No. 81.

Government House
Stanley 29th August 1895

Sir,

Referring to my Des: No. 71. of the 27th July and to the concluding para thereof I have the honor to forward a petition from the Farmers of the West Falklands, recording their surprise at the appt by Lord Ripon of Mr Rural to the post of Resident Magistrate of the West Falklands —.

2. It is unnecessary in the face of the report of the Commrs enclosed in my Des: No. 4 of the 3rd Jan: last and in view of the remarks made by Judge Thomson on the petition under consideration to do more than draw attention to its somewhat contradictory nature —

3 I will not trouble to traverse misrepresentations and mis-statements, to use no stronger terms, which form the subject of this and previous correspondence but I simply urge that it is unfair in a community composed solely of Farmers and Shepherds to entrust magisterial functions entirely to the farmers the Employers of labor.

4. Another great objection to the Existing arrangements is that Dr Keay, now Asst Col. Surgn & Asst Collr of Customs on the W.Is is paid both by the Government and the Farmers, by the latter of whom he is further provided with a house &c — This is a condition of affairs, though I have every faith in Dr Keay, which should not exist —

5th Finally — a most important point and one not to be lost sight of is, that under the new organisation the Asst Collr of Customs cannot be called away from the only Port of Entry in the W.Is, about the time when a vessel may be expected, on the plea that his medical services are req: elsewhere

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Sgd Roger Tuckfield Goldsmith
Governor

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing St. &c.

No. 82.

Government House
Stanley — 2nd Sept. 1895

Sir

With reference to Lord Ripon's Despatch No. 35 of
Nov

the 20th May I have made enquiries and ascertained that the Tussock seed asked for by the High Commr of Canada in his despatch of the 11th May cannot be collected before the early part of November – I propose therefore to send it by the mail Mr leaving this on the 29th November next, to the Agency of the Marine and Fisheries Department, Halifax, Nova Scotia

I have the honor to be.

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain MP.
&c &c &c
Downing St.

&c &c &c
Sgd Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor

No 83

Government House
Stanley. 3rd Sept 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for your information an application from Judge Thompson for promotion in the Colonial Service –

2 Judge Thompson during my absence in England administered the Government for nearly four months and did everything in his power to carry on the Government in accordance with my wishes, the result being that on my return I was able to express my satisfaction with the manner in which, at a somewhat trying time, he had administered the Government.

3 Mr Thompson is a gentleman who will I assume, conscientiously and ably discharge any duties entrusted to him, though it would be a matter of great regret to me to lose his services. Still I should be glad to hear Sir, that his claims to promotion had been recognised by you.

I have the honor &c

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain MP.
&c &c &c
Downing St. SW

Sgd &c Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor

No 84.

Government House
Stanley. 4th Sept. 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a letter received by me from the Colonial Secretary asking that in the event of the promotion or transfer of Judge Thompson to another Colony, the right to administer the Government in the absence of the Governor may be vested in him.

I beg to ask your favorable consideration of Mr. Hallett's application — he is an Officer whom I could with every confidence leave in charge, besides his position as Chief Executive Officer seems to me better to qualify him to act as Administrator of the Government than one whose training is more purely legal

I have the honor &c. &c.
Sgd Roger Tuckfield Goldsmith
Governor

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain M.P
&c. &c. &c.
Downing St. Str.

No 85

Government House
Stanley 5 Sept. 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to forward in duplicate petitions from certain shepherds of the East Falklands and from the working men of Stanley.

I have reason to know that the person who has been the mover in getting these petitions up is a Mr Nicol the general farm manager of the Falkland Island Company.

It is somewhat strange to find in the Petition of the East Falkland shepherds the term "sheep runs" is used which whilst common in Western Australia where Mr Nicol came is not used here. As the large number of shepherds signing the Memorial are to have been in the Falkland

Island Company employ it is not improbable that Mr Nicol is the framer of the petition.

With regard to that of the working men of Stanley Mr Nicol was in Stanley when the petition was being carried round for signature by some of the F.I. Company's men [illegible] produced a letter press copy of the petition for discussion at a public meeting (vide enclosure) called to consider it and spoke in its defence when the accuracy of its statements had been challenged — indeed it is notorious that Mr Nicol has left no stone unturned to get signatures by gross misstatements regarding the financial condition of the Colony &c.

Mr Felton M.L.C. has I am given to understand supplied the data upon which the misleading statements have been based in the respective Memorials and has throughout been very active in his opposition to the appointment approved by Lord Ripon of a Stipendiary Magistrate and Assistant Collector of Customs on the West Falklands (vide petition of West Falkland farmers)

Fearing that if not contradicted the false statements made and circulated regarding the Colony being in debt and there not being sufficient money to pay Savings Bank depositors might bring about a feeling of doubt as to the solvency of the Colony I with the advice of my Executive Council caused the publication of the notice herewith enclosed which will be circulated throughout the Colony.

The petitions speak for themselves so I will not trouble to traverse the various misleading & false statements but in conclusion would suggest the desirability of bringing to the notice of the Falkland Islands Company what I cannot but consider conduct on Mr Nicol's part which if known to the Company

it would not approve of-

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obed.t Humble Servt
Governor

The Right Honble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing St.

No. 86.

Government House
Stanley. 6th Sept.r 1895.

Sir,

In reply to your Despatch No. 48 of the 11th June I do not see any objection to the Falkland Islands Company purchasing the excess acreage enclosed, as defined by the Surveyor, and which had already agreed to lease to the representatives of the Company out here, provided that on the understanding that the price to be paid for the land should be at the rate of 4/- per acre

I have the honor to be -
&c &c &c
Governor

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street. S.W.

For P.S. see overpage.

* Vide our next page.

No. 87

Vide Confidential

Government House
Stanley 7th Sept.r 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a return received from the acting Manager of the Falkland Islands Company, which arrived too late for accurately compiling the Blue-book returns of "Bodies Stock &c"

The Colonial Secretary's letter of the 2nd June, enclosed one addressed to the Company's Agent in April and to which a reply was not received -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obed.t Humble Servt
Governor

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
Downing Street. S.W.

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Received 14 October, 1895
Acknowledged 19 November.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 13th day of September 1895.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
80	28 August	Acknowledging copies of Correspondence relating to Appt. of Sheep Inspector for the Falkland Islands on a Salary of £400 per annum &c.	Nil
81.	29. do.	Forwarding petition from Farmers of West Falklands against Appt. of Resident Magistrate &c. &c. with Governors views thereon —	Two
82.	2nd Sept.	Stating that a supply of Lunark seed as asked for by the High Commr. of Canada will be forwarded by mail of 29th Inst. next	Nil
83.	3rd Sept.	Forwarding application from Judge Thompson asking for promotion in the Colonial Service	Two
84	4th Sept.	Forwards letter from Col. Lee asking that in the event of promotion or transfer of Judge Thompson to another Colony the right to administer in the absence of the Governor be vested in him	One
85	5th Sept.	Forwarding petitions from Shepherds Each Falklands and working men of Stanley suggesting that Mr. Nicols action be reported to the Directors ~~&c. &c.~~ of the F.I. Coy.	Seven.

. of atch	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
	6th Sept.	Gov. states that he does not see any objection to the purchase of the Excess acreage extending into Sec 38 at the rate of 4/- per acre by the T. I. Comp.	Nil
	13th Sept.	Reporting Expiration of Lieut. Lucas's agreement as Drill Instructor Volunteers &c and departure by Mail 4th for England	Two.
	4th Sept.		One

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186 W/H

Government House
Stanley 13. Sept. 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to report that Sergt. Sinclair who has acted as Drill Instructor and Sergeant of Police for the past three years proceeds to England this day in the mail steamer on the termination of his agreement.

I have much pleasure in testifying to the admirable manner in which he has performed his duties and more especially to the tact and judgment he has displayed in his dealings with the Volunteers.

I regret his departure but as he fears that a further absence from his corps might prove detrimental to him in his military career I have not pressed him to take on for a longer period.

I should be glad if you could bring Sergt. Sinclair's name to the notice of the D.A.G. Genl. R.M. with the expression of a hope that the good service he has rendered when absent from the corps, may be recognised on his return thereto.

I have authorised the payment from Colonial Funds of the passages of Sergt. Sinclair wife and two children and forward his last pay certificate in duplicate.

I have the honor to be

Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
Rogers Tuckfield Goldsworthy.

P.S. I think it only right to draw attention to the fact that the shape of the piece of land sought to be purchased is not in conformity with the Law - but it would be to make the Eastern boundary continued to the Road - The northern piece of land is very indifferent and has evidently been excluded for that reason - Mrs J. Robson the present Lessee consider himself not altogether rightly treated in having to take this indifferent land whilst the pick of the piece has been fenced off by the Company through a mistake

R.T.G

No. 88.

Government House
Stanley 17th Sept. 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 60 of the 2nd August, informing me that you had granted to the Very Revd. L. E. Brandon an Extension of Leave on half salary from the 21st of October inclusive

The Right. Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street. S.W.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed.t humble Servant
Roger Tuckfd. Goldsworthy
Governor

No. 89.

Government House
Stanley. 18th Sept. 1895

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 62 of the 2nd August and whilst expressing my regret for the omission, take this opportunity of transmitting in duplicate Copy of "Assets and Liabilities" and "Revenue and Expenditure" the original of which formed Enclosures in my Despatch No. 56 of the 20th June

The Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Colonial Office
Downing Street
S.W.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient humble
Servant
Roger Tuckfd. Goldsworthy
Governor

No. 90

Government House
19th Sept. 1895

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Des: No. 57 of the 15th July, enclosing certain correspondence with the F. I. Co., relating to the Lease of Darwin and Port Stanley Reserves and to inform you that Copies have been handed to the local Manager of the F. I. Company

The Right. Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.

I have the honor &c. &c.
&c.
Roger Tuckfd. Goldsworthy

No. 91.

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Government House
Stanley. 25th. Sept. 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Sergt. James Davis R.A.C. whose appointment as Drill Instructor and Police Sergeant in place of Sergt. Quinlan you communicated to me in your Dis: No 155 of the 18th July, arrived here this day.

2 I note that he has been engaged on the same terms as Sergt. Quinlan except that his Engagement will be for five years.

The Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
W. Robertson Goldsworthy
Governor

No. 92.

Enclosures 2

Government House
Stanley. 28th. Sept. 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose in despatch a printed copy of the report of a Committee composed as follows

Judge Thompson President
The Colonial Secty
The Hon'ble J. J. Felton M.L.C. } Members
W. A. Harding Esq. Manager

appointed by me to investigate the financial condition of the Colony.

You will I am sure be gratified to find that the statements made by the unofficial Members of the Legislative Council (Messrs Baillon & Felton) vide my Despatch No 19 of the 6 March and in the various Memorials forwarded in despatches No 51 71 and 72 are not borne out by the result of the investigation.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

The Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.

W. Robertson Goldsworthy
Governor

No 93
Enclosure
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Government House
Stanley 28 Sept 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for transmission to the proper authorities copy of a Statement made by Pilot Wilson relative to the damage done by salt water to some of the effects of Sergeant Chamberlain R.M. when the luggage was being conveyed to the Steamer Nuku so that blame may not attach to the above mentioned Non commissioned Officer for the partial destruction of his Uniform

I have the honor
to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Humble
Servant
Governor

The Right Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
Colonial Office
Downing St

No 94
Enclosure
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Government House
Stanley 28 Sept 1895

Sir

I have the honor in reply to your despatch No 67 enclosing copy of a letter from the Bishop of Zanzibar to forward the following explanation from Rev Cagan Stallibrass Hon Secretary and Rev Martin relative to Bishop not having received certain stamps for which he had sent a P.O.O for £2.0.0

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Humble
Servant
Governor

The Right Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
Colonial Office

No. 95. Government House

Received 8 November, 1895.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 28th day of September 1895.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
88.	14th Sept.	Acknowledging receipt of Des. No. 60 of 2nd August, sanctioning Extension of Lease to the Very Rev. Dean Brandon from 25th Oct. inclusive	Nil
89.	18th "	Transmitting duplicate Copy of Accts and "Liabilities" and "Returns & Expenditure" omitted from Governor's Des. No. 120 of 21st ult.	Two
90.	19th "	Informing Sec. of State that Leases have been issued of Darwin and Port Louise Reserves to the Local Manager of the F. I. Co.	Nil
91.	25th "	Replying to Sec. of State's Despatch No. [illegible]	Nil
92.	28th "	Forwarding report from Committee appointed to investigate the financial condition of the Colony	Two
93.	28th "	Forwarding report from Pilot Wilcox as to the circumstances attending damage done to Sch. Dundee	One
94.	28th "	Affording information relative to Mr. Bishop's not receiving Stamps for which he had remitted a P.O.O. for £2.	

Roger Tuckfield Goldsmith Jr.
Governor
28th Sept. 1895

Joseph Chamberlain Esq
&c &c &c

No. 95. In reply to Governor Goldsmith's

No 95.

Government House
Stanley. 3rd October 1895.

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith a report of the Survey of the Colonial Chest for the quarter Ended 30th Sept., together with a certificate of Quarterly Survey, shewing the receipts and Expenditure of this Colony during the same period.

I have the honor to be &c
Sgd Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor

The Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c Downing Street

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Government House
Stanley 4th October 1895

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Des: No 65 of the 21st August, informing me that you had approved of Mr Coulson's salary being raised to £150. per annum - the increase being personal to him -

2. Mr Coulson has Expressed to me his grateful acknowledgments to yourself for acceding to the request contained in his letter (enclosed in my Des: No 52 of the 16th June)

3. In Explanation of the query contained in the last para of your Des: I have the honor to transmit a detailed Explanation from the Colonial Secretary - In which Instructions have been directed that all monies received by Mr Coulson during the day shall be sealed up and placed on the closing of the Offices in the Colonial Treasury Chest, so that no considerable sums will at any time be in the hands of an Officer not under bond.

I have the honor to be &c
Sgd Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Gov.

The Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P. &c
Colonial Office Downing St.

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Government House
Stanley Oct. 1895.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the usual quarterly returns of this Colony for the Quarter ended 30th September

I have the honor to be,
Sir &c &c
Sgd Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain M.P
&c &c &c

No 91

Government House
Stanley 10 Oct 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to report the arrival of H M S "Barracouta" Commander Foley R N on the inst for the purpose of protecting the local fisheries - and also in order that the Crew may go through a course of small arm practice at the range of the Stanley Rifle Club which the Members have kindly placed at Commander Foleys disposal.

