unexpected charge on the Vote for Works & Buildings, which has been provided for in the present Ordinance, making the total excess under that head Five hundred
£512. and twelve pounds.

5. Under the head of Transport the sum of One
£100 hundred and ten pounds was provided in the Estimates

for

for 1887, whereas the freight on the materials required for Roads, Drains, and other Public Works carried on during the
£30. year amounted to Three hundred and ten pounds, besides
£58 the sum of Fifty eight Pounds for the freight of the goods for the Service of 1886 in which year there was an apparent
£82. saving of Eighty two pounds on the vote for Transport.
£8 6. The excess of Eight pounds on the vote of twenty
£20. pounds under the Head of "Medical ex Establishments" is caused by the cost of medicines for 1886 and 1887 being charged in the account for the latter year alone, none of the vote in the Estimates for 1886 having been expended.

7. The excess of Expenditure requiring the sanction of this ordinance is more than covered by the increase
£940 of Revenue which already amounts to nine hundred and forty pounds above the Estimate.

8. In accordance with the instruction contained in Lord Granville's Despatch No 9 of the 17th of April 1886 I transmit a report of the opinion expressed by Mr. F.S. Cobb, an unofficial member of the Legislative Council, having reference to the system of Estimating the Expenditure, and the disbursement of money, and advocating the encouragement of local enterprise by purchasing materials for the execution of Public Works in the Colony.

Minutes Leg. Council 15th Dec 1887.

9. With reference to Mr. Cobbs statement that a dockyard fence might have been erected in the Colony for £110 instead of £200, which is the total cost of the fence which has been procured by the Crown Agents for the Colonies, I have to remark that I have since ascertained from the accounts of the Church Building Committee, that the cost of a fence, for enclosing the Church land, the materials for which were purchased in the Colony and prepared by local labour, cost at the rate of £200 for the same extent as that required for the Dockyard, and that the posts for the Church fence are of soft perishable wood, and the battens are small and of inferior quality, whilst the fence sent by the Crown Agents is composed of seasoned oak posts of great size and strength and the battens are larger and of

of superior quality to any ever imported here, and that in point of economy and durability the Government has obtained a great advantage by sending a requisition to the Crown Agents instead of procuring the fence in the Colony.

The Rt Hon^ble
Sir H. T. Holland. Bt MP
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Sd^ J Rees
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No 133.

G. H. S. 79.

17th December 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that Dr Dale has resigned the appointment of Coroner for the Darwin and Northern Camp Districts, on the ground that he finds the tenure of that office interferes with his professional duties.

2. There is no salary attached to the office of Coroner in this Colony, the remuneration being a fee of £2.2.0 of Two guineas for each inquisition.

3. When the Surgeon of the District was a Government Officer it became a part of his duty to act also as Coroner. It is now impossible to find a suitable person for the office residing in the District but the necessity for holding an Inquest so seldom arises that it may be possible to send the Coroner from Stanley to perform the duty on such rare occasions.

The Rt Hon^ble.
Sir H. T. Holland Bt MP
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I have &c
Sd^ J Rees
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No 134.

G. H. S. 78

17th December 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular Despatch of the 31st of August last, on the subject of the suggestion of the Postmaster General with reference to penal legislation respecting counterfeit British or Foreign Postage Stamps; and to inform you that no action has yet been taken in this Colony with reference

reference thereto.

The Right Honble
Sir H. T. Holland. Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees

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No 135.

G. H. S. F. I
17th December 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular Despatch of the 8th of September last transmitting a copy of an Act to Consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Fraudulent marks on Merchandize.

2. In case it should be deemed expedient to take any action on the matter in this Colony it might be sufficient to introduce an Ordinance extending the operation of the Act thereto with such modifications as local circumstances might render necessary.

The Rt Honble
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees.

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No 136.

G. H. S. 7 I.
17th December 1887

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular Despatch of the 9th of September last having reference to Salutes in the Colonies, and to inform you that it has not been customary to give salutes in this Colony except in the case of replying gun for gun, to the Salutes of Foreign ships of War entering the port of Stanley, and on the arrival or departure of the Governor or Officer administrating the Government of the Colony, and on the occasion of such Officer taking the Oath of Office, when the number of guns is determined by the Queens Regulations and Admiralty Instructions Section 18 (Salutes to functionaries)

The Rt Honble
Sir H. T. Holland. Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J Rees.

