

Executive Council31st March 1885

Present H^c E. Governor Kerr
 Honble S Pakenham Brooks Colonial Secretary
 " S Hamilton " Surgeon
 " + Rev L. E. Brandon " Chaplain

The Minutes of the Previous Council held on the
 8th November 1884 were read and confirmed

The Governor said that he had called the Council for the purpose of consulting them with reference to the supply of Water for the Lightkeepers at Cape Pembroke.

As they were aware one of the daughters of the Principal Lightkeeper had lately died of Typhoid fever, and the Colonial Surgeon with Dr Keays (The Surgeon of H M S Algerine) had reported that after examining the springs and water Butts at the lighthouse, they were of opinion that the water was impure and unfit for use and the Colonial Surgeon had recommended that the roofs of the Lightkeepers houses should be covered with galvanized Iron for the purpose of collecting pure rain water, and that in the meanwhile water should be sent from the settlement for the use of the lightkeepers and their families.

The alternative presented itself.— either of writing to obtain the sanction of the Board of Trade for the expense of covering the roofs as recommended and in the meanwhile sending water from the settlement by the Pilot Boat; or of at once covering the houses with iron roofing and providing iron tanks instead of the present worn out Water Butts, on the responsibility of the local Government

Looking

Looking to the risk and cost of sending water by the Pilot boat in the approaching stormy season he was of opinion that it would be better to procure corrugated Iron roofing and Tanks from the local merchants and cover the houses at once, and he asked the Colonial Surgeon, whether he concurred in that opinion and thought it was necessary that the work should at once be proceeded with.

The Colonial surgeon said that he was decidedly of opinion that the roofs should at once be covered with Iron.

The Governor then said that he ^{had} applied to the Falkland Islands Company and Messrs^{rs} Dean & Sons for the prices at which they would supply the Government with the materials required and laid their letters before the Council.

The Council unanimously agreed with the Governor that Iron roofing and Tanks should at once be procured and the work proceeded with.

The Council was then adjourned.

Read & Confirmed
this 13 day of May.
1885

Henry B L Jameson
Clerk to the Council

Wm
Governor

Executive Council
13th May 1885

Present. H. B. Governor Kerr President
The Honble L Pakenham Brooks Colonial Secretary
" Samuel Hamilton. Colonial Surgeon

The minutes of the Council held on the
the 21st March last were read and confirmed

The Queen's Birthday falling on Sunday the
24th instant it was agreed that it should be observed
on the following Monday and a notice issued
to keep that day as a Public holiday.

The Governor then laid on the table an
application from Mr Prior for a Publican's license
for the premises known as the "Prince of Wales"
together with a notice of objection to the renewal of
the License from two members of the Council

The Governor concurred in the objections
mentioned in the notice and stated that he thought
he would be justified in withholding his consent
to the application, not from any objection to the
applicant, but because the number of houses now
licensed were already more than sufficient
for the small population of Stanley

The Council agreed with the Governor
that the license should not be granted on the ground
that it is not expedient to increase the number of
Public

Public houses in Stanley and it was decided that Mr Prior be informed to that effect

The Governor then stated that the next matter he had to bring to the notice of the Council was a Circular despatch from the Secretary of State on the 18th of June 1884 suggesting Legislation for restricting or prohibiting the manufacture keeping or importation of dangerous explosives.

He had brought the subject of the Despatch to the notice of the Legislative Council on the 11th October 1884 when it was decided that there was no necessity for Legislation on the subject at that time.

He had however on reconsideration of the matter thought it would be better to introduce a Bill to prohibit the manufacture of explosives in the Colony and to make provision for regulating the importation and keeping of them and he read the draft of an Ordinance which he had prepared and which he proposed to submit to the Secretary of State for his approval before taking action upon it.

The Governor then laid before the Council a draft Ordinance for the purpose of naturalising Martin Johnson, Johannes Hendricksen and Elihat Newton Smith which he proposed to introduce at the next meeting of the Legislative Council

The Governor then read a Circular despatch from the Secretary of State transmitting the Draft of a Bill, which is about to be introduced
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in Parliament to amend the Law respecting
 "the exercise of Admiralty Jurisdiction in her
 Majesty's dominions and elsewhere out of the
 United Kingdom" It was agreed that the
 matter should be deferred for further consideration
 at a ~~future~~ ^{future} meeting of the Council

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The Governor then stated that it would be
 necessary to amend the "Customs Consolidation Ordinance
 No 10 of 1882; Sections 36, 37, 38. of which provided
 for the entry of vessels before a Justice of the Peace
 at Port Stanley inasmuch as great
 difficulty had been experienced in obtaining the
 necessary entries and information relative to the
 landing of goods— The number of vessels proceeding
 direct to the West Falkland was increasing and there
 was no security for the prevention of smuggling
 under the present law arrangements.