Commander Foley has also received instructions to select a suitable site for a rifle range for the use in future of Her Majesty's Ships on the South American Station and I am anxious in order to facilitate matters and to allow of the necessary work being undertaken to obtain your permission to set aside as a naval reserve such land as may be requisite for the purpose & that having before the matter for your consideration

There can be no question but that the presence of Her Majesty's vessels in the Falklands will greatly benefit the inhabitants and our ships also taken to make Stanley a coaling depot as must be the outcome of the adoption of this Port as a station on the right direction will have been adopted which should ultimately eventuate in Stanley becoming an important strategical base for naval operations in the event of future wars

I understand that a range in the Falklands has become a necessity the Home Government having withdrawn the permission for the crews of foreign ships of war to land for practice & bring themselves more in accord with the custom of other

Nations

The Right Hon.
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.

No 99.

Government House
Stanley 18th October 1895.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the Estimates in duplicate for the year 1896 for your favorable consideration. They duly passed the Leg. Co. Mr Felton the unofficial member dissenting on the vote for a Mag. West Falklands as also to that for Survey - which he did not consider necessary for "Compulsory purchases" previously approved by him or for any other purpose.

2 The Estimate of Revenue for 1896 has been computed at £12,820.0.0 being £1303 in excess of the approved estimate for 1895. This increase is made up by the levy of 1/12th of a penny on every acre of land under the "provisions of the "Land Ordinance 1895" and which is estimated to realise £800 per annum, of £170 increase on "Interest on Investment of Purchase" "money of Land sold" £202 on "Post Office Receipts" and some other small items -

3. The Expenditure Estimates for the year 1896 exceeds the approved Estimate for 1895 by £1.390-9-3 which is more than accounted for by the increased mail subsidy of £700 and the anticipated Expenses for the effectual working of the provisions of the "Land Ord: 1895" and for Wt a vote for £800 has been taken - On the other hands there are savings under the following heads No 2. £10 for Fuel — No 4 £80 In consequence of Mr Hurst having been appointed Magistrate of the West Falklands and his office of Chief Constable not being filled - No 8. Saving of £147 by reorganisation on appt of Chief Constable as Magistrate West Falklands - also saving on Clothing and fuel - No 9. decrease of £27 in allowance for Extra warders, clothing and subsistence of prisoners — No 13. a saving of £160 No 16. A decrease of £100 for Survey, as the Survey of the Compulsory purchases of Land by Lessees will not entail so large an Expenditure as that for Survey of Land reserved for Sale -

No 17. A saving of £213. 10. 9 has been effected owing to the roads not requiring so large an Expenditure for repairs as the sum Expenditure being required for "maintenance and repair of buildings &c and furniture for Government Houses"

No 19. Decrease of £3.

4 The increase in Expenditure was on vote No 3. caused by increase of salary £25, with Lay Sir approval, to Mr Condon Treasury Clerk and increased allce for "Extra Clerical assistance"

No 6. Proposed increase in the allce to the Health Officer owing to increased work in connection with the Mail Steamers &c — Purchase of boat for West Falklands

No 7. Increase of £250 Salary & Horse Allce Magistrate W.F.

No 11. Increase by vote of £50. Grant-in-aid Baptist School and salary ~~[illegible]~~ for two teachers W. Jeffreys & [illegible]

No 12 Increase, occasioned by ~~[illegible]~~ proposed allowance of £50 to Baptist Minister, as already sanctioned for R.C. Priest.

No 14. The increase is owing to salary of "Instructor of Volunteers & Storekeeper" being placed under this head and £20. Extra vote for "cutting & stacking of peat" —

No 15. Increase of £790 in Mail Subsidies —

No 18. Anticipated increase in Interest becoming due to Depositors in Savings Bank —

No 20 Expenses under "Seal Ordinance 1895".

5 Though the Estimate of Rev: and Expenditure almost balance, leaving little or no margin I thought it better at the present time to wait & see the result of the Treasurer's Estimate of Revenue rather than introduce Extra taxation —

6 I forward herewith for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon a duly authenticated Copy in duplicate of Ordce No. 11. of 1895 "To make provision for the Revenue of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1896."

I have the honor to be &c &c

H. Rose Luckyn Pelly
Governor.

The Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c.

Received 21 November 1895.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 18th day of October 1895.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
95.	3rd October	Forwarding report on and certificate of Survey of the Colonial Chest for the quarter ended 30th September 1895	Two.
96.	4th "	Acknowledging Des.: sanctioning Mr Cowans salary being raised to £150 per annum and referring to Gutry as to his having charge of public money.	One
97.	5th "	Transmitting Returns for the Quarter Ended 30th Sept. 1895	Two
98.	10th "	Reporting arrival of H.M.S. "Barracouta" & contemplated construction of Rifle Range	
99.	18th "	Forwarding "Estimates for 1896" with "appropriation Ordinance" for that year	Two.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Governor

No 100.

Government House
Stanley. 1st Nov 2 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon a full and duly authenticated copy of Ord: No 12 of 1895, Entitled "An Ordinance to amend the "Seal Ordinance 1895" which passed the Legislative Council on the Ultimo - Accompanying is the Legal adviser's opinion thereon

I have the honor &c &c
Sgd Roger Tuckfield Goldsmith
Governor

The Right Honble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c Downing St. S.W.

No 101.

Government House
Stanley. 2nd Nov 2 1895.

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith in duplicate a full and authenticated copy of an Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance to create the office of official Administrator" which passed the Legislative Council on the Ultimo, but from which I withheld my assent pending the expression of your views thereon, as the Legal adviser considered that it was not improbable that certain amendments might be suggested - (Vide Enclosure in Des: No 102 of 2nd Nov:

I have the honor to be, &c &c
Sgd Roger Tuckfield Goldsmith
Governor

The Right Honble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c

No 102.

Government House
Stanley 2nd Nov 2 1895.

Sir

I have the honor in reply to the Query contained in yr Des: No 71. of the 5th Sept. relative to the administration of Intestate Estates, to transmit for your information a report from Judge Thompson, the legal adviser -

2. By this mail I am forwarding a copy of an Ordinance dealing with this subject which has passed through its various stages in the Legislative Council, but to which I have not assented (Vide my Des: No. 101. of 2nd Nov) pending the expression of your views -

vious -

The Right Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.

I have the honor to be &c.
Sd^ Roger Tuckf^d Goldsworthy.
Governor.

&c. &c. &c.

No. 103.

Government House.
Stanley. 4^th Nov^r 1895

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for your approval a lease of Dyke Island to John Markham Dean & others duly signed and sealed and which should it meet with your approval may be transmitted to Mr. John Dean -

2. Dyke Island has formed the subject of considerable correspondence, but I would more particularly refer you to Lord Ripon's Despatch No. 97 of the 9^th Dec^r 1892 and to the Despatches noted in the margin -.

Gov^t to C.O. No. 89 of 11 July 1892
do^r do do 107. 9 Sept^r -
do. do 110. 15 do. -

3. With reference to the compulsory purchases alluded to in Para: 3 of the above quoted despatch amounting in the aggregate to 3390 ½ acres, I have instructed the Surveyor to visit Port Stephens and report on the locality where it is proposed to allocate the blocks referred to in Lord Ripon's Des:

I have, &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckf^d Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No 104.

Government House
Stanley. 5th November 1895

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit a copy of a letter received by me from Mr John T. Mowat recently arrived from New-Zealand as Stock Inspector – I have not seen my way to comply with the request therein contained, though I think it hard upon a new arrival that he should, owing to local circumstances be compelled to live in an Hotel, thus incurring heavier expenditure than he anticipated or could well afford.

2. There are two ways in which some pecuniary aid might be afforded to Mr Mowat–

1. By sanctioning under the special circumstances the payment of one half of his Hotel Bill by the Colony
2. By sanctioning half salary from the date of his departure from New Zealand until his arrival in the Colony –

The latter would involve a heavier charge on the Treasury, but it would be more consonant with the Spirit of Colonial Office regulations and general practice – (Vide Sec 104. Chap V – Page 327 of Colonial Office regulations)

I have the honor &c &c
Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain MP.
&c &c &c

No. 105.

Government House,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward, as requested by you in your despatch No. 66 of 21 August, the draft of an agreement as between certain parties representing the Falkland Islands Volunteer Corps and the Colonial Secretary as representing this Government.

2. It is absolutely essential for the well-being and prosperity of the Corps that before the advent of winter some better arrangements should be made than those at present existing for the drill, under cover, of the Volunteers. I would therefore urge that no time should be lost in acquainting me by cablegram of the draft agreement being approved by yourself when I shall be enabled to acquaint the Commanding Officer with the view to his taking the requisite steps for the erection of the building.

3. I shall understand by "diaschisma appreciate" that I may give the requisite instructions for commencing building operations.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No 106.

Government House,
Stanley. 7 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith the draft of a sealing Ordinance which with your permission I propose introducing in the Legislative Council but prior to doing so I would ask that it may be submitted to the Legal Adviser of the Colonial Office for any suggestions. I also herewith transmit certain correspondence which has taken place on the subject of sealing and in consequence of the opinion expressed by the Legal Advisor therein I decided that further legislation was absolutely essential and I trust that you may confirm this view.

2. In 1892 (vide despatch No 58 of 9 July) it was thought inexpedient to introduce any fresh legislation but now that the Behring Seal Fishery question has been settled I presume there cannot be any objection to the course I propose to adopt.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 107.

Government House,
Stanley. 8 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit a copy of correspondence which has taken place between Commander Foley, R.N., H.M.S. "Barracouta", now in this Port acting under instructions from the Senior Naval Officer relative to a site for a Rifle Range and, in accordance with the request contained in his letter of 28th October, I have set apart for that purpose a portion of the commonage marked on the accompanying plan and propose to set it apart as a "Naval Reserve."

2. It will not interfere with the grazing of cattle, horses, &c. I would not however propose that a grant should be made of this land to the Admiralty as was recently done in the case of other "naval reserves".

3. As far as I can ascertain no rights have been infringed, the Government never having alienated the land in question.

I have, &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

Received 16 November, 1895.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the Eighth day of November 1895.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
100.	1st November	Transmitting copy of Ordinance No. 12 of 1895 entitled "an ordinance to amend the Seals Ordinance 1895" for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure —	
101.	2nd "	Transmitting copy of "an Ordinance to create the office of official Administrator" and asking for expression of Sec. of State's views thereon, prior to Governor assenting thereto	
102.	3rd "	Replying to Sec. of State's Des: No. 71. of the 5th Sept: and affording the information asked as to the Administration of Intestate Estates	One.
103.	5th "	Submitting Lease of Dyke Island to John Markham Dean & others, for approval — and stating that the Surveyor would proceed to Port Stephen & report on block selected for compulsory purchase	One.
104.	5th "	Submitting an application from Mr. John Monrad asking for payment of Hotel Expenses — Recommendation by Governor that Customary half-salary from date of Embarkation till arrival in Colony be allowed	One
105.	7 "	Volunteer Drill Hall. Draft agreement for repayment of loan from Govt. funds for	One.
106.	" "	Seal Fishery. Proposed Legislation for the protection of.	Two.
107.	8 "	Site for a Naval Rifle Range. Plan of.	Two.
108.	" "	Dean Brandon & Mr. Hill returns from leave of absence on 8 Nov 95	

Surveyor, containing information which will enable you to judge whether or not it is

No 108.

Government House,
Stanley. 8 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the very Reverend Dean Brandon and Mr C.W. Hill returned here on this day and re-assumed their respective duties as Colonial Chaplain and Government Clerk, &c.

The Rt Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckf^d Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No 109.

Mr. gw. 63

Government House,
Stanley. 9 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward, in duplicate, a letter addressed to you by Mr J. Felton, M.L.C., embodying his reasons for cabling a protest against the retention of the services of a surveyor and to which you refer in your despatch No 78 of the 1st October.

Mr Felton 15.11.95.

2. I think it deserving of mention that until the receipt of that despatch I was entirely ignorant that any cablegram had been forwarded by Mr Felton nor did that Gentleman on the discussion of the Estimates to which he refers in Paragraph 2 (I have numbered the Paragraphs for facility of reference) take the Members of the Legislative Council into his confidence and inform them that he had already communicated with you on the subject of the Survey.

3. I enclose, for your consideration, copy of a memorandum from the Surveyor, containing information which will enable you to judge whether or not it is

is desirable to retain the services of Mr. Creegan and I further would particularly refer you to my despatch No. 42 of the 6th May which embodied my views on the subject and which I have not seen reason to alter.

4. Few of the leaseholders have had the land for which they have paid under the compulsory purchase clauses of the Land Ordinances either allocated or surveyed; indeed, it was only in my despatch No. 103 of the 4th instant that I instanced Mr. Dean's case where he had paid for 3,390 1/2 acres which were neither allocated or surveyed. Surely Sir, this is a condition of affairs which should not be allowed to exist and it must be apparent that the cause of the determined opposition on the part of the farmers to any survey must be sought elsewhere than in the reasons assigned in Mr. Felton's letter, the more so that increased taxation has not been imposed and that the leaseholders are not called upon to pay in respect of such survey.

5. I will only remark in conclusion, with reference to the extract quoted in paragraph 6 of his letter, that after that expression of opinion by Lord Knutsford a surveyor was sent out and for one of the very reasons mentioned in Lord Ripon's despatch of January 31st, 1893:- viz, "the surveying of blocks of land compulsorily purchased".

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt. Hon'ble.
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Colonial Office.
Downing Street.
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No 110. 16 9

Government House,
Stanley 10 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour, with reference to your despatch No. 77 of the 1st ultimo, to inform you that, through inadvertence, for which I must take the blame upon myself, the cablegram referred to therein was not despatched to Monte Video for transmission.

2. I the more regret the circumstances as I was anxious that the persistent opposition of the only unofficial member present in the Colony (Mr. Felton) be brought prominently before the Secretary of State.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
Jtsph Chamberlain M.P. &c
Downing Street

No 111.

Government House,
Stanley 11 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, a statement showing total Receipts and Payments during the quarter ended 30th September 1895.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 112.

Government House,
Stanley. 20 November 1895.

Ans by No 6 of 1896 to Gov

Sir,

I have the honour to forward, in duplicate, a Memorial from Mrs Hansen asking that "the "amounts which my husband and I have "been unjustly compelled to pay, amounting "to two hundred and ten pounds" may be refunded to her from Colonial funds. In connection therewith I beg to enclose the Legal Adviser's opinion.

