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No. 1.

G. H. S. 7 I.
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 of December 1887.

I have &c.
Sgd J. Rorr.

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

&c &c &c.

No. 2.

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

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 1887.

£132. 17. 6. 31st Dec 1887. 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. Rorr.

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

&c &c &c.

No. 3.

G. H. S. 7 I
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.

£. s. d.
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I have &c.
Sgd J. Rorr.

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

&c &c &c.

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 Lighthouse, during the Quarter ended 31st December 1887, together with the Meteorological Register for the half year.

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

I have &c
87 T. Rees.
&c &c &c.

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 Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony during the same period.

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

I have &c
87 T. Rees.
Governor.

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 last, together with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

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

I have &c
87 T. Rees.
&c &c &c

No 7.

G.H.S.79
2nd January 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in accordance with Rule 182 of the Colonial Regulations, six printed copies of the Ordinances enacted in this Colony during the year 1887.

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

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

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

No 8

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

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 ending 31st December 1887.

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

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

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

No 9.

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

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith in accordance with the Instructions contained in Circular Secret of the 1st of November 1886, the Annual Return of Naval and Military Resources of this Colony for the year 1887.

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

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

&c &c &c, &c &c &c.

No 10

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

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in accordance with Rule 259 of the Colonial Regulations, lists

lists of the members of the Executive and Legislative Councils of this Colony.

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

I have &c
Sd J. Rees.
&c. &c. &c.

No 11.

G. H. S. 7. 1

2nd January 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith, in accordance with the Instructions contained in Circular Despatch of the 7th of April 1880, a Return of Officers making family Remittances.

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

I have &c.
Sd J. Rees.
&c. &c. &c.

No 12.

G. H. S. 7. 1

18th January 1888.

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 Six hundred and eighty seven pounds, twelve shillings and seven pence, to be placed to the credit of this Government.

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

I have &c
Sd J. Rees.
&c. &c. &c.

31st December 1887.
£ 132 .. 17 .. 6
On Board of Trade.

2nd Jan 1888.
£ 15 .. 4 .. 0
£ 1 .. 9 .. 6
On H.M. Paymaster Gen.

18th Jan 1888.
£ 538 .. 7 .. 7
On I. M. Bank Esq.

Total £ 687 .. 12 .. 7.

No 13.

G. H. S. 7. 1

21st January 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 82 of the 24th of October last, on the subject of the piece of land purchased from the Crown by Colonel D'Arcy, marked 88 C on the plan of Survey and

and to reply to the questions which you desire me to answer as follows:

2. First (a) I would not recommend that the whole of the piece of land should be retained as an open space, but I think it advisable to retain the eastern part of it, as shown on the enclosed plan (B) in order that access to the public pump might be improved by having an open space round it, instead of a narrow entrance from a narrow street, as at present. The facilities for the general traffic would not be improved by the resumption of the land in question, unless the lot on which Mr. Dran's dwelling house stands (85.C.) which was formerly a part of it, could also be resumed, which is now impossible.

£ (b) Mr. Dran informs me that the cost of moving the Roman Catholic Chapel, at Mr. Foran's request, was over £ 200. 0. 0. two hundred pounds, as the wood was in such a decayed condition that much of it had to be replaced with new wood, and that his object in undertaking it was to obtain possession of the land in order to protect himself from the annoyance of having it so close to his premises. Mr. Dran £ 25-0-0 has since expended twenty five pounds in the erection of a shed on the land, and in fencing it, so that it has cost him £ 225-0-0. altogether two hundred and twenty five pounds.

3. Second, (a) The twentieth part of the whole which the Crown, in the terms of the grant, have a right to resume, [redacted] would make no appreciable difference in the value of so small a piece of land, and were it desirable to purchase it from Mr. Dran a fair price would be a sum not less than what he has expended as above detailed.

(b) Mr. Dran agrees to surrender that part of the land which adjoins the public road in exchange for the two pieces of adjoining Crown Land of exclusive equal area, as shown in the plan already referred to, and this arrangement is, I think, the most convenient and expedient one which could be come to.

4. If the lot in question were in the possession of the Crown, the remainder, after reserving what it would be advisable to retain for public purposes, would be of little

little value to anyone else except Mrs Dean, who owns the adjoining land.

5. The enclosed plan A. represents the subdivisions of the original Lot 85 which was one of eight lots of equal size (2 roods) between John Street and Tebbs Roy Road. Most of these were sold in 1863, when half a rood of 85 was sold and joined to 86. leaving the remainder of 85 as an open public place between John Street and Tebbsroy road, in which the Town Well, made in 1851 was situate. This continued till October 1872. when Lot 85 B was sold, followed a few months later by the sale of Lot 85 C. and leaving only a narrow lane (16 feet wide) between John Street and Tebbs Roy Road and reserving a passage from the lane to the Well about 20 feet wide.

6. As the main drain from the high land to the South of Tebbs Roy Road passes down the narrow lane referred to and it became necessary last year to reconstruct and enlarge it, I succeeded in obtaining from Mrs H. Felton, the present owner of that part of Lot 85 which was first sold, the surrender of a strip of the land on the East side of the Lane (as shewn by the dotted red line on the plan) which has increased its width to 20 feet.

7. I have been obliged to write at some length in order to explain the changes which have brought about the present difficulty, but I hope I have made the subject sufficiently clear and that you will approve of the suggestions which I have made.

I have &c
Gov. & Res.
&c &c &c

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

No 14.

G. H. S. 7. I.
24th January 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch "General" of the 7th of November last requesting me to reply to your Circular despatch of the 2nd of June last relative to the proposal of the Belgian Government for the formation of an International Customs Tariff Bureau at Brussels.

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2. The Customs Tariff of this Colony is a very simple one and only applies to the importation of liquors and Tobacco. I transmit herewith six printed copies of the Tariff to be forwarded to the Belgian Government with a notification that this Government desires to signify its adhesion to the proposal.

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I have &c

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

N° 15.

G.H.S. 7.I.
23rd January 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance N° 1 of 1888 entitled an Ordinance to Establish a Government Savings Bank.

2. The modifications suggested in your Despatch N° 48 of the 18th of November last on the Draft Bill which I had previously submitted for your consideration have been made in the Ordinance which is now transmitted and I trust that it will now meet with your approval and receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance.

3. I transmit also six printed copies of the Regulations which have been framed by the Governor in Council in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance.

4. The necessary books and forms are being prepared in the Government printing Office so that no time may be lost in bringing the Ordinance into operation as I am informed that many persons are desirous of making deposits in the Savings Bank as soon as possible.

5. Mr. Cobb. the Manager of the Falkland Islands Company, and Mr. C. M. Dean of the Firm of Messers I. M. Dean Sons. have assured me of their willingness to adopt your suggestion for their buying Bills from the Crown Agents for the Colonies in London, payable in specie, in the Colony: the probable amount of their Joint requirements will be about Six thousand pounds annually.

6. It is proposed by the Governor in Council,

subject.

subject to your approval, to pay to the Colonial treasurer

Requisition on Account of Works & Buildings.

195 feet (13 lengths of 15 feet) portable railway with Iron iron sleepers, with steel rails, 16 pounds to the yard 30 inch gauge (£190 to the mile)	£	43	0	0
Selig Sonnenthal & Cos Catalogue page 21.				
One 4-centre iron all round tipping wagon to carry 20 cwt - capacity 20 cubic feet -		13	0	0
One plain iron wagon with sides to let down, capacity 20 cubic feet to carry 20 cwt		10	0	0
Same catalogue, page 22.				
One plate layers trolly light pattern		4	15	0
Same Catalogue page 305.				
The waggons to work on the portable railway 30 inch gauge.				
One hoisting Crab No 1 to hoist 2 and 3 sheave pulley blocks, with improved screw brake, and brass bushing - to lift two tons -		3	12	6.
Same catalogue page 283.				
One shear legs, complete with gearing, barrel and Pulley blocks, with steel rope to lift 3 tons.		11	0	0
Same catalogue page 347.				
One hand pile driver, complete with crab, monkey chains &c, weight of monkey 5 cwt, height of frame 14 feet.		12	10	0
Same catalogue page 347.				
	£	97	17	6

Approved
Sgd J Rees.
Governor.

I have the honour to request that you will consider

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subject to your approval, to pay to the Colonial Treasurer
£50. a salary of fifty pounds a year, and to the Government
£30. Clerk a salary of thirty pounds a year for their services in
conducting the business of the Bank, and that each of
these Officers should give security in the sum of One
£1000. thousand pounds.

7. It is impossible to estimate beforehand, even approximately, the probable amount of money which will be deposited at the outset; but that it will be very large in proportion to the population I have no doubt, as Mr. Cobb stated at the time of the passing of the Ordinance that two of the shepherds employed by the Falkland Islands Company had paid to them for safety a few days
£500. before, the sum of Five hundred Pounds, the amount of their accumulated savings.

I have &c
Sd. J Kerr.

The Right Honble
Sir H. J. Holland Kt. M.P.
&c &c &c.

No 16.

G. H. S. 7. 9.
23rd January 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will authorise the Crown Agents for the Colonies to procure for this Government the articles mentioned in the enclosed requisition, which are required to complete the arrangements for landing goods on the Dockyard Jetty.

2. The amount of the requisition as estimated from the price lists is £97 - 17 - 6. but unforseen charges may cause it to exceed £100. It is included in the services covered by the Vote for Works and Buildings in the Appropriation Ordinance for 1888.

I have &c
Sd. J. Kerr.

The Right Honble
Sir H. J. Holland Kt. M.P.
&c &c &c

No 17.

G. H. S. 7 9
23rd January 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will consider

consider favourably the expediency of granting a salary to the private Secretary of the Governor of this Colony as Confidential Clerk and Clerk of the Councils.

2. The present Private Secretary Mr. Mark Rees has filled that post since December 1884 under Lt Governor Markby and myself, and he has also during the absence on leave of Mr. Brooks the Colonial Secretary and Treasurer acted as Government Clerk, Shipping Master, Registrar General, Registrar of the Supreme Court, and Clerk of the Councils, the duties of which several Offices he has performed in a satisfactory manner.

3. As the finances of the Colony are now in a favourable condition and are likely to continue to increase in value, I think that a sum of from £100 to £150 a year might be appropriated without inconvenience as a salary to a Confidential Clerk.

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

I have &c
Sd. T. Rees.

Sent Per H.M.S. Swallow on the 22nd February 1888

No 18

G. H. S. 79.

15th February 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 January last, together with supporting Vouchers, and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

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

I have &c
Sd. T. Rees.
Governor.

No 19. Printed Despatch posted in.

FALKLAND ISLANDS. Per SS. Ramleyes. 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* January *188*8.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
1.	2nd Jan? 1888.	Annual Return of Arms & Stores of Police Force, transmitting.	2.
2.	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Accounts December Quarter 1887. transmitting.	1.
3.	" " "	H. M. S. Account, December Quarter 1887. transmitting	1.
4	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Oil & Store Accounts & Meteorological Register for 1/2 year of 1887. transmitting	1. separate
5	" " "	Certificate of Quarterly Survey of Colonial Chest, forwarding.	1.
6.	" " "	Cash Accounts of Colony for month of December 1887. transmitting	1 separate.
7	" " "	Six printed copies of Ordinances enacted in the year 1887. forwarding	4.
8	" " "	Copies of Minutes of proceedings of Executive & Legislative Councils for 1/2 year ending 31st December 1887. forwarding.	2.

See over.

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No of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
9.	2nd Jan. 1888.	Annual Return of Naval & Military Resources of Colony, forwarding.	2.
10.	" " "	Lists of Members of Executive and Legislative Councils, forwarding.	2.
11	" " "	Return of Officers making family remittances, forwarding.	1.
12.	18th " "	Remittances to Crown Agents notifying.	nil
13.	21st " "	Land purchased from Crowns, by Governor D'Arcy, concerning.	1.
14	" " "	Customs Tariff for transmission to Belgian Government, forwarding	6.
15	25th " "	Ordinance No 1 of 1888, for confirmation and allowance, forwarding.	12.
16	" " "	Requisition for sanction of Secretary of State, forwarding.	1
17	" " "	Proposed salary for confidential Clerk, concerning.	nil

Sgd Markham
24th/1/88.

No 20. G.H.S.79

Per H.M.S. "Swallow" 22nd February 1888.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
18.	10th Feb 1888	Cash Account of Colony for month of January, forwarding.	1. separate.
19.	20th " "	Ack of Despatches.	—
20.	21st " "	Remittances to Crown Agents notifying.	—
21.	" " "	Resumption of office by Mr Brooks, reporting.	—

Sgd Hiark Rees.

Private Secretary

22/2/88.

No. 20.

G. H. S. 79
21st Feb? 1888

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£873 - 2 - 10
On the Falkland Islds. Co?
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£900 - 0 - 0.
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21st February 1888.
£496 - 14 - 8.
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The Rt Honble.
Sir H.T. Holland Bt. M.P.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies the Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of Two thousand two hundred and sixty nine pounds, seventeen shillings and six pence to be placed to the credit of this Government, when realized.

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees,
Governor

No. 21.

G. H. S 79
21st February 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 2. of the 10th of January last, informing me that you had authorised the Crown Agents for the Colonies to advance the sum of £60, on account of his salary, to Mr. J. Pakenham Brooks, Colonial Secretary of this Colony.

2. Mr. Brooks arrived here on the 16th of February instant and has resumed his duties, I have arranged with him to receive repayment of the above advance by monthly deductions from his salary during the present year.

3. In accordance with the Instructions conveyed to me in your Despatch No. 20 of the 28th of April last, I propose to appoint Mr. Hy L. Jameson, the Government Clerk, to be Shipping Master from the date of Mr. Brooks arrival, and to make an addition of £30 per annum to Mr. Brooks salary in compensation for the loss of fees, which, for the last four years, have averaged that amount.

I have &c
Sgd J. Rees.
Governor.

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

Sent per SS. "Ramses" on the 21st March 1888

No. 22.

G.H. 379.
1st March 1888

Sir,

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

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

I have &c,
Sd. T Rem.
Governor.

No. 23.

G.H. 379
10th March 1888.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, to be forwarded to the Audit Department (1) the Annual Account of this Colony for 1887; (2) a Statement of Assets and Liabilities on the 31st of December 1887; (3) a statement shewing the causes of excess of Actual over Estimated Expenditure under various Heads (4) a statement shewing causes of increase and decrease under various heads of Estimated Revenue; and (5) a List of Deposits on the 31st of December 1887.

2. The Crown Agents Accounts will be transmitted by next mail the last duplicate not having yet been received

The Right Honble.
Sir H.S. Holland. Bt M.P.
&c &c &c

I have &c,
Sd. T Rem.
Governor

No. 24.

G.H. 379
10th March 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 February last, together with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

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

I have &c
Sd T Rem,
Governor.

No 25.

G.H.S 79
10th March 1888

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade a Casualty Report relating to the vessel named in the margin

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

I have &c
Sd/ T. Ker
Governor.

No 26.

G.H.S 79
16th March 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to report to you that I have granted to Mr. Frederick Edward Cobb, an unofficial member of the Legislative Council, twelve months leave of absence on urgent Private affairs, to commence on the 19th day of March inst.

2. I transmit herewith the certificate of leave, a duplicate of which, and a copy of this Despatch, will be given to Mr. Cobb before his departure.

3. As Mr. George Markham Dean the other unofficial member of the Legislative Council is expected to return from his leave of absence before Mr. Cobb's departure no public inconvenience will result.

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

I have &c
Sd/ T. Ker.
Governor

No 27.

G.H.S 79.
17th March 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of a Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance, No 2 of 1888 — intituled "An Ordinance to make further 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.

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2. This Ordinance was introduced for the purpose of

£60. of sanctioning the payment of Sixty Pounds to Mrs Anderson the widow of the Late Assistant Colonial Surgeon for the expenses of her return from the Colony with her family, in pursuance of the Instructions contained in your Dispatches N° 50 of the 19th and N° 52 of the 30th of November last; when it was found on completing the Annual Accounts for 1857, that there was an additional casual excess of Expenditure

£0-9-11 under the Head of "Transport" of nine shillings and eleven pence,
£2-5-6 under the head of "Allowances" of Two pounds five shillings
£12-12-0 and six pence, under "Office Contingencies" of twelve pounds twelve
£0-16-8 shillings, and under "Pensions" of sixteen shillings eight pence.
£76-4-1 making a total excess of Seventy six pounds four shillings and one penny, voted under the present Ordinance, and explained in detail in the statement shewing the causes of Excess of Actual over Estimated Expenditure which accompanies the Annual Account for 1857 transmitted by this mail in my Dispatch N° 23 of the 10th of March inst.

I have &c
Sgd Wm. Reid.
Governor.

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

N° 28

G.H.S 79.
17th March 1858.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Dispatch N° 55 of the 19th of December last transmitting for my information, with reference to my Dispatch N° 90 of the 14th of July last, a copy of a letter from the Board of Trade, enclosing one from that Department to Lloyds, on the subject of the proposal to erect a Light at Bull Point.

2. I transmit herewith a copy of a letter on the subject which I have received from Captain W.R Kennedy R.N. Senior Officer S.E. Coast of America Squadron, which may be worthy of the consideration of the Board of Trade should the question of a Light on the South Coast of this Island be entertained by them at any future time.

I have &c.
Sgd J Reid.
Governor

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

No. 29. book 20 p 256 / 254 W.P.W.

G.H.S.79.

17th March 1888.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 53 of the 10th of December last, transmitting for my report, with reference to my Despatch No. 87 of the 14th of July last, copies of the following documents:- 1st Copy of a letter from the Colonial Office, 11th October 1887, to the Revd J. Foran stating reasons for not directing that a valid grant be made to him of the plot of land purporting to have been granted to him and his successors by Colonel D'Arcy. (2) Copy of letter from the Revd J. Foran, 14th October 1887 in reply. (3) Copy of reply from Colonial Office, 26th October 1887, stating that the Secretary of State will consider any application from the proper quarter for the reservation of a portion of the land for Roman catholics. (4) Copy of letter from Mr Foran 6th December 1887, confirming his statement as to boundary and enclosing a rough sketch. (5) Copy of a letter from the Colonial office to Mr Foran 10th December 1887, informing him that a copy of the correspondence will be transmitted to the Governor for his report.

2. With reference to Mr Foran's letter of 14th of October in which he states that the piece of land granted by Governor D'Arcy is bounded on one side by the Cemetery Wall, I can only say that there is nothing on record in the offices of the Government to that effect; and that I have never before heard that the boundary was as he states. The only records with regard to the land in question are the duplicate Grant, which corresponds exactly with that which is in Mr Foran's possession, and the entry in the Book of the Registrar, a certified copy of which I transmit herewith. There is a discrepancy in the Grant which has not been accounted for, in that No. 38 is described in the Grant as "one acre", whereas, in the Survey or plan of the settlement, by which all sales or Grants are determined No. 38 contains only one Rood and twenty four perches, a difference which I supposed had occurred either from a mistake as to the quantity of the land granted, or that it was intended to include some adjoining land which was omitted

omitted to be specified. At the date of the Grant, half of the Lot 37, adjoining 38 on the West, on the whole of Lot 39, adjoining it on the East, remained unsold, and these three together form very nearly one acre. Since that period Lot 37 has been sold, as well as Lot 40 which lies to the South of 38, as will be seen by reference to the map which accompanied my Dispatch No. 87 of the 14th of July last.

3. It was the practice of the late Surveyor General, and it has since been continued, to mark on the official plan any alterations (by subdivision or otherwise) made in the size or boundaries of the Lots laid down on it. This was done in the case of Lots 36 and 37, both of which were subdivided for sale, as well as others in different parts of the Town, but there is no alteration in the case of No. 38, or in the plan of the land surrounding the Cemetery.

4. Mr. Foran, although he did not finally leave the Colony until two years after the date of the Grant, never took possession of the land but continued to make interments in the Public Cemetery as before.

5. On observing the statement made by Mr. Foran that the Colonial Chaplain objects to funeral rites being performed over the remains of deceased Roman Catholics by a Roman Catholic layman, and that he officiates himself whether the parties object or otherwise, I referred a copy of the statement to the Colonial Chaplain for explanation, and I herewith transmit a copy of his reply, from which it would appear that Mr. Foran has been misinformed.

6. I laid the whole of the correspondence on this subject, and all the information which can be obtained respecting the Grant to Mr. Foran, before the Executive Council, on the 9th of March instant, when it was agreed that on the extension of the Cemetery in the manner suggested in my Dispatch No. 87 of the 14th of July last, a due proportion of the extension should be set apart for the interment of Roman Catholics, and that this should be provided for in an Ordinance which it is proposed to introduce in the Legislative Council during the present year, for extending and defining the limits of the Cemetery and for the appointment of a burial board.

7. With

7. By the information obtained on the occasion of the Census of 1881, it appeared that one sixth of the population of the Colony were Roman Catholics, and that this proportion was the same in Stanley as in the total population of the Islands. The reservation, therefore, of one acre of the enlarged Cemetery, the whole area of which will be four acres and a half, will be an ample provision for the wants of the Roman Catholic portion of the community; and as it is not expedient that the Cemetery should be rescinded to the Westward, there is no reason why Mr. Foran should not surrender the Grant which was given to him in an irregular manner by the late Governor D'Arcy.

The Right Hon^ble.
Sir H. T. Holland. K.C.M.G.

I have &c
Sgd. J. Rees
Governor.

No. 30.

G. H. S 79
20th March 1888

Sir,

With reference to my Despatch No. 15 of the 28th of January last, transmitting for Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance "the Savings Bank Ordinance, 1888", I have the honour to inform you that it has been arranged to bring the Ordinance into operation on the 2nd of April proximo.

2. In view of the large balance — upwards of Two Thousand five hundred pounds — which will be in the hands of the Crown Agents for the Colonies to the credit of this Government when this Despatch reaches you, and that there is also nearly an equal amount of money now in the Colonial Treasury, and that large deposits will be made in the Savings Bank during April, which there will be some delay in remitting — pending the purchase of drafts from the Crown Agents for the Colonies on the Colonial Treasurer — I think it would be well to have the sum of Two thousand pounds of the Colonial funds now in the hands of the Crown Agents invested as soon as possible for the Savings Bank so as to prevent the loss of Interest which would otherwise occur with respect to the deposits which will be made in April — the interest on which for the Depositors will be calculated from the 1st of May.

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3. Should you approve of this suggestion it will be necessary for you to be good enough to give the necessary instructions to the Crown Agents for the Colonies to invest the £2,000 sum of two thousand pounds in Imperial or Colonial Government Securities on account of the Falkland Islands Government Savings Bank on the best terms and highest rate of Interest which can be obtained.

4. I hope to be able to make further remittances to the Crown Agents for the Colonies by the next mail so as not to allow the balance remaining in their hands to fall below the average amount.

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

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

No 31.

G. to S. 73.
20th March 1888.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, the Return shewing the Revenue, Expenditure, and Debt, of this Colony for the year 1887, as required by Lord Kimberley's Circular Despatch of the 2nd of May 1881.

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

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

No 32.

G. to S. 74.
20th March 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 41 of the 24th of October last, requesting me to furnish you with a report on the question of the collection of Customs duties in the West Falkland and the proposed amendment of Ordinance No 3 of 1855.

2. In view of the difficulty of establishing a branch Customs Office at Port Egmont occasioned by the refusal of the lessee of Saunders Island to carry out the arrangement which he had made with me for renting a house to the Government at that harbour, and also of the opinion expressed

by Lieutenant Governor Barkly in paragraph 5 of his Despatch No 49 of the 12th of May 1886, that it might be expedient to amend Ordinance No 3 of 1885 by omitting Sections 2. 3 and 4 and to warn the Justices of the Peace that it must depend entirely upon the manner in which the duties imposed upon them by Section 37 of the principal Ordinance were performed whether further Legislation would be resorted to or not. I thought it expedient to abstain from taking further action in the matter until sufficient time had been allowed for observing the effect of suspending the operation of the amended Ordinance.

3. I transmit herewith a copy of a circular letter which was addressed by Mr Barkly's direction to the Several Justices of the Peace in the West Falkland, as well as a report by the Acting Collector of Customs of the vessels entered and cleared at the West Falklands during the year 1887.

4. The above returns shew thirteen arrivals of vessels trading to the West Falkland. Of these numbers 9. 10. 12 & 13. were entered at the Customs House in Stanley; No 1 was entered before a Justice of the Peace, regularly, and in the manner directed by Section 36 of the principal Ordinance. Numbers 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8 and 11 were entered before Justices of the Peace, but in each of these cases the Justice was himself the consignee of the vessel, and therefore an interested person; number 2 was not entered at all. The Clearances were also very irregular, but as these were for the most part vessels with cargoes of live sheep for Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego, and the number of sheep exported at each shipment having been reported by the shippers, the failure to obtain a regular clearance is not of much importance.

5. It will be observed that with the exception of the Steamship "Granville" and the sailing vessel "Bristow" the vessels coming to the West Falklands were engaged in carrying away live sheep, and as I am told that there is not much probability of this business being continued, it may be as well to allow some further time to elapse before coming to a decision respecting the establishment of a Branch Customs office the cost of which would not be less than Three hundred pounds a year, and, as the expense should fall upon vessels entering at

at the West Falklands it would be difficult to raise a sufficient sum should the shipping falloff to the extent anticipated.