It was agreed that a Draft Amendment Ordinance
 should be submitted to the Secretary of State making
 it obligatory on all vessels coming from abroad to
 enter at Port Stanley and there to embark a Customs
 house officer (at the expense of the ship) who would
 have power to clear the vessel at the outports
 provided the necessary returns were furnished him.

It was also agreed that it would be
 necessary to make provision for the prosecution
 of offences under the Ordinance by the Chief
 Constable, instead of the Collector of Customs as the
 latter officer now held the Office of Police Magistrate

The Governor then stated that he had received a Circular Despatch from the Secretary of State relative to the proposed Colonial Exhibition to be held in London in 1886

It was agreed that a short circular should be sent round to the principal Colonists asking for their co-operation with a view of having the Colony worthily represented on the occasion.

The Colonial Secretary then ~~represented~~ requested the a written application made by the Colonial Surgeon and himself requesting His Excellency to propose a question to the Council relative to the extension of the sea wall together with the Governor's answer thereto should be recorded on the minutes

The Governor then directed this to be done and asked the Colonial Secretary what was his object in making this request after having been informed that there was no intention of proceeding with the work in question

The Colonial Secretary replied that it was observed that earth was being carted to the embankment and that Mr James Smith had been to him to enquire if the work was being proceeded with.

H - S replied that the excavations from the repairs of the roads and drains were being deposited there as the nearest and most convenient place for the purpose; but that he had no intention of extending the



Stanley,
11th May 1885.

Your Excellency,

In accordance with
the provisions of the Royal
Instructions, which Your
Excellency caused to be
read at a meeting of the
Executive Council, held on
the 5th of September last, we
have the honor to request,
that Your Excellency will be

His Excellency
The Governor. pleased



pleased to submit to the Council
at its next meeting on the
13th instant, the following question
viz:

Whether in the opinion of the
Council, and in the interests
of the Community at large,
the enormous labour at
present bestowed on
the extension of the Sea wall,
should not be devoted to
works of greater utility and
more urgent necessity, such
as the construction of drains
and repairing of the Public
roads

roads in Stanley.

We have the honor to remain

Your Excellency's
Most Obedient Servants,

J. Pakenham Smith

Col: Secy & Member of Executive Council

San: & Hamilton

Col. Surgeon & Member of Executive
Council

My dear Mr. [illegible]
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Government House.

Stanley. F. J.

12th May 1885.

Gentlemen

I have read with much surprise
your letter of yesterday, asking me to
submit to the Executive Council at its
next meeting the question "whether
"the enormous labour at present being
"bestowed on the extension of the sea
"wall should not be devoted to works
"of greater utility, and more urgent
necessity

The Hon. E. P. Brooks.

and

S. Hamilton

Members of Executive Council.



"necessity, such as the construction of
drains and repairing of the Public Roads
"in Stanley."

As no labour whatever is being expended
on a sea wall, - as there is no present
intention of carrying on such a work, -
and as the only Public Works now
being carried on are in connection
with the drains and Public Roads of
Stanley - the question does not arise.

Should you be in ignorance as to the
nature and details of the work actually
being carried on under my instructions,