2. The statement in paragraph 4 that she was prevented from killing seal on her land is untrue. Luchtemburg to whom she refers being only licensed to kill seals on the "shore" of the Jasons and in the seas, &c. It was clearly explained to Luchtemburg that "shores" meant up to high water mark only.

3. By the terms of her husbands lease there was no right to a renewal of it at the expiration of the time for which it was leased, nay more all buildings, &c, became Government property. She, however, after her husband's death and on the expiration of the lease was allowed, under instructions from the Secretary of State a renewal conditional on a royalty being paid for each seal killed, the number to be killed not to exceed five hundred.

4. There can I think, be no question that had Governor Kerr believed that the leasing of the Jasons" for pastoral purposes only" carried with it the right to kill the seal he would not have consented to lease the Jasons on the terms that he did, and that Mrs Hansen did not believe that the right to kill seals was vested in him as Lessee is evidenced by the fact that he paid the licence fee annually

annually insisted on by Governor Kerr.

5. I have no wish to attempt to influence your decision but with the foregoing statement of facts will leave the matter in your hands.

The Rt Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No 113.

Government House, Stanley.
25 November, 1895.

Sir,

In reply to your despatch No 76 of the 27th September last, I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of an Executive Council minute in which a wish is expressed that it be left to you to decide the amount to be given as remuneration for work connected with the Government Savings Bank.

2. In deference to the wishes of the Executive Council I would therefore ask you to fix such an amount as you, Sir, may consider to be proportionate to the services rendered after a reference to the two statements herewith enclosed.

3. I would however state that I am not in favour of the whole balance being set apart annually for the working expenses of the Bank and that therefore in striking an average from the figures given in statement A a margin, I submit, should be allowed so that the probability of a Loss Account should be minimized as far as possible.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain
M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 114.

Government House, Stanley.
27 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. J. J. Mowat, Inspector of Stock, stating, in reply to the request contained in your despatch No 79 of the 1st October that his travelling expenses from New Zealand to Rio and from Rio to the Falkland Islands were defrayed on his behalf by the New Zealand Stock Department and H.B.M's Minister at Rio respectively.

2. Details of the items of expenditure refunded to Mr. Mowat here and referred to in his letter now forwarded are enclosed for your information. Mr. Mowat's expenses in Stanley formed the subject of my despatch No 106 of 5th instant.

I have &c,
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No 115.

Government House, Stanley.
28 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 81 of 8th October last and have to request that, in view of the decision arrived at, the Crown Agents may be instructed to send out the iron and woodwork suitable for a pier of one hundred feet. The plan of a pontoon or lighter which accompanied my despatch No 79 of 17 August and which I understand should be built at a cost of about £210 I am desirous should be sent out in pieces properly marked so as easily to be put together.

2. I have had the assistance of Chief Engineer Curtis of the "Barracouta" in estimating

estimating the cost of the lighter and in drawing the plan (Enclosure A). Whilst I fear that except in calm weather it would prove unworkable owing to the great strain still I think it would do well in calm weather but where there is perhaps a somewhat heavy sea the pontoon would have to be away from the jetty and moved fore and aft. The best plan would be to arrange for a connecting gangway between the pontoon and pier which would rise and fall with the tide. There will also have to be a Derrick for cargo and as the breadth of the proposed pier is only about 10 feet there should be a small adjunct on one side where the Derrick could stand. The cost of the whole should not exceed £900 exclusive of freight insurance and erection.

3. I think that a competent foreman should be sent out to supervise its erection and who could also superintend the Erection of the Drill Hall. In my opinion and in that of the members of the Executive Council as also that of the one official members present of the Legislative Council, the services of a foreman of works who will not be above doing a day's work when his services are not required in supervision would be most useful. Could the services of such a person competent to supervise the works alluded to be procured his services might be secured for five years. The present tinkering of wooden buildings is most unsatisfactory and were more permanent buildings constructed the expenses on repairs for some years would be reduced to a minimum which would go far to pay off Interest and Sinking Fund on a loan say of £10,000. Whilst objecting to a Loan on the ground that I do not want to see the Colony in debt, Mr. Felton and I believe he expresses Mr. Bailton's views also is in favor

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of substantial offices, &c, being erected. I can only strongly urge that something in this direction should be carried out. If the policy of allowing posterity to bear its share of the burden is the right one then the Government of the Falklands is acting unwisely upon the other hand freedom from a public debt denotes success then the Falklands set a good example to the mother Country and every other British Colony. I cannot understand myself the unwillingness to permit this Colony to undertake a reproductive public work except on the assumption that the interests of the paramount Company here being that of the Falkland Islands Company is to be considered before that of the Colony at large. If this be the case, Sir, it would be far better to consider the expediency of giving that Company the same privileges as have of recent years been accorded to Corporations for the development of trade in Africa and elsewhere and to permit them to bid for the cession to them under similar conditions and restrictions of these Islands, but certainly not on conditions similar to those by which Lafonia, one of the richest pasturages in the Colony, was acquired.

I have, &c,
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

P.S. Plans B.C.D and E returned herewith for convenience of reference.

No. 116.

Government House, Stanley.
29 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you with reference to your despatch of the 20th May that I have this day despatched per Kosmos Company's steamer "Luxor fifteen pounds of Tussac seed for the department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, Canada, care of the Agent General for Canada 17 Victoria Street, London.

The Rt Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
" " Downing Street.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) Roger Tuckf^d Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No. 117.

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Government House Stanley.
29 November, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 88 of 26th ultimo and beg leave to tender my thanks for your having taken into consideration the question of Table allowance for the Governor of the Falkland Islands which formed the subject of my despatch 33 of 16th April last. At that time I was under the impression that any such allowance in view of the more prolonged visits of Her Majesty's Ships of War would have been made from Imperial Funds as stated in the concluding portion of paragraph 3 of my above mentioned despatch and as is the case where troops are stationed in a Colony; but, as I gather from your despatch that it will have to be paid from Colonial Funds, I beg to be allowed to withdraw my application as I should be most unwilling to submit a vote personal to myself for the consideration of the unofficial members who to be consistent in their line of conduct towards

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me could not do otherwise than oppose it. Further, I do not desire to put the Colony, to extra expense on my account and that my action has always tended in that direction is best evidenced by a perusal of the enclosure in my despatch No. 82 of 26 June, 1891, where a Housekeeper at a salary of £84 p.a. for the Governor's establishment was dispensed with, as I did not see the necessity of keeping two horses "provided for the Governor" vide "Particulars relating to the appointment of "Governor including his Private Secretary, &c".

I have, &c,
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 118.

Government House,
Stanley. 7 December, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit, for your consideration, the accompanying letter received by me from Mr. Hill, Clerk to the Executive Council, and, as it is in contemplation to amend the Royal Instructions in respect to the Legislative Council, it would, I think be expedient that the clauses referred to by the Clerk of the Councils should be considered as otherwise a deadlock at some future time might occur.

I have, &c,
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

Received 3 January 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 30th day of November, 1895.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1895	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
109.	9 Novr.	Surveyor. Retention of services. Mr. Felton's protest against with comments.	Two.
110.	10 "	Non receipt of a cablegram. Explains	
111.	11 "	Receipts & Payments September Quarter	One.
112.	20 "	Mr. Rausen's Sealing Licences. Petition for a refund of monies paid for	Two.
113.	25 "	Savings Bank. Remuneration for work connected with.	Three.
114.	27 "	Mr. Mowatts travelling expenses from New Zealand.	Two.
115.	28 "	Pier. Improvement to at Stanley. Asks that materials be forwarded and a suitable Foreman of Works be appointed.	Two.
116	29 "	Tussac Seed for Canada. Reports having forwarded.	
117.	" "	Table Allowance for the Governor.	

No. 119.

Government House,
Stanley. 9 December, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 82 of the 18th October in which you draw my attention to an extract from the minutes of the Executive Council to the effect that "rigid conditions should be made "against the transfer of the lands to any "person possessing leasehold farms either "directly or indirectly on pain of forfeiture "of lease" and requesting to be informed as to the reason for the proposal and whether effect was given to it. In reply I have the honour to inform you that it was feared by the members of the Executive Council and myself, when it was proposed to lease sections 35 and 38, that the large leaseholders who had shewn such hostility to the land being sold or leased to those desirous of becoming small farmers would get some one to tender sufficiently high for these sections, not with the view to his farming the land himself but solely with the intention of transferring the lease to such large leaseholders. It was thought inadvisable by the Council that the large areas of land already leased to individual farmers, areas in many cases exceeding by double the acreage of that mentioned in the leases, should be still further increased and it was with the object to prevent any such increase that the Council acted as it did.

It is impossible, Sir, not being on the spot, for you to realise the determined opposition (by fair means or foul it mattered not which) which has been made for the past four years and upwards by the farmers to

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prevent the acquisition of land on any terms by persons desirous of farming in a small way and it was to meet a case such as that I have already referred to that the recommendation was made by the Executive Council.

3. On my conferring with Mr. Thompson, my Legal adviser as to the conditions to be inserted in the lease it was thought by him and concurred in by myself that clause 4 in the leases, which I have the honour to transmit herewith, would be sufficient to prevent any such transfer without necessitating any penal conditions.

4. In conclusion I should state that the leases have been issued and the holders are quite satisfied with the terms thereof.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd. Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

P.S. The Legislative Council minutes referred to in paragraph 3 of your despatch were forwarded by the mail of the 8th November.

(Initialed) R.T.G.

Received 11 January, 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 11th day of December, 1895.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1895	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
118.	7 Decr.	Constitution of the Executive Council. Suggests amendment of clauses in the Royal Instrucns relating to.	one.
119.	9 "	Leases of Land Sections 35 and 38 forwards.	one.
120.	" "	Quarterly Returns. Publication of already made.	
121.	10 "	West Falklands petition dated June 10th only received at Stanley on August 20 hence late arrival at Downing Street.	

on the 13th September.

The Rt Hon'ble Joseph Chamberlain M.P. K.C.M.G. Downing Street.

I have &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

No. 120.

Government House,
Stanley. 9 December, 1895

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 84 of the 23rd ult. October, in reply to mine No. 85 of the 5th ult. September and in conformity with your instructions have replied to the Memorialists.

2. With regard to the instruction that the quarterly returns of Revenue and Expenditure should be published for General information I have the honour to inform you that, prior to the receipt of your despatches, those for the Quarters ending 30th June and 30th September had been duly published under instructions given by me in May last.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

Rt Hon'ble
Jos Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No. 121.

Government House,
Stanley. 10 December, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 86 of the 23rd ult. October replying to mine No. 81 of the 29th ult. August and in reply to the query in paragraph 4 of your despatch beg to state that the petition from the farmers of the West Falklands dated June 10th ult. was not received till August 20th inst. and was despatched by the first outgoing mail after that date namely on the 13th inst. September.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

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Government House,
Stanley. 14 December, 1895.

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Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 85 of the 23rd October relative to the quarters for Government officers and as requested send you (enclosure A) the information asked for in paragraph 4 thereof together with a minute by the Colonial Secretary on the subject of free quarters.

2. The rent paid by Mr Brooks was £16 per annum for the quarters occupied by him which comprised at the present time a portion of the Government offices, the remainder being set apart as quarters for the Treasury Clerk so that there is always some one in charge of the Government offices.

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3. From the enclosed return you will observe that the rental value of the premises occupied by the present Colonial Secretary is put at £40 they comprise the quarters originally set apart by me for the then Colonial Secretary (an unmarried man) and for the Colonial Treasurer had my suggestion to make the latter a separate office been sanctioned (vide despatch No 123 of 17 October, 1893)

4. The rental of the quarters which Mr Fraser had "the option of occupying" I should fix at £25 and £15 for those set apart for the Colonial Treasurer making the total £40 as above. The Governor's billiard room, which I permit the officials to use and place at the disposal of the officers of the men of war visiting Stanley separate the two set of quarters. It is of course inconvenient having the Billiard room away from

from Government House but as I found it thus on arrival in the Colony I have so left it.

5. It appears to me that to take away free quarters from Mr. Craigie Halkett and thus to deprive him of a pensionable emolument would in face of his letter of appointment dated 18 July 1894 be a hardship upon this officer but if you will permit me to suggest what in my opinion might meet the case considering that the accommodation originally set apart for the Colonial Secretary has been increased, it would be this. That the quarters which Mr. Fraser had "the option of occupying" rated at £25 should be allowed as free quarters to Mr. Halkett any increased rental per annum, if any, payable being left for your decision. At the same time I would respectfully urge on behalf of the official staff of the Colony that as the salaries are in no way excessive and as the Islands are comparatively speaking shut off from the rest of the world in respect to the ordinary enjoyments of life, that every consideration consistent with the means of the Colony should be shewn to them; not only therefore would I ask your kind consideration in Mr. Halkett's behalf, viz: to allow him to occupy his present quarters free of rent but I would further request that as the Colonial Surgeon will then be the only officer paying rental, that he may in future be allowed the quarters occupied by him rent free. The loss to the revenue will only be £16 in the Colonial Surgeon's case which will not impoverish a colony which has no taxation except that raised on spirits, wines, beer and tobacco and whose local taxation in respect to Stanley is applied to local purposes.

Trusting that you will be able to meet the

the views herein expressed.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Right Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No 123.

Government House,
Stanley. 17 December 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose for your consideration a claim made on behalf of Mr Alexander Mc.Pitaluga the lessee of Section 67 to repayment of certain monies paid as rental for that section.

2. Mr Alexander Mc.Pitaluga is the son of a certain Andres Pitaluga to whom the lease of the section was originally granted and who died in the year 1878 without questioning the right of the Crown to the rental paid for this section.

3. Mr Alexander Mc.Pitaluga's contention as shewn by the letters of the 15th December 1894, 23 February 1895 and 5th October 1895 (copies of which are enclosed) is that the section described in the Licence issued by the Governor of the Colony on the 17th April, 1873, to Andres Pitaluga included section 66 which had been already leased to Andres Pitaluga (for which the proper rental has been separately paid) and that consequently instead of containing 18,000 acres the section contained only 12,000 acres. As 6,000 acres of the section has been leased to Robson with the approval of the Government and rent paid therefor to the Crown by Robson, Mr Alexander Mc.Pitaluga urges that he should be required to pay rental on only

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6,000 acres and not on 12,000 acres.