6. It has been suggested that the Medical Officer about to be appointed to the West Falklands might perform the duties required by a Justice of the Peace under the Ordinance should he prove to be a person competent to the efficient performance of them, and receive fees and allowances for travelling expenses to the Ports of entry and departure, the cost being defrayed from moderate harbour dues charged on the vessels.

7. I have delayed this report in the hope of receiving fuller information respecting the shipping trade of the West Falklands than I have yet been able to obtain, and with your approval I will report further on the subject in a future despatch.

I have &c
J P Rose.
Governor.

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

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Per ss. "Ramses"

via Monte Video

SCHEDULE of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 21st of March 1888

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
22.	1st March.	Answered Query to Board of Trade, forwarding.	1.
23.	10th "	Annual Account of Colony for 1887, forwarding.	10
24.	" "	Cash Account of Colony for month of February, forwarding.	1 separate
25	" "	Casualty Report to Board of Trade, forwarding.	1.
26.	16th "	Leave of absence granted to Lieut. Cobb, reporting.	1.
27.	17th "	Ordinance No 2 of 1888 for confirmation of allowance, forwarding	6.
28.	" "	Letter from Captain Kennedy R.N. respecting Light at Bull Point forwarding.	1.
29	" "	Correspondence concerning grant of Land for Roman Catholic Cemetery, reporting &c.	2.

See over.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No of Enclosures.
30.	20th March.	Investment of money for Falkland Islands Savings Bank regulating.	nil.
31.	.. ..	Returns shewing Revenue Expenditure & Debt of Colony during 1887. forwarding.	2.
32.	.. ..	Collection of Customs Dues in the West Falkland and amendment of Ordinance No 3 of 1885. ——— reporting on.	2.

The Right

Sgd Markham.
Private Secretary
21st March 1888.

No 33

G H. L. F I.
10th April 1888

27th March 1888 on Falklands Islands Co London	£101. 10. 8	
27th March 1888 on I M Dean Esqr	£1000. 0. 0	
31st March 1888 on Board of Trade. (repayment of Lighthouse advances)	£ 76. 9. 6	
2d April 1888 on Paymaster General (repayment of Military Advances)	£ 9. 15. 0	
2d April 1888 on Paymaster Genl (repayment of Naval Advances)	£ 1. 3. 6	
9th April 1888 on Falkland Islands Co.	£ 110. 0. 0	
10th April 1888 on I M Dean Esq.	£ 130. 6. 6	
	£ 1429. 5. 2	

Sir

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this Mail the seven Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting to the sum of One thousand, four hundred, and twenty nine pounds, five shillings and two pence, to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c
(signed) Weir
Governor

The Right Honble
Sir H T Holland Bart M P
&c &c &c

No 34

G H. L. F I.
10th April 1888

Separate

Sir

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department, the Cash account of this Colony for the month of March ultimo, with supporting vouchers and a copy of the Treasurers Cash Book.

I have &c
(signed) Weir
Governor

The Right Honble
Sir H T Holland Bart M P
&c &c &c

No 35

G.H.S. 79.
10th April 1888.

Sir

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Audit Department, duplicate copies of the account of the Crown Agents for the Colonies with this Government for the year 1887, which were not received in time to accompany the Annual Account transmitted in my despatch No 23. of the 10th of March last

I have &c
(signed) Werr
Governor

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

No 36

G.H.S. 79
10th April 1888

Sir

I have the honour to transmit herewith ~~the report of the Quarterly Survey of~~ to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Report of the Survey of the Colonial Chest for the quarter ended 31st March 1888, and a certificate of Quarterly Survey containing a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony during the same period

I have &c
(signed) Werr
Governor

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

No 37

G.H.S. 79.
10th April 1888

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 March 1888

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

I have &c
(signed) Werr
Governor

No 174
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31st March 1888
on
Asst Secretary
Finance Dept
By J. London &c
in favour of Crown Agents

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

No 38

G H. S. F I.
10th April 1888

Sir

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade the accounts showing the Oil and Stores expended at Caldy Pembroke Lighthouse during the Quarter ended on the 31st of March 1888

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

I have &c
(Signed) J Kerr
Governor

No 39

G H. S. F I.
10th April 1888

Sir

Montgomery Castle
County of Pembroke

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade two Casualty Reports relating to the British Ships named in the margin

I have &c
(signed) Kerr
Governor

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

No 40

G H. S. F I.
16th April 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular Despatch of the 24th of February last, informing me that Her Majesty had been graciously pleased to confer on you a Peerage, with the title of Baron Knutsford of Knutsford in the County Palatine of Chester

I have &c
signed Kerr
Governor

The Right Honble
The Baron Knutsford
&c &c &c

No 41

G. H. S. 71
16th April 1888

My Lord

I regret to have to report to you the death of Mr George Markham Deane, a member of the Legislative Council of this Colony.

2. Mr Deane died at sea, on board the Kosmos Steamship Memphis, in which he was returning to the Colony from absence on leave. The Memphis arrived yesterday bringing his body for interment here.

3. I have no choice in recommending a suitable person to fill the vacant seat in the Legislative Council. Mr Charles Montague Deane, a younger brother of the deceased gentleman, and a member of the same mercantile house, is in very delicate health, and will leave the Colony next month for England, where, he tells me, he will probably reside permanently to conduct the business of the firm. There is no one else in Stanley, or elsewhere in the Eastern Island, at all suitable for such a position, except Mr John James Felton, who was formerly head clerk to Messrs Deane and Sons, but who is now an extensive sheep farmer, and a lessee of Crown lands both in the East and West Falklands. Unfortunately Mr Felton is absent on a short visit to England, but he is to return in a few months; he resides in Stanley, and his ability and thorough acquaintance with local affairs, qualify him for a seat in the Legislative Council.

4. The absence of Mr Cobb, and the death of Mr Deane, reduces the Legislative Council at present to the official members only.

I have &c
(signed) J Kerr
Governor

The Right Honble
The Baron Knutsford.
&c &c &c

No 42

G H. S. F I.
18th April 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 6 of the 29th of February last, informing me that you had conferred the appointment of Assistant Colonial Surgeon of the Falkland Islands on Mr Joseph Andrew Going

2. Dr Going arrived in the Kosmos Mail Steamer ~~Humphris~~ on the 15th instant and proceeds today to take up his residence at Fox Bay in the West Falkland Island in the house provided by the Colonists.

3 I have appointed Dr Going to the office of Coroner for the West Falkland and adjacent islands and a Justice of the Peace, and I have requested him to perform the duties devolving on Justices under the Customs duties Consolidation Ordinance 1882. and with a view to the future establishment of a port of entry in such part of the West Falkland as it may be expedient that he should reside. I have appointed him assistant Collector of Customs.

4. From what I have seen of Dr Going I think he is qualified to perform these duties, which he has readily agreed to undertake, and for which he will receive the small fees provided for by the Ordinance, but it will probably be necessary to provide by Legislation for the establishment of a port of entry, the employment of boatmen, and the payment of dues by vessels trading to that part of the Colony.

I have &c
(Signed) Were
Governor

The Right Hon^ble
The Baron Knutsford
&c &c &c

No 43

G H. S. F I
18th April 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 11, of the 10th of March last, conveying to me Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance of

of the Savings Bank Ordinance 1888.

2. The alterations which you propose with reference to the signature of the Warrants by the Governor instead of by the Treasurer, in Rule 11. and for shortening the period of notice required for the withdrawal of ~~of~~ small sums in Rule 18, will be made as soon as possible, and a copy of the ~~Rules~~ amended Rules will be transmitted by the next mail

3. Messrs Dean and Sons, and the Agent of the Falkland Islands Company have acquainted to me their intention of procuring from the Crown Agents for the Colonies Bills of Exchange on the Colonial Treasurer for the money which they require in the Colony so far as the Savings Bank funds are available, and as Mr Cobb of the Falkland Islands Company sailed for England last month, and Mr C.M. Dean of the firm of Messrs J.M. Dean & Sons is to proceed to England by the next mail steamer, they will be on the spot to make the necessary arrangements.

4. The sum of seven hundred and fifty two pounds six shillings has already been received into the Savings Bank in six deposits of the following amounts.

£752. 6/

£20. 0. 0	
509. 6. 0	
6. 0. 0	
27. 0. 0	
50. 0. 0	
140. 0. 0	
£752. 6. 0	

These first deposits have been made by parties in Stanley. There has not been time for deposits to come in from the country stations, or for money to be withdrawn from the custody of the mercantile houses with whom it has been lodged for safety

5. If you have approved of the investment of two thousand pounds in anticipation, and to save loss of interest as I proposed in my despatch No 30. of the 20th ~~of~~ March last no inconvenience will arise from so large a sum ~~having~~ being taken out of the balance

balance in the hands of the Crown Agents to the credit of the Colony, as I am remitting to them by this mail, Bills of Exchange — amounting to One thousand four hundred and twenty nine pounds, five shillings and two pence

£1429. 5. 2

I have &c
(Signed) Kerr
Governor

The Right Honble
the Baron Knutsford
&c, &c, &c,

No 44

H. M. S. Fly
19th April 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the Reverend Mr Patrick Joseph Diamond, arrived ~~here~~ this day by the Kosmos Steamer Hebe from Punta Arenas, to succeed the Reverend Mr James Foran, as Roman Catholic Priest in this Colony

2. Mr Diamond is a British subject, and brought a letter of introduction from Mr Bridgett. Her Majesty's Consul at Buenos Aires, who informs me that Mr Diamond is a member of the Salesian Order, and comes here under orders from Rome.

3. Mr Diamond will be entitled to salary at the rate of Fifty pounds a year, as provided for by the estimates and appropriation Ordinance for this year

I have &c
(Signed) Kerr
Governor

The Right Honble
the Baron Knutsford
&c &c &c.

No 45

H. M. S. Fly
19th April 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the despatches noted in the margin, on the 15th instant.

I have &c.
(Signed) Kerr
Governor

See next page

Numbers	Dates
3	2d February 1888
to	to
11	10th March 1888

Circulars

7th	January	1888
9th	"	"
21st	"	"
24th	"	"
26th	"	"
27th	"	"
10th	February	"
24th	"	"
25th	"	"
29th	"	"
1st	March	"

Circular, (Secret)
7th February 1888

General
7th February 1888
29th " "

Library
31st January 1888

The Right Hon^ble
The Baron Knutsford
&c &c &c

Schedule of Despatches sent by SS Theben (direct) 21st ~~14th~~ April 1888

No.	Date	Subject	Enclosures
33	10th April 1888	Remittances to Crown Agents. Notifying	nil
34	" " "	Cash account of Colony for March. Transmitting	1 (separate)
35	" " "	Crown Agents account for 1887. forwarding	1
36	" " "	Quarterly survey of Colonial Chest forwarding	1
37	" " "	Cape Pembroke Light House accounts for March ~~1888~~ Quarter 1888 forwarding	1
38	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Oil and Store Account March Quarter 1888. forwarding	1
39	" " "	Casualty Reports to Board of Trade, forwarding	2
40	16th "	With reference to a peerage being conferred on the Secretary of State for the Colonies	nil
41	" " "	Death of the Honourable G M Dean, reporting	nil
42	18th " "	Appointment of Assistant Colonial Surgeon Going concerning.	nil
43	" " " "	Government Savings Bank concerning	nil
44	19 " " "	Arrival of Reverend P J Desmond. reporting	nil
45	" " "	Acknowledgement of Despatches.	

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in duplicate

N° 46

Gth S. 71
8th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the Government Pilot-boat is fast becoming unseaworthy, and that it will be necessary to procure another one as soon as possible.

2. In 1886, during my absence from the Colony, Mr Barkly caused an application to be made to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, to ascertain at what price a new or second hand cutter boat of from ten to twenty tons measurement could be procured in England.

3. The Crown Agents were unable to hear of a suitable second hand cutter, but obtained an estimate — which they forwarded to this Government in December 1886 — from Messrs Forrest and Sons for building a cutter of 10 tons builders measurement, rigged in the required manner, the cost of which when completed and coppered, would have
£395 been Three hundred and ninety five pounds.

4 As this sum — which did not include the cost of sending
£40. or £50 the boat out here by steamer, probably forty or fifty pounds more — appeared to me to be very high, and as in the meantime the old boat had been repaired, I took no further action in the matter, hoping to be able to procure a suitable boat in the Colony, which however, I have not been able to do

5. When Mr Cobb, a member of the Legislative Council was leaving the Colony for England in March last, he offered his services to procure if possible at Cowes or on the Thames, at the end of the yachting season, a suitable second-hand yacht of from ten to fifteen tons — or of such a size as could be brought out on the deck of a steamer — for a much lower price than the estimate furnished by Messrs Forrest and Sons

6. As Mr Cobb knows exactly the kind of boat which is required, and has much experience in such matters, I think it would be well to authorize the Crown Agents to communicate with him, through the Office of the Falkland Islands Company, in Grace church Street, and request him to purchase for them on account of this Government a suitable second hand
£250. boat, at a cost of not more than Two hundred and fifty pounds

and

and, in case of his being unable to do so, then to request Messrs Forrest and Sons to build one in the terms of their Estimate and Specifications which I transmit herewith to be returned to the Crown Agents in case they should be required

£450 7. I will, with your approval, submit a vote to the Legislative Council for the sum of Four hundred and fifty pounds under the head of Revenue Services to cover the extreme possible cost of the Pilot-boat; to meet which increased expenditure there will be an excess of Revenue from Sales of Crown Land in Stanley, during the present year, which could not be foreseen when the annual Estimates were prepared

I have &c
(signed) Kerr
Governor

The Rt. Hon.ble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 47.

G.H.S. F.I
8th May 1888

My Lord

separate I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Audit Department the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of April last with supporting vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

I have &c
(signed) Kerr
Governor

The Rt. Hon.ble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 48

G.H.S. F.I
10th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of the Regulations of the Government Savings Bank as amended in conformity with the opinion expressed by you in your despatch No 11 of the 10th of March last

£10 2. In amending Rule 18, with respect to the periods of notice, it was considered expedient to fix the period of notice of withdrawal of all sums exceeding Ten pounds at seven days.

3. It is

3. It is not probable that any very large sum would be withdrawn by a depositor except in the event of his being about to leave the Colony, in which case, payment by means of a Bill of Exchange drawn by the Governor on the Crown Agents for the Colonies on Savings Bank funds at thirty days sight - would always be preferred to payment in Cash - while in the event of money being required in the Colony and the funds in the Treasury Chest should be insufficient, a similar Bill of Exchange would be of equal, or even of greater, value than cash, as in the absence of a private Bank, the small traders and shopkeepers find a difficulty in making remittances, and are sometimes obliged to ship silver coin - the usual currency - in payment of their orders, rather than which they would be glad to buy Government Bills of Exchange from the holders at a premium.

4. There is therefore no necessity for keeping a large amount of money useless in the Treasury Chest to meet possible withdrawals when arrangements for payment can be made so easily

I have &c
(signed) Wm Cox
Governor

The Rt Honble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 49

G.H.-S. 71
10th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform You that the Gaol in Stanley has for some time past been showing signs of weakness from faulty and imperfect construction

2. I have had the building surveyed by competent workmen who report that there are cracks extending through the substance of the walls at both ends; that the material used as mortar has not sufficient lime, and is wanting in cohesion, and that the wood work at all points of contact with the walls is rotten or unsound

3. It is recommended that strong iron tie rods should be used to brace and keep the walls together, and that iron girders should be placed under the beams and sleepers.

4. I am sending a requisition by this mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, for the necessary iron work, which is estimated to cost forty pounds, and as soon as it arrives in the Colony I propose to have the necessary bracing and repairs effected

£40

5. It is

5. It is impossible at present to estimate the whole cost of the work, as the chimneys have to be taken down, the arches supported and repaired, and the rotten posts and flooring removed and replaced by new material, to an extent which will not be revealed until the repairs are commenced; but I hope that the outlay will not be very large, and, as soon as the amount can be ascertained I propose with your sanction to submit a vote to the Legislative Council for the amount to be expended

I have &c
signed Kerr
Governor

The Rt Hon^ble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 50

G.H.S. F.I
10th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 10 of the 10th of March last approving of the arrangements which I proposed to make with regard to the plot of land which was formerly the site of the Roman Catholic Chapel in Stanley, and to inform you that Mr C.M. Dean has surrendered the Grant held by the late Colonel D'Arcy, which has been cancelled, and that I have made a Grant to Mr Dean of the land which I suggested should be assigned to him.

I have &c
signed Kerr
Governor

The Rt Hon^ble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G
&c &c &c

No 51.

G.H. S. F.I
12" May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch "General" of the 29" of February last, informing me of your opinion that it is desirable to introduce an Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Merchandize Marks, the draft of which should first be submitted for your approval.

2. As there has been no legislation hitherto in the Falkland Islands with respect to Merchandize Marks, and as the Merchandize Marks Act 1887, is complicated by references to Acts of Parliament which

50 & 51 Vict c 28.

which are not in force in, and by many provisions which are altogether inapplicable to the Colony. I think that instead of my preparing a draft Ordinance to be submitted to your Lordship it would save time and ensure your approval, if you would be so good as to cause a suitable draft Ordinance to be prepared and sent to me to be submitted to the Legislative Council

3. The following Acts of Parliament:- to all of which references are made in the Merchandize Marks Act 1887.- are not in force here

(1)	The Summary Jurisdiction Act	42 & 43 Vict. c 49.
(2)	The Patents, Designs & Trades Marks Act	46 & 47 " " 57
(3)	Vexations Indictments Act	22 & 23 " " 17
(4)	Customs Consolidation Act	39. & 40 " " 36
(5)	Revenue Act	46 & 47 " " 55

The Rt Honble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.
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I have &c
(Signed) Merr
Governor

No 52.

H. M. S. Fiji.
12th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance No 3 of 1888 intituled "An Ordinance to "prevent and punish the issue and use of imitation Postage "Stamps"

2. This Ordinance has been passed by the Legislature in Council accordance with the instructions conveyed to me in your despatch "General" of the 7th of February Last, and I trust that it will meet with your approval and receive Her Majesty's Gracious Confirmation and Allowance

The Rt Honble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.
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I have &
(Signed) Merr
Governor

No 53.

Gtt. S. F.I.
14th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this Mail the two Bills of Exchange noted in the Margin, amounting to five hundred and eleven pounds. six shillings, to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c.
(signed) H Kerr.
Governor

2d May 1888 — £500.
on Ld Dean Esqr in favour of the Crown Agents for the Colonies

14th May 1888 — £11.6.0
on the Paymaster Genl. on acct of Naval Advances, in favour of the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

£511.6.0

The Rt Honble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 54.

Gtt. S. F.I.
14th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the Account current for Distressed British Seamen for the period ended on the 14th of May instant.

2. I have instructed the Crown Agents for the Colonies to pay to the Board of Trade the sum of twenty one pounds twelve shillings and sixpence being the Balance due, to be debited to this Government.

I have &c
signed H Kerr
Governor

The Rt Honble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 55

Gtt. S. F.I.
15th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the despatches noted in the margin

I have &c
signed H Kerr
Governor

No 12.	7th April 1888
Circulars	22d and 26th March 1888
Library	9th and 21st March 1888
Confidential Circulars.	6th and 31st March 1888
Acknowledgement of Despatches	3d April 1888

The Rt Honble
The Baron Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

Schedule of Despatches sent by SS Neko via Montevideo. 16th May 1888

No	Date	Subject	Enclosures
46	8th May 1888	The Government Pilot Boat. concerning.	1
"	" " "	Duplicate of the above	nil
47	" " "	Cash Accounts of the Colony for April. transmitting	1 separate
48	10th " "	Government Savings Bank Regulations, transmitting	6
49	" " "	The Yard in Stanley. concerning	nil
50	" " "	Old site of Roman Catholic Chapel. concerning	nil
51	12th " "	Merchandize Marks. Legislation concerning	nil
52	" " "	Counterfeit Stamp Ordinance 1888. transmitting	6
53	14th " "	Remittances to Crown Agents. notifying	nil
54	" " "	Distressed British Seamans Account. transmitting	1
55	15th " "	Acknowledgement of Despatches	-

No 56.

By H. S. FJ
21st May 1888

My Lord

With reference to your despatch No 54. of the 19th of December last, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Board of Trade respecting the repairs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, which were described in my despatch No 122 of the 18th of October last. I have the honour to report as follows

2. The reason for giving a preference to the tender put in by John Steel over that by Ernest Prior, was, that Steel is an experienced mason and the best workman in the Colony, whilst Prior is not a trained mason, but an inexperienced youth who has lately commenced working at his trade.

3. The cost of the work would in either case have been nearly the same, when the cost of the materials - which are very expensive here - is taken into account

4. The actual cost was less than I anticipated at the date of my despatch above referred to; the whole amount paid having been thirty one pounds eight shillings

£31. 8/.

instead

£34. instead of thirty four pounds as then supposed.

5. I regret that this reply has been so long delayed

I have &c

The Rt. Honble

Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 57

G.H.-S. I.I.

26th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have received a very favourable report from Mr Hansen the Lessee of the Jason Islands, of the great increase in the number of seals on the coasts of this Colony, consequent on the operation of the "Seal Fishery Ordinance 1881"

2 Mr Hansen applied to me for a license to capture seals during the open season on the coasts of the cluster of islands and islets which he rents from the Crown, and after consultation with the Executive Council I have granted him a license for the exclusive right of fishing within these limits for a term of four years, on payment of eighty pounds a year, but terminable by either party on a years notice from the commencement of the open season in each year.

3. The sum of eighty pounds was considered to be a fair annual charge for this license, as it was ascertained by reference to the records of the Treasurer's Office that a similar charge was formerly made for a license to take seals in another part of the Colony where the fishery was not more valuable than that on the Jasons.

4. Mr Hansen has already brought to Stanley 250 seal skins taken this season to be exported to England: and he will probably take many more during the continuance of the open season.

5. I have thought it expedient to fix the duration of the license for a longer period than a single year, as, with a long term the licensee is more likely to fish carefully, and to improve the fishery for his advantage, than he might do were his tenure of the privilege of short duration.

6. I have not yet been applied to for any other seal fishery licenses, but I am informed that the seals have been steadily increasing in numbers in other parts of the Colony.

I. With

Govr Kerr & Lord Kimberley.
No 52. 17th June 1881
" 88. 15th Nov "
" 101. 23d Decr "
No 7. 13th January 1882
" 33. 7th February "
" 50. 25th " "

Govr Kerr to Lord Derby
No 54. 9th May 1883.

Confidential
Lord Derby to Governor Kerr
12th September 1883
Governor Kerr to Lord Derby
9th November 1883

7. With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the Seal fishery I beg to refer Your Lordship to the despatches noted in the margin

I have &c

The Right Honorable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c.

No 58.

G.H. S. F.I.
5th June 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Sealt Department the enclosed Queries Nos 4. to 11 — with the answers thereto

I have &c

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 59

G.H. S. F.I.
5th June 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular despatch of the 22d of March last transmitting a copy of a letter from the Board of Trade and a Statistical Abstract to be filled up as required in the letter

2. I have, as you desired forwarded the completed Abstract, as well as a copy of the Tariff of Customs Duties direct to the Board of Trade, by this mail

I have &c

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 60

G.H. S. F.I.
6th June 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department - the Cash Accounts of this Colony for the month of May last. with supporting vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

separate

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

I have &c

No 61

G.H. S. F.I.
7th June 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade, a Casualty Report and a copy of the proceedings of a Court of Enquiry respecting the total loss of the British Schooner Genesta on the Port Egmont Cays. on the 24th of May last

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The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

I have &c

No 62

G.H. S. F.I.
8th June 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the number of deposits in the Government Savings Bank to this date is sixteen, and that the total amount deposited is one

£1028. 2/ thousand and twenty eight pounds ~~Sterling~~ two Shillings

2 I am informed that the amount deposited would have been much greater, but for the scarcity of specie in the Colony. Deposits are usually made by orders on the local mercantile houses, who at present are waiting for importations of specie to enable them to pay these drafts. The shepherds and Labourers on the rural districts usually allow their wages to accumulate in the hands of their employers, who, when they require payment, give them written orders on their mercantile agents in Stanley.

3 I have no doubt that in a short time very large sums

sums will be deposited in the Bank
I have &c

The Right Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 63

Gth. St. Vincent
8th June 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 12 of the 7th of April last, transmitting a copy of a despatch from the Governor of Barbados, having reference to the amount of the pension to which I will be entitled for my public service in that Colony.

2 The amount stated agrees with the information conveyed to me by the Officer administering the Government of Barbados, on the 24th of October 1877.