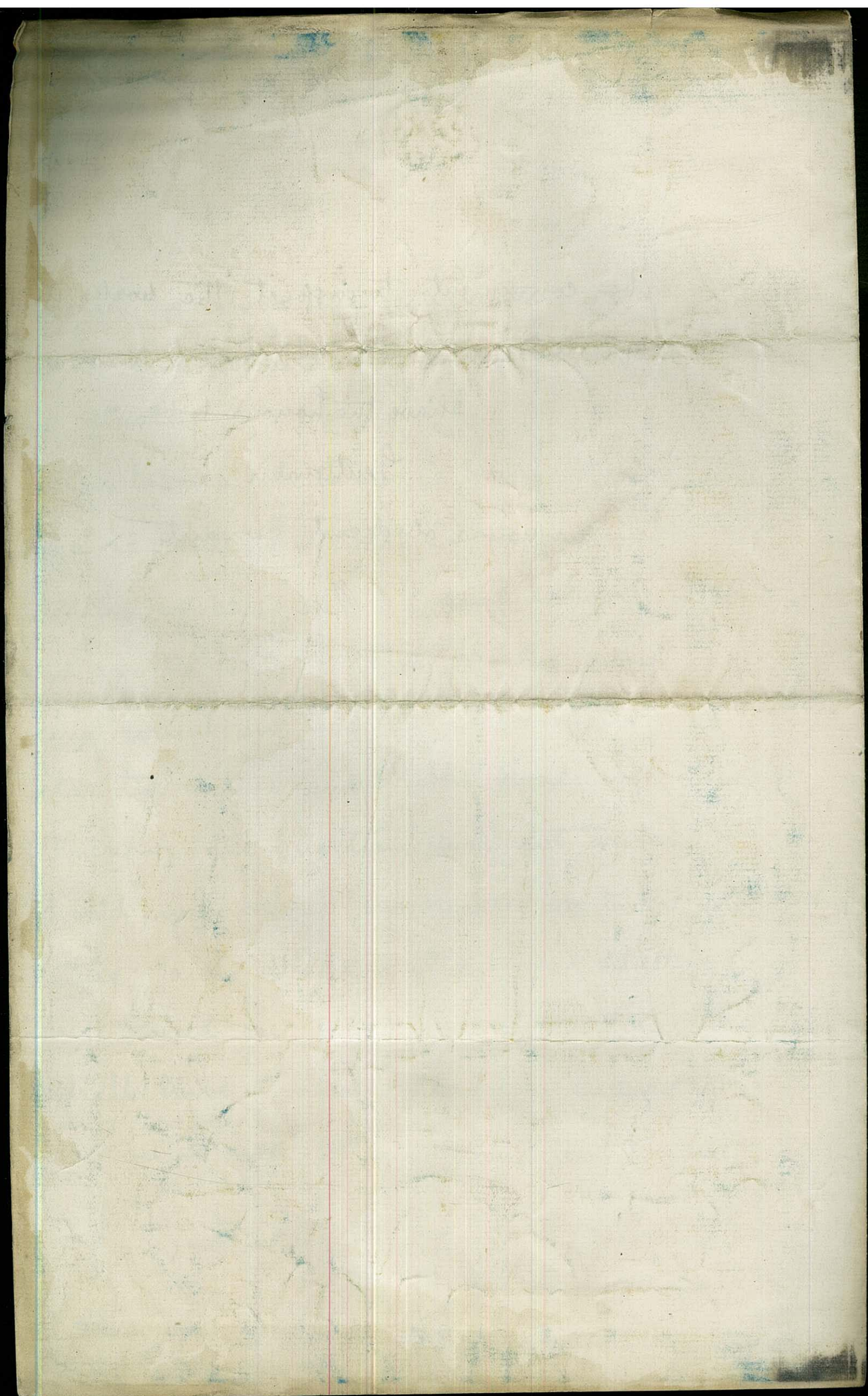
I shall have much pleasure in pointing
them out to you at any time that it may

be convenient to inspect the works in
question

I have the honour to be
Gentlemen

your obedient servant

Mess
Governor.



the Seawall in that direction, that being a work which the building Committee for the New Church had agreed to carry on for the purpose of receiving the excavations from the foundations of the Building and for improving the site which had been granted by the Government which the Colonial Secretary was aware of as he had seen the report which had been sent to the Secretary of State on the memorial of Mr Smith & others on the subject of the Seawall

The letters referred to were not read

The Council was then adjourned sine die

Read & Confirmed
this 12 day of November 1885

Henry B L Larneson
Clerk to the Council

Thos
Governor

Stanley,

11th May 1885.

Your Excellency,

In accordance with the provisions of the Royal Instructions which Your Excellency caused to be read at a meeting of the Executive Council held on the 5th of September last, We have the honor to request that Your Excellency will be pleased to submit to the Council at its

His Excellency,

next

The Governor.

next meeting on the 13th instant

the following question, viz:

Whether in the opinion of the Council,
and in the interests of the Community
at large, the enormous labour at
present being expended on the
Sea wall, should not be devoted
to works of greater utility and
more urgent necessity, such as
the construction of drains and
repairing of the Public Roads in
Stanley.

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's,

Most Obedient Servants,

E. Pakenham Smith,

Col. Secy & Member of the Executive Council

Sam^l Hamilton

Colonial Surgeon & Member of the Executive Council

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Government House

Stanley. F.I.

12th May 1885

Gentlemen

I have read with ^{much} Surprise your letter of yesterday, asking me to submit to the Executive Council at its next meeting the Question "Whether the enormous labour "at present being bestowed on the extension "of the seawall should not be devoted to work "of greater utility, and more urgent necessity "such as the construction of drains and repairing "of the Public Roads in Stanley "

As no labour whatever is being expended on a seawall - as there is no present intention of carrying on such a work - and

The Honble

E. P. Brooks.

and

S. Hamilton

Members of Executive Council



and as the only Public Works now being
carried on are in connection with the drains
and Public Roads of Stanley— The question
does not arise — Should you be in ignorance
as to the nature and details of the Work
actually being carried on under my
instructions, I shall have much pleasure
in pointing them out to you at any time that
it may be convenient to inspect the works
in Question

I have the honour to be

Gentlemen

Your obedient servant
signed) J. Kerr
Governor

Executive Council

12th November 1885

Present

H. L. Governor Kerr

The Honble L. P. Brooks

" " S. Hamilton

" " + Rev L. J. Brandon

The minutes of the last meeting held on the 13th of May 1885 were then read

The Governor said that the letter referred to in these minutes, which had been addressed to him by the Colonial Secretary and the Colonial Surgeon on the subject of the Public Works and his reply to it had not been read at the last meeting and therefore could not be embodied in the minutes. Before being so recorded it must be read. He then laid the letter on the table when it was read with the reply thereto.