4. The matter was brought to my notice by Surveyor Deegan in a letter dated 7 August, 1895. This, together with further correspondence on the subject with the Legal Adviser, as well as tracings prepared by the Surveyor and marked respectively A. B and C and D, is also enclosed for your perusal.

5. To clearly understand the question it is necessary I think that reference should be made to the Lease and I therefore enclose a copy of the same as granted to Andres Pitaluga marked E. By the 18th Section of Ordinance No. 3 of 1887 the Governor's sanction is necessary to every transfer and it will be observed from the Memoranda on this Lease signed by Governor Kerr that whilst sanctioning the transfer to Robson of 6,000 acres he (apparently recognizing that an error had been previously made) expressly states that the remaining part of the Section in the possession of Pitaluga shall be considered to contain 12,000 acres. To this I presume Andres Pitaluga must have assented or it would not have been recorded on the Lease in the Book of Records and unless some such agreement had been arrived at I cannot understand why Mr. Andres Pitaluga during his life time paid the double rental without question or protest.

6. I would draw attention to the fact that the actual acreage of the Section now divided and known as Sections 67 and 76 (see tracings of Surveyor) far exceed 12,000 acres and it is probable that Governor Kerr knowing this would not sanction the

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transfer until an agreement such as I have referred to had been entered into by Pitalunga.

I have, &c,
(Signed) / Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street

No 124.

Government House,
Stanley. 18 December 1895.

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Sir,

I have the honour to transmit for your instructions thereon a copy of correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Chaplain and myself through the Colonial Secretary.

2. His action on the occasion to which the correspondence refers is not, as stated by him, the same as has been previously sanctioned by myself, it being the first occasion when there were two clergymen available for duty in the Colony, that both have been absent at the same time from Stanley, and which appears to me to be contrary to Lord Ripon's decision as expressed in his despatch No 32 of 12 March 1894 as follows:- "it is not desirable that you "should interfere with the Colonial "Chaplain's arrangements for visiting the "outlying parts of the Colony as long as "one clergyman either the Chaplain or "his assistant is available to attend to duties "in Stanley".

3. The Colonial Chaplain would however appear from the concluding portion of paragraph 1 of his letter of December the 11th to

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trade on the fact that no objection has until the present occasion (i.e. since the receipt of Lord Ripon's despatch above referred to) been raised to the minister in charge in Stanley performing special duty in the camp between the Sundays. He omits however to state that this is the first instance on which when there have been two Church of England clergymen in the Colony both have absented themselves at the same time though it is true and herein I think will be apparent my desire loyally to conform to Lord Ripon's instructions that during the Colonial Chaplain's absence in England (to which he omits any reference) I permitted Mr. Aspinall who was in sole charge to carry on his duties as he conceived to be to the best interests of his Church.

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5. I further beg to draw your attention to the wording of the Colonial Chaplain's own memorial to Lord Ripon (vide despatch No 15 of 20 January, 1894) where it is conclusively shewn that he himself stipulated that Mr. Aspinall and himself would not be absent from Stanley together.

6. That work was neglected in Stanley on the occasion that forms the subject of the correspondence is admitted by the Colonial Chaplain in the words "at much inconvenience to my work" but to bring it closer home to that gentleman he was absent from the ordinary daily morning services as also the Wednesday Evening ones besides being unable to perform the funeral services over the body of a young man belonging to the Church of England who was accidentally drowned and whose interment had to be undertaken by the Baptist Minister according to the rites of the Baptists.

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7. The extract from the letter which Dean Brandon received from the Camp did not appear to disclose any great urgency indeed I have since been informed from more sources than one that the person referred to (Mr. Bonner) is suffering from a chronic complaint and that there is not any immediate danger ~~a visit was offered by the Dean~~

8. While I cannot but regret the decision arrived at in Lord Ripon's despatch, I would ask that the Colonial Chaplain should be directed at least to adhere to but not to go beyond it for as matters at present stand he simply sets the Governor at defiance.

9. His attitude towards myself may be best understood from the fact that neither on going home on leave or on his return did he pay the duty call at Government House incumbent on an official of his position. Of this, however, I have not taken any notice thinking that I might be drawn into a lengthy correspondence which I have neither the inclination nor the time to indulge in.

10. I would state that my action in endeavouring to bring about the disendowment of the Church of England in the Colony (vide despatch No. 15 of 20 January, 1874) was the cause of the combined attacks upon me by the Colonial Chaplain and his Bishop the latter of whom showed to the Government Schoolmaster, who in turn made it the subject of conversation at the bar of a public house, the decision of Lord Ripon quoted in paragraph 2 on the question of the Colonial Chaplain visiting the Camp.

11. I ask at your hands, Sir, that the Colonial Chaplain, who is also I should mention

Received 27th January, 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 21 day of December, 1895.

No of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1895.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
122.	14 December.	Quarters for Government Officers.	Two.
123.	17 "	Mrs. A. de. Pitaluga claims refund of certain monies paid as rental for 67.	One.
124.	18 "	The Colonial Chaplain's absence in the Camp when Mrs. Aspinall was away from Stanley.	
		Reports on the advisability of	One
125.	21 "	Non-supply of stamps to Mrs. Bishop. Explained.	One.

mention Inspector of Schools may be given to understand that I have not exceeded the limits laid down in Lord Ripon's despatch, the interpretation placed upon which by the Colonial Chaplain has, I regret to say, induced that office to endeavour to throw off all control so far at least as affects the discharge of his duties as Inspector of Schools which duties would at his discretion be subordinated to those of Colonial Chaplain which cannot be dispensed with save at a serious loss of efficiency.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

Rt Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street

No 125.

Government House,
Stanley 21 December, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 91 of the 15th ultimo and in reply to transmit herewith a copy of a Minute by the Colonial Secretary enclosing the Government Clerk's explanation for the non supply of certain stamps to Mrs Bishop.

2. The fact of Mrs Bishop not receiving any stamps is due to his own remissness in not sending instructions, no letter having been received by the Postal Department &c.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

Rt Hon.ble
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No 1.

Government House,
Stanley. 1 January, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a Return showing the Changes in Office, &c, for the quarter ended the 31st December, 1895.

The Rt Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No 2.

Government House,
Stanley. 2 January, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a transcript of the Executive and Legislative Council minutes of this Colony for the half year ended the 31st December, 1895.

The Rt Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

I have, &c,
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No 3.

Government House,
Stanley. 2 January, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a Report of the Survey of the Colonial Chest together with a certificate of Quarterly Survey showing the Receipts and Expenditure of this Colony for the quarter ended the 31st December, 1895.

The Rt Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

I have, &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No 4.

Government House,
Stanley. 3 January 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith the following annual returns and documents as required by Colonial Office Regulations:-

(i) Copies of Ordinances enacted in the Colony during the year, 1895;

(ii) List of Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils;

(iii) Return of Arms and Ammunitions in the possession of the Police Force of the Colony.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No 5.

Government House,
Stanley. 4 January 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a list of Officers who have been granted the privilege of remitting a portion of their Salaries through the Crown agents for the Colonies.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street

No 6.

Government House,
Stanley. 6 January 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for your information a report from the Stock Inspector,

&c

Mr. Mowat, on sheep farming in the East Falkland. I have caused the same to be inserted in the Government Gazette for general information.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 7.

Government House,
Stanley. 8 January, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have sanctioned the payment from Colonial Funds of the sum of £ 22-10-0 to enable Mrs. Adams wife of Constable Adams to proceed to England as a second class passenger.

2. It does not appear from the agreement that Mrs. Adams is entitled to a return passage to England even on the expiration of her husband's term of service. I have therefore only granted it conditionally on Constable Adams undertaking to refund the amount if not approved by you.

3. The enclosed certificate from the Colonial Surgeon will shew that Mrs. Adams' state of health necessitated a change to England.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

Received 14 February 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 10th day of January, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1896.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
1.	1 January	Quarterly Returns. December 1895. forwards.	
2.	2 "	Executive and Legislative Council minutes half year ended 31 December 1895 forwards.	Two.
3.	2 "	Quarterly Survey of Treasury Chest December 1895.	Two
4.	3 "	Ordinances 1895; List of Members of Councils; Return of arms and ammunition with the Police. forwards returns of.	Three;
5	4 "	Family Remittances, 1896. Forwards list of.	One
6.	6 "	Sheep farming in the East Falklands. Inspector of Stock's report on. forwards.	One.
7.	8 "	Grant of a passage to England to the wife of Constable W. Adams on a medical certificate.	One.

The Right Hon. J. Chamberlain M.P. &c. &c. &c.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No. 8.

Government House,
Stanley. 23 January, 1896.

Sir,

With reference to the report of the Commission (Enclosure in my despatch No. 4 of 3 January 1896) on the West Falklands and to the further report on Education which I have received and which will be forwarded for your consideration by the mail of the 31st instant I have the honour to request that steps may be taken to secure the services of two itinerary schoolmasters who should, if possible, have a knowledge of riding and whose emoluments would be £5 per mensem, rising by increments of £5 per annum to £80 yearly with board & lodgings.

2. It is most desirable that the Schoolmasters selected should be quite unsectarian in their views, & should not be liable to be influenced by the clergy of any denomination.

I have &c,
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon.ble
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 9.

Government House,
Stanley. 24 January, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch marked "General" of the 30th November last transmitting "additional instructions passed under the Royal "Sign Manual" and Signet" which I have caused to be duly promulgated in the Colony.

I have &c,
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon.
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c. Street

No 10.

Government House,
Stanley. 25 January, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 98 of the 7th ultimo asking for certain explanations with regard to the Estimates for the current year.

2. As directed, should I find it necessary to impose extra taxation, I will consult with you before taking action.

3. My despatch 117 of 29 November will have already informed you of my unwillingness to put the Colony to any expense for Table allowance to myself, there will therefore not be any necessity to subvent an additional vote for £50.

4. With reference to the queries contained in paragraph 4 of your despatch, no direct application was made by the Baptist Minister for the grant of £50 but the injustice of giving a grant to one denomination and not to another having been frequently discussed, I thought it advisable to act as I have done. The Baptist Minister has expressed his thanks for the vote in aid.

5. The increased mail subsidy for the West Falklands referred to in paragraph 5 is due to the increased number of trips in consequence of the improved mail service to and from England.

6. Regarding the usual Table of Assets and Liabilities not accompanying my despatch, I beg to refer you to the accompanying

accompanying copy of a Memorandum from the

Received 4 March, 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 27th day of January, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1896.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
8.	23 Jan.	Itinerant schoolmasters for West Falklands. applies for two.	
9.	24 "	Additional Royal Instructions relating to the Legislative Council. Acknowledges.	
10.	25 "	Estimates, 1896. Explains certain items referred to in despatch No. 98 of 7 December 1895.	One.
11.	27 "	Falkland Islands Quails. Transport of in certain eventualities.	One

accompanying copy of a Memorandum from the Colonial Treasurer. I have also to express my regret that in my despatch I should have omitted necessary references, but I desire to point out that for six months I had myself to perform the clerical duties, &c. usually pertaining to a Private Secretary, duties which in any opinion a Governor should not be called upon to perform in addition to undertaking the customary responsibilities of his office.

I have &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

Rt. Hon:
Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c.
Downing Street.

Government House.
Stanley. 27 January 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a despatch I have this day addressed to Her Britannic Majesty's Minister Resident at Monte Video on the subject of the transport of mails to and from this Colony in case of certain eventualities arising.

I have &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

Rt. Hon:
Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c.
Downing Street.

No 12.

Government House,
Stanley. 28 January 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward, in reply to your despatch No 93 of the 27 November last with three enclosures on the subject of Education in the Colony, a copy of the Inspector of Schools letter of the 8th August 1894, as also the report of a Commission appointed by me to enquire into the advisability or otherwise of adopting the suggestions made by that officer.

2. The opinion arrived at by the Commission I concur in, except in respect to the Education Department in England being asked to perform duties which, as far as my experience goes, usually devolve in all Colonies on the Inspector of Schools. It appears to me that the recommendation of the Inspector was one which whilst minimising his own work by throwing it on the Educational Department would have involved the Colony in increased and unnecessary expenditure.

3. I agree with the Revd E.C. Humphry, the Baptist Minister, that "an "examining body and not an individual "who is connected with any denomination" would be preferable (vide his evidence) and more especially when as is now the case the Inspector of Schools is also Colonial Chaplain and a dignitary of the Colonial Church out here. That Dean Brandon does not consider that one in his position can satisfactorily inspect and examine the schools is evidenced by what he says in his letter of the 8th October addressed to the Colonial Office but I am not prepared to go so far as he does that gentlemen could not be found

found who could efficiently and satisfactorily perform these duties.

4. Dean Brandon from his very position is not unnaturally looked upon with some distrust by those of other denominations and it is in a measure due to action taken by him in the past. In 1894 I had my attention drawn to the fact that he, taking advantage of his position of Inspector of Schools in the one half hour in the week when religious instruction was given was in the habit of detaining the children of Church of England parents and with the assistance of the only school-teacher, to whom he allowed 5/- per mensem, giving such religious instruction in the school whilst the children of Roman Catholic and non-conformist parents were sent to the residences of the Roman Catholic and non-conformist pastors.

Seeing that such a course of action had led to the Government School, which is entirely undenominational, being looked upon as a Church of England School, I with the advice of my Executive Council, did away with the half hour religious instruction and directed that a form of prayer which was mutually agreed upon by the clergy of all denominations should be used daily before school commenced. The result was beneficial and the distrust was in a measure allayed, though it was this feeling in a great measure that induced the Baptists to open a school of their own and thus to enter into competition with that of the Government.

5. I do not understand whether you, Sir, are under the impression that I had been asked by the Inspector to forward his recommendations for your consideration, such was not the case and it appears to me that the Inspector has acted contrary

contrary to Colonial Office Regulations in submitting direct, suggestions which should have been forwarded through myself, suggestions which are utterly inapplicable in a Colony with an educational system of a very elementary nature and which seem to have been devised to lessen the Inspector's responsibility by throwing the burden on the educational department in London.

6. I have already touched upon the question of itinerary teachers for the West Falklands in my despatch No 8 of 23rd instant so I need not further refer to it here, except that I wish it to be understood that the teaching should be strictly unsectarian.

The Revd Mr Murphy whose address will be 181 Tufnell Park Road, Holloway, London N. will, I am sure be happy to afford the Education Department any information in his power.