3 In the correspondence enclosed in the Governor's despatch it is stated that my application to have my original claim to count my public services from 1855 reconsidered, was decided in my favour - not on the merits - but as a reward for subsequent services

4. I hope I may be pardoned if I strongly dissent from this view. I am not aware of having performed any exceptional public services of such a nature as to entitle me to substantial recompense, but even in such a case a reward of such a questionable nature would have been unjustifiable

5 I transmit herewith a copy of the application which I made in 1876. to the Governor in Council to reconsider my former application to be allowed to count my public services from 1855, because I did not consider that my claim had then been fairly dealt with, and I instanced the cases of the two gentlemen who had commenced their official career by holding for several years the post of Solicitor General, to which no Salary was then attached, and who, as members of the Executive Council and Legal advisers of the Governor in 1870. - when the claims under the Superannuation act were under consideration, decided that they were both entitled to date their public services from the periods on which they were appointed to an office without Salary, and rejected my claim although my employment was paid from the public Treasury out of

rate, which I held brought it within the scope of the Act.

6. When the Executive Council was reconstructed during the Administration of Governor Hennessy I applied to have my original claim reconsidered, as I held that I had constantly and faithfully performed the duties of the office from my first employment in it, and I have always believed that on these grounds alone my claim was finally decided.

7. I fear that my loyalty to Governor Hennessy when he encountered such furious hostility in attempting to carry out the just and beneficent intentions of the Imperial Government, and was deserted by most of those whose duty it was to have assisted him – has led to the erroneous and unjust assumption that my case was determined as a matter of favour rather than of right – a conclusion against which I strongly protest, and which is as unfair to myself as it is to the Governor in Council. I have been amply satisfied by the knowledge that my conduct during a very trying period, was approved by the Government and by all those whose good opinion I esteem, and by the honourable distinction which has recently been conferred upon me, in recognition, I have no doubt of my fidelity during that unhappy crisis.

8. I am sorry to have troubled your Lordship at such length with a purely personal matter. I trust that it may not soon be necessary to consider further the question of a Barbados pension, but that while my services can be useful to Her Majesty's Government I may be permitted to continue in her service

I have &c

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Kimberley G. C. M. G.
&c &c &c

No 64

G.H.-L. 79.
8th June 1888

Nos.	Dates
13	16th April 1888
14	1st May "

Circulars
27th March 1888
3d April "
4 " "
14 " "
21st " "
24th " "

Library
18th April 1888
28th " "

Circular (Confidential)
9th April 1888

Acknowledgment of Despatches
5th May 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the despatches noted on the margin this day

I have &c

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

Schedule of Despatches sent by SS Tottnes via Punta Arenas. 9th June 1888

No	Date	Subject	No of Enclosures
56	21st May 1888	Repairs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse (concerning)	nil
57	26th " "	Seal Fishery Licence restricting	"
58	5th June "	Audit Department-Queries. transmitting	7
59	" " "	Board of Trade, Statistical Abstract: concerning	nil
60	6th " "	Cash Accounts of Colony for May. transmitting.	Separate
61	7th " "	Casualty Report and Weekly Inquiry for Board of Trade. transmitting	2
62	8th " "	Government Savings Bank concerning	nil
63	" " "	Barbados Pension. reply concerning	1
64	" " "	Acknowledgement of Despatches	nil

No 65

Gt. S. Ld.
12th June 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith two copies of the Blue Book of this Colony for the year 1887. with the following report thereon: —

2 separate

Taxes and Duties

There was no alteration during 1887

Revenue and Expenditure

The Revenue of 1887 was £8963. 5. 3. or £961. 5. 3 more than the estimated amount which was £8002

The excess under the several heads was as follows: —

Customs	£474. 9. 8
Rents exclusive of Land	44. 4. 0
Fines. forfeitures and fees of Court.	19. 18. 0
Land Revenue	15. 12. 10
Postage	75. 4. 0
Miscellaneous Receipts	12. 6. 0
Anchor Duty	27. 17. 0
Sale of Crown lands	321. 0. 0

Under the following heads there were deficiencies in the estimated receipts: —

Licenses	£5. 8. 0
Sale of Government property	23. 11. 8
Interest on Investments	. 6. 7

No aid was received from Imperial Funds

The expenditure in 1887 was £9128. 9. 11. or £357. 14. 2 less than the estimated amount which inclusive of a supplemental vote of £860. for Public works. transport and medical stores — was £9410

The excess of assets over liabilities on the 31st of December 1887 — inclusive of cash in the Colonial Chest £2227. 2. 3 and

and in the hands of the Crown Agents for the colonies – £1850. 11. 0. was £6326. 0. 9.

This balance includes £2000 which has been invested in Colonial securities on account of Land sales. and £1000 on account of surplus funds. the gross interest on these investments amounts to £107. 19. 2 annually.

There is no Public Debt

Public Works

There was an unusually large expenditure on the on the roads and drains of Stanley, amounting – inclusive of the purchase and freight of drain pipes lime. cement and paving tiles to £740.

An old storehouse was converted into a School house – to replace that which was destroyed by the peat slip in June 1886 – at a cost of £130. The parsonage – one of the oldest wooden buildings in the settlement was put in complete repair, including new roofing at a cost of £138. Materials were procured for fencing in the Dockyard and the Government garden, at a cost – including freight – of £210. Rooms were fitted up in the Government offices for a Post Office and a Printing Office, and repairs were made to the Gaol the Police Guard room. the Barracks, the Government House and offices, and to several of the cottages used as Police quarters or rented out – at a total cost of £90. An excavation was commenced for enlarging and improving the public reservoir, a cutting was made from the reservoir to a spring in the suburbs of Stanley, and an iron pipe laid for conveying the spring water to the reservoir. at a cost of £188. exclusive of the value of the pipes, which were already in store The aggregate cost of the foregoing works was £1496 to which must be added the cost of peat cutting. of tools and implements, and of some furniture for the Government House. part of a supply voted and sanctioned in 1886 but

both by delay in shipment, included in the account for 1887 - bringing up the total expenditure under the head of Public Works to £1780.

Legislation

Four Ordinances were passed in 1887

No 1. an Ordinance to enable aliens to hold and dispose of land in the Falkland Islands.

This Ordinance was passed on the 20th of January and was confirmed and allowed on the 18th of March following. It contains certain provisions of a retrospective nature, having reference to property previously acquired in Stanley by an alien

No 2. An Ordinance to make further provision for the service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the years 1884. 1885 and 1886.

This Ordinance was passed on the 12th of September and was confirmed and allowed on the 11th of November following. The object of this Ordinance was to sanction excess of actual over estimated expenditure under several heads in the accounts of the years to which it refers

No 3. an Ordinance to provide for the service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1888.

This ordinance was passed on the 12th of September and received the Royal Assent on the 12th of November following

No 4. An Ordinance to make further provision for the service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1887. This Ordinance was passed on the 15th of December for the purpose of making provision for services ~~which~~ were insufficiently provided for by the Appropriation Ordinance for 1887

Legislative

Legislative Council

Mr J M Dean. Senior unofficial member of the Legislative Council. left the Colony on the 12th of March on leave of absence for twelve months

Civil Establishment

Mr E. Pakenham Brooks. Colonial Secretary and Police Magistrate was absent from the Colony on leave throughout the year. The duties of Colonial Secretary Treasurer Coroner. Postmaster Collector of Customs. Harbour Master and Police Magistrate were performed by Mr H B L Jameson. the Government Clerk. The duties of Government Clerk Shipping-Master. Registrar General. Registrar of the Courts Receiver of Wrecks and Clerk of Councils. were performed by Mr Mark Kerr. Private Secretary to the Governor.

Mr B J Heuston Assistant Colonial Surgeon, who has been appointed a medical Officer in Western Australia continued on leave of absence and received half ~~daily~~ salary to the 31st of January when his service expired.

Mr Heuston's duties were principally in connection with the district in the possession of the Falkland Islands Company. who have since employed a surgeon at their own expense, thus rendering the appointment of an assistant Colonial Surgeon in succession to Mr Heuston unnecessary.

Mr A J Anderson Assistant Colonial Surgeon who was stationed on West Falkland Island died on the 20th of May, and the appointment remained vacant during the rest of the year

Pensions

There was no change under this head. The annual charge for pensions continued to be £235.16.8

Population

There were 61 births during 1887. of which number 34 were males and 27 were females.

There were 11 marriages

18 deaths were registered of which 12 were males and 6 were females

The causes of death were as follows:-

4.	Infantile diseases
3	Accidental deaths
1	Paralysis
2	Heart-Disease
1	Dropsy
1	Cirrhosis of the liver
1	Bronchitis
5	Consumption
Total 18	

The health of the population was, as usual, good throughout the year.

Of the 18 deaths registered, 2 were Fuegian Indians who died at the Keppel Island Mission Station of a form of lung disease to which these people are peculiarly liable and 3 were mariners in vessels casually arriving at Stanley. so that there were only 13 deaths amongst the resident population. Of these, 6 were in Stanley and 7 in other parts of the Colony.

The following report from the Colonial Surgeon applies only to Stanley, to which his practice is confined

The Colonial Surgeon to the Colonial Secretary

Sir

I have the honour to furnish a report for the information of His Excellency the Governor on the Sanitary condition of Stanley for the year 1887

I am happy to state that notwithstanding the great increase of population, it being nearly double what it was

was when I arrived in this Colony in 1879. The death rate from preventible diseases is low. a few sporadic cases of Enteric fever of a mild type. The usual number of cases of Febrilla Catarrh Coryza Varicella and Rheumatism

It is rather unfortunate that a very large number of persons both children and adults suffer from a severe form of Tonsilitis, but in many cases it can be traced to a Scropulous origen

On the whole the Settlement may be congratulated on its healthy state

I have &c
Samuel Hamilton
Colonial Surgeon

The number of the population, which was assumed to be 1800 on the 31st of December 1886 was increased to 1843 on the 31st of December 1887 by the excess of births over deaths

Education

The Colonial Chaplain, who performs the duties of School Inspector made the following report

Education Report Falkland Islands 1887

The number of children on the rolls in the Government Infant and Senior Schools Stanley during the year were 92. and 95 respectively

The average attendance was 65. and 70 respectively thus showing a slight improvement over the previous year.

I had not the opportunity of visiting this year the only other school in the islands viz: the Falkland Islands Company's school at Darwin, but I believe it was continued as usual

The Penny Savings Bank connected with the Government Schools continued its operations, at the close of the year there were 88 depositors and £582.13.5 due to them

I again venture to call His Excellency the Governor's attention to the following :-

First-

First. That there are many children in Stanley of school age, who seldom or never enter the schools, and are receiving no education at home, this will continue, through the neglect of their parents, until education is made compulsory.

Second. That as the children attending the Infant School vary very much in age. - from 5 to 13 years of age - proper attention cannot be given to them by the Infant school mistress and her assistant during the summer months, when the attendance has at times reached 90 children, consequently during the summers of 1886 and 1887 a second assistant was paid by private subscription

Third. The state of education in the Country parts of the Islands is deplorable, nothing whatever having been done during the year either by Government or the Lessees of Crown Lands towards the education of the children scattered throughout the Islands, with the exception of the school established in Darwin by the Falkland Islands Company. where the few children resident in Darwin receive instruction

signed. Lowther E Brandon
Government School Inspector

Imports and Exports

The value of the imports in 1887 was £66.785. in 1886 it was £73.602. and in 1885 it was £48.314.

The value of the exports in 1887 was £107.995. in 1886 it was £108.946. and in 1885 it was £97.846

The following table represents the relative value of the several articles of export during the six years ending with 1887.

	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887
Wool	57.655	68.313	74.652	82.113	72.998	80.065
Tallow	10.120	8.735	13.314	3.360	3.640	4.475
Sheepskins	3.893	4.345	5.686	5.125	3.813	5.039
Hides	4.819	2.775	4.242	4.727	1.850	515
Old Metal	339	306	196	350	—	70
Seal skins	—	—	191	—	—	12
Seal oil	—	—	125	—	—	—
Hair Bones and Bonesash	20	118	62	93	8	—
Live sheep	—	2.400	2.720	2.078	10.949	3.314
Live Horses	—	—	150	—	—	—
Frozen Mutton	—	—	—	—	15.070	13.882
Live Geese	—	—	—	—	18	—
Specie	—	—	—	—	—	623
Total	76.846	86.992	101.338	97.846	108.946	107.995

Shipping

Thirty five sailing vessels arrived in the Colony in 1887. The tonnage of the whole was 21.535. and the crews numbered 525. Of these, only eighteen were engaged in the trade of the Colony and they arrived at the following places

Port Stanley	9
San Carlos (East Island)	1
Port Howard (West Island)	1
Roy Cove (do)	1
West Point (do)	1
Hill Cove (do)	1
Shallow Bay (do)	2
Pebble Island	1
Weddell Island	1

Of the remaining seventeen two were yachts visiting the islands on their respective voyages. Seven vessels called for provisions and water or for medical assistance. One vessel put in because her cargo of coal was heated and sailed again as soon as the danger was overcome, and seven vessels arrived in distress, having been more or less damaged by furious gales encountered on the passage round Cape Horn. They were all repaired and proceeded on their respective voyages.

The Kosmos Company's steamers arrived regularly with the monthly mails, and two extra steamers of that line called for coal

The steamship Selembria took two cargoes of frozen mutton and other goods for London and the steam ship Granville brought out supplies to the Stations on the West Falkland and adjacent islands, and took a full cargo of wool from thence without coming to Port Stanley.

Her Majesty's ships Ready Swallow and Watchful visited the islands during the close season of the Seal fishery and the United States ship of war Juniata visited Port Stanley

Stanley on her way to the Pacific

The American Yacht Brunhilde with her owner Mr J J Phelps called at Port Stanley on her return to New York from a voyage round the world, and Captain Devar's Yacht the Nyanza, of the Royal Yacht Squadron, also visited the islands on her way to the Pacific and Australia.

Criminal Statistics

These are happily very scanty and unimportant.

There was only one conviction in the Supreme Court during the year. The case was a criminal prosecution for libel

Thirty seven persons were summarily convicted before the Police Magistrate. Of these thirty were punished by fine and seven by peremptory imprisonment. Those who were imprisoned were refractory seamen.

Climate

I am indebted to Mr Cobb of the Falkland Islands Company for the following meteorological information

	Temperature			Humidity (Saturation = 100)	Rain		Average Cloud (Overcast = 10)
	Maximum	Minimum	Mean		Inches	Days	
January	62.8	36.2	50.9	83	4.36	24	7.6
February	60.8	37.3	52.1	81	2.24	16	5.9
March	62.7	33.4	49.8	85	1.82	18	6.1
April	50.8	31.7	43.4	90	2.23	21	6.7
May	48.0	30.6	41.3	91	2.18	21	7.0
June	44.0	17.0	34.6	93	3.89	25	7.4
July	44.2	20.2	37.5	95	1.65	20	7.1
August	40.8	21.8	34.0	90	2.58	25	7.3
September	49.0	20.8	36.2	86	1.49	21	8.3
October	62.2	29.6	43.3	82	1.18	12	7.0
November	69.5	35.3	48.5	79	1.05	12	7.0
December	66.1	34.1	49.7	75	3.37	19	6.6
Totals and Means	~~65.4~~	~~29.0~~	43.4	86	28.24	234	7.0

Force of Wind

Stormy	62 days
Strong breeze	70 "
Fresh breeze	39 "
Moderate breeze	75 "
Light Breeze	113 "
Calm	6 "

General Remarks

The winter of 1887 was unusually long, and from the lateness of the spring and consequent insufficiency of herbage the ewes were so poor at the lambing season that numbers of the lambs perished. The increase of the flocks during the year was therefore far below the average. But in all other respects the prosperity of the Colony has continued to advance, and the loss of sheep from the disease to which since 1884 they have been liable in the shearing and dipping season was far less in 1887 than in the three previous years

The failure of the Frozen Meat Company is much to be regretted The Companies chartered steamer Selembria took two cargoes to London in 1887, after which, from financial causes, the operations of the Company ceased. It is said that the enterprise was conducted with unnecessary expense, and it is hoped that more prudent and economical arrangements may lead to the entire success of a renewal of this valuable addition to the exports of the colony Meanwhile, as most of the sheep stations are not yet fully stocked, the prosperity of the sheep farmers will not be affected by the temporary cessation of the exportation of frozen meat.

The exportation of ewes to the new settlements on the Argentine and Chilian territories was not so great in 1887 as in 1886 but higher than in the three previous years This branch of export is likely to be continued for perhaps a couple of years longer, after which it is probable that the demand will have ceased

The peace of the Colony was undisturbed during the year. The Gaol was closed for 240 days and was only occupied during the other 125 days by naval prisoners undergoing punishment on warrants signed by officers commanding Her Majesty's ships on the station -and for 14 days of the same period by some refractory seamen, committed under the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts on the complaint

of

of the Shipmaster. No resident in the Colony suffered imprisonment

The financial condition of the Colony continued to be most satisfactory

The Revenue amounted to £8963. and the expenditure to £9128. The slight excess of expenditure over revenue was caused by an unusual outlay on public works, and made no appreciable difference in the large accumulated balance in hand. — which amounted at the end of the year to £6.326.— Of this balance £3000 continues invested in guaranteed Colonial Stock and yields interest at the rate of £107 a year

The celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee was observed in this, as in all other parts of Her dominions, with every manifestation of loyalty and affection

I have &c
signed — Thesr

The R^t Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 66

G.H.S. F.I
18th June 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith for your consideration and decision a copy of an application which has been made by Mr William Coulson for an increase of pay in consideration of his long service, and increased work in the various duties which he performs as Office Messenger

2 In my despatch No 71 of the 1st of June 1885. I recommended that Coulson's pay should be raised from £90. ninety pounds a year which he received to one hundred £100. pounds a year, but my recommendation was not then approved by the Secretary of State

3 The present application was fully considered in Executive Council on the 15th of June instant and there was an unanimous expression of opinion that it should be referred to your Lordship

Lordship, and that Coulson should be paid for overtime and Sundays when employed as sorter in the Post Office, a duty which he has performed for many years and the work of which has been, and still is, rapidly increasing

4. I trust that your Lordship will approve of my placing on the Estimates for next year a sum not exceeding ten pounds for this service, under the head of Office contingences

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 67

G.H.S. F.I.
3d July 1888

My Lord

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 30th of June 1888, and a certificate of Quarterly Survey containing a statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony during the same period.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 68

G.H.S. F.I.
3d July 1888

My Lord

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 Lembrake Light house for the Quarter ended 30th June 1888

No 175
£76.9.6
30th June 1888
on ass't sec to mercht Depts
Bd of Trade London
in favour of the Crown
agents for the Colonies

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

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 69

G.H.S. F.I.
3d July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the ~~Lords Department~~ Board of Trade the accounts of the oil and Stores expended at Cape Pembroke Light house during the Quarter ended 30th of June 1888 together with the Meteorological Register for the half year.

separate

I have &c
signed Mere

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 70

G.H. S. F.I
3d July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the Account Current for Distressed British Seamen for the Period ended 30th June 1888

2 I have instructed the Crown Agents for the Colonies to pay to the Board of Trade the sum of eight pounds nine shillings and sixpence, being the balance due, to be debited to this Government

£8.9.6

I have &c
signed Mere

The Rt. Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 71

G.H. S. F.I
6th July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of the minutes of the proceedings of the Executive and Legislative Councils of this Colony for the half year ended on the 30th of June 1888

I have &c
signed Mere

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G
&c &c

No 72

G. H. S. F. I.
9th July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department, the Cash account of this Colony, for the month ended the 30th of June ultimo with supporting vouchers, and a copy of the Treasurers Cash Book

separate

I have &c
signed Mere

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 73

G.H. S. F.I.
9th July 1888.

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith an amended Return of Officers making Family Remittances from this Colony, to take the place of the Return transmitted in my despatch No 11 of the 2d of January last

I have &c
signed Mere

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 74

G.H. S. F.I.
9th July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to forward herewith for transmission to the Board of Trade a Casualty Report relating to the British Barque "Dennis Brundrit"

I have &c
signed Mere

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 75

G.H. S. F.I.
13th July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith in duplicate a statement addressed to you by Mr W. Keith Cameron

Cameron, complaining of unjust and harsh treatment at the hands of the Government here

2 Mr Cameron's position here is rather a peculiar one. Originally a game-keeper on an estate near Dumfries, he came out here about twenty years ago with some other emigrants, in the service of the Falkland Islands Company; and was for some time employed as their store keeper, first at Darwin and afterwards in Stanley. When his services were dispensed with by the Company, he engaged with Mr Smith – at that time Stipendiary Magistrate – to raise sheep on a part of the Crown lands leased in San Carlos and San Salvador districts by Andrez Pitaluga, for shares in the profits, to be divided between Mr Smith, Cameron, and Pitaluga. The latter held one hundred thousand acres of land from the Crown on eleven leases. – his business being that of a Cattle farmer. Pitaluga died intestate in 1878, leaving a widow and five children. The widow was appointed to administer the estate, and she employed Cameron as manager, but she also died in the following year, and the Court appointed the eldest son Alexander Pitaluga, as administrator, but Cameron continued to manage their affairs, and came into Court every year with the administrator to verify the annual account. The commercial agents were Messrs J. M Dean & Sons, who advanced money ——— furnished supplies, and shipped and sold the produce of ——— the estate. The supplies were always sent round to the ——— several stations from Stanley in Messrs Deans schooners ——— or their local steamer

3. Suddenly. – in 1884 – Mr Cameron induced the administrator of the estate to transfer to him absolutely five of the leases. – including that of San Carlos where he resided. – containing 42.000 acres, with their stock, farm buildings and freeholds. This was objected to by the other heirs, but no action was taken

4. In 1886 the youngest child became of age, and the remaining property, valued at Ten thousand five hundred pounds, less a debt of £5.100 due to Messrs Dean was divided amongst the five children of Andrez Pitaluga, leaving Mr Cameron in undisturbed, and unencumbered possession of the remainder

5. Since

5. Since the acquisition of these farms, and the distribution of the Pitalunga estate Mr Cameron has begun to import goods on his own account, and not as formerly through Messrs Dean, and during the last two years he has joined with some of the West Falkland farmers in getting out supplies direct from England. by a steamer and shipping wool and other produce in the same vessel, without communication with Stanley, by which they effect a very considerable saving, but this, in the case of Mr Cameron and some others is only accomplished by an almost total disregard of the Customs Ordinance.

6. The irregularities in the West Falkland and adjacent Islands have been very numerous, but there has been no intention, and a professim, of observing the law.— in the case of Mr Cameron there has been none, and, when engaging a vessel to go to San Carlos he made no arrangement for the observance of the necessary forms. The Ordinance does not require the personal appearance of the importer, as the declaration may be made, the duties paid, and the permit for landing obtained by his agent

7. Mr Cameron had not the excuse of ignorance of the law in this case, as the enclosed correspondence with reference to a former breach of the Ordinance, discloses; and, as it had become necessary for the sake of example to take notice of these continued irregularities, summonses were issued on Mr Greenshields of Salvador, and Mr Cameron of San Carlos for landing dutiable goods contrary to law from the steamer Nitesdale, which went to both of these harbours. Mr Greenshields, who pleaded ignorance of the law was fined in the mitigated penalty of Ten pounds, (the full amount being One hundred pounds) of which, on his application to me, I remitted five pounds, and released the goods from sequestration for which he wrote to express his thanks. Mr Cameron was fined twenty pounds. which he paid, and demanded in an excited manner that the goods should be immediately removed from his place. I directed the goods to be released

£10
£100
£5
£20

released from forfeiture – the magistrate not having a discretionary power to do so – and there the matter ended.

9. There is as yet no report of the inward cargo of the Nithsdale, although I am informed that she sailed again with a cargo for England on the 30th of June having been cleared at Port Howard in the West Falkland by Mr Henry Waldron, one of the consignees, who went home in her as a passenger.

10. Had the Nithsdale been entered first at Port Stanley – an easy matter for any steamer – there would have been no difficulty of any kind, as all parties concerned have agents in Stanley – where in fact all their payments are made – and the goods for all the different stations could have been entered, the declarations made, the duties paid, and permits for landing obtained.

11. The account which Mr Cameron gives of his dangers and hardships is a very exaggerated and sensational one. The route from Stanley to San Carlos is constantly traversed both in summer and winter. It is a twelve hours ride, usually done easily in two days: by the longest of the two tracks, and there are several stations besides Shepherd's houses, on the way, at all of which shelter and refreshment are always to be had. The day before the summons was served, the man who takes out the mails from Stanley, made the journey without difficulty, then the Police Officer, a man unaccustomed to the rough riding of the country, and they all returned without any complaint of exposure or fatigue.

12. If Mr Cameron suffered inconvenience, he brought it on himself, and he might easily have avoided it by making such arrangements for getting his goods brought to him, as would have involved no breach of the law.

13. The establishment of a Branch Custom house in West Falkland would not meet the requirements of Mr Cameron and of some others, and my experience of the working of the present system, since returning to the Colony at the end of 1886 convinces me that the only effectual remedy for the irregularities which are of such constant occurrence, is to bring into operation so much of the second section of the Ordinance No 3 of 1885 as relates to vessels entering

entering at Stanley before proceeding to other parts of the Colony – modified by a proviso that vessels in ballast or with cargoes of fencing posts only, engaged to convey livestock from the Colony, may be entered and cleared by any Justice of the Peace not being the consignee, or shipper of the cargo.