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SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 24th *of* December *1887*

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
129.	13th December/87.	Certificate of Surprise Survey. transmitting.	1.
130.	16th " "	Cash Accounts of Colony for months of November, transmitting.	1 Separate.
131.	17th " "	Casualty Reports to Board of Trade, forwarding.	2.
132	" " "	Ordinance No 4. of 1887. for confirmation & allowance, forwarding.	7.
133	" " "	Resignation of Dr Dale as Coroner for Darwin, notifying.	nil.
134	" " "	Legislation respecting counterfeit British or Foreign Postage stamps; concerning.	nil.
135.	" " .	Act amending law relating to fraudulent marks on merchandise, concerning	nil
136	" " .	Salutes given in Colonies. concerning.	nil.

See over.

reference thereto.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
137	23rd December/87.	Answered Queries to Audit Office, forwarding.	2.
138.	24th	Ack of Despatches	nil
139.	.. .. -	Hon acceptance of post of Ass. Colonial Surgeon for the West Falkland by Dr Hance, notifying.	1.

Sgd Hamilton Berry
24/12/87

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Government House,

Stanley,

Falkland Islands.

24th December 1887.

Nos. Dates.

58 3rd October 1887 to 19th November 1887.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Despatches noted in the margin, on the 22nd instant

General.

7th November 1887

10th " "

I have the honour to be,

Circulars.

24th September 1887

30th September 1887

17th October 1887

29th October 1887.

9th November 1887.

Sir.

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant.

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21st October 1887.

Accounts. 28th October 1887.

Circular Confidential } 2nd November 1887.

Governor.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State

for the Colonial Department.

N° 137.

G. H. S 7 J

23rd December 1857

Query N°2 February a/c
Query N°3 April a/c

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Audit Office, the accompanying Queries with the answers thereto.

The Right Honble
Sir H. J. Holland Bt M.P.
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I have &c
Sd. J Rees
&c &c &c.

N° 138. Copy of Despatches (pasted in)

N° 139

G. H. S 7 J.

24th December 1857.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch N° 57 of the 19th of November last, transmitting for my information, with reference to my Despatch N° 91 of the 18th of July last, a copy of a letter from the Colonial Office to the Admiralty, respecting the appointment of Dr A.S. Hance to be a Government medical officer in the West Falklands.

2. H.M.S Swallow is now here and on the arrival of the mail Dr Hance called on me with reference to the appointment in Question. He informed me that he had applied for the post in consequence of a letter which Dr Hamilton had written to him when the Swallow was at Rio Janeiro, advising him to do so, but that since he had arrived here he felt very uncertain about accepting the appointment, and that he would inform me on the following day as to his decision.

3. Late last night I received a short note from Dr Hance, a copy of which I transmit herewith, in which he states that he has determined not to accept the appointment.

The Rt Honble
Sir H. J. Holland. Bt M.P.
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Sd J Rees
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No 1.

G.H.S 7.9
2nd January 1888.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, the Annual Return of Arms and Stores in the possession of the Police Force of this Colony on the 31st December 1887.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H.T. Holland Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees.

No 2.

G.H.S 7.9
2nd January 1888.

Sir.

£132. 17. 6. 31st Dec 1887 m Asst Sec Board of Trade

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade an account current with supporting Vouchers for disbursements on account of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse for the Quarter ended 31st December 1887.

2. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange quoted in the margin in repayment of the amounts advanced.

The Right Hon
Sir H.T. Holland Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd. J. Rees

No 3.

G.H.S 7.9
2nd January 1888

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the Account Current for distressed British Seamen for the Quarter ended 31st December 1887.

I have instructed the Crown Agents for the Colonies to pay to the Board of Trade the sum of thirteen Shillings and two pence being the balance due, to be debited to this Government.

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The Rt Hon
Sir H.T. Holland Bt. M.P.

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees

No 4.

G. H. S 7 9
2nd January 1888.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade the Accounts shewing the Oil and Stores expended at Cape Pembroke Light House during the Quarter ending on the 31st December 1887, together with the Meteorological register for the half year.

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees.

The Rt Hon
Sir H. T. Holland Bt. M.P
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No 5.

G. H. S 7. 9.
2nd January 1888.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Report of the Survey of the Colonial Chest for the Quarter ending 31st December 1887, and a certificate of Quarterly Survey containing a statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony during the same period

I have &c
Sgd J Rees
&c &c &c

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T Holland Bt. M.P.
&c &c &c

No 6.

G. H. S. 7. 9.
2nd January 1888.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Audit Department, the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of December 1887, together with the supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurers Cash Book.

I have &c
Sgd. J Rees.

The Rt Hon.
Sir H. T. Holland. Bt M.P.
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