I have &c,

(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street

No 13.

Government House,
Stanley. 29 January 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 96 of the 20th November last and to state that I informed the Colonial Secretary, Mr Halkett, that he would be required to give security in a Bond for £1000 and beg to forward his answer thereto.

2. As your decision in this case will regulate that of Mr Hill, I shall await your reply in respect to Mr Halkett's contention, but Mr Hurst and Mr Coulson who have local ties in the Colony will not have any difficulty in giving the requisite security.

3. With reference to the last paragraph of your despatch I forward from the Colonial Secretary and Treasurer a full explanation of so large a sum as £1689 being in the Treasurer's hands on the 1st October last.

4. I have given instructions also to the Treasurer in accordance with the views expressed by you in that paragraph.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The R. Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No 14.

Government House,
Stanley. 29 January 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, a full and duly authenticated copy of Ordinance No 1 of 1896 entitled "An ordinance to amend the 'Customs Duties' Consolidation Ordinance 1891" which passed the Legislative Council on the 28th instant. Accompanying is the Legal adviser's opinion thereon.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 15.

Government House,
Stanley. 30 January 1896

ans by No 19 of 29 March

Sir,

C.O Paper 13 of 1896

I have the honour to forward, in duplicate, a letter addressed to yourself by the two unofficial members (Messrs Baillon and Felton) of the Legislative Council forwarding a memorial from certain inhabitants of Stanley.

2. I have no comments to make thereon except to state that where practicable and expedient tenders are called for. As regards the last paragraph of Messrs Baillon and Felton's letter their joint letter of 29 January in answer to that from the Colonial Secretary of the 27th instant does not in any way answer the question put to them nor is their mode of explaining their meaning clear to me but I will leave it to you, Sir, to make your own deductions.

3 At the time the vote for £400

£400 was taken when the Estimates were under consideration I stated that the price for the erection of the wall 16/ per yard everything to be found by the contractor was offered and the remark made by Mr. Felton was that it was extremely moderate hence for this wall further tenders were not called for.

4. As regards the value to be attached to the memorial I may state that the signatures of thirty nine are of men employed by Mr. Baillon, as local manager of the Falkland Islands Company, fourteen are either in the employ of Mr. Felton or Mr. Packe, the only farmers resident in Stanley whilst three of the signatures are of men unable to write and are unwitnessed, so that of a total of 74, Eighteen remain and of this latter number the majority have from time to time been employed by the Falkland Islands Company

5. Touching the certificates given as to the manner in which the wall is built, two of the men are carpenters and have no knowledge of work as masons. The other two are men who are disappointed at not being asked to tender for the work. The value to be attached to Mr. Hardy's certificate may be gathered from his admission before me that he was not prepared to say that there were not other "ties" unless he pulled down portions of the wall to ascertain. In conclusion I may state that the sea wall is still in course of construction, that the part already constructed has not been taken over nor will be till some slight defects, which do exist, have been made good. The person employed on the work is a competent mason assisted by ordinary labourers.

6. I.

6. I must ask at your hands to be excused from having to reply in detail to memorials initiated not infrequently under the auspices of the unofficial members whose determined opposition to myself I could remove were I to recommend, what so long as I remain Governor I never will do, the suspension of all further surveys. The farmers, led by the Falkland Islands Company, are well aware that if not undertaken and the time may slip by and a survey which with the services of another surveyor is computed to take some 12 years might not ever be undertaken, the result being that at the end of 18 years when several of the leases fall in, the Government would not be in a position to let the land according to the acreage ascertained by survey but would have to re-lease it at the original estimated acreage in some cases amounting to little more than a third of that shewn by survey (vide my despatch No. 42 of 6 May 1895.) To such action I will never be a party so long as I have the honour to hold the position I do, merely to make my tenure of office less wearisome and irksome to myself. At the same time I consider that some relief should be afforded to me and this I have every right to ask at your hands.

I have, &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon.
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

Received 7 March, 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 31st day of January, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1896.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
12.	Jan: 28.	Education. Scheme suggested by the Inspector of Schools for the conduct of examinations. Reports on.	Two.
13.	" 29.	Security to be given by Officers. Replies to Colonial Office despatch No. 96 of 28 November.	Two.
14.	"	Ordinance No. I of 1896. "To amend the Customs Duties Consolidation Ordinance 1894." Forwards.	Two.
15.	" 30.	Public Works. Memorial asking that the control of expenditure on be vested in a local elective Board.	Two.

E.

No. 16.

Government House,
Stanley. 11 February 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, a full and authenticated copy of Ordinance No. 2 of 1896 entitled "An Ordinance "for regulating the law relating to conspiracy "and to the protection of property and for other "purposes". The reason for the introduction of this Ordinance is given by the legal adviser whose opinion is herewith enclosed.

The Rt. Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
Downing Street.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd. Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No. 17.

Govt. despatch

Government House.
Stanley. 15 February, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit, for your information and for your views thereon copies of "An Ordinance to provide for the erection "of dividing fences by the owners of adjoining "lands" which was introduced and passed its first reading and was left in committee as I thought it better to submit it to you owing to the divergence of opinion between the legal adviser (who however expressed his willingness to vote with the Government) the official and unofficial members.

2. The opinion of the legal adviser is shortly stated in his minute of the 13th instant (Enclosure 6) in which however the other official members and myself do not concur as we think it would be manifest injustice

injustice to give a wealthy farmer the means of ruining a poorer one whose leasehold adjoined. A case was cited by me in the Legislative Council where the hardship to an adjoining owner is made very clear. The details are submitted in Enclosure F.

F.

3. The suggestions made by the unofficial members in their joint minute of the 10th February for security being given as each mile of fencing be completed is one which I think might be conceded but the time for payment should remain unaltered, viz: 10 years from date of commencement of the fencing and had it been brought forward in Council I should have raised no objection thereto but it was not.

4. The fact should not be lost sight of in dealing with this question and the points raised by the unofficial members, that at the present time any owner desirous of putting up a boundary fence if the adjoining proprietor objects must do so at his own expense and cannot recover a moiety of the cost. By the Bill now in Committee he can compel the adjoining owner to pay him one half the cost on completion if it be shewn that he has the means or by instalments extending over ten years less the time taken to erect the fence. This clause to which such exception is taken by Mr. Felton is based upon the recommendation of a Committee of farmers in 1891 under the presidency of Mr. Sanguinetti then Acting Colonial Secretary vide Enclosure G. substituting only 4% (which Mr. Felton does not object to this) for 5% and 10 years for 5 years.

G.

5. I

5. I am, personally, doubtful whether it would not be better to see how far the provisions of the existing scab Ordinances will prove sufficient if properly enforced to ensure the eradication of scab whilst enforcing more general fencing than at present exists and had it not been for the strong recommendation of the Stock Inspector (Enclosure H) I should not have suggested further legislation but would have been disposed to allow time to see if the desired results might not have been brought about by existing provisions rather than open up another burning question which would make my short remaining tenure of office here anything but pleasant whilst not in my opinion resulting in any good to the Colony.

H

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain
M.P. &c.
Downing Street.

I have, &c.
Signed/ Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No 19.
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last despatch
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Government House,
Stanley. 19 February, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour in submitting for your consideration the draft of "an Ordinance to further amend the Scab Ordinance 1895" which passed its first reading and has been left in Committee, to draw your attention to certain points connected therewith.

2. This Ordinance, as was also that "to provide for the erection of dividing fences &c," which forms the subject of my despatch No 16/17 of the 15th inst. was introduced at the request of Mr Mowat, the Stock Inspector, but as in the case of that Ordinance the official

members

members and myself are of opinion, looking to the extensive powers already vested in the Stock Inspector under the "Scab Ordinance 1895" that time should be given to see its working before more extended powers are given to that officer it being the opinion of the official members and myself that if properly enforced boundary fences will in self defence be put up by owners rather than they should have to incur heavier expenses for paddocking, &c, and thus no further legislation may be necessary. Added to this it is evident that the unofficial members are opposed to extending the Stock Inspector's powers as shewn by the expression of a wish that in clause 2 there should be an appeal from the Inspector to the Governor in Council.

3. Another point which should receive your attention is the fact that whilst in the draft fencing ordinance if an owner is unable through want of means to pay his moiety of the expenses of erection, the adjoining proprietor has to put up the fence at his own expense receiving the money afterwards by instalments or otherwise as the Magistrate who hears the case may determine. It would appear then only equitable & consistent that if the Stock Inspector on behalf of the Government enforces boundary fencing for scab purposes that the Government should be required to act similarly to what is required under the fencing ordinance. It would undoubtedly be exceptional legislation but the Scab Ordinance 1895 is in itself so.

4. I do not anticipate that many would come within the meaning of the words "some provision must be made for affording State aid to the owner, who is ordered by the Government to fence, and who has

"has not the means to do so"; but those that did so would have the security of their leases to offer the Government and considering that almost invariably the acreage is far in excess of what is named in the leases, if, through default in payment the land at any time reverted to the Government, it could be surveyed and released at greatly enhanced rental, vide particulars of Sections 35 and 38 which recently came within the Government's possession were surveyed and leased. These particulars are to be found in my despatch No. 42 of 6th May, 1895. There would be this advantage also that Government would be receiving 4 per centum instead of 3 and 3½ per centum for the Land Sales money now invested in various Colonial and other Securities and without incurring any risk. Awaiting full instructions from you on this very important matter.

I have &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street

No. 19

Government House,
Stanley. 18 February 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward a copy of correspondence which has taken place with the view to putting the frozen meat industry upon a more satisfactory and permanent basis than that hitherto existing.

2. Messrs. Spearing and Waldron of 101 Leadenhall Street, E.C., have for some years past yearly contracted with certain farmers to purchase from them sheep for the London market, their firm providing

providing a steamer to call annually to ship the same. Owing to dissatisfaction on the part of the farmers at the prices they were receiving and to the refusal of some to supply sheep Messrs Spearing and Waldron last year notified their intention of not sending a steamer as usual and it is feared that what promised to be a thriving industry in the future may, if some movement on the part of those most interested be not made, collapse altogether. I need not point out how detrimental to those desirous of getting rid of their surplus sheep to the best advantage this would be and I have been asked by the unofficial members, as representing the farmers, to permit the Chief Stock Inspector, Mr. Mowat, who has extensive experience to visit England during our winter months and open up negotiations with those likely to embark in the frozen mutton industry.

3. As dipping for the eradication of scab does not take place during the winter, Mr. Mowat's services could be spared for some three months, but whilst I am willing to grant Mr. Mowat leave on full salary, the cost of passage and all other expenses being defrayed by the farmers for that period, I am not prepared to do so if it be merely a move on the part of the farmers to procure better terms than Messrs Spearing and Waldron are prepared to give as in this case I conceive it would be the duty of the Government to stand aloof and be perfectly neutral.

4. Though Mr. Mathews, Messrs Spearing and Waldron's local manager have

31 March 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 21st day of February, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1896.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
16.	11 Feb:	Ordinance No. II of 1896. "An Ordinance for regulating the "law relating to Conspiracy and "to the protection of property and "for other purposes." Forwards.	Two.
17.	17 "	Proposed Fencing Ordinance. Submits for instructions together with the opinions of the Official & unofficial members of the Legislative Council thereon.	Eight.
18.	18 "	Proposed Fencing Ordinance to eradicate Scab. Forwards with comments on and asks for instructions as to.	One.
19.	19 "	Frozen Mutton Industry. Proposal to revive by the Stock Inspector proceeding to England to negotiate provided Messrs Spearing and Waldron have withdrawn from the trade.	Two.

have written approving of the action which it is contemplated taking still I ~~before~~ sanctioning Mr. Mowat's services being utilised as proposed would wish that the Crown Agents may be instructed to ascertain whether Messrs. Spearing and Waldron are contemplating sending out a steamer or if it be their intention to abandon the frozen meat industry in respect to this Colony. In either case, I would ask that a cable-gram may be sent to me so that I may know how to act whilst allowing ample time for other arrangements being made should I think it inexpedient to send Mr. Mowat's services, which however would only be should it appear that Messrs. Spearing and Waldron are not unwilling to come to an arrangement with the farmers.

I have &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd. Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

P.S. A further letter from Messrs. Felton and Bailton just received is also attached.

(Initialed) R.T.G.

No. 20.

Government House,
Stanley. 12 March 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, for your information, a statement showing the total receipts and expenditure of this Colony in the year 1895 together with a statement of assets and liabilities for the same period.

2 Statements showing the excess of expenditure under the various heads of service and the causes thereof as also the increase and decrease of revenue are also attached.

2. The supplementary appropriation Ordinance for the year will be forwarded, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, in due course.

I have &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt. Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 21.

Government House,
Stanley. 14 March 1896.

Ans by No 25, 27 April 96

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a minute I have received from the Treasurer and would request you to authorise the Crown Agents to be instructed to transfer the £2000 therein referred to from the Land Sale Funds to a separate account of "Sea Walls and Jetties" so that it may be available for the purposes mentioned in my despatch No. 115 of 28 November last.

Governor Kerr.
109 of 1 Sept: 1885
Secretary of State
22 of 26 Oct: 1885

2. This amount formed the subject of correspondence noted in the margin since

Received 20 April 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 16th day of March, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
20.	12 March.	Annual Account for 1895. Forwards.	Three.
21.	14 "	Transfer of £2,000 from "Land Sales Fund" due to "Sea Walls and Jetty Account."	One.

and Non-conformist ministers have expressed their opinions verbally and in writing that it would be preferable

since which date the sum of £804 odd out of the amounts voted has been expended from time to time on repairs to sea walls, &c, but has been met from General Revenue Funds.

3. In bringing this matter to your notice, I should add that the sums of £400 and £250 inserted marginally under the head of Public Works in the Estimates of 1896 and which were unanimously voted by the Legislative Council will also have to be met out of this fund so that there will be a balance of £1350 available for the proposed new iron jetty requisitioned for in my afore mentioned despatch of 28 November, 1895. I regret that I omitted to make especial reference to these items when the draft Estimates were submitted for your approval.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Hon: Joseph Chamberlain M.P. &c. &c. &c.
Colonial Office
Downing Street.

No. 22.

Government House,
Stanley. 26 March, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 12 of the 11th February and I have caused the Colonial Chaplain to be informed of your decision.