14. I intend to report further to your Lordship on the question of the collection of Customs ~~duties~~ Dues, as soon as I shall have obtained all the information which I can procure with reference to the Steamer Nithsdale.

I have &c
signed Nesr

The Right Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

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Murder

No 76

Gov^t. H. S. F.I.
20th July 1888

My Lord

ans^d
No 33
of 13 Sept.

I have the honour to transmit herewith in duplicate a petition from C James Wilson on behalf of certain persons calling themselves the Falkland Islands Reform Club – having reference to my alleged refusal to direct the Coroner to furnish with copies of the proceedings of an inquest held on the body of a seaman who was killed in Stanley in February last, and referring also to "the subject of a memorial of April 16^th 1888" of which I have no knowledge.

2. On the morning of the 11^th of February last it was reported to me that Peter McBride, a seaman in one of the local schooners, had been found in a dying state, with frightful wounds on the head, on one of the jetties, and it was supposed that he had been murdered.

3 Her Majesty's Ships Ruby and Swallow were in the port and a dance which was given by the crew of the Swallow to the townspeople at the Sail Loft on the Government dockyard was kept up through the night. A considerable number of the crew of the Swallow were therefore on shore all night as well as the usual number of liberty men from the Ruby, and some men from the merchant-shipping in the harbour, and in consequence of the

the entertainment which was going on at the dockyard, a great many persons were passing backwards and forwards on the front road of the settlement, close to the jetties, during the greater part of the night, but no disturbance of any kind was heard.

4. Peter McBride, who was quarrelsome when under the influence of liquor, was at the dance, in company with Arthur Smith, the mate of the schooner to which he belonged. About midnight McBride was turned out of the dancing room for being quarrelsome, and the Police Officer who put him out of the precincts of the yard, stated that although the worse for liquor, he was able to walk. He was not seen afterwards for upwards of two hours

5. Arthur Smith remained at the dance till 2 a.m. when he went in search of McBride to take him on board, and – as he stated – he found him lying in a helpless state on the jetty, crying out "Oh my God"; that he saw his face was covered with blood, and – as the schooner's boat had already gone off with another man – he lifted McBride into a boat which was lying at the steps, and took him to the vessel, and when, with the assistance of the man who was already on board, he was lifted in and carried to his bunk, it was found that he was dead.

6 The two men then went ashore and informed the Police, and the Colonial Surgeon went on board soon afterwards, and used means to restore animation, without success.

7. An inquest was held on the same day – (the 11th) and adjourned to the 13th for a post mortem examination, when after taking all the evidence which was procurable, a verdict of wilful murder against some person or persons unknown was returned. Arthur Smith was at first suspected, on account of his having taken the wounded man to the schooner, instead of reporting the case to the Police, and obtaining assistance, but it appeared that he had before taken McBride on board when helplessly intoxicated, and it was quite possible that – as he said – he had no idea the man was so seriously injured although his face was bleeding. A witness who lives near the jetty, was awakened by a noise of fighting, followed by several groans. Two or three voices were heard by this witness

8. No

8. No further evidence of any kind has once been discovered, although the constables have made careful inquiry but many rumours and conjectures have been current, and another person, one of the shipmates of Gibson, the man, who was murdered on board a schooner in the harbour in 1881 has been alluded to as being suspected of complicity in the murder of McBride

9 On the night of the day next following the inquest, the persons who call themselves the Reform Club called a public meeting, and afterwards - headed by their Chairman James Smith and one of his associates named Dennis Buckley with a following of about forty persons, proceeded to the Police Guard room at the Dockyard and demanded that the Constable on duty should arrest Arthur Smith on the charge of murdering McBride. The Chief Constable communicated with me, and then informed them that their conduct was unlawful, but that if any of them could give such further evidence as would implicate Arthur Smith, he would proceed with them to the Magistrate to take the information, on which, should sufficient cause be shown, a warrant would be issued. No one came forward however to tender evidence, and the crowd dispersed.

10. Arthur Smith was virtually already in charge of the Police, as so many threats had been ~~made~~ used against him, in consequence of the action of the Reform Club, that he went to the guard room for protection.

11. It was noticeable that one of the leaders of the body who demanded the arrest, was Dennis Buckley a mason, of drunken and quarrelsome habits, who had been brawling with Arthur Smith at a public house - where they had challenged each other to fight, a few days before these occurrences.

12. The Ruby sailed on the 13th of February, the day on which the inquest terminated, and on the 15th I embarked in H.M.S. Swallow to visit Christmas Harbour in the West Falkland Island, and returned to Stanley on the 20th following - when I found that the Kosmos Steamer had arrived during my absence, and had sailed again for Sandy Point, and that Arthur Smith had gone away by her

13 On

13. On the 17th of February James Smith came before the Police Magistrate and offered to lay an information against Arthur Smith – which, when taken, proved to be only a hearsay repetition of part of the evidence already taken by the Coroner, at the inquest I transmit herewith a copy of the proceedings marked A, and a copy of James Smith's subsequent information marked B.

A/B/

14. The Reform Club as it is called, was brought into existence in August 1887 by James Smith a mischievous agitator, who has obtained an ascendency amongst some of his fellow carpenters and a few of the labourers in Hanley by persuading them that they have grievances which might be redressed by a combination for that purpose. The movement is looked upon with distrust and dislike by the well disposed and peaceable inhabitants of the settlement who keep aloof from it, but who have neither the ability nor the desire to make any adverse demonstration, leaving it to languish for want of support.

15. My attention was called to the formation of the Reform Club by a letter informing me that the subscribers had associated themselves for the purpose of inquiring into the causes of, and the means of alleviating and preventing destitution. They also forwarded to me a copy of the Rules of the association, and applied for information as to the manner in which certain votes of money for charitable purposes had been applied

16. In reply they were informed that there was at present no destitution in the Colony, except a few casual cases, which were relieved by a charitable organization, with which it was suggested, they might advantageously associate themselves

17. To this a reply was shortly afterwards received, setting forth that their aims and intentions were of much wider scope and that they claimed a right to have representatives in the Legislature, and other matters. To avoid unnecessary repetition I have caused copies of the correspondence to be made which I transmit herewith.

18. I did not consider that any good purpose would be served by replying to such a communication as that of the 15th of September 1887 marked C. and I have not since

since recognized the association in any way.

19. After the tumultuous demonstration made by these men on the occasion of the death of Peter McBride which was entirely traceable to the action and influence of James Smith. I declined to direct the Coroner to furnish them with a copy of the proceedings of the Coroner's inquest. to which they had no legal claim and with the circumstances of which they were already perfectly well acquainted. one of their number. a carpenter named H McLean having been one of the Jurors, and the proceedings having been of such a public nature that they were well known to the minutest detail throughout the Settlement.

20 It is fortunate that occurrences are rare in which it becomes necessary in this Colony to submit issues of any importance to the decisions of juries "A Stanley Jury" has become a byeword for prejudice partiality and disregard of evidence or of argument. and in almost every case which comes before the Supreme Court the question at issue has been debated in the bar room of every tavern in the Settlement and the verdict settled beforehand. after which, evidence, and explanation of the law and the summing up of the bench, are wasted on the stolid jurymen, who retire to their room. and return with the verdict which they had agreed on before the trial.

21. During the last year this state of things was brought forcibly to my notice. A young woman. the daughter of one of the townspeople, who had been temporarily employed as a house servant and nurse, was charged with having stolen some money and a silk ribbon sash from the house of her employer. there was strong circumstantial evidence about the money, even to the exact amount missing with which sum the prisoner had bought a hat at one of the shops. she being known before to have no money: but the sash was found in a bundle which she was removing from the house, and although a remnant remaining in her mistresse's possession was produced and matched in Court even to the joining of the severed portions, her bare

bare statement in her defence that it was her own oath, was accepted by the jury, who had evidently made up their minds ~~to an acquittal~~ beforehand to a verdict of acquittal. In this case there was a general animus against the employer, a foreigner recently naturalized and settled in Stanley as a mechanic and builder, who had deserted from a merchant ship

22. The other case was a criminal prosecution for written and published libel, so simple and undeniable a case that the guilt of the prisoner could not be gainsaid, yet it was only by the firmness and determination of the foreman, who happened to be a gentleman of character, that the rest of the jury friends of the accused, did not acquit him.

23. On the subject of the administration of Justice as it is affected by partial and prejudiced juries I purpose reporting to your Lordship in a future despatch.

24. In conclusion it is my duty to state that the labourers and especially the artizans in this Colony enjoy material advantages which are unequalled, as far as I ~~know~~ am aware, in any other community. In Stanley the mechanics are never paid at a lower rate than one shilling an hour and double that amount for extra time beyond the ordinary days work, but those who are engaged in repairing ships, an almost constant occupation, earn double wages. Ordinary day labourers are paid at the rate of eightpence an hour and double wages for over time in loading and discharging ships

25. The wages of Shepherds and labourers on the sheep farms range from Five to Six pounds per month with free houses and fuel, and with an unlimited supply of mutton, never less than a sheep every week, but oftener more

26. The people are exempt from taxation, all the necessaries of life being imported free of Customs Duties, and since the a trade with Chili has been established through the agency of the Kosmos steamers, flour is as cheap as in England, and most other articles of food are to be had at reasonable prices butchers meat costing two pence to three pence ~~per~~ a pound. Liquors and tobacco, which pay Customs Duties are expensive but are freely indulged in, the sale of liquor particularly being

being very great for so small a community, and the cost by retail excessive.

27. Sober and frugal men rapidly save money and become well to do, but the system of unlimited credit at the stores, encourages extravagance in luxuries and — — among the women — in expensive and unsuitable dress. The principal employers of labour in Stanley are also the largest storekeepers, and a kind of truck system prevails, acquiesced in by the employed, whose habits of extravagance are fostered by it, and of great advantage to the employers.

28. I have written at much greater length than I intended when commencing this report, but in forwarding the unfounded and exaggerated statements contained in the letters of C J Wilson on behalf of the Reform Club. I have felt it my duty to refute them by a statement of the actual condition of the population, which is so grossly misrepresented by that combination

29. I transmit also herewith copies of three letters from C J Wilson applying for copies of the proceedings of the Coroner's inquisition, marked as on the margin As the law gives the Coroner no power to accede to such a demand, it could not be complied with.

H.I.+K.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c

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No 77

G. H. - L. 79
30th July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies the three Bills of Exchange noted in the margin, amounting to eighty seven pounds eight shillings to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c
signed Kerr

30th June 1888
On the Board of Trade £76. 9. 6
2d July 1888
On the Paymaster Genl. 9. 15. 0
2d July 1888
On the Accountant Genl of the Navy 1. 3. 6
£87. 8. 0

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G
&c &c &c

No 78

Q.H.S. FI
30th July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the sum of
£1920.10.5. One thousand nine hundred and twenty pounds ten shillings and five-pence has been deposited in the Government Saving Bank up to this date

2. I was led to believe that a very much larger amount would have been received by this time, but from a private letter which I have received by this mail from Mr Cobb the Colonial Manager of the Falkland Islands Company who is now in England, I find that a very large sum which the company has in keeping for its employees, is to be deposited in the Bank, as soon as arrangements can be made for remitting money from London for that purpose

3. There seems to be very little specie at present in Stanley, and I understand that Messrs J M Dean and Sons have also large sums on deposit, and that they experience a difficulty in making payments except by Bill of Exchange on their London House

£3000 4. There is an available balance of Three thousand pounds now in the Colonial Chest on which Bills of Exchange may be drawn by the Crown agents for the Colonies

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 79

Q.H.S. FI.
31st July 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the Kosmos Steamer Denderah with the English Mails despatched from London on the 2d of June last, arrived here on the night of the 29th of July instant

2 The mail steamer was due at Port Stanley on the 12th of July instant - the time fixed by the time table - consequently the mail was seventeen days behind time.

3. The

3. The agent for the Hosmos Company has written to inform me that the steamer was delayed by continued stormy weather at Valparaiso and elsewhere on the Chilian coast, and that no blame rests on the officers of the Company.

4. The steamer is appointed to sail this evening with the usual homeward mails.

5. I have received no communication from your Lordship by this mail

The Right Honorable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

I have &c
signed Kerr

Schedule of Despatches from Govt of 7 Islands to S of State via Montevideo on 31st of July by SS Denderah

No.	Date		Subject of Despatch	Enclosures
65	June 12.	1888.	Blue Book for 1887, transmitting. with Report on	2 separate
66	" 18.	"	W. Coulson. application for increase of pay. transmitting	1
67	July 3	"	Quarterly survey of Chest &c transmitting	1
68	" "	"	Cape Penbroke Light House. Quarterly account transmitting	1
69	" "	"	" " " Oil and Store Acct & Meteorological Regr trans.	Separate
70	" "	"	Distressed British Seamens account transmitting	1
71	" 9th	"	Minutes of Councils. copies of. transmitting	2
72	" "	"	Cash account for June do	Separate
73	" "	"	Family Remittances Return respecting. do	1
74	" "	"	Casualty Report ——— do	1
75	" 13th	"	W. K. Cameron. Memorial from with report	5
76	" 20th	"	C. I. Wilson petition from. with report	12
77	" 30th	"	Remittances to Crown Agents. reporting	nil
78	" "	"	Savings Bank deposits in "	"
79	" 31st	"	Mail Steamer. late arrival. "	"

No 77 80

G H S F I
7th August 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department, the Accounts of this Colony for the month of July last, as well as a copy of the Treasurers Cash Book separate

I have &c.
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 78 81

G H.S.F.I.
7th August 1888

My Lord

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

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 79 82

G H. S. F I
9th August 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this mail the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin for one thousand pounds to be placed to the credit of this Government

9th August 1888
On the Falkland Islands Govt
In favour of
The Crown Agents for the Colonies
£1000. 0. 0

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 80 83 10th Aug 1888

No ~~82~~ 83

Gov. H. L. F.I.
10th August 1888

Numbers	Dates
15	8th May 1888
to	to
25	3d July "
Circulars –	
	28th May "
	19th June "
	20th " "
Accounts	
	16th May "
Library	
	30th " "
	4th June "
	5th June "
Circulars (Confidential)	
	10th May "

My Lord,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the despatches noted in the margin on the 9th instant

I have &c

Signed. Wesr

The Rt. Hon
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

By S.S. Thelen via Punta Arenas

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 10th of August 1888

Number	Date	Subject	enclosures
~~77~~ 80	7th Aug 1888	Cash Account of Colony for July transmitting	separate
~~78~~ 81	" " "	Surprise Survey. forwarding	1
~~79~~ 82	9th " "	Bill of Exchange reporting remittance of	
~~80~~ 83	10 " "	Acknowledgement of Despatches (supra)	

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Governor to Secretary of State 28th January 1887
No 14. 28th January 1887
Secretary of State to Governor
No 20. 28th April 1887

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6 H. S. F. I.
28th August 1888

My Lord

With reference to the correspondence on the administration of Justice in this Colony, noted in the margin and to paragraphs 20 to 23 of my despatch No 76 of the 20th of July ultimo, I have the honour to make the following report and suggestions on the subject.

2. By the Ordinance No 10 of 1853, afterwards amended by No 1 of 1859 and No 1 of 1870 – copies of which I transmit herewith – it is provided that every man between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be liable to serve as a juror, with the exception of Aliens, ministers of religion, medical men Justices and certain public officers.

3. There is no qualification whatever. A list is prepared every year, on which the names of the male inhabitants of the specified age are placed in alphabetical order, and juries are summoned according to the regular succession of names, from the beginning to the end of the list.

4. The total number of persons now on the jury list is 319, and of these only 106 reside in Stanley. The remaining 213, who are chiefly Shepherds and labourers, are settled on the Sheep farms, at such distances from Stanley as to render them practically inavailable as jurors

5. Of the 106 persons in Stanley – who alone are called on to serve as jurors, 32 are owners of tenements of the value of ten pounds a year and upwards, and nineteen £10 are householders, occupying houses at a rent of twenty pounds £20. a year and upwards. There are probably, in other parts of the Colony about 12 persons with property qualifications equal to those specified in Stanley, who in cases of importance or emergency might be summoned to appear in Stanley and to serve as jurors

6. For the few cases which are tried by jury, a jury-list of fifty persons would be quite sufficient.

7. In 1853, the whole male population of the Colony consisted of 280, inclusive of minors and aged persons so that it was probably necessary at that time to dispense with

with with any qualification, in order to obtain a sufficient number of jurors. - As, however, the conditions are now so much changed I think it right to submit for the Lordship's consideration the expediency of introducing an ordinance to amend the laws relating to jurors, by fixing such a qualification as would eliminate from the jury list a number of disreputable and improper persons

8. It would be necessary to exempt Coroners juries from the operation of such an amendment of the law in order that juries might be procurable by the Coroners in the event of inquests being held at places remote from Stanley.

9. I fear however that notwithstanding the undoubted improvement which would result from requiring a qualification for jurymen, it would be impossible, in so small a community, to obtained unbiassed verdicts in cases where local or personal prejudices existed, and I trust that your Lordship will pardon me, if on this account I ask you to reconsider the suggestion contained in the letter which was addressed to me by the unofficial members of the Legislative Council, and transmitted in my despatch No 14 of the 28th of January 1887 - that an appeal should lie from the Judgment of the Supreme Court, to the Governor in Council.

10. Mr Cobb, shortly after that time, called my attention to the facts connected with the case of the Coquimbana, a vessel which was wrecked in the Falkland Sound in 1867 with a valuable cargo, part of it being bar copper worth upwards of £7000. The wreck was sold in Stanley for £690. of which £406 was for the cargo. The underwriters sent out an agent to claim the wreck, and an action was brought in the Magistrates Court against the purchaser. The jury returned a verdict for the purchaser, who obtained judgment, which was afterwards reversed on appeal, by the Governor in Council, and the underwriters saved the whole of the copper.

11. Although a judge may, in certain cases, order a new trial, in the event of a verdict clearly contrary to the evidence, the difficulty remains, that in all probability the second jury would be as strongly prejudiced as the first

one

one, and there would be far greater confidence in the ultimate decision by the Governor in Council on appeal than in the issue of a new trial.

12. With reference to your Lordships expressed intention, in case of a vacancy occurring in the office of Colonial Secretary, of endeavouring to select for it a barrister, who would be competent to discharge the duties of Police Magistrate, and also in case of need to act as Chief-Justice. I think it right to observe that the conditions for such an appointment are more favourable now than at that time as the salary of the Colonial Secretary £50 has recently been increased by Fifty pounds a year, in consideration of his duties in connection with the Government Savings Bank

The R^t Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

I have &c
signed Kerr &c
Governor

No 85

G.H.S. F.I.
6th September 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith for your consideration, a petition which has been addressed to me by the Colonial Surgeon, the Chaplain, and some of the inhabitants of Stanley, setting forth the want of a certificated midwife and trained nurse, and asking me to recommend to your Lordship that a free passage, and a small salary should be granted in order to secure the services of such a person.

2. I have every to believe that the employment of a trained nurse and midwife, would be of great advantage to the inhabitants of Stanley, who would, of course, be expected to remunerate her adequately for her services; but, in order to place her under the control of the Government, so as to fix a certain rate of charges,— as in the case of the Colonial Surgeon — it would be necessary to grant a salary, which £25 should not, I think, exceed twenty five pounds a year, and also to pay the cost of a second class passage to the Colony.

3. As there might be some difficulty in selecting a person in all respects fitted for such duties. I would suggest

should

– should your Lordship think favourably of this application – that Mrs Cobb, or Mrs Dean, ladies connected with the Colony who are now in England, should be authorised to select from one of the London Hospitals, a suitable person for the purpose

4. I am informed that Mrs Brandon, the wife of the Colonial Chaplain is prepared to make arrangements for the reception of the nurse on her arrival here.

I have &c
signed Herr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 86

Gtt. I. F I.
8th September 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department, the accounts of this Colony for the month of August last, with supporting vouchers, and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

separate

I have &c
signed Herr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 87

Gtt. I. F I
17th September 1888.

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of a supplementary appropriation Ordinance, No 4 of 1888 entitled "An Ordinance to make further provision for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1888". which I hope will meet with your approval, and receive Her Majesty's most gracious conformation and allowance

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2. This Ordinance has been passed for the purpose of sanctioning the expenditure of the sum of seven hundred and ninety two pounds in excess of the Estimates for the present year

£792

3 Of this amount, the Excess under the head of Establishments arises from expenditure in connexion with

with the Government Savings Bank. The amount under the head of Revenue Services, is for the cost of a new Pilot Boat, which was the subject of my despatch No 46. of the 8th of May last. Of the Five hundred pounds under the £500
£300 head of Works and Buildings, the sum of Three hundred pounds will be required for the repairs and alterations which are necessary for the preservation of the Gaol, and £200 Two hundred pounds will be required for fencing the ground in the vicinity of the Spring from which the supply of water for the Reservoir is now procured, and for some repairs to the Sea wall and jetties which were not foreseen, when the estimates for 1888 were prepared. The small charge for interest was quite unexpected and arose from delay in the arrival of the mail by which remittances were sent to the Crown Agents for the Colonies to replace the sum withdrawn from their balance to be invested for the Government Savings Bank.

4 I have every reason to believe that the surplus of revenue at the end of the year will be found sufficient to meet this excess of expenditure.

I have &c
signed Mesr
Governor

The R^t Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.B. M.P.
&c &c &c

No 88.

Gov^t. S. F.I.
17th September 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith two copies of the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure and one copy of the Rent Roll for 1889, also six printed copies of Ordinance No 5 of 1888, entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1889"

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£1,500 2. The sum of One thousand five hundred pounds for Works and Buildings includes the estimated cost of freight on the supplies imported from England — in accordance with the instruction conveyed in your despatch No 4 of the 7th of February last — and a corresponding reduction has been made on the vote for Transport.

3. The only expenditure of an unusual nature, which is proposed

proposed under the vote for Works and Buildings, is the enclosure of the Gaol by a fence of sufficient height as to screen it from public view. This is necessary not only for the discipline of the prisoners, but on account of the provisions of the Capital Punishment Amendment Ordinance 1882 as to Judgment of Death being executed within the walls of the prison. It is possible that the necessity for action being taken in accordance with the provisions of that Ordinance might at any time arise, and at present the Gaol is unenclosed and is more like a private dwelling than a place of seclusion and punishment. The expense of a sufficient enclosure, consisting of a framework of timber covered on both sides with corrugated iron, will not I am informed exceed One hundred and fifty pounds. £150

4. I hope that the estimates — which I have carefully prepared — will meet with your approval and that the Ordinance will receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance.

I have &c
signed Kerr
Governor

The Right Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G
&c &c &c

No 89

G.H.S. 71
17th September 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance No 6 of 1888 entitled "An Ordinance to make provision for enlarging the Cemetery in the Town of Stanley and for the appointment of a Burial Board"

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2. This Ordinance has been prepared in accordance with the proposals contained in paragraphs 6. and 9 of my despatch No 87 of the 14th of July 1887. It is based on the provisions of the Cemeteries Act 1847, with such additions and alterations as appeared to be necessary to meet local circumstances.

3. The plan which I also transmit herewith will enable your Lordship to observe the disposition of the extension proposed, and the position of the space of one acre which is set

apart

apart as a burying ground for Roman Catholics, and in order that this may be clearly understood by them I have furnished Mr Diamond, the Roman Catholic Priest who succeeded Mr Foran, with a copy of the plan.

4. This Ordinance has been passed with a suspending clause, in order that the question of the irregular grant made to the Reverend Mr Foran may be finally settled before it comes into operation, but I trust it will meet with your Lordships approval, and receive Her Majestys most gracious confirmation and allowance

I have &c

The Rt Hon'ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

signed Kerr
Governor

No 90

Gth. I. FI

Ans by No 55 of 8 Dec 88
W. Gw.

17th September 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance No 7 of 1888, entitled "An Ordinance for incorporating the Stanley Assembly Room Company ~~with Limited~~ established in the Falkland Islands with limited liability"

2. This Ordinance has been passed on the application of a number of the inhabitants of the Colony, who have associated themselves and subscribed money for the purpose of building a Public hall in Stanley for purposes of recreation and as a Lecture room.

3. The want of such a building has been very much felt - as the only room in Stanley large enough for such purposes, is the Government sail loft in the dockyard store, which room has been used from time to time by permission of the Governor, for such purposes as the proposed Assembly Room is intended to be used.

4. On the consideration of the application in Executive Council it was thought right to encourage the enterprise, not only on account of the generally expressed wish of the inhabitants, but because it will relieve the Executive from the risk and responsibility of allowing the Government Store loft to be used as hitherto for such purposes - permission for which I have always felt reluctant to grant, on

on account of the lower part of the building being used as a bonding store, and containing inflammable articles.

5. As the only law relating to Joint Stock Companies in force in this Colony, is the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845. it has been necessary to frame this Ordinance in accordance with its provisions, but I propose – so soon as I can obtain a copy of the Act which has been passed by the Imperial Parliament during the present year, to introduce a general Ordinance on the subject.