Stanley 11th May 1885

Your Excellency

In accordance with the provisions of the Royal Instructions which Your Excellency caused to be read at a meeting of the Executive Council held on the 5th of September last, We have the honour to request that Your Excellency will be pleased to submit to the Council at its next meeting on the 13th instant the following question viz.

"Whether in the opinion of the Council and in the interests of the Community at large the enormous labour at present bestowed on the extension of the sea wall should not be devoted to works of greater utility and more urgent necessity, such as the construction

" construction of drains and repairing of the Public
" roads in Stanley "

We have &c

signed) L Pakenham Brooks.

Colonial Secretary and member of the Executive Council

signed) Samuel Hamilton

Colonial Surgeon and member of the Executive Council

Government House

Stanley Falkland Islands

12th May 1885

Gentlemen

I have read with much surprise your letter of yesterday asking me to submit to the Executive Council at its next meeting the question.

" whether the enormous labour at present being
" bestowed on the extension of the Sea Wall should not
" be devoted to works of greater utility and more urgent
" necessity, such as the construction of drains and
" repairing of the Public Roads in Stanley "

As no labour whatever is being expended on a Sea wall, - as there is no present intention of carrying on such a work and as the only Public Works now being carried on are in connection with the drains and Public Roads of Stanley - the question does not arise. Should you be in ignorance as to the nature and details of the work actually being carried on under my instructions, I shall have much pleasure in pointing them out to you at any time that it may be convenient to inspect the works in question

I have &c.

T. Kerr

Governor

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The Governor with reference to the words, enormous expenditure, said that as the Colonial Surgeon could not possibly know what the expenditure actually was, he would ask the Colonial Secretary as Treasurer to state what was the amount expended.

The Colonial Secretary said that he could not do so without referring to the Accounts but it was observed that a considerable amount of labour was expended on the embarkment.

The Colonial Surgeon said that he would remind His Excellency that the Colonial Secretary and himself had sometime before had an interview with him on the subject.

The Governor said that looking as the words enormous labour used in the letter were also used in the memorial to Lord Derby which had been got up by Mr James Smith and others — and as the Colonial Secretary had referred in the debate at the last meeting to Mr James Smith it was not unreasonable to infer that the letter and the agitation which had been raised, had a common origin, which it would be his duty to bring to the notice of the Secretary of State and further that when transmitting the minutes; particularly as it was said that Mr Smith had visited the Colonial Secretary at his residence in connexion with the memorial

* With reference to a letter which he had written to the Secretary of State in connexion with the Blue Book, persons often visited his house on public business and that he had

The Colonial Secretary stated that he had sent to inform the Governor of Mr Smith's visit to his house, and that the Governor had sent him an impertinent message.

Memorial

The Colonial Surgeon said that he did not think

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the letter had anything to do with the memorial he had been asked by the Colonial Secretary to sign it and he had done so.

The Colonial Secretary said that the Colonial Surgeon had come to his office and informed him that a number of labourers were employed on the embankment and in consequence of his information the letter was written.

The Colonial Surgeon stated that the letter was already written when he went to the office and that he was asked to sign it.

The Colonial Secretary stated that the letter was not written until after the Colonial Surgeon came to the office, when he also stated that a good many prisoners were employed in the work.

The Governor said that he could not permit any interference with the employment of prisoners, which had nothing to do with the expenditure of the money provided for the Public Works.

The minutes of the last meeting were then confirmed with an amendment that "the letters" referred to had not been read at that meeting."

The Governor then read a despatch from the Secretary of State, transmitting additional Royal Instructions.

The additional Royal Instructions were then read.

The Governor then submitted the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for 1886 and the draft of the appropriation ordinance for that year which he proposed to introduce at the next meeting of the Legislative Council.

The Estimates were then gone through in detail and agreed to.

The Governor stated that he had in a despatch the receipt of which had been acknowledged, informed the Secretary of State of the changes which appeared under the head of Salaries Provisional & Temporary by the increase in the pay of the Office messenger, Gardener and Horse-keeper and that with reference to the sum of £300 for the West Falkland Mail Service he had also communicated with the Secretary of State.