2. At the same time I desire respectfully to point out that where an official is authorised to absent himself at his discretion in connection with the duties of one office, whilst the interests of the other may demand his presence it is conceivable that there is something faulty in the arrangement. Further that in view of the fact that the Roman Catholic and non-conformist ministers have expressed their opinions verbally and in writing that it would be preferable

preferable now that their Schools are to be inspected and examined on behalf of the Government that the arrangements therefor should be made than those at present existing. I would ask you, Sir, to give the matter your consideration, the more so that the Colonial Chaplain as the Inspector of Schools with whom in his former capacity, I have been directed not to interfere (vide Lord Ripon's despatch No. 92 of 12 March 1894 and yours now under acknowledgment) and who can therefore absent himself from Stanley without regard to his duties as Inspector of Schools. which not unnaturally he would subordinate to those of Colonial Chaplain.

3. In any arrangement that might be made the Colonial Chaplain would not incur any pecuniary loss as his letter of appointment is as Colonial Chaplain and he does not receive any salary as Inspector of Schools.

I have &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street

No. 23

To be made confidential

Government House,
Stanley, 27 March, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that I have received several despatches bearing what purports to be your signature but on inspection I observe that the signature is merely stamped and is not your sign manual.

2. As I have not received any intimation that you proposed to make any change from what previously existed, I shall be glad to learn whether all despatches whether "Confidential" or otherwise will in future be merely stamped. And I observed the alteration earlier I should have drawn your attention to the matter for at present

present I have no authority to act upon despatches not bearing your sign manual.

I have, &c.
Signed / Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
J. Chamberlain
M.P. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 24.

Government House,
Stanley. 30 March, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith for presentation to the most gracious Majesty the Queen and Her Royal Highness the Princess Beatrice the accompanying Resolution which has been passed by the Legislative Council on behalf of the inhabitants of this Colony expressive of their deep sorrow on receiving the intelligence of the death of His Royal Highness Prince Henry Maurice of Battenberg, K.G.

Address.

I have, &c
Signed / Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
J. Chamberlain
M.P.
Downing Street.

No. 25.

Government House,
Stanley. 3 March, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 5 of the 13th January last and in accordance with the instructions therein contained, to transmit herewith, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, a full and duly authenticated copy of Ordinance No. III of 1896 entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the administration of unrepresented estates in the Falkland Islands".

Ordinance 3 of 1896

2. This Ordinance has been framed on the lines of the Gibraltar Ordinance

forwarded

forwarded in your despatch under acknowledgment. One and a quarter per centum, however, instead of five per centum was considered by the Council sufficient to be charged against any estate and to be paid into the reserve fund for the purpose of defraying the incidental expenses necessitated by the Ordinance.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
J. Chamberlain M.P. &c.
&c. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 26.

Government House.
Stanley. 2 April 1896.

Sir,

Survey & Accounts

I have the honour to transmit herewith a Report of the survey of the Colonial Chest together with a certificate of quarterly survey showing a statement of the total receipts and payments for the quarter ended the 31st March, 1896.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
J. Chamberlain M.P. &c.
&c. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 27

Government House,
Stanley. 2 April, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch "General" of the 12th February transmitting a warrant under the Queen's Sign Manual and Signet for the appointment of Mr. Thomas Augustus Thompson to be a member of the Executive Council.

2. Mr. T.A. Thompson was accordingly duly sworn and admitted a

Member

member of the said Council on this day,

Received 11 May 1896

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 6th day of April, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1896.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
22.	26 March.	Suggesting alterations in existing arrangements for inspection and examination of schools.	
24.	30 "	Address of condolence on the occasion of the death of His Royal Highness Prince Henry Maurice of Battenberg, K.G.	One.
25.	31 "	Ordinance No. III of 1896. "The Unrepresented Estates Ordinance, 1896." Forwards.	One
26.	2 April.	Quarterly Survey of Chest, March 1896.	One.
27.	" "	Appointment of Mr. T.A. Thompson to be a member of the Executive Council Reports.	
28.	" "	W. J. Wilson is still serving as a constable. Replies to Secretary of State's despatch No. 15 of 27 February	
29.	3 "	Quarterly Returns for March Quarter. Forwards.	One.

member of the said Council on this day.

Hon^ble
Chamberlain M.P.
Colonial Office.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No. 8.

Government House,
Stanley. 2 April, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 15 of the 27th February last and in reply to inform you that W. J. Wilson is still serving as a constable here, he having been appointed to the Police Force on the 13th March, 1895.

The Hon:
Chamberlain M.P.
Colonial Office

I have &c.
Signed Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

Government House,
Stanley. 3 April, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, the usual quarterly Returns of this Colony for the quarter ended the 31st ultimo.

The Hon^ble
Chamberlain M.P.
Colonial Office.

I have &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

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Government House,
Stanley. 24 april 1896

ansd No: 36 of 13 June 96

Sir,

I have the honour to request your approval of a step which, with your sanction, I purpose taking with regard to the two lease holders of suburban lands – Messrs Bender and Dettlef – in view of the desirability of fencing the lands held by them.

2. It is true that under the conditions of their existing leases that they have each respectively agreed to fence in conjunction with the adjoining proprietor, but from one cause and another no joint action up to the present time has been taken.

Bender.
Falkland Islands.
No 98 of 23 Aug: 94
Secretary of State.
No 85 of 26 Oct 94

Dettlef.
Falkland Islands.
No 8 of 7 Jan: 92
Secretary of State
No 21 of 5 March 92

3. Now that the Inspector of Stock is urging upon all the farmers the necessity of fencing in order to eradicate scab the suburban leaseholders are anxious to act with the adjoining leaseholders but consider that it is hard, as do I myself, to have to incur a heavy expenditure whilst their respective leases have only another 5 years 8 months and 3 years 8 months respectively to run. They therefore have asked for an extension which I would recommend should be for such further period as would make their respective leases 14 years from the date of the commencement of the existing lease.

14 years approved WJ

4. Meanwhile, pending your reply, I have informed Messrs Bender and Dettlef that they can proceed forthwith with their fencing as I have no reason to suppose that you will object to the proposed extension

and

Received 1 June, 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 25 day of April, 1896

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
30.	24 April.	Extension of suburban leases. Recommends to enable the holders to fence.	Two
31.	" "	Recorder of a Cablegram to Downing Street.	

of which was forwarded in my despatch No. 31 of the 24th instant.

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and which is concurred in by the members of the Executive Council.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy,
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

P.S. The copies of the applics are attached.

No. 31.

Government House,
Stanley. 24 april 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have this day forwarded to you the following cablegram -

Hill offers himself a candidate for Turks Islands. Strongly recommended
BUXOMNESS SILKWORM PARGETER

I have, &c.
Signed Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P. &c
Downing Street.

32.

Government House,
Stanley. 27 april, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, an application from Mr. Charles W. Hill for the office of President of the Turks Islands.

2. Owing to the length of time correspondence takes to reach the United Kingdom, I accorded Mr. Hill's request that his application might be transmitted by cablegram, a record of which was forwarded in my despatch No. 31 of the 24th instant.

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3. Mr Hill has shewn himself an able and deserving officer and would, I am confident, discharge with ability the duties of the post for which he now applies.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
The Sec.y of State
for the Colonies
Downing Street.

No 33.

Government House,
Stanley. 12 May 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to report, for your information, that I have granted to Mr. T.a Thompson, Judge, &c, leave for three months to visit England and that he will proceed by the mail steamer due on the 15th instant.

2. Should Mr. Thompson be under the necessity of applying to you for an extension of leave on half salary, I have the honour to state that there will be no objection to his request being acceded to.

I have, &c,
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
Joseph Chamberlain. M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No 36.

Government House,
Stanley. 13 May. 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour, with reference to your despatch No 17 of the 27th February relative to a statement made by the Colonial Secretary in the Blue Book for 1894 to forward

for

for your information, a memorandum from that office dated the 7th instant.

2. In support of the statement made by the Colonial Secretary I may add that the prevailing impression here is undoubtedly as stated by that gentleman.

I have &c
(Signed) Rogers Rickford Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt. Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 35

Government House,
Stanley. 14 May 1896.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No 13 of the 20th February and previous correspondence I have the honor to forward a further communication from the Colonial Secretary (Mrs Halkett)

2. It is true that I have placed at this office's disposal additional rooms, other than those mentioned in my despatch No 174 of 4 Dec. 1895 At the same time it was clear to me that the quarters originally allotted whilst sufficient for a married man without a family, were not sufficient for a husband wife and three children, one of them a lad of 16. I, therefore, in view of all the circumstances, trust that you will give a favorable answer to Mrs Halkett's request as evidently this office accepted the appointment under the impression that he would not be charged rental, and though the Colony will suffer to the extent of a few pounds annually it were better so that than an impression

impression should get abroad that the Government had not kept faith with an officer.

3. It should however be clearly understood that any officer in the future, holding this appointment, except it be proposed to grant free quarters to all officers which might I consider, will be done, shall pay such rental as you may decide.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
&c. Downing Street.

No 34.

for 35 to 36
see ltr of 24th Sept

Government House,
Stanley. Falkland Islands.
12 May, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, a full and duly authenticated copy, in duplicate, of Ordinance No 4 of 1896 entitled "An Ordinance to make further provision "for the service of the Colony of the Falkland "Islands for the year 1895." which unanimously passed the Legislative Council on this day.

2. Accompanying is the annual account for 1895, a statement in duplicate, of assets and liabilities on the 31st December last, together with the Colonial Treasurer's explanation of the various excesses and savings on the several Heads of Service.

3. The Colonial Secretary's and Treasurer's minute, attached, states the reasons

26 March 1896.

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reasons for these returns which amend

Received 22 June, 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 16th day of May, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
32.	27 April.	Mr. Cuttill applies for the post of President of the Virgin Islands. Recommended.	One.
33.	12 May.	Leave to Mr. J.A. Thompson. Reports.	
34.	"	Ordinance No. IV of 1896. "To make supplementary provision for the service of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for 1895." Forwards with subsidiary accounts.	Three.
35.	14 "	Free Quarters to the Colonial Secretary. Further Rn.	One
36.	15 "	Steam Shearing apparatus. Utility of in the Falkland Islands as commented on the Blue Book Report for 1895. Explained.	One

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reasons for these returns which amend those forwarded in my despatch No 20 of the 12th of March last.

I have. &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Hon:
The Chamberlain &
Civil Storekeeper

No. 37.

Government House,
Stanley. 27 May, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for your information, a statement showing the total Receipts and Payments of this Colony during the Quarter ended the 31st March last.

I have. &c.
(Signed). Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

No. 38.

This was the "City of Philadelphia"

Government House,
Stanley. 29 May, 1896.

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W. G/W

Sir,

It is with regret that I have the honour to forward herewith, for transmission to the Board of Trade, a letter from the Colonial Secretary reporting the wreck of an unknown ship at the entrance to the outer harbour of this Port on what is known locally as the "Billy Rock" formed by a reef running off the easternmost of the Willain Islands in Port William and marked latitude 51° 41' South, longitude 57° 42' West on the Chart of these islands.

2. It-

2. It is generally believed that the ship was outward bound but was putting back from the South to this Port in distress having experienced the recent heavy gales reported by Masters of vessels similarly driven in here from Cape Horn during the early part of the month.

3. No efforts will be spared to continue the searches for further information as to the ship's nationality and any favourable result will be duly reported to you.

I have, &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

P.S. A supplementary list just received is also attached.

No 39.

Government House,
Stanley. 30 May 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour herewith to forward the Blue Book Report for the year 1895 compiled by Captain Halkett, Colonial Secretary.

I have, &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
J. Chamberlain
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 240.

Government House,
Stanley. 1st June, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a further letter I have received from the Colonial Secretary on the subject of the Security Bond required of him and re-iterating a request that the premium be paid by this government.

2. Mr Halkett was not aware that in his predecessor's case any demand for security was required, and, in consequence, until the receipt, only this year, of your despatch no such security was entered into. It is on this plea and upon the previous treatment accorded to him in the matter in other Colonies, as stated in his former minute, that Mr Halkett bases this further appeal.

3. Mr Hill informs me that he is making arrangements for finding the security required of him. Messrs Hurst and Coulson have duly entered into security in the sums mentioned in your despatch.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Right Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 41.

Government House,
Stanley. 8 June, 1896.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No 23 of the 20th April, I have the honour to report, for your information, that Mr J.O. Mowat is proceeding to England by this mail steamer and will be due there about the 15th proximo.

2. The three months leave granted to Mr Mowat will, it is hoped, suffice for arrangements being made for the revival of the frozen meat trade of this Colony with the United Kingdom. but should you deem it advisable that his stay be prolonged there will be no objection thereto.

I have &c
(Signed) Roger Tuck Fd Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

Received 14 July 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the Ninth day of June, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
37	27 May	Revenue and Expenditure to 31 March 1896. Forwards.	One.
38.	29 "	Wreck outside Stanley Harbour. Reports.	One
39	30 "	Blue Book Report 1895 Forwards.	One
40.	1 June	Security Bonds required of Government officers and payment of premiums thereon.	One
41.	8 "	Frozen Meat Trade. Departure of Mr. Mowat for England to revive. Reports	

No 42

Government House,
Stanley 9 June, 1896.

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 21 of 25th March forwarding for my information certain correspondence with the Crown Agents as also a report from Mr Wakefield C.E. on the proposed Jetty for Stanley.

2. I beg, as requested, to attach such further particulars as I can obtain with the means at my disposal. Whilst trusting that there will be no further delay in commencing the new Jetty, as I much doubt whether that portion of the existing one not built of stone will last much longer, yet I must once again express my firm conviction that a Jetty such as that suggested by Mr Wakefield in November 1889 would if slightly lengthened and substituting a double line of rails for the single one (vide my despatch No 9 of 13 Jan 1894) prove eventually the cheaper, as the latter would be a reproductive public work whilst the former would not. My predecessor Governor Kerr had in view a Jetty of this description but the idea was not carried out as he feared that the funds of the Colony would not admit of it at that time. If there be any objection to raising a loan as proposed by me, your recent despatch No 25 of the 27th April wherein you state "the Land sales fund "may properly be applied in expenditure "upon Jetties and sea walls to an extent "to be decided in each case by the Secretary "of State without limitation to the £2,000

paid

"paid by Messrs Dean and the "Falkland Islands Company" does away with the difficulty and the amount received from jetty dues would more than meet the sum required annually for interest and sinking fund.