6. For the considerations which I have stated, I hope that your Lordship will approve of this ordinance, and that it will receive Her Majesty's confirmation and allowance

I have &c
signed Thos Callaway
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 91

Gt. S. I.
18th September 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the Stanley Assembly Room Company have applied to me for a grant of a piece of Crown Land in Stanley near to the Government Building known as the Barracks, as a site for the building they are about to erect.

2. The piece of land for which they apply is in a situation where it would not be expedient to allow the construction of a dwelling house, for which reason it has never been offered for public sale, but it would be a convenient and eligible site for such a purpose as is proposed, and the Company have not been able to obtain a suitable site by private purchase in a sufficiently central part of the town.

3. The size of the lot required is only that of the proposed building – about sixteen perches, which, at the upset price of town land, would be of the value of Ten pounds £10.

4. Under the 5th Section of the Land Ordinance 1871. the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council may set apart any waste lands of the Crown for – amongst other things – "places of recreation, or any other public purpose" – I do not think that this would strictly apply to a public purpose

carried

carried out by a joint stock company, but I think that in consideration of the benefit which the community at large will derive from the enterprise, a special grant of the site in question might be made to the Company for the upset price £10 of Ten pounds. seeing that it would not be expedient to offer it for sale by auction, and so afford any malicious person an opportunity of outbidding the Company and using the land for purposes which would not be desirable.

I have &c.
signed Hesse
Governor

The Rt. Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 92

G.H.S. F.I.
19th September 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you, that on the application of the Colonial Chaplain in behalf of himself and of the Government School master, I have granted - subject to your Lordship's approval permission to accept nomination as Directors of the Stanley Assembly Room Company should they be elected by the Shareholders.

2. Although not strictly a commercial undertaking, such a connexion might be held to come ~~within the meaning~~ under the operation of Rule 76. of the Colonial Regulations but, as I think that the influence of these officers may be exerted for the public benefit, and that they have become subscribers to the undertaking from disinterested motives, I trust that the conditional permission I have given will receive your approval

I have &c
signed Hesse
Governor

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 93.

G.H.S. F.I.
19th September 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this Mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies the

18th September 1888
Falkland Islands Company
£1000

18th September 1888
I M Dean Esqr 201. 18. 8
£1,201. 18. 8

the Bills of Exchange noted on the margin, amounting to the sum of One thousand two hundred and one pounds eighteen shillings and eight pence, to be placed to the credit of the account of this Government

I have &c
signed Kerr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 94

G.H. S. FI
20th September 1888

My Lord

With reference to your Circular despatch of the 26th of January last, informing me that it was proposed to lay before Parliament a Return setting forth the Laws and Ordinances for regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Colonies, I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of the Licensing Ordinance 1882 which regulates the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Colony

2. I regret the delay which has occurred, but as no copies of the Ordinance remained except those which are embodied in the Volume of Ordinances, some time elapsed before it could again be printed in separate form

I have &c
Signed Kerr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 95

G.H. S. F.I.
26th September 1888

My Lord

With reference to my despatches noted in the margin, on the collection of Customs Duties in the West Falkland Island I have the honour to make the following further report

2. I have recently received from Dr Going, all the information which he has been

No 32. 20th March 1888
No 42. 18th April 1888
No 75. 13th July 1888
paragraphs 13 and 14.

been able to obtain with reference to the Steamship Nithsdale, which vessel (after discharging a portion of the cargo which she brought from London, at a Station in Patagonia) arrived at Spring Point, in the West Falkland Island, on the 12th of May last. when an irregular entry was made before a Justice of the Peace, with reference to some cargo which was landed there, after which the vessel proceeded to many different harbours both in the West and East Falkland Islands, landing cargo, and loading wool at most of these places, and finally sailed from Port Howard in West Falkland on her return voyage to London on the 29th of June last.

3. The master of the Nithsdale made no report of his total cargo. as required by the Customs Ordinance and he is £100 therefore liable to a penalty not exceeding One hundred pounds

4. I transmit herewith a copy of the letter which accompanied the papers relating to the Nithsdale, sent in by Dr Going, from which it is evident that it will be difficult if not impossible to regulate the importation of dutiable goods. otherwise than by compelling the importing vessels to proceed in the first instance to a regular Port of entry

5. The importers are so careless or ignorant, that mistakes are constantly made in the entries of dutiable goods landed at the distant Stations, and in this case, one of the papers sent in by Dr Going, is an entry of Spirits. tobacco and beer by Mr Waldron at Port Howard. the duties on which, he requests his agents, - the Falkland Island Company - to pay to the Collectors of Customs in Stanley; but it is impossible to ascertain from the Bill of Entry, the amount of duty to be paid; a certain number of casks and barrels of ale and porter being entered, but no statement of the quantities contained, or whether it is bottled or in wood. This renders it necessary to return the entry for further information, so that it will probably be near the end of the year before the duty is paid on goods imported in May last, on which the law requires that the duties should be paid before they were landed.

6. I transmit herewith for your consideration a printed copy of a draft ordinance, which. should you approve

approve of it – I propose to substitute for Ordinance 3 of 1885

7. The letters and memorials protesting against the last-named Ordinance – which were forwarded to me by the direction of Lord Granville on the 7th of June 1886 when I was in England, and which were again referred to me by your Lordship in your despatch No 41 of the 24th of October 1887 – object (First) to the expense which would be incurred by the payment of ten shillings a day ~~the~~ to the Custom House officer who was required to remain on board vessels proceeding from Stanley to the outstations, until the whole of the outward bound cargo should be discharged and, (Second,) That the trade in the export of sheep from the West Falkland and outlying islands would be destroyed by the operation of the Ordinance, by which all vessels are required to enter at Port Stanley

8. In the Ordinance which I now propose to introduce, the expense incurred for payment of a Custom House Officer would cease as soon as the duties were paid on goods liable to duty, which could be done by the importers or their agents immediately after the arrival of the vessel at Stanley, as provided by section 2.

9. All vessels loaded with fencing materials, or other goods not liable to duty, vessels engaged in the exportation of sheep, and all vessels finally sailing from the out ports, would be entered and cleared by Dr Going or any other duly appointed officer of Customs, at the places most convenient to the parties interested, as provided by sections 3. and 4.

10. In order to provide for the expenditure which must be incurred by the payment of the officer or officers appointed to perform these duties, I propose to impose tonnage dues, as provided by section 6. which would be about equal in amount to the harbour dues collected at Port Stanley – where vessels drawing ten feet or under pay four pounds ten shillings for each voyage, £4.10.0 and nine shillings additional for every foot exceeding 9f. ten. This, in Stanley, is ascertained by the Pilot, but where there would be no such responsible officer I have thought it better to fix the charge on the registered tonnage

of

of the vessel, which can be ascertained from her papers
11. I am informed that the export of sheep from these islands – except as frozen meat – will not continue much longer, so that, in the near future, the number of vessels entering and clearing at Ports in the West Falkland Island will be very few; It would not therefore be expedient to establish a regular Branch Custom House in that part of the Colony, when it is quite practicable and easy to have all dutiable goods entered at Port Stanley, particularly as such goods are now almost entirely imported in Steam ships, which experience no difficulty, and scarcely any delay in coming first to that port

I have &c
signed Kerr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 96

H.M.S. FI
26th September 1888

My Lord

In reply to your Circular despatch of 20th of June last, requesting me to inform you, whether persons registered as Foreign Practitioners in the United Kingdom under the Medical Act 1886 can Lawfully practise medicine or surgery in this Colony. I have the honour to inform you, that there is no law in force here on the subject, but that – should it be found necessary or expedient to do so. – an Ordinance could be introduced to extend the provisions of the Medical acts to this Colony so far as they would apply

I have &c
signed Kerr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 97.

H.M.S. FI.
28th September 1888

My Lord

I regret that by an unfortunate oversight, the four despatches transmitted by me on the 10th of August last, which should have been numbered from 80 to 83 inclusive were numbered from 77 to 80. I transmit herewith an

an amended Schedule, in which these despatches are correctly numbered, and I have honour to request your Lordship to cause the numbers on the despatches to be changed in accordance with it

I have &c
Signed Werr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 98

G.H. S. F.I.
3d October 1888

My Lord

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 of September last.

I have &c
Signed Werr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 99

G.H. S. F.I.
3d October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Cash account of this Colony for the month of September last together with supporting Vouchers, and copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book.

separate

I have &c
Signed Werr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 100

G.H. S. F.I.
3d October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Board of Trade an account with supporting vouchers for disbursements on account

of

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Amended
Corrected

A Schedule of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 10th of August 1888.
By Kosmos SS Theben via Punta Arenas.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
80	7th August 1888	Cash account of Colony for July – Transmitting	1. Separate
81	" " "	Surprise Survey of Colonial Chest. Transmitting	1
82	9th " "	Bill of Exchange reporting remittance of	nil
83	10th " "	Acknowledgement of Despatches	nil

Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

signed Kerr
Governor

29th Sept 1888
Asst Sec. B. of Trade
on account
Salaries Agents for
the Colonies
£75.14.6

of Cape Pembroke Light House for the Quarter ended on the 30th of September 1888.

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

I have &c
signed Herr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 101

GH. S. 79
3d October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the account showing the expenditure of Oil and Stores at Cape Pembroke Light House during the Quarter ended on the 30th of September 1888

I have &c
signed Herr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 102

GH. S. 79
3d October 1888

Numbers	Dates
28	21st August 1888
29	31st "
Circular	26th July "
	6th August "
	15 " "
Accounts	24 " "
Confidential Circular	
	23d August "

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt this day of the despatches noted in the margin

I have &c
signed Herr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 103.

GH. S. 79
3d October 1888

29th Sept 1888
Asst Sec. B. of Trade
on account of
the C Agents for the Colonies
£2. 0. 0

My Lord

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 on the 30th of September 1888

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

I have &c
signed Herr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 104

G.H.S. F.I.
10th October 1888

Numbers	Dates
26	23d July 1888
27	11th August "
General	18th July "
"	3d August .
Circular	2d July .
"	3d " "
"	11th " "
"	17 " "
"	19th " "
Accounts	31st " .
"	10th August .
Library	16th July .
"	20th " "
"	30th " .

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt on the evening of the 9th instant of the despatches noted in the margin

I have &c
signed Merr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 105

G.H.S. F.I.
10th October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to report for your information that an epidemic of measles has been prevalent on Stanley since the beginning of September, and that down to the present time 215 cases have occurred, 37 of them being adults

2 Although some of the cases were of a severe nature, there have been no deaths from the disease, which, the Colonial Surgeon assures me is rapidly declining

I have &c
signed Merr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 106

G.H.S. F.I.
10th October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the amount of the deposits now in the Government Savings Bank

£4298.15.10

Bank, is Four thousand, two hundred and ninety eight pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence

£16.0.9.

2. The above sum includes sixteen pounds and nine pence, the amount of interest added to the Depositors accounts on the 30th of September last

£27.0.0

3. There has only been one withdrawal since the opening of the Bank, the sum withdrawn being Twenty seven pounds and notice has been given for another withdrawal of twenty

£20 0 0

pounds; but it does not seem likely that the withdrawals will be either large or frequent

£3000.

4. It would be well to add at least Three thousand pounds more to the investments on account of the Savings Bank, as I expect that the deposits will be largely increased as soon as specie can be procured to pay the claims of persons who desire to become depositors

£500.

5. The amount of cash at present in the strong vault, after payment to Messrs J. M. Dean & Sons of the draft of the Crown Agents for the Colonies for five hundred pounds in their favour

£3,100.

is Three thousand one hundred pounds which is available for the payment of future drafts

I have &c
Signed Kerr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

G. H. S. FJ
10th October 1888

No 107

My Lord

I have the honour to report the arrival yesterday evening, of the Kosmas Company's Steam Ship Meneo from Punta Arenas, with the English Mails of the 7th of August last.

2 This mail was due here on the 20th of September by the Time table of the Company, and was therefore on its arrival, nineteen days overdue

3. As in the case of the Denderah on which I reported to your Lordship in my despatch No 79. of the 31st of July last the delay of this ~~mail~~ vessel is attributed to stress of weather on the West Coast of South America. I transmit herewith a copy of the report on the subject by the Agent of the Kosmas Company here.

(vide infra)

4. The

4. The Steamship Kambyses with the English Mail of the 1st of September, which was due here on the 5th of October instant arrived here on the 3d of October

I have &c
signed Kerr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

Agent of the Kosmos Company to the Colonial Secretary

Port Stanley 10th of October 1888

Sir

I am duly in receipt of your favour dated 10th of October many thanks for same and with pleasure I hasten to fulfil the request of His Excellency the Governor Kerr in forwarding to you the following explanations given to me in a letter from Captain Wilson of the SS Menes

The SS Menes sailed from Hamburg on the 18th of June 1888 and reached Valparaiso on the 11th of August at 6 p m but they were not able to discharge cargo before the 16th of August during this time always detained through strong and heavy gales, they left consequently Valparaiso on the 20th of August northward bound, and were not able to return to Valparaiso until the 16th of September. The following three days were feast days at the port, continuously blowing a heavy northerly gale, so that there was no opportunity to discharge or load cargo until the 22d of September a dead loss of time of five days. The cargo was discharged and loaded until the 25th of September, and on this day the SS Menes left Valparaiso for Port Stanley. Captain Wilson will be very glad to confirm the foregoing ~~report~~ statements extracted from the Log Book at any time His Excellency the Governor may choose, and it is further mentioned in the letter that not only the steamers of the D D G Kosmos have been detained for a time from 8. to 18 days but also those of ~~the~~ all the other steamship companies trading in the ports of the West Coast of South America during the last severe and stormy winter

I have &c
signed Hugo Schlottfeldt
Agent to the D D G. Kosmos.

No 108

No 108

G 14 - S. 74

11th October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 27 of the 11th of August last. transmitting copies of a correspondence between your Lordships Department and the Crown Agents for the Colonies with reference to the system of remittances by this Government

2. In my despatch No 106. of the 10th instant I have reported on the funds available for investment on account of the Government Savings Bank. The delay caused by the irregularities of the Mail Service has unfortunately prevented my informing you at an earlier date of the rapid increase of deposits, and has also retarded the transmission to me of the important information which I have now received respecting the action of the Crown Agents for the Colonies in the proposed sale of Bills of Exchange to the Falkland Islands Company and to Mr I. H. Dean

3. I am surprised to find from the reply of the Secretary of the Falkland Islands Company to the letter from the Crown Agents for the Colonies, that the Company could not purchase Bills in London for transmission to Stanley. Mr Cobb, the Colonial Manager of the Company who is now in England, distinctly assured me at the time of the passing of the Ordinance, of his willingness to adopt your Lordship's suggestion for the purchase of Bills from the Crown Agents for the Colonies in London, and mentioned the sum £3000 of three thousand pounds as the probable annual requirements of the Company.

4. The acting Manager of the Falkland Islands Company has just called upon me and states that he has been requested by several of the persons in the employment of the Company to deposit for them in the Savings Bank sums amounting in all to £2.500 Two Thousand five hundred pounds, and to enable him to do so, he has requested me to pay him cash for a Bill of Exchange on the Directors of the Company for in favour of the Crown Agents for the Colonies for the sum of £2,000 Two thousand pounds, which will enable him to make the required deposits in the Savings Bank

5. Under

5. Under the peculiar circumstances of the case and in view of the long delay and inconvenience which would result by referring the matter for Your Lordship's decision, I have agreed to take a Bill of Exchange for the proposed amount to be remitted by this Mail, on the understanding that the Directors of the Falkland Islands Company be requested in future to procure drafts from the Crown Agents for all sums payable by them to this Government.

6. As the Savings Bank Deposits will be at once £6.800 increased to Six Thousand eight hundred pounds with the prospect of a further increase, the investments on account of the Savings Bank might be increased beyond the sum mentioned in my despatch No 106 of the 10th inst

I have &c
signed Werr.
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 109

Gt. I. 71
11th October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this Mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies the five Bills of Exchange drawn in their favour and noted in the Margin, amounting to the sum of Two thousand three hundred and forty five pounds eight shillings and tenpence, to be placed to the credit of the account of this Government.

29th September 1888	£75.14.6
On the Board of Trade	
29th September 1888	2.0.0
On the Board of Trade	
1st October 1888	1.3.6
On the Acct Genl of the Navy	
1st October 1888	9.15.0
On the Paymaster General	
5th October 1888.	256.15.10
On the Falkland Islands Co	
11th October 1888	2000.0.0
On the Falkland Islands Co	
	£2.345.8.10

I have &c.
signed Werr
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 11th *of* October 1888.

by DDG Rosario SS Menes via Montevideo

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
84	28th August 1888	Administration of Justice Report thereon	3
85	6 September "	Petition for a trained Nurse and Midwife reporting on	2
86	8th " "	Accounts of the Colony for August. transmitting	Separate
87	17th " "	Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance for 1888 transmitting	6
88	" " "	Estimates and Appropriation Ordinance for 1889. transmitting	9
89	" " "	Stanley Cemetery Ordinance 1888 transmitting	6
90	" " "	Stanley Assembly Room Ordinance 1888. transmitting	6
91	18th " "	Grant of Crown Land for Assembly Room. recommending	nil
92	19th " "	Colonial Chaplain, and Schoolmaster to be Directors of Assembly Room Company reporting conditional permission	nil
93	" " "	Bills of Exchange reporting remittance of.	nil
94	20th " "	Sale of intoxicating liquors transmitting Ordinance relating to	1
95	26th " "	Customs duties in West Falkland reporting on collection of.	2
96	" " "	Foreign Practitioners reply to Circular despatch relating to.	nil

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
97	28th September 1888	Error in numbering despatches transmitting Amended Schedule of	1
98	3rd October "	Quarterly Survey of Colonial Chest transmitting	1
99	" " "	Accounts of Colony for September, transmitting	Separate
£6.8 100	" " "	Light House Accounts ~~for~~ to 30th September, transmitting	1
101	" " "	Light House Oil and Store accounts to 30th September transmitting	1
102	" " "	Acknowledgement of Despatches by Kambyses	nil
103	" " "	Distressed British Seamans Account to 30th September transmitting	1
104	10th "	Acknowledgement of Despatches by Menes.	nil
105	" " "	Epidemic of Measles in Stanley. reporting	nil
106	" " "	Deposits in Savings Bank reporting on.	nil
107	" "	Late arrival of Mail Steamer. reporting	1
108	11th "	Remittances from the Colony. reporting on	nil
109	" "	Bills of Exchange reporting remittance of.	nil

No 110

G.H.S. F.I.
17th October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith an application to your Lordship from Mr. E. Pakenham Brooks Colonial Secretary and Police Magistrate for transfer on promotion to another Colony.

2 This is a renewal of the application made by Mr Brooks on the 24th of November 1886, which was transmitted, with a favourable report, by Lieutenant Governor Barkly.

3 Since Mr Brooks has returned from his leave of absence he has continued to perform the duties of his various offices to my entire satisfaction, and I have much pleasure in commending his application to your favourable consideration

4 The transfer of Mr Brooks to a suitable post in another Colony, should your Lordship find it possible and expedient would afford an opportunity for carrying into effect the arrangement alluded to in the 5th paragraph of your despatch No 20. of the 28th of April 1887, of the selection of a Barrister for the post of Colonial Secretary who would not only be competent to discharge the duties of Police Magistrate, but also in case of need to act as Chief Justice

I have &c
signed Thurston
Governor

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 111.

G.H.S. F.I.
22d October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 26. of the 23d of July last, having reference to the grant of a license to Mr Hansen to take seals during the open season on the coasts of the Islands rented by him: and questioning the expediency of granting exclusive licenses for capturing seals.

2. I do not think it likely that any of the other Colonists would be likely to complain of the exclusive right given to Mr Hansen in the terms of his license, and no such complaint could be fairly made, as long as he confines his fishery to the Islands included in his lease.

3 The

3. The business of capturing seals is always carried on upon the shore. It is the practice to land a boats crew from the sealing vessel, and either surprise and kill the seals ~~as they come to the beach~~ before they can take to the water or leave a small party encamped on the shore to shoot the seals as they come to the beach, while the vessel goes to other places frequented by seals, leaving small parties at each, and returning for them when they have captured as many as they can, when the salted skins are taken on board and carried away.

4. As almost all of the seal rookeries here or on the shores of occupied islands or districts, licenses could not be granted except to the owners or lessees, who would have good ground of complaint against any persons trespassing on their holdings for the purpose of capturing seals, although they themselves would not be justified in doing so without a license.

5. There are a few unoccupied islets and rocks near Saunders and the Jason Islands, to which Mr Hansen's license does not extend, and there are some rocks at the entrance of Berkeley Sound (notably the Volunteers rocks) which are not included in any lease, and which formerly were famous as seal rookeries, for fishing on which licenses were granted by the Government until by the non observance of a close season, the seals were nearly exterminated.

6. From the protection afforded by the Close-time Ordinance, the seals have again begun to multiply, and on the 18th of June last on the application of James Docherty of Stanley, I granted him a license to take seals on the Volunteer's rocks during the remainder £10 of the open season, on payment of Ten pounds

7. I am informed that Docherty captured fifty eight seals during the period defined by his license, the skins £87 of which he sold to the local shippers for Eighty seven pounds

8. Mr Hansen has already to Stanley for shipment to England, upwards of One thousand seal skins, and I am informed that he is about to bring in a further quantity

9. I was informed by the Master of the American sealing schooner

schooner Sarah Hunt, who called here for letters, on his homeward voyage last week, that the Argentine and Chilean Governments have both warned foreign sealing vessels from their coasts, thus closing the exclusive seal-fisheries of Tierra del Fuego to strangers.

10. With a view to the future regulation of the seal-fishery in this Colony, I venture to request your Lordship should you see no objection, to ascertain through the medium of the Foreign Office, under what conditions the seal fishery is now conducted on the coasts of the Argentine and Chilean Republics

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 112

G.H.S. FI
23d October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular despatch of the 26th of March last transmitting a copy of a Resolution of the House of Commons for a Return showing the Constitution of the Executive in each Colony, and requesting me to supply a memorandum giving the information desired for this Return, so far as it is applicable to this Colony

2. I have the honour to transmit herewith in duplicate a memorandum showing the Constitution of the Executive in this Colony

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 113

G.H.S. FI
24th October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular despatch of the 3d of April last transmitting to me a copy of a "Synopsis of the Tariffs and Trade of the British Empire" compiled by Sir R Rawson K.C.M.G. C.B.

2. I have gone carefully through the figures relating to this Colony which are contained in this most valuable and interesting publication

publication, and I find them to be strictly accurate according to the data on which they are based. It is unfortunate however, that, in the case of the Falkland Islands, the year 1885 happens to have been selected, in so far as the statistics relating to revenue are concerned, the receipts in that year having been abnormally increased by the sale of wharfage frontages in Stanley, for which the £2000 sum of Two thousand pounds was received, and this amount was not treated as ordinary revenue, but has been invested for the purpose of future harbour improvements.

3. I transmit herewith in duplicate a statement of the amounts and sources of revenue for 1885, one of which I will be glad if you will cause to be forwarded to Sir R. W. Rawson, to enable him to make any corrections which he may think desirable, in the appendix which he proposes to issue.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 114

Gt. H. S. 71
24th October 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular despatch of the 24th of April last transmitting a Draft of a Bill to provide for the recognition in the United Kingdom of Probates and Letters of Administration granted in British Possessions

2. I am not prepared to make any observations upon this Bill, which appears to be well suited for its intended purpose.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 115

Gt. H. S. 71
5th November 1888

My Lord

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

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 116

G.H.S. F.I
12th November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Audit Department, the Cash Account of this Colony for the month ended on the 31st of October last with supporting Vouchers, and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

separate

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

I have &c
signed Kerr

No 117

G.H.S. F.I.
14th November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to request that you will authorize the Crown Agents for the Colonies to procure for this Government the articles mentioned in the requisition which I transmit herewith.

2. The Corrugated iron is required for covering the roofs of the Gaol, the Courthouse, the Range of Stone buildings occupied by the Police Officers and rented out, the part of the old Gaol occupied by the Chief Constable, and the Cottage in the Dockyard occupied by the Pilot

3. These necessary repairs are urgently required and form part of the estimated expenditure for Works and Buildings in 1889.

4. The iron required for making an inclosing fence round the Gaol, which I referred to in the 3d paragraph of my despatch No 88. of the 17th of September last, is included in this requisition, and also formed part of the estimated expenditure for 1889

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

I have &c
signed Kerr

No 118

G.H.S. F.I
15th November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular despatch of the 2d of June last enclosing a copy of an Order of the House of ~~Commons~~ Lords for a Return showing as far as practicable the gross amount of Trade between India, and each of the Colonies on the one hand

hand, and certain Foreign Countries on the other, during the year 1886

2. The only one of the Foreign Countries named in the Order, between which and this Colony ~~there are~~ any trade is carried on, is the Republic of Uruguay – and I transmit herewith – in duplicate a statement of the gross amount of Trade between this Colony and that Country during the year 1886

I have &c
signed J Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

Imports from Uruguay in 1886 £2,362
Exports to do " " £32.

No 119

Govt. H. S. F.I.
15th November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular Despatch of the 17th of July last, having reference to a request made to you by the Fishery Board of Scotland, for information as to the best means of increasing the demand for Scottish cured herrings and other fish, in the Colonies.