With reference to the vote of £600 for Works and Buildings H—S— stated that he proposed to devote £150 to the repairs of roads and drains in Stanley— and £250 to the repairs of public Buildings, which he hoped would with the materials already procured provide for the repairs of the Barracks and the Parsonage and for the painting of the Court house, he proposed that £100 should be expended on the Sea wall and wharves, sixty pounds of which would be derived from the interest on the Harbour Fund.

The Annual Account for 1884 which had been received from the Audit Office since the last meeting.

meeting of Council was laid on the table from which it appeared that the balance in favour of the Colony on the 31st of December last was £1838. 18. 3 and H—G— stated that he thought there was every prospect of that balance being increased at the end of the present year to at least £2500. without taking into account the sum of £2000 which it was proposed to invest as a Harbour Fund.

H—G— then proposed to amend the Harbour Regulations as follows—

Section 4 to be amended by the addition of the following words—

"Provided always that this regulation shall not extend to prevent persons going on board of vessels in distress for the purpose of rendering assistance"—and that the rule providing for no boat or vessel leaving the harbour with less than three ~~hands~~ persons on board be added to the present regulations

The Governor then submitted an amendment to the scale of charges for warehouse rent on goods in Bond by the addition of the following proviso to the 2^d Section of the Scale. — "Provided that any number of packages the contents of which do not exceed on the whole 20 Gallons. be charged as one package if entered and removed as a distinct lot, but if separated to pay 4^d on each Package"

The Governor said that ^{he} proposed this alteration in consequence of complaints respecting the charges on small packages

This was unanimously agreed to

The Governor read an extract from a despatch of the Secretary of State relative to the expediency of Legislation for enforcing Sanitary Regulations in Stanley, and stated that he proposed in the first place to issue a Commission appointing Dr Hamilton, Dr Houston and Mr F. S. Cobb for the purpose of enquiring into and reporting on the Sanitary condition of the Town of Stanley and of making such suggestions on the subject as might appear to them practicable.

The Governor after referring to the minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 26th of December 1883 on the subject of the boundaries and the fencing of Moody Valley Farm, stated that as some difficulty had arisen with reference to the termination of the fence at the head of the harbour, he had sanctioned its being fixed at a point a short distance from the head of the harbour as the only practicable spot for making a secure termination to the fence

H. — L. — stated that with reference to a despatch from the Secretary of State concerning the area of the Colony and the expediency of appointing a Surveyor to determine the boundaries and areas of Crown Lands as well as of the freeholds purchased by the Leaseholders in the terms of their leases which he had been directed to consider in connection with the Estimates for 1886 — that the estimated Revenue was not sufficient to justify him in placing a charge for that purpose in the estimates for 1886 and that it would be necessary to ascertain in the first place what would be the probable cost of employing a surveyor and then to leave it to the Secretary of State to decide as to the expediency of paying it from the surplus revenue which had accumulated.

The Council then adjourned.

Read and confirmed
this 7th day of December 1885

W. H. M.
Governor

Henry B L Jameson

Clerk to the Council

Executive Council
7th December 1885

The Council met pursuant to Summons.

Present H. S. Governor Kerr
Honble E. P. Brooks
" S. Hamilton
" Revd L. E. Brandon

The minutes of the Council held on the 12th November last were read, amended and confirmed.

With reference to the last minutes the Governor said that Mr Brooks had written to express his regret at having used the words "Impertinent message" for which he apologised and that he had also written a letter of explanation.

H. S. then stated that he had received a despatch from the Secretary of State approving of the draft of an Ordinance to amend "The Customs Duties Consolidation Ordinance 1882" which had been agreed to at a meeting of Council held on the 13th May 1885 and that he had given notice of his intention to introduce it at the next meeting of the Legislative Council.

The Governor said he had also received a despatch having reference to certain Salaries Provisional and Temporary provided for in the Estimates for 1886 and that an alteration of £10.

£10 would have to be made in the Appropriation Ordinance and the Estimates for that year, which would reduce the estimated expenditure to £ 7875.

H. S. informed the Council that Mr Brooks had applied to him for leave of absence on urgent private affairs, of the nature of which he had informed him. Mr Brooks wished to have three months vacation leave and three months leave under the regulations and that he was desirous of leaving by the Steam of the 18th instant. H. S. said that he could not approve of Mr Brooks leaving so soon as the 18th of this month, as the responsibility of making up the annual account and the Blue Book rested with him — but that he would have no objection to consider his application after the accounts for the year were made up — he would however have to make other arrangements than those proposed by Mr Brooks for the performance of his duties, as he would himself become responsible directly for the financial business of the Government and as it was probable that he would be going on leave very soon it would be necessary that a responsible person should be sent out by the Secretary of State particularly with reference to the business of the Supreme Court.