3. Such a jetty would enable Her Majesty's ships to coal alongside, thus saving the Imperial Government considerable expense whilst the mail steamers, &c, would save the long delay consequent on having to discharge their cargo into lighters which at times is rendered impracticable on account of the weather. Apart from the handling being less, there would also be a large saving to the importer in landing charges and the chances of loss from breakage or otherwise would be minimised. In fact to all concerned, except perhaps the two firms who have the monopoly of the lighterage it would be no doubtful boon – and even to these the speedier and safer landing of cargo would largely compensate for any loss upon lighterage.

4. Mr. Wakefield, I observe, appears to consider my suggestion for a moveable T head impracticable. It was merely as a suggestion that I put it forward thinking that it would be waste of money to place a permanent T head to a length of one hundred feet which, if it were desired to extend the jetty, it would be necessary to remove at some considerable expense. This question might well be left in Mr. Wakefield's hands and I am sure he will advise in the interests of the Colony.

The Rt Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P. &c
&c &c
Downing Street.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

P.S. I have had several conversations with the agent of the Kosmos Company on this matter and his views are embodied in the accompanying letter to the Colonial Secretary dated June 14, 1896. It is unnecessary for me to add that I entirely concur that the sooner the construction of a pier is taken in hand the difficulties now experienced by the Company and the community at large will be relieved.

(Initialed) R.T.G.
15-6-96.

No 43.

Government House,
Stanley. 10 June, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 25 of the 27th April replying to mine No 21 of the 14th March and in answer to your query as to why the appropriation of sums of £400 and £250 referred to therein, do not appear in the estimates for 1896 as transmitted to you, I would beg to draw your attention to the Head of Service No 17 - Public Works - where though not under the heading "Estimate for 96" there appears: -

Sea walls and jetties £400.
Stanley Roads and drains £250
(Special)

As these sums were not to be paid from General Revenue they were not included in

in the latter column.

2. My omitting to refer to these sums which were voted in the Legislative Council to be paid with your approval (vide your despatch No. 16 of 27 February) has, I regret to find necessitated your making the following query.

The Rt. Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c

I have, &c.
Signed / Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

No. 44.

Government House,
Stanley. 11 June, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to reply to your despatch No. 28 of the 5th ultimo, asking for further information regarding the engagement of itinerant schoolmasters for the West Falklands to refer you to my despatch No. 8 of the 23rd January with respect to board and lodging.

2. With respect to horses or boats required when travelling from station to station no expense will devolve upon the schoolmasters.

3. The accompanying "itinerary" has been drawn up for me by the Revd Canon Aspinall in the absence of Dean Brandon, it should however be distinctly understood that the same may be enlarged or varied as the Governor may deem essential in the interests of education. The distances do not ex-

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an average exceed ten miles.

4. The term of engagement should not be for a less period than five years under the customary conditions as regards passage &c.

5. The accommodation and food is what any one travelling is only too glad to avail himself of and I may at once say that a schoolmaster who affects broad-cloth and looks for luxuries will be quite out of place in the West Falklands. On the other hand a young man, who can teach the rudiments of education and is willing to be content with wholesome fare without luxuries might at the end of five years, if not extravagant in other respects, have a sum of £200 at his disposal.

I have, &c.,
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Right Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street

No 45

Government House,
Stanley. 13 June, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular Despatch of the 7th April and to inform you, in reply, that the low numerical strength of the Police Force in this Colony does not necessitate the appointment thereto of officers from England and to add, with reference to paragraph 4 of your despatch, that the officers of the Volunteer Corps are selected

selected from the officials and residents in the Colony.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 46.

Government House,
Stanley. 15 June, 1896.

Sir,

In accordance with the terms of your despatch No 26 of the 27th April last, I referred to the Colonial Surgeon for a report on the working of Ordinance No 3 of 1895 and I now have the honour to forward a copy of the reply I received from that officer.

2. The provisions of the ordinance are being duly enforced and the few defaulters to whom the act has been applied have subsequently brought their children to be vaccinated. I will however bear in mind the authority given in the second paragraph Your despatch and act accordingly should continual non-compliance with orders to vaccinate arise at any time in the future.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
J. Chamberlain M.P. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

Government House

Received 14 July 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the Sixteenth day of June, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
42.	9 June.	New Jetty. Further information for construction of. Forwards.	Two
43.	10 "	Non inclusion in Estimates for 1896 of £400 and £250 under Public Works. Explains.	
44.	11 "	Itinerant Schoolmasters Particulars required from supplied.	One.
45.	13 "	Qualifications of officers for local Police and Military Forces. Replies to Circular Despatch of 7 April 1896.	
46.	15 "	Vaccination Ordinance No 3 of 1895. Reports on the working of.	One.

No 47.

Government House
Stanley 25th June 1896.

Sir,

I have the honor in reply to your despatch No: 31 of 15th May to forward for your information the Colonial Treasurer's reply, respecting the cheques found in the Treasury chest at the Quarterly Survey on the 1st April 1896 which I trust, will be deemed satisfactory.

I have &c.
Sgd Rogers Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor

Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P
&c &c &c Downing Street.

No 48

Government House
Stanley 24th June 1896

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your des: No 20 of 24 March and in reply to inform you that before acting on the instructions contained therein I deem it advisable to submit for your consideration the accompanying declaration from Mr James Smith -

The "competent Sworn Surveyor" subsequently employed for the purpose referred to by Mr Smith was Lieut! Navigating officer of H.M. Ship

Awaiting your further instructions,

I have the honor to be,
Sir.
Your most obedient humble Servant
Sgd Rogers Tuckfd Goldsworthy Governor

Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c Colonial Office
Downing Street

49.

Government House
Stanley 24th June 1896

Sir,

Referring to my des: No 44 of the 11th instant I am directed to state that the Government will hold itself responsible that the obligation of parents to provide board & lodging for the itinerant teachers is properly fulfilled.

2 The Teachers must understand that they will have lodging

lodging and ordinary comfort, consisting of mutton ad libitum, bread, vegetables, milk &c

3. The amount £200 stated in my Des: as that which could be saved by the Leaser in the five years for which he would be engaged is a minimum amount

4. It is not desirable that the Leaser should be a married man.

I have &c.
(Sgd) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor

The Right Honorable
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing St. Eng.

No. 50.

Government House,
Stanley. 2 July, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour, in accordance with Colonial Office Regulations, to transmit herewith a copy of the Survey of the Colonial Chest taken on the 1st instant together with a certificate of the quarterly survey for the period 1 April - 30 June.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt Hon.ble
J. Chamberlain M.P. &c
Downing Street.

No. 51.

Government House.
Stanley. 4 July, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for your information, a transcript of the Minutes of the Executive and Legislative Councils for the half year ended the 30th June, 1896.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor

The Rt Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c
Downing Street

Received 28 July 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 27th day of June, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1896.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
47.	23 June.	Cheques deposited in the chest at the Quarterly Survey. March. Explains.	One.
48.	24 "	Exchange of land between Messrs. Robson and Petalura. Declaration relative to Mr. Petalura's claim for a refund of rent.	One.
49.	" "	Itinerant School masters. Further information as to requirements of.	

No. 52.

Government House,
Stanley. 6 July, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for your information, the usual quarterly returns of all changes in the holders of offices, &c, in this Colony for the quarter ended the 30th June last.

The R. Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P.
Downing Street.

I have, &c,
Signed / Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No. 53.

Government House,
Stanley. 16 July, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 29 of the 13th May ult which I am informed that

"I do not consider that there is any "
"justification for your suggestion that "
"Dean Brandon's object in recommend:" "
"ing that the aid of the Education "
"department in England should be "
"invoked in the examination of the "
"Schools was to lessen his own work "
"or responsibility." "

In reply I beg respectfully to point out that I asserted, not suggested, that if Dean Brandon's suggestions were acted upon it would minimize his work.

2 - A reperusal of Dean Brandon's letter will, I think, show that the suggestion therein contained was "devised to lessen" as stated in my despatch, that Gentleman's responsibility

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as he feared that the suspicion of being biassed might rest upon him.

3. Touching the Judge's appointment as Examiner, &c, I respectfully suggest that there should be an examining body comprising the Judge as President, and two members to be annually selected by the Governor. The danger of placing too much power in the hands of any one individual is in my opinion inadvisable.

4. I forward a further report on the condition of the School Buildings the former being considered of a "perfunctory" nature.

5th. Whilst none of the Government Buildings are such as I could desire to see, yet the School is not the first that I should consider it necessary to rebuild were it proposed to raise a loan for that purpose.

New Buildings
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I have &c.
Signed Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
J. Chamberlain
&c &c &c
Downing Street

Received 24 August.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 17 day of July, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
50.	2 July	Quarterly survey, June Quarter 1896. Forwards.	One.
51.	4 "	Executive and Legislative Council Minutes half year ended 30 June, 1896. Forwards.	Two.
52.	6 "	Quarterly Returns June quarter. Forwards	One.
53	16 "	Education. Replies to Secretary of State's despatch No. 29 of 13 May, 1896.	One.

No. 57

Government House
Stanley - 1 August 1896.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon a fair and authenticated copy of Ordinance No. V of 1896 entitled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Customs duties and trade"

1 The legal advisers in view of certain additions to and amendments in the Customs Ordinances deemed it advisable to consolidate and amend the same and to facilitate comparison I have caused marginal notes to be made on a copy of the new Ordinance herewith, shewing the corresponding section in the repealed ordinances, - whilst the new sections, taken from the Imperial acts or from Ordinances in force in other Colonies, but adapted to meet local requirements, have the word "new" in the margin.

2. The present ordinance has been sub-divided under the Heads of "Ports of Entry" - Regulations Inwards and "Outwards" - "Regulations as to Lading" &c. &c. to facilitate reference

3 In the table of "Exemptions" the words "when the duty thereon shall in the whole amount be not less than ten "shillings" was by general consent struck out, as it was felt that it was not the intent of the original framers that a dozen of malt liquor should be purchased before any rebate could be claimed

4. The Ordinance passed without opposition and I consider that, whilst giving somewhat increased powers to the Executive, it cannot be said to conduce to the obstruction of legitimate trade

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Ralph Thicknesse
Governor

The Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street

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Government House
Stanley. 1 August 1896.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon a fair and duly authenticated copy of Ordinance No. 6 of 1896 entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the erection of dividing fences by the owners of adjoining lands"

2. The amendments proposed in my Dis: No 34 of 1st of June last have been embodied in this Ordinance.

3. The Ordinance entitled an Ordinance to further amend the Peat Ordinance 1895 has been withdrawn -

I have the honor to be &c &c
Sd. Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor

The Right Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street. S.W.

No 56.

Government House,
Stanley. 3 August 1896

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a certificate of a surprise survey of the Colonial Chest which I caused to be made this day.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt Hon'ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P. &c
Downing Street

No 57.

Government House.
Stanley. 7 August 1896

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith the leave certificate requested in your despatch No 30 of the 26th June. This certificate did not accompany any previous despatch reporting that Treaston

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches sent to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State ~~which remain unanswered.~~ on the 7th day of August, 1896.

No.	Date.	Subject.	Remarks.
54.	1 August	Ordinance No. V of 1896. "An ordinance to consolidate and amend "the laws relating to "customs duties and "trade". Forwards.	Two.
55.	" "	Ordinance No. VI of 1896. "An ordinance to "provide for the erection "of dividing fences by the "owners of adjoining "lands". Forwards.	One.
56.	3 "	Surprise Survey of funds in Colonial Chest. Forwards certificate of.	One.
57.	7 "	Mr. Thompson's leave certificate. Forwards.	One.

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leave" had been granted to Mr. Thompson as the grant of any extension of leave was left in your hands.

2. As Mr. Thompson was uncertain at the time of his departure whether he would require to apply for "leave of absence", I thought it well in order to save a possible reference to this Colony to report at the same time that in such an event there would be no objection on behalf of this Government to an extended leave being granted.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

D. Fitzroy:
The Chamberlayne
Downing Street

No 58.

Government House,
Stanley. 10 Sept 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have deemed it expedient under the power invested in me under Section 7 of Ordinance No 5 of 1894 to appoint Dr Keay, Assistant Colonial Surgeon, to be temporarily an Inspector of Nuisances under that Ordinance until an amending Ordinance has been passed constituting the Office of Sanitary Officer for the West Falklands. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the letter notifying him of his appointment the necessity for which will be gathered from Dr Keay's report on the sanitary condition of the West Falklands which he had previously made me acquainted with on my visit thereto.

2. As I had it in contemplation to appoint a Sanitary Officer I have now placed on the Estimates a sum of £50 for that purpose; there will therefore be no necessity for giving compensation for abolition of office (vide Secretary of State's despatch No 16 of 11 March 1895). Dr Keay when required will act in respect of Customs Duties, &c, for Mr Hurst, the Deputy Collector, but will not receive any remuneration therefor.

I have, &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy
Governor.

No 59.

Government House,
Stanley. 12 September, 1896.

Sir

I have the honour to submit herewith for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, a full and duly authenticated copy (in duplicate) of Ordinance No. 7 of 1896 entitled "an ordinance to amend the "licensing Ordinance 1892".

2. The necessity of the restrictions sought by this Ordinance to be imposed upon wholesale and retail licence holders has been long apparent and the fact that the Manager of the Falkland Island Company, a wholesale licence holder himself in their behalf, being a staunch supporter of the Bill, whilst the General public are unanimously in favour of it, appears sufficient justification for its introduction.

I have &c.
(Signed.) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street

No 60

Government House.
Stanley. 14 September, 1896.

Sir

I have the honour to submit, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, a full and duly authenticated copy of the "Customs Ordinance amendment Ordinance 1896.

2. Through an oversight the clauses contained in this amending ordinance were not embodied in the "Customs ordinance 1896",

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but the necessity of them will be apparent.

3. I would however draw your attention to clause 3 which provides for Royalties "payable in respect of sealing mining, &c." being considered for the purposes of the Ordinance under consideration as Duties payable in respect to Dutiable articles.

I have &c.
(Signed:) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P.
Colonial Office
Downing street.

No. 61

Government House.
Stanley. 15 September 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit, for your approval, the Estimates for 1897.
The Revenue available to meet the Expenditure has been put at £12,420 somewhat exceeding that for 1896, but the elasticity of the revenue justifies the assumption that this sum will be reached, against this there is a proposed expenditure of £12,102 or £124 in excess of that approved for the current year. In fact except under two or three heads the amounts proposed to be expended are almost identical with those approved for 1896:-
No 3 Colonial Secretary's Department:-
there is a proposed addition of £15 for extra clerical assistance.
No 6 Port and Marine. Instead of the subhead "Assistant Pilots" is placed a sum of £20 for "supernumerary pilots" who receive half the pilot dues when their services are required which sometimes happens when the Government Pilot

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is employed on similar duties.