2 In obedience to your Lordships request – that I would obtain and transmit to you such information on the subject as is likely to be of use to the Board, as regards this Colony I have the honour to state that I have ascertained from the Falkland Islands Company and Messrs J M Dean & Sons, who are the only importing merchants, that the yearly sale of Scottish preserved fish does not exceed twelve dozen tins of Findon haddocks, and an equal quantity of Kippered herrings and a few kegs of Scottish herrings which were imported five years ago, are still unsold

3. The population of Stanley live almost entirely on mutton, which is very cheap and abundant, whilst the shepherds and labourers in other parts of the Colony, are supplied with mutton for themselves and their families free of cost, by their employers. Wild geese and fresh fish are procurable with very little trouble, so that imported fish is only purchased as a luxury.

I have &c
signed Moss

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 120

G.H.S. I.I.

23d November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch "General" of the 18th of July last transmitting to me the Queen's Warrant for the appointment of Mr John James Felton to be a Member of the Legislative Council of this Colony

2 Mr Felton arrived here yesterday in the Kosmos mail steamer, and has appeared before me this day and taken the customary oaths.

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

I have &c
signed J Kerr

No 121

G.H.S. I.I.

23d November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to report for your information that the total deposits in the Government Savings Bank to the present time amount to the sum of six thousand six hundred and thirteen pounds one shilling and five pence

£6,613.1.5

2 By the mail which arrived yesterday, the Colonial Treasurer has received information from the Crown Agents for the Colonies that they have drawn upon him for the sum of three thousand pounds in favour of Messrs J M Dean and Son, which amount will be paid on presentation of the Drafts.

£3000

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

I have &c
signed J Kerr

Schedule of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 23d of November 1888 by the Norman Steamship Kaikoura. via Monte Video.

No of despatch	Date of despatch	Subject of Despatch	No of Enclosures
No 110	17th October 1888	Application of Mr E.P. Brooks for transfer on promotion transmitting	1
" 111	22d " "	Seal fishery licenses. concerning	nil
" 112	23d " "	Constitution of Executive. Memorandum on, transmitting	2
" 113	24th " "	Sir R.W. Rawson's Synopsis of Tariffs and Trade Concerning	2
" 114	" " "	Probates and Letters of Administration in British Possessions Draft of Bill relating to, acknowledging	nil
" 115	5th November "	Surprise Survey. transmitting Certificate of	1
" 116	12th " "	Cash account of Colony for October 1888 transmitting	Separate
" 117	14th " "	Requisition for iron roofing transmitting for sanction	2
" 118	15 " "	Trade with Uruguay in 1886 Statement of, Transmitting	2
" 119	" " "	Scottish Cured fish, demand for. report for information respecting	
" 120	23d " "	Mr I I Felton member of Legislative Council reporting arrival of	
" 121	" " "	Government Savings Bank. reporting on	

No 122

Q H. S. F I.
26th November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, an application to your Lordship from Mr J.L.B.L Jameson the Government Clerk and Shipping Master, for transfer on promotion to another Colony

2. Mr Jameson performs the duties of his office with diligence and integrity, and during the absence of Mr Brooks on leave he acted under my direct supervision as Colonial Secretary Treasurer and Postmaster in a creditable and satisfactory manner

I have &
Signed Kerr

The Rt Hon.ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 123

G.H. S. F.I.
30th November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to forward herewith ~~the Returns of Appointments to Public Offices &c. required by Rule 247 of the Colonial Regulations, for the Quarter ended on the 31st of March last and the~~ for transmission to the Audit Office Department. the accompanying Queries numbered 1. to 3 with the answers thereto

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I have &c
signed Kerr

The Right Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G

No 124

G.H. S. F.I.
30th November 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith the Returns of appointments to Public Offices, &c. required by Rule 247 of the Colonial Regulations, for the Quarters ended on the 31st of March last and the 30th of June last, respectively.

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2 I regret that, owing to an oversight these Returns were not forwarded at the proper times.

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

I have &c
signed Kerr

No 125.

G.H. S. F.I
8th December 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Cash Account of this Colony for the Month of November last with supporting vouchers, and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

separate

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 126

G.H.S. F.I.
13th December 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this Mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies a Bill of Exchange drawn in their favour for six hundred and twenty nine pounds three shillings and sixpence as noted in the margin to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c
signed Weir.

7th December 1888
£629 . 3 . 6
on J M Dean Esquire.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
&c &c &c

No 127

G.H.S. F.I.
15th December 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of an amended Port Regulation in the place of No 19. of the Port Regulations made on the 12th of November 1885 and transmitted in my despatch No. 131 of the same date

2. The amendments are underlined with red ink

3. The payment of one shilling per ton for stone taken from the Crown Lands and the shores of the harbour has been customary, and the object of notifying it in the Port Regulations is for the information of Shipmasters arriving in the port

I have &c
signed Weir

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 128

G H. S. 71

17th December 1888

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the despatches noted in the margin

Numbers	Dates	
30	5th Sept^{br} 1888	I have &c
31	12th " "	signed Hercules
32	" " "	
33	13th " "	The Right Hon^{ble}
34	19th " "	Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.
35	21st " "	
36	26th " "	
37	28th " "	
38	5th October "	Confidential 20th September 1888
39	15th " "	" 5th October "
40	26th " "	do Circular 9th November "
41	31st " "	(acknowledged separately)
42	" " "	
43	7th Nov^{r} "	
44	8th " "	
Circular	16th Aug^{t} "	
	30 " "	
	31st " "	
	12th Sept^{br} "	
	13th " "	
	17th " "	
	18th " "	
	3rd October "	
	4th " "	
	12th " "	
	13th " "	
Library	10th Sept^{br} "	
	9th Oct^{br} "	
	24th " "	
	3rd Nov^{r} "	

No. 1

G.H.S. 7 9.
1st January 1889

My Lord

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 of December 1888

I have &c.
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 2

G.H.S. 7 9.
2d January 1889

My Lord

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 December 1888; and a certificate of Quarterly Survey containing a statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony during the same period

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 3

G.H.S. 7 9.
3d January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the accounts showing the expenditure of Oil and Stores during the Quarter ended on the 31st of December 1888, together with the ~~meteorological~~ meteorological Register for the six months ended on that date, and the oil and Store Account Book for the period from 1st of January 1887 to 31st of December 1888, at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Separate

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 4

G.H.-L.-F.I.
5th January 1889

My Lord

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 December 1888.

31st Dec 1888
£128.12.6
on the Board of Trade.
in favour of the Crown Agents for the Colonies

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

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 5

G.H.-L.-F.I.
5th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith in accordance with the instructions in the Circular Despatch of the 7th of April 1880 a Return of Officers making pannly remittances.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 6

G.H.-L.-F.I
5th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith in accordance with Rule 182. of the Colonial Regulations. six printed copies of the Ordinances enacted in this Colony during the year 1888.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 7

G.H.S. 7.1.
5th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith in duplicate, in accordance with the instructions contained in Circular "Secret" of the 1st of November 1886. the Annual Return of the Naval and Military Resources of this Colony for the year 1888.

I have &c
signed Kerr

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The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 8

G.H.S. 7.1
5th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith in accordance with Rule 259 of the Colonial Regulations Lists of the Members of Executive and Legislative Councils of this Colony

I have &c
signed Kerr

8

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 9.

G.H.S. 7.1.
5th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department three Queries numbered respectively 4. 5. and 6. with the answers thereto

I have &c
signed Kerr

3

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 10

G.H.S. 7.1
7th January 1889

My Lord

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 31st of December 1888

I have &c
signed Kerr

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The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 11

G.H.S. F.I
8th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department, the Cash account of this Colony for the month of December 1888 with supporting Vouchers and a copy of the Treasurers Cash Book

separate

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 12

G.H.S.F.I
8th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 44 of the 8th of November last transmitting a copy of a letter from the Reverend J Foran enclosing and surrendering the deed for an acre of Land in Henley granted to him by the late Colonel D'Arcy for a Roman Catholic Cemetery

2. The deed has been cancelled in pursuance of the surrender

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 13

G.H.S. F.I.
8th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of two copies of the Public Notice announcing the commencement of the Parcel Post from the United Kingdom to this Colony, transmitted in your despatch No 42. of the 31st of October last

2. The Notice was published here immediately after its arrival. for the information of the inhabitants

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 14.

My Lord

Falkland Islands 9th January 1884

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 41. of the 31st of October last. transmitting copies of correspondence between Messrs Townsend and the Colonial Office respecting the Customs Regulations of this Colony for my report thereon.

2 There is no foundation for the statement of Messrs Townsend and Co. who have evidently been misinformed when they say that all vessels going to the West Falkland Island are required to enter Fox Bay. and clear before the Assistant Collector of Customs

3. I transmit herewith two copies of a circular which I caused to be sent to every Station in the West Falkland and adjacent Islands, at the time of Dr Going's appointment as assistant Collector of Customs, in order to prevent any misunderstanding on the subject

4 The duties of Justices under the circumstances are clearly laid down in Section 37 of the Customs Duties Consolidation Ordinance 1882. which provides as follows. "No dutiable goods shall be landed in any part of this Colony other than at Port Stanley until a solemn declaration shall have been made by the importer in person receiving the same, of the nature and quantities of such goods before a Justice of the Peace in the manner provided by the Form in the Schedule, and before payment to such Justice of the full amount of duties to which such goods are liable, and such Justice shall with all convenient speed transmit to the Treasurer at Stanley the amount of duties so received, and all dutiable goods which shall be landed otherwise shall be forfeited, and the person or persons receiving the same shall incur a penalty in each case not exceeding £100. It is the duty of the assistant Collector of Customs to see that the provisions of this Section, which I have underlined with red ink, are strictly observed, and to report breaches of the Law in order that offenders may be prosecuted.

5 Should Masters of vessels land goods without due entry and permission in writing from the proper officer as provided by Section 10 of the Ordinance, they are also liable to a penalty

6 In the event of importers not being provided with money for

for prepayment of duty as the law requires, the importing vessel should first enter at Port Stanley, where all the importers have agents, and where the entries might be made and the duties paid to the Collector, thus obviating the inconvenience which Messrs Townsend and Co complain of

7. I have in my despatch No 95 of the 26th of September last reported fully to your Lordship on the subject of the importation of dutiable goods into the West Falkland Island.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 15. Gt H.S. F.I. 9th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatches No 32. of 12th and No 35. of 21st September last, both having reference to accounts of expenditure of oil and stores at Cape Pembroke Light house, and the Meteorological Register, which should have accompanied my despatch No 69. of the 3d of July. last

2. These documents were, - by a mistake of the Government Clerk, - addressed to the Board of Trade instead of to the Colonial Office as an enclosure "separate to the despatch", in which, on account of their bulk they could not be enclosed

3. I regret that so much inconvenience has been caused by this act of carelessness, which I trust will not again occur.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 16 Gt H.S. F.I. 9th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith a Statement of the account of the Government Savings Bank to the 30th of September 1888, duly audited by Commissioners appointed as provided by the 13th section of the Savings Bank Ordinance 1888

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 17

G.H.S. F.I. 14th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 40. of the 26th of October last transmitting for my information copies of correspondence between the Crown Agents for the Colonies and the Colonial Office on the subject of the sale of Bills drawn by the Crown Agents on this Government.

2. This correspondence includes a copy of a letter from Mr. I M Dean, who complains of my having refused to purchase the Bills of I M Dean and Sons in Stanley.

3. Between the 18th of January and the 14th of May 1888, I had purchased Bills on Mr I M Dean to the amount of Two
£2665 thousand sixhundred and sixty five pounds, and at the latter date I informed Mr C M Dean, that there would probably be a considerable amount of Savings Bank funds in the Colonial Chest, which might be obtained in specie here by the purchase of Bills from the Crown Agents for the Colonies, in accordance with an arrangement which had been made to that effect.

4 In my despatch No 78 of the 30th of July I informed your Lordship that there was an available balance of Three ~~hundred~~
£3000 thousand pounds in the Colonial Chest on which Bills of Exchange might be drawn by the Crown Agents for the Colonies

5. When Messrs Deans Managing Clerk applied to me to take their Bills, as stated in Mr Deans letter, I explained that the money then in the Colonial Chest was not available, as it was not more than sufficient to meet the Crown Agents drafts which might be expected to arrive, and that the probable receipts of revenue ~~for~~ would be required for the current expenditure

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

G.H.S. F.I. 14th January 1889

No 18

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 43 of the 7th of November last transmitting for my information and for my report as to the arrangements which it is advisable should be made for providing for remittances

remittances of funds hereafter, — further correspondence between the Crown Agents and the Colonial Office respecting the mode of remitting funds on account of this Government.

2. The arrangement which has been sanctioned by your Lordship, by which the Falkland Islands Company agree to purchase Bills from the Crown Agents on this Government to the amount of Three thousand pounds a year, in the sums £3.000 proposed by the Secretary of the Falkland Islands Company as a mode of remitting Savings Bank Funds, will probably be sufficient for the average annual amount of deposits in the future, although I am informed that a much larger amount is likely to be deposited in the beginning of the present year

3. With reference to the purchase of the Company's Bills in payment of rents and taxes, and to supply their further demands for specie, there can be no objection provided a sufficient amount of specie is received by the Treasurer to meet the current local expenditure

4 I observe that the Company profess to make a concession to the Government by offering to accept Bills at 10 days sight instead of 30 days as heretofore. No Bills have been purchased by me for any longer date than 10 days sight, which is a standing arrangement, and I think that they should not be taken at more than 3 days sight as in the case of Bills on the Admiralty

I have &c

signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford. G.C.M.G.

No 19

G.H.S. F.I. 15th January 1889

My Lord

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 Two thousand five hundred and ninety six pounds thirteen shillings and ninepence, to the Crown Agents for the Colonies to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

31st December 1888.	£128.12.6
on the Board of Trade	
1st January 1889	9.15.0
on the Paymaster General	
1st January 1889.	1.3.6
on the Accountant Genl of the Navy	
1st January 1889	700.0.0
on the Accountant General of the Navy.	
1st January 1889	653.7.4
on J.M. Dean Esqre	
14th January 1889	1,103,15.5
on the Falkland Islands Company	
	£2.596.13.9

No 20

G.H.S. F.I. 15th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to report for your information that the deposits in the Government Savings to this date have reached the sum of Eight thousand six hundred and seven pounds six shillings and tenpence, which includes the sum of sixteen pounds and ninepence interest which was added to deposit accounts on the 30th of September last £8,607.6.10 £16.0.9

2. The sum of four hundred and sixty two pounds twelve shillings and fivepence halfpenny has been withdrawn from the Bank, leaving the sum of eight thousand one hundred and forty four pounds, fourteen shillings and four pence halfpenny £462.12.5½ £8,144.14.4½ on the hands of the Government or invested to the credit of the Savings Bank

3. I am informed that about Six thousand pounds will be deposited as soon as a sufficient amount of specie can be obtained for the purpose £6.000

4. Mr C.M. Dean, who is at present arranging the details of the transfer of the business of Messrs J.M. Dean and Sons to the Falkland Islands Company has requested me to authorize him to advise Mr J.M. Dean of Stoke-Newington to purchase a Bill of Exchange from the Crown Agents for the

the Colonies on this Government for the sum of One thousand
£1.000 pounds, on the arrival of this mail in England, which I have the
honour to request your Lordship to sanction

5. Investments by the Crown Agents on account of Savings Bank
£8,000 funds may safely be increased at once to eight thousand pounds

I have &c.

signed Kerr

The Right Honble
Lord Kimberley G. C. M. G.

No 21

Gtt. S. T. I. 15th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith for your consideration and decision a copy of an application from the manager of the Falkland Islands Company, that the Sections Numbers 24 and 25, which were formerly held by the Company on leases which expired in 1879. - but which that period they have held on a tenancy from year to year. - may again be leased to them on the same terms on which they, and other tenants of the Crown occupy the Crown Lands

2. Mr Cobb having alluded to a correspondence on the subject of these holdings which took place during the administration of my predecessor I have appended a copy of it to that of Mr Cobbs application

3. The reason given for withholding leases in respect of these stations, seems to have been that there was at that time an intention of proclaiming a Township at Darwin

4. As the harbour of Darwin is not suitable for a sea port and there is no probability that the locality will ever become the centre of any industry which would attract settlers, and as the whole of the surrounding district is already occupied by the Company for pastoral purposes, I see no reason why leases on the ordinary terms should not be issued for these stations on the termination of the present years holding, which will be on the 1st of July next.

I have &c

signed Kerr

The Right Honble
Lord Knutsford G. C. M. G.

£1.000

£8,000

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the S of State for the Colonies 16th January 1889 by Mail Steamer via Montevideo.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
1	1st Jany 1889	Annual Return of arms &c transmitting	2
2	2d " "	Quarterly Survey of Colonial Chest transmitting	1
3	5th " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse Oil & Store Acct & Meteorological Register - transmitting	Separate
4	" " "	Capt Pembroke Lighthouse Quarterly Acct transmitting	1
5	" " "	Family Remittances. Return of Officers making, transmitting	1
6	" " "	Ordinances of 1888. Six printed copies of transmitting	Separate
7	" " "	Military Resources of the Colony Return for 1888 transmitting	2
8	" " "	Executive and Legislative Councils Return of Members of transmitting	2
9	" " "	Queries from Audit office answered, transmitting	3
10	7th " "	Minutes of Councils copies of transmitting	2
11	8th " "	Cash Account for December 1888. transmitting	separate
12	" " "	Deed of land granted for Roman Catholic Cemetery respecting its surrender	nil
13	" " "	Parcel Post Public notice of acknowledging	nil
14	9th " "	Customs Regulations. concerning	2
15	" " "	Messending of Cape Pembroke Oil and Store accounts, respecting	nil
16	" " "	Savings Bank audited Balances of accounts of transmitting	1

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
17	14th January 1889	Crown Agents Bills of Exchange correspondence respecting. acknowledging and reporting on —	nil
18	" " "	Remittance of Funds from this Government acknowledging and reporting on correspondence respecting.	nil
19	15th " "	Bills of Exchange remitted to Crown Agents. reporting	nil
20	" "	Savings Bank Funds reporting concerning	nil
21	" " "	Falkland Islands Company application for leases of Crown lands. transmitting with report thereon	1
22	16th " "	Ships of War. reporting arrival of.	

Library Acknowledgement of Despatches 6th December " 11th December 1888

No 22

Gtt. S. 7 J. 16th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to report for your information, the arrival at this port, since the departure of the last mail, of the following ships of War.

2. On the 26th of December, H.M.S. Swallow arrived from Rio de Janeiro, and as there had been two cases of yellow fever during the voyage, one of which had terminated fatally, she was put in quarantine for six days. The Swallow is to proceed today to Montevideo, and takes a mail to be sent from thence to England.

3. On the 8th of January instant Rear Admiral Gillis, commanding the naval forces of the United States, on the S.E. coast of America, arrived in the flag ship Swatara. The usual salutes and ceremonies were observed, and after an interchange of hospitalities the vessel proceeded to Montevideo on the 14th instant after obtaining a small supply of coal in Stanley.

4. On the 10th inst Captain Kennedy, R.N. Senior naval officer on this station arrived in H.M.S. Ruby, under his command, from Montevideo, and is likely to leave this port tomorrow to return to the River Plate.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

P.S. since writing the above H.M.S. Ryleman has entered the harbour.

No 23

Gtt. S. 7 J. 16th January 1889

My Lord

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

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 45 to 56 Circular

Date of Despatch
23d Novr to 8th December 1888
2d Novr 1888
3d " "
5 " "
13th " "
14th " "
24th " "
26th " "
6th December "

Date of Acknowledgement of Despatches 11th December 1888

Library

No 24

Gtt. I. 71. 17th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 39 of the 15th of October last transmitting for my information a copy of a correspondence with the Admiralty on the subject of the cost of telegrams in connection with the offer of the appointment of Assistant Colonial Surgeon in the West Falkland Island to to Surgeon Nance of H. M. S. Swallow and informing me that you had authorized the Crown Agents for the Colonies to pay to the credit of Naval Services, the sum of £19. 5. 4. the cost of the telegrams in question

2. I refrain from refuting the incorrect statement made by Surgeon Nance as to what took place at his private interview with me, as it would now answer no useful purpose

I have &c

signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 25.

Gtt. I. FI. 17th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 56 of the 8th of December last transmitting a copy of a letter from Mr Thomas Owens, and requesting me to transmit to you a certificate of the death of Jane Batchelor who died in this settlement in the year 1845

2. I transmit herewith a certificate of the death in question from the Colonial Chaplain of an entry in the Church Burial Register. The Registration Ordinance was not enacted until 1853

I have &c

signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 26

Gtt. I. FI. 17th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 53. of the 3rd of December last having reference to the compound of tobacco and other ingredients manufactured by Messrs Laidlaw and Co of Glasgow, to be used as a sheep wash

2. I will without delay take steps to amend the Customs tariff

tariff. So as to exempt from duty tobacco forming an ingredient in sheep wash or hop powder manufactured in Bond in the United Kingdom.

I have &c
Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.

No 27

Gtt - S. 71. 17th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular despatch of the 16th of August last having reference to the enactment in some of the Colonies of Ordinances embodying some of the provisions of the Criminal Law Amendment Act 1885 and requesting me to consider whether a similar law might not be introduced in this Colony

2. The enactment of such an Ordinance appears to be expedient and I will lose no time in preparing a suitable one.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.

No 28

Gtt. S. 71 17th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the Kosmos steamer Totnes arrived here yesterday with the December mails

2. These mails had not arrived at Punta Arenas when the Totnes left, but she met the outward bound Pacific Company's steamer near the entrance of the Straits of Magellan, and took the mails and passengers on board at sea.

3. When the Totnes arrived here I had already sent on the bulk of the homeward Mail by H.M.S. Swallow, to be forwarded from Montevideo, for which port she sailed early in the day

4. The Kosmos steamers have lately been so often long overdue that I thought it prudent to avail myself of the opportunity afforded by the Swallow

5. As the Totnes on this occasion is only one day late, the mails by both vessels will probably reach England about the same time

I have &c
signed Kerr.

The Rt Honble
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.

No 29

17th January 1889
£500. 0. 0
on the Falkland Islands Company

G.H.S. F.I. 17th January 1889

My Lord

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 for Five hundred pounds to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c
signed Kerr

No 30

G.H.S. F.I. 17th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that on the application of Charles McAlister, one of the Police Officers who came to the Colony in 1878 under an agreement for six years service. I have sanctioned the payment of a second class passage for his wife who is in ill health, and requires hospital treatment in England.

2. By his agreement with the Government, McAlister is entitled to a return passage for himself and his wife on the completion of his six years service. He has continued in the Police Force since that time on the condition that the original agreement remains in force, and his wife is therefore entitled to the return passage which he has applied for. The cost of the passage is twenty nine pounds, which I have caused to be paid to the Agent for the Kosmos Company

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 31

G.H.S. F.I. 23rd January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, a copy of a letter which I have received from Mr de S Lasar, Consul for the United States in this Colony, having reference to a petition from Luke Johnson - a convict undergoing sentence penal servitude at Malta "for his pardon or shortening of his sentence"

2 Luke Johnson was convicted in the Supreme Court of this Colony on the 1st of March 1881, before me, of wilful murder,

and

Falkland Islands

Schedule of Mails transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 17th day January 1889 By Kosmos Steamer Totnes

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
23	16th January 1889	Acknowledgement of despatches	nil
24	17th " "	Telegrams concerning Surgeon Nance respecting payment for.	"
25	" " "	Death of Jane Batchelor transmitting certificate of	1
26	" " "	Compounds of Tobacco for sheep wash respecting duty on	nil
27	" " "	Criminal Law Amendment Act respecting extension to Colony by Ordinance	"
28	" " "	December Mails, reporting arrival of, and despatch of homeward Mail by H.M.S. Swallow	"
29	" " "	Bill of Exchange reporting remittance of	
30	" " "	Return passage of Police Officers wife, reporting payment of.	

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6. Luke Johnson is a native of Martha's Vineyard in the State of Massachusets, to which place he should be sent on his liberation, and not to the Falkland Islands, where he never resided, his offence having been committed on board a vessel in the outer harbour of Port Stanley.

I have &c

signed Weir

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

Released July 1891
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and was sentenced to death, but in consideration of extenuating circumstances and a doubt as to the reliability of some of the evidence on which he was found guilty, his sentence was commuted to penal servitude for life.

3. Johnson remained in prison here until the 21st of April 1883. when he was removed to undergo the remainder of his sentence at Malta. During his imprisonment here his behaviour was exceedingly good, and confirmed my opinion that the principal witnesses against him, who were shipmates of the murdered man were strongly biased in their evidence, and this view I reported to Lord Kimberley in the fourth paragraph of my despatch No 96. of the 22d of December 1881.