Mr Brooks said that if he could not leave by the 18th it might not be necessary for him to get leave at all as his object was

was to be enabled to proceed to the Mauritius
by an early Steamer in connection with private
affairs of importance and that he intended
to ask H— & — to recommend a further
extension of 6 months leave by the Secretary
of State on the expiration of that which
he now applied for

The Governor said that the matter
would remain as it was for the present and
would again be considered at a future
meeting of Council

The Council was then adjourned sine die

Read and confirmed
this 7th day of January
1886

Merr
Governor

Henry A. L. Jameson
Clerk to the Council

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Executive Council
7th January 1886

The Council met pursuant to Summons

Present

H. E. Governor Kerr

Honble E. P. Brooks

- S. Hamilton

- Read P. S. Brandon

The minutes of the Council held on the 7th December 1885 were read and confirmed

The Governor laid on the table the report of the Commissioners appointed to enquire into and report upon the sanitary condition of the Town of Stanley which was read and after some discussion directed to be printed.

Mr Brooks informed the Governor that he withdrew his application for leave of absence as he did not find it necessary to go home for the business he originally anticipated.

The Governor suggested that the structure on the stone jetty which had been erected to commemorate the visit of H. R. H. The Duke of Edinburgh might be removed so as to remove the obstruction which it occasioned to the landing of goods and that the plate on it
with

with the inscription might be built into the wall at the landing steps to mark the place where His Royal Highness landed

This was unanimously agreed to

The Council then adjourned sine die

Read and Confirmed
this 23rd day of January
1886

Henry B L Jameson

Clerk to the Council

Merr
Governor

Executive Council
23rd January 1886

The Council met pursuant to Summons

Present	H. L. - Governor Kerr
"	Hoble. - E. P. Brooks
"	" - S. Hamilton
"	" - Revd. L. L. Brandon

The Minutes of the Council held on the 7th instant were read and confirmed.

B.L.I. Mr Brooks rose to make some remarks on the report of the Sanitary Commissioners, ^{and the removal of the monument from the Stone Jetty} but was informed by the Governor that he was not in order.

The Governor said that he had called this meeting of the Council for the purpose of again calling their attention to the "Colonial Courts of Admiralty Bill" which, with the despatch on the subject, he had placed before them on the 13th of May last, - at which time it was agreed to defer the consideration of the subject. As it was necessary to reply without further delay to the despatch of the Secretary of State, he would be glad to have their advice on the changes which were proposed as far as they affected this Colony.

The Governor then said that in the absence of any suggestions from the Council he would propose that in transferring the Admiralty jurisdiction to the Supreme Court of the Colony, it would not be advisable to make any change in the practice which had prevailed hitherto

hitherto, it very seldom happened that either Droits of Admiralty or Droits of or Forfeitures to the Crown, were received, there had been none during his Administration and he had not seen any record of such having been previously received in the Courts of this Colony. Should any such be received in future he thought it better that they should remain payable to the Imperial Exchequer, particularly as the retention of them might render the Colony responsible for all damages which might arise from the exercise of the Jurisdiction.

With regard to compensation for loss of fees it was quite impossible to arrive at even an approximate conclusion — Only one case of any importance (a Salvage Claim) had occurred during the last five years and the fees of all the Officers of the Court on that occasion did not amount to much more than forty pounds. He therefore thought it would be better to advise that the A Officers of the Supreme Court, Present. #68 when in the exercise of Admiralty jurisdiction should receive fees to their own use as formerly.

Should it be necessary to pass a local Ordinance on the subject he thought it would be best to ask the Secretary of State to cause a draft of such a measure as would meet the approval of Her Majesty's Government to be sent out when it might be passed by the Legislative Council.

The Council concurred in the views of the Governor, who then adjourned the Council sine die

Read & confirmed

this 9 day of February
1886

Henry B L Jameson
Clerk to the Council

Wm.
Governor

Executive Council
9th February 1886

The Council met pursuant to Summons

Present

H. E. Governor Kerr
Humble J. P. Brooks
" S. Hamilton
" + Resd L. E. Brandon

The minutes of the Previous Council held on the 23rd January last were read and amended and confirmed.

4B25 The Governor said he had summoned the Council for the purpose of considering applications which had been made to him in a petition from some of the Lessees in the West Falkland Island and in other correspondence ^{asking} that certain vessels which had been chartered before the passing of the amended Customs Ordinance to take goods to the West Falkland Island and load Sheep for the new settlements in the Straits of Magellan; should be exempted from the liability to proceed first to Stanley as provided by the new Ordinance.