No 7. Legal Department. A sum of £25 is put down for "fuel". In this is included £20 for that required by the Magistrate and Constable on the West Falklands peat not being procurable.

No 10. Medical Department. Under the sub-head of Inspectors of Nuisances" an increase of £50 appears it having been found advisable to appoint one for the West Falklands Vide my despatch No. 58 of September) Whilst not disputing the advisability of such an appointment, the only unofficial member (Mr Baillon) asked to record his vote against it on the ground that a similar sum should be deducted from the Stipendiary Magistrate's salary to meet it (Extract from proceedings of Legislative Council enclosed)

Public buildings

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No 11. Education. An increase of £15 appears under the sub-head of Stationery School materials and prizes) Chiefly on account of "Stationery" required for this department which has hitherto been drawn from the Colonial Secretary's Department.

No 12: Ecclesiastical. On proposing when considering the sub-head "Fuel for "Church of England" that a like sum of £8 should be voted for the Roman Catholic and Baptist Chapels, the Council were unanimous in considering that this sum should be struck out. to which I assented on the broad principle that if an allowance be given to one church entirely unconnected with the State it should be given to all or on

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the other hand be withdrawn.

No 13: Transport: An increase of £10 appears for conveyance of stores, &c. this is necessitated by the organisation of an Establishment on the west Falklands.

No 14. "Miscellaneous". A fresh sub-head "maintenance of Court at Imperial Institute" has been introduced - against this increase of £8.7.4 a small saving has been effected in another item.

No 17. "Public works". The expenditure in this department is the same as for 1896 excepting that the cost of the Government Buildings on the west Falklands has been estimated at £200 instead of £250. On the return of Mr Felton, M.L.C., from England I propose to appoint a Commission to inspect and report upon the advisability or otherwise of securing a loan at three per centum from the funds invested on account of this Government for "Land Sales". with the view to building public offices, &c. of some more durable material than wood, the present buildings requiring such extensive repairs annually to keep them in order that having regard to the number of years they have been built it is doubtful whether further expenditure, at least for any length of time, would be justified. The roads, jetties &c. will come within the scope of their enquiries and last, though not the least important, a water supply for the town and a more efficient system of drainage.

No 18: Savings Banks. Referring to your despatches No 76 of 27 September 1895 and No 8 of 18 January 1896, as

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the estimates for 1896 had already been passed when the former despatch reached me, I have inserted a sum of £80 in those for 1897. I beg to draw your attention to the fact that no "extra remuneration" is asked for by the officers in charge of the Savings Bank but only a continuance of the same grant as was made to the Colonial Secretary and Government Clerk when the former was also Treasurer. The grant was done away with when the offices of Colonial Secretary and Treasurer were separated but it appears to me that as they are once more combined and in view of the work of the Savings Bank having greatly increased that probably you, Sir, will see the justice of the continuance of the original grant.

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2. I attach a statement of the Assets and Liabilities of the Colony drawn up in accordance with your despatch No. 18 of 16 March, 1896.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon.
Joseph Chamberlain M.P. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No. 62

Government House,
Stanley. 15 September 1896

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, a fully and duly authenticated copy of Ordinance No. 9 of 1896 entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the service of the Colony of

"of the Falkland Islands for the year 1897".

2. An explanation of the various items of expenditure is furnished, together with the draft estimates, in my Despatch No 61 of to-day's date.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Right Honble.
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 63.

Government House,
Stanley 16 September 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward a memorial, in duplicate, from the Colonial Chaplain of the Falkland Islands and to submit the proceedings of the Legislative Council (Enclosure) as shewing the inaccuracy of the statement contained in the first paragraph.

2. In reply to the reasons assigned by the Colonial Chaplain for a continuance of the grant I would remark with reference to No 1 that the first Church was the property of the Government and that Offices was entirely under Government control. Of more recent years the Anglican Church here has no connection with the State except that the Colonial Chaplain, who officiates as one of its Ministers, continues to draw a salary of £300 per annum and has a house provided by Government. The statement contained in paragraph 2 is correct but as

as all pews are free, the reason assigned for the grant is no more tenable than in respect to the churches of the other denominations. If "the Hymn Books and mode of Chanting" have been introduced in place of what obtained for many years, for the benefit of the Royal Navy and this be assigned as a reason for the continuance of the grant, it would seem that the Lords of the Admiralty might be asked to contribute the £8, but there is no valid reason for an exception being made in the case of the Anglican Church over those of other denominations.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt. Hon^ble
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street.

No 64.

Government House,
Stanley. 17 September 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 45 of the 28th April referring to despatches noted in the margin from which it appears some "misunderstanding" has arisen in connection with the discrepancy between the printed and manuscript copies of the Estimates for 1896

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2. I had thought that my despatch No 21 of 14th March would have done away with any misunderstanding which might arise through any such discrepancy but I gather that some further misunderstanding has taken place through this despatch and yours No 26 of 17 February having crossed. I have

have now to request your official and not

Rec: 22 October 1896

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 18th day of September, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch. 1896.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
58.	10 Sept:	Sanitary Offices for the West Falklands. Dr. Keay's appointment thereto with salary of £50 p.a. annum.	One.
59.	12 "	Ordinance No. VII of 1896. "An Ordinance to amend the "Licensing Ordinance 1882." Forwards.	One.
60.	14 "	Ordinance No. VIII of 1896. "An "Customs Ordinance Amend- "ment Ordinance 1896."	One.
61.	15 "	Draft Estimates for 1897 with observations thereon. Forwards.	Three.
62.	15 "	Ordinance No. IX of 1896. "An "Ordinance to provide for the "Service of the Colony of the "Falkland Islands." Forwards.	One.
63.	16 "	Estimates 1897. Colonial Chaplain petitions for retention of £ s for Furl. &c. under "Ecclesiastical" which it is proposed to abolish.	Two.
64.	17 "	Public Works Expenditure. Acknowledges Desp: No. 45. of 28 April and asks for official sanction of £650 & upwards thereon	

a certificate of Quarterly Surveys for the period

have now to request your official and not implied sanction to the expenditure of £400 on Sea Walls and Jetties and £250 on Stanley Roads & Drains.

I It may be well to mention here that the Legislative Council have by Resolution voted a further sum of £150 under the head of Public Works to enable Government House to be put in a proper condition to receive my successor as my term of service will expire on the 13th April next.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

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to Chamberlain
&c &c &c
Downing Street

No. 65.

Government House,
Stanley. 25th September, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for your information, a return showing the total receipts and payments of this Colony during the quarter ended the 30th June last.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

No. 66.

Government House,
Stanley. 2 October. 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of the Survey of the Colonial Chest taken on the 1st instant together with a certificate of Quarterly Survey for the period

period 1 July - 30 September, 1896.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon^ble
J. Chamberlain M.P. &c
&c Downing Street.

No 67

Government House,
Stanley. 4 October, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith the usual quarterly returns of this Colony for the quarter ended the 30th September.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon^ble
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c Downing Street.

No 68.

Government House,
Stanley. 9 October 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular despatch of the 26th of June last transmitting "a copy "of the report of the proceedings of "Dr Gage Brown, C.M.G., and other medical "gentlemen" appointed by you to consider the question of "providing trained nurses "in Crown Colonies &c" as also your further Circular despatch of the 27th June enclosing the prospectus of the Colonial Nursing Association.

2. In reply I beg to submit for your consideration the views of the Colonial Surgeon, Dr Hamilton, embodied in his letter of the 16th September.

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3. Reference to previous correspondence will show that in 1890 a trained nurse was sent out to this Colony but the experience gained on that occasion does not point to the advisability of renewing the attempt and for the following reasons:-

1. There is neither a Hospital nor an Infirmary and one could not be supported without extra expense being thrown upon the Colony which would entail also extra taxation which, I feel confident, the un-official members of the Legislative Council would not be prepared to support. The subject was mooted by me some time back but the encouragement which I received did not justify my proceeding further in the matter.

2. That without a proper Hospital or Infirmary where the nurses could be domiciled it would be inconsistent as past experience shews, to locate them in private houses where there would not be constant supervision whilst to have a staff of nurses under the control of a Lady Superintendent the circumstances of this Colony would not allow of nor would there be sufficient employment for them.

3. That a considerable portion of the income accruing to the Colonial Surgeon from visiting sick Sailors on board of vessels in port would be lost to that officer and increased expenditure would be incurred in giving compensation therefor, in the event of a Hospital being established.

4. That the Roman Catholic Salesian Society contemplate shortly introducing some sisters of mercy into the Colony and as I presume that amongst them would be qualified nurses and in view of the good work done by them and of which I can

can speak from personal experience in British Honduras, I am more inclined looking to all the surrounding circumstances to await their advent.

In connection with this sisterhood I should state that whilst higher education for girls will be the primary consideration they hope to set apart sufficient accommodation for a sick ward. and as the Hospital cases would not be numerous I am inclined to think that some such arrangement would meet present requirements.

4. In conclusion I hold to my opinion that, as soon as practicable, a Government Hospital, however small, should be established; but with the present views of the unofficial members and of the Colonial Surgeon I do not deem it expedient to bring the matter forward. In the event however of the post of Colonial Surgeon becoming vacant the appointment should be on conditions different altogether from those now existing when a Hospital might be established without undue expenditure.

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5. The concluding paragraph of the Colonial Surgeon's letter points, in my opinion, to the need of a small Hospital in case of sickness as he very truly remarks "the houses are small and filled "to their utmost capacity by large families". Accompanying is the copy of a Resolution adopted in Executive Council.

I have &c.
(Signed) Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Rt. Hon.
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c. &c. &c.
Downing Street

No 69.

Government House,

Received 16 November 1896.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Schedule of Despatches transmitted by the Governor of the Falkland Islands to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 10th day of October, 1896.

No. of Despatch.	Date of Despatch.	Subject of Despatch.	No. of Enclosures.
65.	25 Sept:	Revenue and Expenditure, June Quarter. Forwards.	One.
67.	2 Oct:	Quarterly Returns, September Quarter. Forwards.	One.
68.	4 "	Survey of Chest, September Quarter. Forwards.	One.
68.	9 "	Trained nurses for the Falkland Islands. Observations on Circular despatches of 26 and 27 June.	Two

№ 69.

Government House,
Stanley 17 October, 1896

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular despatch of the 2[d] August last requesting to be informed if this Government desired to withdraw from the Convention for the publication of Customs Tariffs of the 5 July 1890 and, in reply thereto, to state that this Colony would wish to remain a party thereto for a further period of seven years.

I have &c.

The Rt Hon:
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
Downing Street.

Signed / Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

№ 70.

Government House.
Stanley. 24 October 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in duplicate, a statement showing the total receipts and expenditure of this Colony for the half year ended the 30[th] June last.

I have &c.

The Rt Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P.
Downing Street.

Signed / Roger Tuckfd Goldsworthy.
Governor.

№ 71.

Government House,
Stanley. 28 October, 1896.

Sir.

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, a fully and duly authenticated copy of Ordinance № 10 of

of 1896 entitled "An Ordinance to further "amend the Seal Ordinance 1895" and "to amend Ordinance No 12 of 1895".

2 - This Law was introduced on the appeal of the Stock Inspector and as explained in the Legal Adviser's report herewith attached.

I have &c.
Signed/ Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy.
Governor.

The Rt Hon:
J. Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street.

No 72.

Government House,
Stanley. 29 October, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 47 of 3rd ultimo relative to the refund of land rental to be made to Mr. Alexander Vitaluga and to enclose for your consideration a memorandum of particulars of the amount to be refunded.

2 - I would however ask, before finally directing that this refund be made, that Mr. Kerr might be communicated with as I feel confident that Governor Kerr's action was with the consent and acquiescence of all concerned on his discovering that an error had been made and that instead of 18,000 acres an area of land, computed by Surveyor Creegan at 35,395 had been leased for 21 years at £6 per section or £18 in all for the first ten years and £30 for the remaining 11 years. The error should and must have been the apparent

apparent when it was discovered that after transferring two sections of 6,000 acres each presumably, though in reality amounting to 9,286 and 12,898 acres, there still remained so large a block in Mrs Alexander Pitaluga's possession estimated to contain 13211 acres and this after transferring 22,184 out of land leased as only containing 18,000.
It seems strange too that Mrs Pitaluga's deceased father and himself allowed 21 years to elapse without making any claim and then only after Mr. Kerr had been many years absent from the Colony. Anyway, I cannot understand how the elder Pitaluga's claim can be preferred for the money would have been spent long ago and the personalty would have been no larger in amount.

3. Mrs A. Pitaluga would appear not to have any legal claim and it seems to me, looking to the fact that he had 17,398 acres in excess of the 18,000 mentioned in his lease, rent free, for 21 years, that the equity of the case would be met by allowing Governor Kerr's decision to stand, the more so that I believe Mrs Pitaluga was a consenting party thereto.

4. I beg to refer you to the last section of Ordinance 4 of 1907 upon which a decision has been given by the Law Officers that a survey could not amend the boundaries. & it, however possible, I ask, to suppose that the lessor, the Government, would thus have surrendered their rights and that the Secretary of State would have been a consenting party thereto? Certainly not, and looking to the impecunious state of the Colony supported as it had then to be from

from Imperial Funds, the reason for the insertion of the section is apparent:- namely, the want of money to meet the expenditure of a preliminary survey.

5. I would once again point out that it is estimated by Surveyor Reegan that with another Surveyor and the ordinary staff it will take 10 or 12 years to survey the leased land. If this be so and bearing in mind that in several instances several years of the 21 years have already expired if steps be not taken very shortly the Colony will find itself, and it seems to me that it is desired by some, landed, when the leases expire, in the unenviable position of not knowing what it really possesses and the difficulties which arose in the past will in no way be abated. A private individual so acting with his private property would be looked upon as insane and I fail to see where the difference comes in when any Government is custodian of a public trust.

6. I trust you will not deem me exceeding my duty in pressing this matter home but I do so because I think nothing short of a Commission will elicit the truth in regard to the land question.

I have &c
Signed Rogers Tuckfield Goldsworthy
Governor.

The Right Hon.
Joseph Chamberlain M.P.
&c &c &c
Downing Street