4 In my despatch No 68. of the 1st of April 1882 I transmitted a letter from the Bishop of the Falkland Islands in which he requested me to move Her Majesty's Government to lay the matter before Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen with the view of obtaining for Luke Johnson a large remission of punishment, and to that application Lord Kimberley replied in his despatch No 39 of the 9th of June 1882 that the question of such remission could not be ~~entertained~~ dealt with prospectively, but that when twelve years of the convicts' sentence should have elapsed his case should be brought up for consideration

5 By the time this despatch reaches your Lordship, only eight years of the convicts sentence will have expired, but should the report of the prison authorities at Malta ~~be as favourable~~ as to his conduct since his removal to that Colony be as favourable as that which he obtained here, and the state of his health be as precarious as is alleged in Mr Lasar's letter I venture to ask that the decision of Lord Kimberley may be reconsidered and that such clemency may be extended to the prisoner as the circumstances may warrant

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The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G. C. M. G.

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No 32 Gt I. 7 I. 24th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 38 of the 5th of October last having reference to a memorial addressed to you on the 10th of July last by Mr Edward Nilsson of New Ireland

2. I have informed Mr Nilsson of the purport of your despatch and returned to him the documents enclosed therein

3. I was not aware until some time in June last that Mr Nilsson had not been made acquainted with the purport of Earl Granvilles despatch of the 13th of July 1886 – which was received during my absence from the Colony. – and as soon as I discovered the omission I caused Mr Nilsson to be informed of Lord Granvilles decision

I have &c

signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 33 Gt. I. 7 I. 24th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 46. of the 23d of November last requesting me to report on the statement of the Colonial Chaplain in his Education Report, that there are many children in Stanley of school age. who seldom or never enter the school and are receiving no education at home.

2. I have taken this subject into consideration in Executive Council for some time past with the view of preparing an Ordinance embodying such of the provisions of the Elementary Education Acts with respect to the compulsory attendance of children at school as are applicable to local circumstances

3. I hope soon to be able to submit a suitable Ordinance to the Legislative Council

I have &c

signed Kerr

The Rt Hon^ble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 34 Gt. I. 7 I. 26th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, copies of a correspondence between the Secretary of State the General Post

Post Office and the Post Master of the Falkland Islands on the subject of compensation for loss or damage of postal parcels

2. I propose with your Lordship's sanction to introduce an Ordinance authorizing the Governor to excercise such discretionary power as to granting compensation for loss or damage of parcels as the Postmaster General may excercise under the provisions of the Treasury Warrant of February 24th 1888

I have &c

signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 35

Gov H. S. F.I. 26th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 48 of the 23d of November last transmitting a copy of a letter from the Bishop of the Falkland Islands appealing for a grant from Colonial funds towards the cost of the proposed Church in Stanley, and authorizing me to propose to the Legislative Council that a grant of £200 be made for this purpose out of the sum of £2000 the proceeds of the sale of land in Stanley which has been remitted to England and invested

2. I will propose a vote in accordance with your Lordships instructions, at the next meeting of the Legislative Council, but as there is a large uninvested balance to the credit of this Government, I venture to suggest that it is unnecessary to withdraw any of the money which has been invested, which, in my despatches No 78 of 4th August 1884 and No 109 of 1st September 1885 I proposed should be applied as soon as satisfactory plans could be prepared, to the extension and improvement of the two Government jetties, for the benefit of the general public who would be deprived of the right which they had previously enjoyed of using the private jetties of Messrs J M Dean and Sons and the Falkland Islands Company

3. The expediency of this proposal has become more obvious since the absorption of Messrs Dean's business into that of the Falkland Islands Company, a circumstance which, I have been informed, has been the cause of much disquietude among the population of Stanley

I have &c

signed Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 36. Gth. S. 7 J. 28th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to report for your information that the total amount of deposits in the Government Savings Bank to this date, inclusive of interest added to the deposits on the 30th of September last is Ten Thousand

£10,828.10.10 eight hundred and twenty eight pounds ten shillings and tenpence.

The sums withdrawn amount to Four hundred and seventy seven

£477.12.5½ pounds twelve shillings and five pence halfpenny

The Amount of Deposits now in the Bank is Ten thousand three

£10,350.18.4½ hundred and fifty pounds. eighteen shillings and four pence halfpenny

2. As considerable sums are still expected to be deposited. it would be well that the investments by the Crown Agents for the Colonies on

£10.000. account of the Savings Bank be increased to Ten thousand pounds.

I have &c

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G. C. M. G.

signed Kerr

No 37 Gth. S. 7 J. 28th January 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that Her Majesty's ship Rifleman is about to proceed to Montevideo and that I am sending by her a mail to be forwarded from thence to England.

I have &c

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G. C. M. G.

signed Kerr

No 38 Gth. S. 7 J. 28th January 1889

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in favour of
the Crown Agents for the Colonies

My Lord

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, for the sum of eight hundred pounds, to be placed to the credit of this Government

I have &c

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G. C. M. G.

signed Kerr

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 28th of January 1889 by H.M.S. Rifleman via Montevideo.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatches.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
31	23rd January 1889	Remission of Sentence on Lake Johnson, a convict, transmitting Letter of United States Consul concerning	1
32	24th " "	Edward Nilsson memorial from, concerning	nil
33	" " "	Compulsory attendance of Children at School concerning	nil
34	26th " "	Compensation for loss or damage of postal parcels correspondence concerning transmitting	1
35	" " "	Church in Stanley, grant from Colonial funds; concerning	nil
36	28th " "	Government Savings Bank report concerning	nil
37	" " "	H.M.S. Rifleman reporting transmission of Mail by	nil
38	" " "	Bill of Exchange reporting remittance of,	nil

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I have the honour to report for your information that the deposits in the Government Savings Bank to this date, inclusive of interest added on the 30th of September 1888, amount to eleven thousand four hundred pounds, one shilling and sixpence

£11,400. 1. 6.

£498. 19. 8

The sums withdrawn amount to four hundred and ninety eight pounds, nineteen shillings and eight pence

£10,901. 1. 10

The deposits now in the Bank amount to Ten thousand, nine hundred and one pounds, one shilling and ten pence.

I have &c
(signed) Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 39.

My Lord

G^H. S. F.I. 5th February 1889

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Cash account of this Colony for the month of January last, with supporting vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

separate

I have &c
(signed) Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 40

My Lord

G^H. S. F.I. 20th February 1889

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, for the sum of Nine hundred and nine pounds fourteen shillings and four pence, to be placed to the credit of this Government

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on the Falkland Is. Company
in favour of the
Crown Agents for the Colonies

I have &c
(signed) J. Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 41

My Lord

G^H. S. F.I. 20th February 1889

I have the honour to report for your information that the deposits in the Government Savings Bank to this date, inclusive of interest added on the 30th of September 1888, amount to eleven thousand four hundred pounds, one shilling and sixpence

£11,400. 1. 6.

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I have &c
(signed) Kerr

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 42

G.H.S.F.I. 21st February 1889

No's	Dates
57	20th Decr 1888
1	15th Jany. 1889
2	14 " "
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My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt, this day, of the despatches noted in the margin

I have &c

(signed) Kerr

The Right Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 22d of Feb'y 1889 By Kosmos Steamship "Menes"

Number	Date	Subject	Enclosure
39.	5th Feb 1889	Cash account of Colony for January 1889 transmitting	separate
40	20th " "	Bill of Exchange reporting remittance of	nil
41	" " "	Government Savings Bank report concerning	nil
42	21st " "	acknowledgement of despatches	"

No 43

Governor to Sec of State
No 70. 1st June 1885

Secretary of State to Governor
No 5. 19th September 1885

Governor to Secretary of State
No 135. 24th November 1885

G.H.S. F.I. 28th February 1889

My Lord

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin I have the honour to report for the information of the Board of Trade that the painting of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse entirely white - in accordance with the instructions of the Board - was completed on the 15th of December last.

2. Practically - in consequence of the fading of the red bands - the lighthouse has appeared white to passing vessels since my report on the subject in June 1885.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Right Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 44

G.H.S. F.I. 28th February 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a letter which I ~~have~~ received by the last mail from Mr John M Dean of Stoke Newington, London, in which he states that he is the Danish Consul for this Colony, and that he has appointed his son Mr Charles M Dean to act in his behalf, in the place of the late Mr George M Dean who, he states acted for him in that capacity.

2 Mr John M Dean left this Colony permanently on the 1st of March 1865. and after that time Mr George M Dean was recognized here as consul, and signed his name as "Consul for Denmark" in all papers relating to the consulate, and his brother Mr Charles M Dean informs me that his father is acting under a mistake and that his brother Mr George M Dean was the Danish Consul.

3. It seems unlikely that the Danish Government would continue a person in the office of Consul, who permanently left the colony twenty five years ago, and I have caused Mr John M Dean to be informed that I have referred his communication to your Lordship for your consideration and instructions.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 45 Gtt. S. FI. 7th March 1889.

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Cash Account of this colony for the month of February last. with supporting vouchers, and a copy of the Treasurer's cash Book.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 46 Gtt. S. FI. 7th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance No 6. of 1888. entitled "An Ordinance to make provision for enlarging the Cemetery in the town of Stanley and for the appointment of a Burial Board."

2. This Ordinance has been amended in Committee of the Legislative Council in accordance with the instructions conveyed in your despatch No 57. of the 24th of November last and I trust that it will now receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance.

3. I have appointed the Reverend P. J. Diamond Roman Catholic Priest and the Reverend G. H. Harris - a Baptist Minister who has recently formed a small congregation ~~Lotte~~ in Stanley. to be members of the Burial Board.

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 47 Gtt. S. FI. 7th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance No 1 of 1889 entitled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Law relating to fraudulent marks on merchandise"

2. I trust that this Ordinance will receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 48

Falkland Islands 7th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith duplicated copies of Ordinance No 2 of 1889 entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Customs duties Consolidation Ordinance 1882"

2 This Ordinance has been passed in accordance with the instructions contained in your despatch No 52 of the 26th of November last, and with the unanimous concurrence of the Legislative Council, and I trust it will receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance

I have &c

signed Weir

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 49

Falkland Islands 8th March 1889

My Lord

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin I have the honour to inform you that at a meeting of the Legislative Council on the 18th of February last I proposed a vote for a grant of £200 out of the proceeds of the sales of Crown land in Stanley - as directed by your Lordship

2. The motion was opposed by Mr Cobb and Mr Felton on the ground that public money should not be expended on behalf of the Church of England the members of which formed only a section of the community. The Colonial Surgeon also - to my great surprise - opposed and voted against the motion which was therefore lost.

3. Of the two unofficial members of the Council one is not a member of any Christian communion, and the other is a professed agnostic, so that in this matter they did not profess to express the opinion of the inhabitants of the Colony, two thirds of whom are members of the Church of England: had the grant been voted, as it ought to have been, by the official majority. the personal opinions of the opposing members would have had no weight but Dr Hamilton was one of the promoters of the movement

Secretary of State to Governor No 48. 23rd November 1888

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movement for building a Church in Stanley and had promised a donation of £25 to the building fund. He is also a member of the Church building Committee which on the 3d of July 1884 made an application to the Government for a grant in aid of the building by Mr G M Dean - at that time their Secretary - which I transmitted to the Secretary of State in my despatch No 75: of the 12th of July 1884.

4. I read your Lordship's despatch in Executive Council on the 21st of January, and again referred to the subject of the proposed grant at a meeting of Executive Council on the 13th of February and on both occasions Dr Hamilton appeared to concur in the proposal and raised no objection to it - so, that his sudden and unlooked for opposition in the Legislative Council is inexplicable

5. Dr Hamiltons conduct for some time past has been so unsatisfactory that I can place no dependance on him to assist me in my administrative duties

I have &c
Signed Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 50. Gt S. 79. 8th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this Mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies the Bills of Exchange noted in the margin amounting to the sum of Seven hundred and five pounds eight shillings and sixpence to be placed to the credit of this Government -

2d March 1889	£455. 12	0
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Both on the Falkland Island Company. in favour of the Crown Agents for the Colonies

I have &c.
Signed Kerr

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 51

Gt. S. I. 12 9th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the Russian ship of war Nayézdnik Captain Jarin arrived here on the 25th of February last, and sailed again on the 27th following, having called for fresh provisions. The vessel was on her homeward voyage from the China Station. She was last from Auckland New Zealand, and had called at several of the Australian ports

2 The Nayézdnik did not enter the inner harbour but anchored close outside the entrance. Captain Jarin visited me on his arrival, but the weather was too bad to admit of a return visit, and, as the vessel was not in sight of the town, no salutes were exchanged.

3 On the 4th of March instant H.M.S. Flamingo arrived at Stanley from Montevideo, having first visited the site of the old settlement at Berkeley Sound. She is to remain in the Colony until the 26th inst. By the Flamingo I received a letter from Captain Musgrave R.N. of H.M.S. Cleopatra dated on the 13th of February last, informing me that he had on that day relieved Captain W.R. Kennedy R.N. as senior Captain on this Station, and assuring me of his desire to cordially assist me in all things connected with the Queen's Service

I have &c

Signed Weir

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford, G.C.M.G.

No 52

Gt. S. I. I. 11th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance No 3 of 1889 entitled "An Ordinance to make further provision for the Protection of Women and Children, the prevention of outrages on decency and other matters"

2 This Ordinance extends to this Colony some of the provisions of the Criminal Law Amendment Act 1885, alluded to in your Lordships' Grenville despatch of 16th August 1888. I trust it will meet with your approval and receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance.

I have &c

Signed Weir

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 53 Gft. L. F.I. 11th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance No 4 of 1889 entitled "An Ordinance relating to the property of Married Women"

2 This Ordinance extends to the Colony the provisions of the Married Women's Property Act 1882.

3 Several cases have been brought to my notice of industrious women who have earned and saved money after having been deserted by their husbands and who are unable in the present state of the local law to secure their savings, by investment or otherwise. I trust that the Ordinance will meet with your approval and receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance.

I have &c
signed Weir

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 54 Gft. L. F.I. 11th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith six printed copies of Ordinance No 5 of 1889 entitled "An Ordinance to regulate the attendance of children at School"

2 I have already in my despatch No 33 of the 24th of January last informed your Lordship of my intention to introduce an Ordinance with the above object and I trust that it will now meet with your approval and receive Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance

I have &c
signed Weir

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 55 Gft. L. F.I. 11th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that I have this day drawn a Bill of Exchange ~~on the Crown~~ at thirty days sight on the Crown Agents for the Colonies for the sum of One hundred and ninety nine pounds and three pence in favour of James Steel

Steel withdrawn from his deposit account in the Savings Government Bank

I have &c
signed Kerr

The Right Honorable
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.

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No 56 G H.S. FI 13th March 1884

My Lord

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 2. of the 14th of January last. transmitting a copy of a letter from the Crown Agents for the Colonies - enclosing one from Mrs Dean on the subject of procuring the services of a midwife and trained nurse for this colony, in accordance with the desire expressed in a petition signed by some of the inhabitants of Stanley, which I transmitted for your Lordships consideration in my despatch No 85 of the 6th of September last

2. Mrs Cobb and Mrs Dean returned to Stanley last month and I transmit herewith a copy of a letter which I have since received from Mrs Dean, from which it appears that they were unable to procure among the trained nurses in the London Hospitals any one who possessed a knowledge of midwifery, but that they had selected a person who is thoroughly qualified as a nurse and who would be willing to qualify herself as a midwife by undergoing three months training in a Lying in Hospital, at a cost of £30 which Mrs Dean and her friends propose to pay; and they request that the salary to be provided by the Government be raised from £25 - the sum first proposed - to £50 per annum.

3 From inquiries which I have made, through the Chief Constable, I find that there are four women in Stanley who are ordinarily employed as midwives among the working classes. Their charges are moderate and they undertake the washing, cooking, and all the household duties of the woman under their care until she is able to resume them.

4. Mrs Dean informs me however that these women are deplorably ignorant as nurses, especially in the treatment of infants and in serious and critical cases of illness, and that it would be a great advantage to the

the community to obtain at any reasonable cost the services of a skilled and competent nurse who would not only be available herself, but would be able to instruct others.

5. Mrs Deane stated that few people like to employ Dr Hamilton in cases of midwifery or in any case of female complaints, on account of some objectionable qualities, want of reticence being one of them, and that the arrival of a skilled midwife would be doubly welcome under the circumstances. Mrs Deane also alluded to the strong feeling which prevails, that the Colonial Surgeon should be a married man. This desire has often been brought to my notice and that it has always existed, is evident from the remarks of my predecessor, Governor Callaghan in the 9th paragraph of his despatch No 21 of the 27th of June 1877. previous to the retirement of Dr Watts the former Colonial Surgeon who was also a batchelor.

6. I have advised Mrs Deane not to incur any expense with regard to Miss Prestons tuition in midwifery until Your Lordship's decision is ascertained

7. Should the nurse be engaged as proposed it would be well that she should sign an agreement for services of three years, with the condition that her passage money be refunded should she leave or be dismissed before the expiration of that period

I have &c

Signed Weld

The Right Honourable
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.

No 57 Gt. S. F.I. 14th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the Kosmos Company's Steamer Theben arrived here this day from Punta Arenas with the English Mails of the 5th of February last

2. I have received no despatches from your Lordship

London by this mail

I have &c
signed Weir

The Right Honorable
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.

No 58 Gtt. I. FI 15th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the German Steamer Schleswig has arrived here from London under an agreement to convey to England three thousand live sheep, which are to be supplied by Mr J Felton from his Station at Port Salvador

2. The vessel (which brought a general outward cargo to Port Stanley) has been sent out by Messrs Gammon and Hayssen of London – a firm long engaged in the cattle trade – as an experiment at their own risk. They appear to be sanguine as to its successful issue – in which case a regular export trade in live stock will be established by means of fast steamers, to the great benefit of the colony.

I have &c
signed Weir

The Right Honorable
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.

No 59 Gtt. I. FI. 16th March 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to report for your information that the deposits in the Government Savings Bank to this date inclusive of interest added on the 30th of September 1888. amounted to £11.731. 2. 7.

The sums withdrawn – including a Bill of Exchange for £199. 0. 3 drawn by this Mail on the Crown Agents for the Colonies amount to £707. 19. 11.

The deposits now in the Bank amount to £11.023. 2. 8

I have &c
signed Weir

The Right Honorable
Lord Kimberley G.C.M.G.

Schedule of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 16th March 1889 by S.S. Thebes via Montevideo

No.	Dates	Subject of despatch	Enclosures
43	28th Feb. 1889	Painting of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, reporting completion of	nil
44	" " "	Danish Consulate transmitting letter of Mr J.M. Dean respecting	1
45	7th March "	Cash Account of Colony for February. transmitting	Separate
46	" " "	Ordinance No 6 of 1888 transmitting six printed copies of	6
47	" " "	Ordinance No 1 of 1889 transmitting do	6
48	" " "	Ordinance No 2 of 1889 transmitting do	6
49	8th " "	Proposed Vote and of Church Building Fund report concerning loss of	nil
50	" " "	Bills of Exchange reporting remittance of	nil
51	9th " "	Ships of War reporting arrival of	
52	11th " "	Ordinance No 3. of 1889. transmitting six printed copies of	6
53	" " "	Ordinance No 4 of 1889 transmitting six printed copies of	6
54	" " "	Ordinance No 5 of 1889 " " " " "	6
55	" " "	Bill of Exchange on Crown Agents for Savings Bank withdrawal. reporting	nil
56	13th " "	Midwife and trained Nurse, transmitting letter of Mrs Dean concerning	1
57	14th " "	Kosmos Company's Mail Steamer reporting arrival of	nil
58	15 " "	Export of live sheep to England report concerning	nil
59	16 " "	Government Savings Bank, report concerning	nil

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Gtt. S. 79. 25th March 1889.

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Audit Department

(1.) The Annual account of this Colony for 1888 in duplicate
(2.) A Statement of Assets and Liabilities on 31st Decr 1888 in duplicate
(3.) A Statement showing the increase and decrease of Revenue under various heads during 1888. in duplicate
(4). A statement showing the excess of Expenditure under various heads during 1888. in duplicate
(5.) A Return showing the Revenue and Expenditure and Debt of this Colony for the year ended 31st of Decr 1888. in duplicate
(6.) A list of Deposits on the 31st of December 1888 in duplicate
(7.) Copies of Surprise Surveys of the Colonial Chest on 7th of August and 5th of November 1888 in duplicate
(8.) A Copy of the Rent Roll for 1888
(9.) Copy of Estimates of Revenue & Expenditure for 1888
(10.) The account of the Crown Agents for the Colonies for 1888.

2. The excess of Assets over Liabilities on the 31st of December 1887 was Six thousand three hundred and twenty six pounds and nine pence. and the account now forwarded shows that on the 31st of December 1888 the excess amounted to Six thousand four hundred and ninety seven pounds, twelve shillings and three pence, being an increase of the balance in favour of the Colony of One hundred and seventy one pounds eleven shillings and six pence

£6,326. 0. 9

£6,497. 12. 3

£171. 11. 6

I have &c
Signed Mere

The Rt Honble
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

Schedule of despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 25th of March 1889. by H.M.S. Flamingo via Montevideo

No	Date	Subject of Despatch	Enclosures
60	25th March 1889.	Annual account of the Colony for 1888. forwarding	10
Confidential	23d March 1889		
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No. 61.

G.H.S.T.I.
30th March 1889.

My Lord

Separate.

I have the honour to transmit herewith two copies of the Blue Book of this Colony of the year 1888, with the following report thereon.

Taxes and Duties.

There was no alteration during 1888.

Revenue and Expenditure.

The Revenue of 1888 was £8951.10.4 being £236.10.4 in excess of the estimated amount, which was £8715.

The excess under the several heads was as follows:—

Licences	£60.4.0
Rents exclusive of land	8.14.2
Fines, Fortentures & Fees of Court and Office	575.11.6
Land Revenue	24.13.10
Sale of Crown Lands	346.0.0
Interest on Investments	2.6

The deficiences were as follows

Customs	£683.10.1
Sale of Government Property	10.18.2
Postage	48.7.3
Miscellaneous Receipts	25.5.9
Auction Duty	10.14.5

There was no aid received from Imperial Funds

The Expenditure in 1888 was £8818.5.8 or £419.14.4 less than the estimated amount, which, inclusive of a supplemental vote of £792.0.0 for Establishments, Revenue Services, Works and Buildings and Interest was £9238.0.0.

The excess of Assets and Liabilities on the 31st December 1888, inclusive of cash in the Colonial Chest £2430.1.5 and in the hands of the Crown Agents for the Colonies £1524.14.6

was

was £6497.12.3.

This Balance includes £2000 which has been invested in Colonial Securities on account of Land rates, and £1000 on account of Surplus Funds. The interest on these investments amounted in 1888 to £105.2.6.

The uninvested balance on the 31st of December 1888 was £3497.12.3

There is no Public Debt

Public Works

During the year 1888 the roads, streets and drains in the town of Stanley were considerably extended and improved.

Hebe street and part of the Fitzroy Road which had previously existed only in name, were formed and drained at a cost of £180. A new road for the use of the inhabitants in carting peat from the western suburb, and for a frontage to the adjacent land (which was sold during the year) - was constructed and drained at a cost of £70.

The Barrack Road, Reservoir Road and John Street were extensively repaired and partial repairs were also made to other streets and drains in Stanley at a cost of £194.15.9 bringing up the total outlay on Roads Streets and Drains to £444.15.9.

The reconstruction of the Reservoir which was commenced in the previous year was completed, the land round the spring in the suburbs was inclosed by a substantial fence, pipes were laid for the delivery of water to shipping, and a pump was connected with the Reservoir for the use of the inhabitants at a total cost of £218.15.6. Repairs and extensions of the sea wall, the importation of a tramway with suitable waggons, a pile driver, and other accessories for the improvement of the Dockyard jetty, and for connecting it with the Customs Store, cost £242.13.4. The repairs of the Court House, Barracks, Infant School, the rebuilding of some of the Government House chimneys as well as repairs - almost amounting to reconstruction - of the Jail - which were only partially effected in 1888 - Cost £393.13.5. Making - inclusive

inclusive of £40 for cutting peat – which is a subhead in the estimates for Public Works, a total sum of £1488. 3. 3.

Legislation

Seven Ordinances were passed in 1888.

No: 1. An Ordinance to establish a Government Savings Bank.

This Ordinance was passed on the 20th of January, it received the Royal assent of the 10th of March and came into operation on the 2nd of April following.

No: 2. An Ordinance to make further provision for the Service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1887.

This Ordinance was passed on the 10th March and received the Royal assent on the 10th of May following

No: 3 An Ordinance to prevent and punish the issue and use of imitation Postage Stamps.

This Ordinance was passed on the 12th of May and received the Royal assent on the 3rd of July following.

No: 4. An Ordinance to make further provision for the service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1888.

This Ordinance was passed on the 17th of September and received the Royal assent on the 23rd of November following

No: 5. An Ordinance to provide for the service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1889.

This Ordinance was passed on the 17th of September and received the Royal assent on the 23rd of November following.

No: 6. An Ordinance to make provision for enlarging the Cemetery in the Town of Stanley and for the appointment of a Burial Board.

This Ordinance was passed on the 17th of September, and was on the same day transmitted to be submitted for Her Majesty's gracious confirmation and allowance, it was returned for the purpose of being amended and it did not come into operation during the year.