4B25 The Governor then read letters from Messrs. Baillon, Stickney, Waldron & Blake, and that part of the petition which related to these vessels: he was of opinion that these vessels which were five in number "Bustome" "Clytie" "Martha Gale" "Rippling Wave" and "Sagadahoc" should be exempted from the provisions of the Ordinance during the term

term of their Charters or agreement. After
some discussion the Council ~~agreed~~ concurred
in the Governor's suggestion and the Colonial Secretary
and Collector of Customs was instructed to write to
the parties interested giving notice of the exemption
and permission to clear from the port of lading on
condition of proper returns being sent to the Custom
House in Stanley.

The Governor then informed the Council that,
looking to the difficulties which attended the working of the
Customs Ordinances and the impossibility of preventing
smuggling round such an extensive coast-line it had
occurred to him that a less troublesome and objectionable
mode of raising the amount of Revenue now obtained from
Customs Duties might be attained by repealing the Customs Ordinances
removing all charges and restrictions on Shipping and
substituting an Ordinance requiring all persons importing and
dealing in liquors or tobacco to take out Licenses for which
sums should be paid producing an amount of
revenue equal to that now obtained from Customs duties.

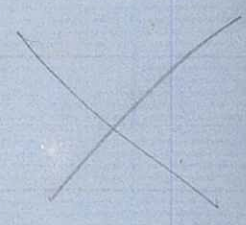
He said he only suggested this for their consideration
and as a subject to be dealt with at a future meeting.

The Council then adjourned sine die.

Read and Confirmed
this 28th day of June
1886

Henry B L Jameson
Clerk to the Council

Arthur Mackay
Lt Governor.



Executive Council

28th June 1886

Present

H. E. The Lt Governor

Honble The Colonial Secretary

The Colonial Surgeon

The Council met pursuant to Summons

The minutes of the Council held on the 9th February last were read and confirmed.

The Lt Governor said he had received an application from Mr Felton, to purchase two small pieces of ground in Stanley, one being the space now taken up by a sod wall boundary and the other a small triangular piece N N of the land already in ^{Felton's} possession, which purchase would complete Section C. Lot 5. Mr Felton had offered £4. 10. 0 for the one piece, and £7. 10. 0 for the other and proposed to make a new road from the Court house to Ross Road. H. E. thought that as Mr Felton proposed to buy at the rate of £300 per acre, which probably was as much as could be obtained, they might, under Ordinance 4 of 1871 Clause 6-, fix the price offered, as the upset price, and sell the land by Auction.

The Council concurred, and it was decided that the land be put up for Sale at the upset prices of £4. 10. 0 and £7. 10. 0 per piece respectively, with the condition that a new road be made by the purchaser from the Courthouse to Ross Road.

The Lt Governor then referred to the recent Peat Ship and said that he wished to consult the Board as to the advisability of taking a special vote for the removal of the peat, before discussing the question of such a vote in the Legislative Council.

After some discussion the Council agreed that no special vote was needed for removing the peat from the streets at present.

The Council then adjourned sine die

Arthur Baskley
Lt Governor

Read and confirmed
this 16th day of August
1886

Henry B. L. Jameson
Clerk to the Council

Executive Council
16th August 1886

Present

H. E. The Lt Governor
Honble The Colonial Secretary
- - Colonial Surgeon
- + Revd The Colonial Chaplain.

The Council met pursuant to Summons

The minutes of the last meeting held on the 28th June last were read and confirmed.

The Lt Governor said he had received an application from the Colonial Chaplain that a room in Marmont Row might be appointed a place of worship under ^{Section 2} of Ordinance 3 of 1881

Approved unanimously

H. E. said he had received several applications for the sale of frontages on Fitzroy road and the Barrack road. With regard to the latter — opposition had been manifested by two members of the Council during Governor Kerr's administration on the grounds that the Barracks might be used as a hospital at some future time.

The Colonial Surgeon said that Governor Callaghan had intended to use it as a hospital.

The Colonial Chaplain said that if the land was built upon it would mask the Barracks.

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The Lt Governor said that he had power to sell under Ordinance 3 of 1886 and the Council had only to decide the price; however he would ^{put} it to the vote to ascertain the Councils views.

for
H. E the Lt Governor
The Colonial Secretary

against
The Colonial Surgeon
The Colonial Chaplain

The Lt Governor said that he could not perceive that the reasons advanced against the sale of this piece of land by the Colonial Chaplain and the Colonial Surgeon were sufficient to deprive the holder of the adjacent premises of the right enjoyed by others to purchase his frontage under the ordinance. It was improbable that the Barracks would ever be converted into a hospital, and even if it were, the sale of the land, which was on the opposite side of the road, would not in any way interfere with this.

He would therefore use his casting vote and carry the motion, as he had put the question to the vote.

H. E then said that this piece of land had been put up for auction at £25, and he moved that as it was a corner piece and situated in a good locality, it be sold at the rate of £200 per acre, which the applicant was willing to pay.

This was unanimously agreed to

The Lt Governor then said that other frontages sold ought to be fenced in and proposed to make it a condition of sale
"That

That the land be neatly fenced off from the road
within a given time.

This was unanimously carried

The Council then adjourned sine die

Read and confirmed
this 25th day of November
1886

Henry B L Jameson
Clerk to the Council

Arthur Baskley
Lt Governor

Executive Council

25th November 1886

Present

H - L -

The Lieutenant Governor

The Hon. The Colonial Secretary

- The Colonial Surgeon

- + Revd. The Colonial Chaplain

The minutes of the last Council held on the 16th August were read and confirmed.

H - L. said that Dr. Heuston in a despatch No 6 from the Secretary of State dated 23rd August 1886 had been offered an appointment as Medical Officer in Western Australia, which he had accepted, and that H - L. had been directed to grant him leave of absence on half salary. He therefore moved that Dr. Heuston be granted 3 months leave of absence.

The Council unanimously concurred.

H - L. then submitted to the Council the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1887 together with the appropriation Ordinance, and asked the Hon^{ble} members if they had any suggestions to offer, he stated that the head of "Works & Buildings" had been augmented by the sum of £800 specially approved of by the Secretary of State for the improvement of Roads and Drains. This was the only increase in the estimated expenditure for 1887 over that for the current year; this amount was to be met from balances and savings on other votes.

The Council approved the Draft Estimates and had no suggestions to offer with regard to them.

The Council then adjourned sine die.

Read and Confirmed
this 9th day of December
1886

Henry B L Jameson
Clerk to the Council

Arthur M. Kelly

Lt Governor

Executive Council
9th December 1886

Present

H - E - The Lt Governor
Honble The Colonial Secretary
The Colonial Surgeon
Revd The Colonial Chaplain

The Minutes of the last Council were read and confirmed.

H - E - said that the only matter which he had to bring before the Council was the fixing of the price of Frontages, some of which he had received applications to purchase; with regard to this matter he thought it would be better to fix the price at £100 per acre except in special cases which would of course be brought before the Council.

The Council concurred unanimously

H - E - then said that as this was the last meeting he would preside at, he wished to thank the Council for the assistance they had always rendered him.

The Council then adjourned sine die.

Read and confirmed
the 21st day of December
1886

Henry B L Jameson
Clerk to the Council

Merr
Governor

Executive Council
21st December 1886

Present

H. E. Governor Kerr
Honble The Colonial Secretary
" " Colonial Surgeon
" Rev. The Colonial Chaplain

The Minutes of the last Council held on the ninth instant were read and confirmed.

H—E— said he had summoned the Council to lay before them an application from Mr Brooks (The Colonial Secretary) for leave of absence — It would be in the recollection of the Council that Mr Brooks had applied for leave at the end of last year. At that time it was found impossible to grant the leave and the application was consequently withdrawn. Mr Brooks now proposed that the duties of his several offices should be performed during his vacation leave by Mr Jameson and Mr Mark Kerr — in the manner suggested in his letter of application which was then read.

Government Office

Stanley

20th December 1886

Your Excellency,

Urgent private affairs requiring my presence in England I have the honour to request that you will be pleased to grant me three months vacation leave

leave on full salary to be followed by nine months leave on half pay.

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

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

I have re

Yours

The Governor

sd/

E Pakenham Brooks

Colonial Secretary Police
Magistrate

The Colonial Surgeon said he thought the person holding the post of Police Magistrate should have some legal acumen.

The Governor said that the Police Magistrate had power under the Ordinance to summon assessors to sit with him on the trial of any case and that he himself would always be ready to give advice on points of law.

After some discussion the Council agreed with the Governor that Mr Brooks be granted nine months leave of absence on half salary after the expiration of his vacation leave and approved of the arrangements for the performance of his duties.

Read and confirmed
this 24th day of
December 1886

Henry B Lameson
Clerk to the Council

Merr

Governor

Executive Council

24th December 1886

Present

H. S. Governor Kerr

Honble The Colonial Secretary

- The Colonial Surgeon

- Revd The Colonial Chaplain

The Minutes of the last Council held on the 21st December were read and confirmed

The Governor said he had summoned the Council to consult them relative to the amount of a bond to be furnished by Mr Wolf, Manager of the Falkland Islands Frozen Meat company (Section 28 Ordinance No 10 of 1882) on account of dutiable goods which he wished to store in the Bonded Warehouse.

The Council agreed with the Governor that the sum of £400 would be enough for the bond.

Read & Confirmed

18th January 1887.

Mark Kerr

Acting Clerk of the Council.

Merr
Governor.