No: 7. An Ordinance for incorporating the Stanley Assembly Room Company, established in the Falkland Islands with limited liability.

This Ordinance was passed on the 17th of September and

and received the Royal assent on the 8th of December following.

Legislative Council

Mr. George Markham Dean who was the senior unofficial member of the Legislative Council died at sea while returning to the Colony from leave of absence — on the 1st of April. Mr. John James Felton was appointed a member of the Legislative Council on the 16th of July while absent in England, and did not take his seat during the year.

Mr. F.A. Cobb was absent on leave from the 19th of March to the end of the year.

Civil Establishment

Mr. E. Pakenham Brookes, Colonial Secretary, Treasurer, Police Magistrate &c returned to the Colony from leave of absence on the 17th of February, prior to which the duties of his several offices were performed by Mr. H.B.L. Jameson Government Clerk and Mr. Mark Kerr the Governor's Private Secretary.

Mr. Andrew Joseph Fonig was appointed Assistant Colonial Surgeon on the 29th of February in the place of Mr. A.T. Anderson who died on the 20th of May 1887. Mr. Fonig arrived in the Colony and assumed his duties on the 15th of April, when he was appointed Coroner for the West Falkland and adjacent Islands, a Justice of the Peace and assistant Collector of Customs.

The Reverend Patrick Joseph Diamond a Roman Catholic Priest arrived in the Colony on the 19th of April to succeed the Reverend James Foran as Roman Catholic Priest in this Colony.

Miss F.M. Prior was appointed an Assistant teacher in the Infant school on the 1st of March in the place of Miss E. Elmer deceased.

Mr. E. Pakenham Brookes, Colonial Secretary and Treasurer and Mr. H.B.L. Jameson, Government Clerk were appointed on the 2nd of April to be respectively Treasurer and Clerk of the Government Savings Bank, with Salaries at the rate of £50 per

per annum for the Treasurer, and £30 per annum for the Clerk.

The Office of Shipping Master payable by fees averaging £30 per annum was transferred from Mr. F. Pakenham Brooks to Mr. H.B.L. Jameson: Mr. Brooks receiving an addition of £30 a year to his Salary in compensation for loss of fees.

Pensions

There was no change under this head, the annual charge for pensions continued to be £235. 16. 8.

Population.

There were 75 births during 1888 of which number 43 were males and 32 were females.

There were 11 Marriages

28 deaths were registered, of which number 12 were males and 16 were females.

The causes of death were as follows:—

1 Old Age
1 Debility
1 Inanition (infant)
4 Convulsions
1 Syncope
1 Heart desease
1 Inflamation of the brain
1 Dropsy
4 Bronchitis
5 Pthisis
1 Cancer
1 Spinal Sclerosis
1 Typhoid Gastritis
1 Typhoid Pneumonia
1 Hypatic Cirrhosis
1 Tabes Mesenterica
1 Child birth
1 Murdered

There was an unusual prevalence of illness in Stanley

Stanley during the winter.

In June the severity of the weather was reported by the Colonial Surgeon to have been the cause of much suffering from Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Catarrh and Rheumatism and to have largely augmented infantile deseases. In August there was a severe and alarming epidemic of measles in Stanley, from which about one third of the inhabitants of the town suffered. There were no deaths from the disease, which did not spread beyond the limits of the Settlement, and although two persons crossed over to the West Falkland Island while affected by it, only one other case occurred in that part of the Colony.

The following Report of the Colonial Surgeon applies only to Stanley, beyond which his practice does not extend.

The Colonial Surgeon to the Colonial Secretary.

Sir

I have the honour to submit herewith for the information of His Excellency the Governor, the Annual Medical Report on the Sanitary condition of Stanley for the year ending December 31st 1888

The month of June was ushered in with much severity, consequently a great number of people suffered from Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Catarrh, Febrilla and Rheumatism, and the diseases peculiar to Childhood largely augmented. The latter end of August we had an Epidemic of measles which spread rapidly and increased in severity until it assumed an alarming character, nearly every house in the Settlement being visited by the malady. It steadily continued its course, taxing my exertions to the uttermost, until nearly every child and a large number of Adults had suffered from its effects. It was not until late in the month of October when it shewed visible signs of abatement. I may add that this Disease was not endemic, and certainly was imported into the Settlement.

Since the decline of the measles, the Settlement is in a tolerably healthy state, very few diseases of a preventable nature existing; the recent Epedemic has in many instances left the usual sequllae behind in the form

form of Phthisis, Nephritis &c &c &c.

I have &c

sd S. Hamilton.

The following Report from the Assistant Colonial Surgeon is almost too long for insertion here, although I have somewhat condensed it in form and detail; but as it is the only statement which has hitherto been prepared respecting the condition of the population in that important portion of the Colony, I have been unwilling to omit it.

The Assistant Colonial Surgeon to the Colonial Secretary.

Sir

In order to render the subject simpler, I have in this report described the sanitary condition of each Settlement first; and then added some remarks as to the general condition of health of the people living in these parts.

1. Fort Fox Bay has three houses at the settlement and four detached shepherds houses

Population 29

1 Birth (still born)

2 deaths (from phthisis)

1 case of infectious disease (measles, brought from Stanley: did not spread)

2 West Fox Bay has two houses at the settlement and three detached houses.

Population 20

1 birth

1 death (paralysis)

No infectious disease. 2 cases of diarrhoea

3 Spring Point has two houses at the settlement and two detached houses.

Population 10. No births, deaths or disease.

4 Weddel Island has two houses at the Settlement

Population 15.

1 Birth. no deaths. no disease.

5 Beaver Island has three houses.

Population

Population 17.
1 Birth. no deaths. no disease.

6 New Island. no particulars as to number of houses or inhabitants.
No births deaths or disease.

7. Carcass Island. No information except that no infectious disease has occurred during the year.

8. Port Stephens has four houses at the settlement and eight detached houses.
Population 39
No births or deaths and no disease.

9 Chartres River has two houses at the settlement and two detached houses
Population 19
No births or deaths. No disease except a few cases of diarrhoea.

10 Roy Cove has four houses at the settlement and four detached houses.
Population 53.
4 Births
1 Death (tubercular meningitis)
2 Cases of sore throat (due most likely to infection)

11 Hill Cove and Shallow Bay. There are six houses at the settlement and three detached houses.
Population 41
1 Birth. no deaths.
2 Cases of measles, one imported from Stanley, the other caught from that.
Diarrhoea very prevalent and severe. One child nearly died at Main Point.
Epidemic. Nasal Catarrh constantly present.

12 Saunders Island has four houses
Population 15
No Births or deaths and no disease.

13 Keppel Island (Mission Station)
Population 4 whites and 20 Fuegians.
No births or deaths.
Epedemic catarrh of air passages prevalent.
Fuegians well cared for, well clothed and well nourished

nourished; more intelligent than usually supposed. Riddled however with strumous and tubercular disease. The majority after living at Keppel a few years, break down presenting the well marked features of tubercular phthisis.

I cannot find evidence of any white man contracting phthisis in this Island, although in constant contact with phthisical subjects.

14 Port Howard has seven houses at the settlement and five detached houses.

Population 42

2 Births.

1 Death

No infectious disease. Diarrhœa prevalent.

At all the stations and houses in the west Falkland the water supply is ample and with few exceptions, very good. Earth Closets are universally used and the excreta applied as manure.

General Remarks on the Whole District.

Diet. The most general articles of diet are mutton and bread, and excessive quantities of tea and coffee.

The most common kinds of vegitables are dried beans and rice. In the summer fresh milk and butter can be obtained, but this is not the case in winter. Then tinned milk and tinned butter are used, the former, as is well known, contains an excessive amount of sugar and is by no means a substitute for milk.

The tinned butter comes from Denmark, as to its quality I can say nothing, but more cows suffer from tubercular disease in Denmark than in any other country in Europe.

A large amount of the hot sauces are used out here, which is decidedly bad

The cooking is badly done, the meat and bread are thus served up in their most indigestable forms. Regular, well cooked meals, so essential to the ultimate well being of a people, are characterized by their absence.

All the people are well clothed.

There is no overcrowding

As to the amount of alchohol consumed, it may be said

said to be at a minimum. This is not due to the spread of temperance, but to the most excellent rule made by the farmers of only allowing the work people to have a non intoxicating amount.

Another unmitigated blessing is the absence of drinking shops.

With regard to the children born in this district, they are certainly below the ordinary standard.

The rising generation are distinguished by their weedy growth, their narrow rachitic looking chests, their flabby muscles, their coarse scaly skins, their dry uncertain coloured hair, their slowly contracting and generally dilated condition of pupils &c.

Most of the children here suffer from constipation and other disturbances of their alimentary tracks.

Their teeth also decay early. I have not seen any cases of congenital syphilis.

There is no lunacy or idiotcy. No epilepsy or hysteria.

I have seen no pneumonia or acute cardiac affections.

The houses, with one or two exceptions, are built of wood, with iron roofs and stone chimneys.

There is no definite system of drainage.

There are however no cesspools.

The houses are for the most part built on piles, and consist of a ground floor and one story. No cellars.

Peat is used for firing with few exceptions.

A shepherd's house consists generally of four fairly sized rooms.

I have &c

(Sd) J. A. Gonig.

The number of the population, which on the 31st of December 1887 was assumed to be 1843, was increased during 1888 by 47, being the excess of births over deaths, and may therefore be approximately stated as 1890 on the 31st of December 1888.

Education.

The number of children under fifteen years of age in the Falkland Islands is, as nearly as I can compute, six hundred: distributed thus. Three hundred in Stanley. One hundred and forty in the Falkland Islands Company's Camps and one hundred and fifty throughout the rest of the Islands.

During

During the year 1888 the usual routine of School-work as approved of by His Excellency the Governor in Council was carried out in the Government Schools in Stanley.

But in the latter half of the year an epidemic of measles raged with peculiar virulence among the inhabitants of the Settlement, both children as well as adults. In consequence the senior school was closed from September 18th to November 5th and the Infant school from September 6th to November 5th.

The number of children on the rolls and the average attendance were as follows:-

Senior School	Boys on the roll	47
	Girls " "	48
Senior School	Boys average attendance	36
	Girls " "	28
Infant School	Boys on the roll	46
	Girls " "	63
Infant School	Boys average attendance	26·1
	Girls " "	29·2

There is still an average of twenty five children who attend so irregularly - only now and again at long intervals - that practically they are receiving no instruction.

The Childrens Penny Savings Bank has continued its operations during the year.

Deposited in 1888	£ 197. 5. 5
Withdrawn " "	£ 304. 19. 4
Balance in Government Savings Bank on 31st December 1888	£ 484. 4. 9

Several depositors withdrew their deposits to open an account in the Government Savings Bank.

The Falkland Islands Company's School in Darwin was closed during the greater part of the year through the absence of the schoolmaster at home on leave.

When visiting the West Falkland Island and six of the small adjacent Islands in October and November 1888, I examined

examined fifty children, all of whom were receiving some instruction from their parents, but in many instances it is but little they can do owing to the defective education of the parents themselves.

Nothing has been done either by the Colonial Government or the sheep farmers to promote the education of the children of employés in the 'camp', with the exception of the Falkland Islands Company, whose school in Darwin was however closed for the greater part of the year: in any case but a very small percentage of the children in their camps is within reach of the school, the settlement of families in Darwin being discouraged.

I most respectfully recommend

1st That education be made compulsory in Stanley.

2nd That an additional grant be made to the schools of

(A) £18 per annum for a sewing mistress to instruct the girls attending the senior school in sewing.

(B) of £6 per annum for a Junior Assistant in the Infant school during the six summer months. Many 'Camp' Children come into Stanley while their fathers are out of work; these backward children are sent to the Infant school and cannot receive requisite attention when there is an average attendance of between seventy and eighty children, which takes place from October to March both inclusive.

3d That inquiries be made in other older Colonies with, like the Falkland Islands a scattered country population, as to what steps are taken for the education of the children in the country districts.

4th That some Regulations should be drawn up by which under certain conditions, the payment of school fees might not be required from:-

(A) Widows. (B) Women deserted by their husbands. (C) Fathers who are incapable of working. (D) Fathers who are out of work, and (E) Fathers who at much expense board their children in Stanley for their education.

I have paid yearly several pounds out of my own pocket as School Fees for some of the poorer children

(Sd) Lowther E. Brandon
Government School Inspector.

Imports and Exports.

The value of the Imports in 1888 was £54.008
in 1887 it was £66.785 and in 1886 it was £73.602
The value of the Exports in 1888 was £88.743
in 1887 it was £107.995 and in 1886 it was £108.946
The following table represents the relative value of the several articles of Export during the six years ending with 1888.

	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888
Wool	68.313	74.625	82.113	72.998	80.065	76.573
Tallow	8.735	13.313	3.360	3.640	4.475	2.799
Sheepskins	4.345	5.686	5.125	3.813	5.039	5.932
Hides	2.775	4.242	4.727	1.850	515	906
Old Metal	306	196	350	—	70	—
Seal skins	—	191	—	—	12	388
Seal oil	—	125	—	—	—	—
Hair bones & L. + bone ash	118	62	93	8	—	29
Live sheep	2.400	2.720	2.078	10.949	3.314	1.118
Live Horses	—	150	—	—	—	—
Frozen mutton	—	—	—	15.070	13.882	—
Live geese	—	—	—	18	—	—
Specie	—	—	—	—	623	675
Imports re-exported: Sheep dip						205
Groceries + Oilmans Stores						16
Timber + building materials						25
Malt Liquor						5
Empty bags						72
	86.992	101.338	97.846	108.946	107.995	88.743

Shipping.

Twenty one sailing vessels arrived in the Colony in 1888. The tonnage of the whole was 8.132 and the crews numbered 264.

Of these thirteen were engaged in the trade of the Colony, and they arrived at the following places:—

Port

Port Stanley	7
Beaver Island	1
Roy Cove	2
San Carlos	1
Teal Inlet	1
Shallow Bay	1

Of the remaining eight - one came in to land a seaman disabled by a fall from aloft, three were in want of provisions and water and four had been damaged by storms at sea. The disabled vessels were repaired and proceeded on their voyages.

Fourteen steamships of the Kosmos line arrived during the year. Twelve of them in accordance with the mail contract and two extra vessels for cargo.

The steamer Kirkisdale from London brought out stores for several sheep farming stations on the East and West Islands and took a full cargo for London without coming to Port Stanley.

Her Majesty's Ships Ruby, Swallow and Flamingo of the S.E. Coast of America squadron visited the Islands during the close time of the seal fishery, and H.M.S. Diamond called at Stanley on her homeward voyage from Australia.

Criminal Statistics.

There was no case for trial in the Supreme Court during the year.

Twenty nine persons were summarily convicted by the Police Magistrate during the year. Of these, one was bound over to keep the peace, nineteen were punished by fines, and nine were peremptorily imprisoned for short periods; the latter being seamen for offences under the Merchant Shipping Acts.

No inhabitant of the Colony suffered imprisonment, and the gaol was empty for nearly the whole of the year.

A Coroner's inquest was held on the 11th of February on the body of a seaman who was found dying and unconscious on one of the jetties in Stanley during the previous night, with fatal injuries on the head; a verdict of willful murder against

against some person unknown, was returned, but the murderer was not discovered.

Savings Banks and Friendly Societies.

By an Ordinance passed on the 20th of January 1888, a Government Savings Bank was established in the Colony.

The Bank was opened for business on the 2nd of April following.

The number of deposits on the 31st of December was 52, and the amount of the deposits on that date was £8407.5.10

The amount of withdrawals during the year was £149.5.7. and the total amount at the credit of the depositors on the 31st of December was £8258.1.3.

The rate of interest on deposits is 2½ per cent.

The amount of funds invested during the year was £6000 the revenue from which was £43.13.7.

The expenses of management consist of salaries paid to the Colonial Treasurer, and to the Government Clerk for services in connection with the Bank, and amount in the whole to £80 per annum

The only Friendly Society in the Colony is the Stanley Benefit Club which was established in 1859 as a Burial Club and for the relief of members during sickness.

The receipts of the Club in 1888 amounted to £125 and the sums paid to members during sickness and for burials to £22.12.9.

The Club also contributed £10 for the Imperial Institute

The Capital of the Club is £856.19.0.

General Remarks.

The winter of 1888 was not so severe as that of the preceding year except during the months of June and July - but it was very protracted, and vegitation was retarded until very late in the Spring, rendering the vegetable gardens more than usually unproductive; it was not however so injurious in its effects on the sheep during

during the lambing season, which was reported as being on the whole a favourable one.

The condition of the Colony was prosperous, notwithstanding the decrease in the value of the exports as compared with the four years immediately preceding, chiefly by the cessation in the export of frozen mutton. This export will probably soon be revived, and arrangements were entered into before the close of the year for a new enterprise in the same direction, the transport of live sheep from the Colony by fast steamers for the London market, concerning which the promoters seemed to be sanguine of success.

Meanwhile the flocks are increasing in number and in value in all the districts which are not yet fully stocked.

The number of vessels arriving at Port Stanley during the year was considerably less than the average. There was a falling off in the amount of Customs duties, and the artizans and labourers in Stanley did not find as remunerative employment as usual, owing to the small number of vessels which required repairs and refitting. This diminution of earnings however was not so great as to occasion want or distress.

The establishment of a Government Savings Bank during the year, supplied a want which had been long felt. Accumulated savings, which had in many instances been unproductive and unsafe, were being rapidly deposited. Upwards of £8000 had been paid into the Bank before the end of the year, and there was every probability that this amount would in a short time be more than doubled, and that the deposits would ere long represent £1 per capitum of the population.

Except for an epidemic of measles which it is supposed was introduced from one of the Mail Steamers and which caused much suffering and alarm in Stanley, the Colony has been healthy, and no deaths were directly attributable to the epidemic.

The financial position of the Colony continued to be satisfactory. The Revenue amounted to £8951 and the Expenditure to £8818. The accumulated Balance at the end of the year was £6497, of which £3000 continued to

to be invested in guaranteed Colonial Securities and £3497 remained in the Colonial Chest and in the custody of the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

I have &c
signed T. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 62

G.H.S.7.I.
6th April 1889.

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith, to be forwarded to the Audit Department the Cash Account of this Colony for the month of March last, with supporting vouchers and a copy of the Treasurer's Cash Book

Separate

I have &c
signed T. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 63

G.H.S.7.I.
6th April 1889

My Lord

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 of March 1889, and a certificate of Quarterly Survey containing a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Colony during the same period

I have &c
signed T. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 64

G.H.S.7.I.
8th April 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade an Account current, with supporting vouchers of Disbursements on account of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse for the Quarter ended on

on the 31st of March 1889.

£79.3.0 30th March 1889. I have drawn the Bill of Exchange noted in the margin in repayment of the amounts advanced.

I have &c
signed T. Kerr

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 65.

G.H.S.T.I.
8th April 1889.

My Lord

I have the honour to transmit herewith to be forwarded to the Board of Trade the accounts showing the expenditure of Oil and Stores at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse during the Quarter ended on the 31st of March 1889.

I have &c
signed T. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 66

G.H.S.T.I.
9th April 1889.

My Lord

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

I have &c
signed T. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 67.

G.H.S.T.I.
20th April 1889.

My Lord

I have the honour to report for your information that the total amount of deposits in the Government Savings Bank is Eleven Thousand, nine hundred and fifty five pounds, fourteen shillings and nine pence. £11.955.14.9

I have &c
signed T. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 68

G.H.S.F.I.
20th April 1889.

My Lord

I have the honour to submit for your consideration, a difficulty which has recently arisen with reference to the powers and duties of the Board of Health, under the provisions of the Public Health Ordinance of 1886

2. The Public Health Ordinance was introduced by Lieutenant Governor Barkly and was passed by the Legislative Council on the 10th of April 1886, while I was absent from the Colony on leave. It is framed on the model of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878.

3. Neither in the model act nor in the Ordinance is there any reference to Quarantine, and the powers which are vested by the Ordinance in the Board of Health are only set forth in detail in matters relating to the pollution of water and to nuisances.

4. The powers of the Board with regard to other matters, all of which are stated in Section 3 are left to be regulated and declared by means of Bye-laws to be made by the Board, which — when approved by the Governor — shall have the force of law.

5. During the three years which have elapsed since the passing of the Ordinance no action has been taken in respect of these Bye Laws, although on my return to the Colony, I brought the omission to the notice of the Colonial Surgeon who is the President of the Board.

6. Until recently the Board has confined its action to the subject of the water supply of Stanley, concerning which, the proceedings of the Colonial Surgeon have been so contradictory and unsatisfactory that I can place no reliance in his acts or opinions.

7. The recent epidemic of measles in Stanley occasioned some alarm, and since the appointment of Mr. F.J. Cobb as a member of the Board for the present year, he has brought the subject of epidemic disease under consideration. Within the last few days a Bye Law has been sent for my approval which directs that all vessels

vessels arriving from the East and West Coasts of South America shall be visited by the Colonial Surgeon, before being admitted to pratique.

8. This is a power which the Ordinance does not give the Board, whose authority only extends to the visiting of ships in harbour, on board of which infectious diseases are reported to exist, in the same manner as in the case of houses on shore, and does not admit of interference with the provisions of the Quarantine Ordinance 1875, the administration of which is vested in the Governor in Council one of the provision of which (section 7) being that before vessels shall become liable to such special visitation, the ports from which they have arrived shall have been declared "infected places"

9. The Quarantine Ordinance was enacted in accordance with the instructions contained in the Circular Despatches of the 13th of June 1868 and the 30th of March 1869, both of which transmitted to the Governor copies of a model Quarantine Ordinance, the provisions of which with reference to penalties and periods of quarantine were proposed to be made uniform in all of Her Majesty's Colonial possessions, although matters of detail were left to the discretion of the different Legislatures, as well as the Constitution of the Quarantine Authorities, which might be either the Governor in Council or a Quarantine Board.

In some of the Colonies as in Jamaica, the authority has been vested in a Board, but in this Colony it rests with the Governor in Council.

10. As the Health Ordinance 1886 (section 2) declares that "The Board of Health shall be the Sanitary Authority for the Colony", I propose with your Lordship's approval to amend the Quarantine Ordinance by transferring the authority from the Governor in Council, to the Board of Health; subject always to the controlling powers, which are necessarily retained by the Governor in Council as set forth in the Circular Despatch of the 30th of March 1869, and of any further instructions which your Lordship may deem expedient.

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11. I transmit herewith for reference, copies of the Quarantine Ordinance 1875, and the Public Health Ordinance 1886.

12. I would suggest that the Custom House Officer whose duty it is to visit all ships on their arrival, and who in the case of this Colony is also Chief Constable and Sanitary Inspector, should be the visiting officer, with power to apply to the principal Medical Officer whenever the slightest necessity arises.

I have &c
signed. T. Kerr

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 69

G.H.S.F.I
20th April 1889

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you that the Kosmos Steamer arrived this day with the mails which closed in London on the 16th of March last, and that the Steamer Memes of the same line arrived during the night of the 17th instant, to embark cargo and passengers for England, and as she is to sail this evening and will call at Montevideo, I am sending the homeward mails by her instead of by the outward bound steamer via Punta Arenas.

I have &c
signed. T. Kerr

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 70.

G.H.S.F.I.
20th April 1889.

My Lord

£79. 3. 0
30th March 1889
On the Board of Trade.
£1. 3. 6
1st April 1889
On Acct Genl of the Navy.

I have the honour to inform you that I have remitted by this Mail to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, the Bills of Exchange noted on the margin, amounting to the sum of four hundred and twenty four pounds, five shillings and

£9.15.0
1st April 1889
On the Paymaster Genl
£334-4-0
16th April 1889
Falkland Islands Company
Total £424.5.6

and sixpence, to be placed to the credit of this Government.

I have &c
signed. T. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

No 71

G.H.S.H.
20th April 1889.

My Lord

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

I have &c
signed. T. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.

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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 20th of April 1889, by S.S. Thames via Montevideo

Nos	Dates	Subject of Despatch	Enclosures
61	30th March 1889	Annual Blue Book, transmitting two copies of, with report thereon.	2 separate
62	6th April "	Cash Account of Colony for March, transmitting	1 separate
63	" " "	Quarterly Survey of Colonial Chest, transmitting	1
64	8th " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, Accounts for March Quarter 1889, transmitting.	1
65	" " "	Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, Oil and Store accounts for March Quarter 1889, transmitting.	1
66	9th " "	Surprise Survey, transmitting certificate of	1
67	20th " "	Government Savings Bank, report concerning	nil
68	" " "	Board of Health, concerning its powers and duties	2
69	" " "	Kosmos Steamers, arrival and departure, of reporting.	nil
70	" " "	Bills of Exchange, reporting remittance of	nil
71	" " "	Acknowledgement of Despatches.	
		Confidential, Acknowledgement of Despatches.	

No 72.

G.H.S.F.I
20th April 1889.

My Lord

I have the honour to inform you, that – subject to your approval – I have appointed Mr. Alan Kerr to be my Private Secretary, in the place of Mr. Mark Kerr, at present employed in the service of the Government of Sierra Leone

I have &c
signed J. Kerr.

The Right Honourable
Lord Knutsford G.C.M.G.