

at a meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House at 3 pm. on Tuesday the 23rd day of August, 1892.

Present.

His Excellency Sir Roger Tuckfield Goldsworthy Kings. Governor.

Hon^{ble} R. M. Routledge Col. Secy.

" S. Hamilton Col. Surgeon.

" C. Fraser. Col. Treasr.

The Minutes of the previous meeting are read and confirmed.

Mr. C. W. Hill took the prescribed oaths and his place as Clerk to the Council.

His Excellency laid the following matters before the Council.

(1) Auctioneer's Ordinance.

Despatch h^o 54 of 4 July enclosing correspondence between the Colonial Office and the Managing Director of the Falklands Islands Company was read.

His Excellency referred to the tone of the letters from the Falkland Islands Company as being improper and drew attention to certain misstatements in the letter. His Excellency was of opinion that the public should be placed in possession of what had passed and stated that with the approval of the Council he would publish the correspondence and forward to the Secretary of State a contradiction of such misstatements.

The Colonial Surgeon agreed.

The Colonial Treasurer agreed that the correspondence should be published

as

as the Secretary of State having imposed certain conditions under which the license was to be held the public should be made acquainted with them.

The Colonial Secretary agreed with His Excellency in his right to publish the correspondence but dissented from the statement that Mr Cobb's letter is not in accordance with the facts.

His Excellency quoted the following paragraph from Mr Cobb's letter. "It is not a fact that the storekeeper of the Company is himself licensed as an Auctioneer." and asked the Colonial Secretary "is it a fact that the Storekeeper of the Company was himself licensed as an auctioneer?" The Colonial Secretary replied that "the license issued to Mr King on 22 January 1891 was taken out in the name of Mr King, the Storekeeper, by the Falkland Islands Company".

The license issued under Mr Kerr's signature of 22 January 1891 was laid on the table.

His Excellency stated that he would publish the correspondence.

(2) Dyke Island.

Despatch 2055 of 6 July 1892 containing correspondence between Mr J. W. Dean and the Col. Office was read.

With reference to the discrepancy of 30½ acres in the grant His Excellency mentioned that reference to the cash book showed that 3360 acres and not 3390½ acres was the amount paid for, and that the receipt given by the Colonial Treasurer (Mr Collins), and produced

produced by Mr. Deau, did not appear to be in the usual form. Having regard to this and to Mr. Collins' local connections at the time the receipt was given His Excellency stated that it was his intention to point out these facts to the Secretary of State before acting on the instructions contained in his Lordship's despatch.

A discussion ensued upon the validity of the receipt given by Mr. Collins. The opinion was expressed that steps should be taken to ascertain whether the receipts given to other lessees for other compulsorily purchases were similar in form to that produced and that action should be deferred until the Secretary of State had been ^{made} acquainted with the further facts of the case.

The Colonial Secretary took no exception as to the validity of the receipt and considered that Mr. Deau was entitled to 3390 1/2 acres and that as regards Dyke Island he had nothing to add to his previous minute.

(3) Mail contract.

Despatch No. 56 of 7 July 1892 from the Rt. Honble the Secretary of State transmitting the new mail contract was read.

(4) Seal Fisheries.

Despatch No. 58 of 9 July 1892 from the Rt. Honble the Secretary of State deferring action in the matter until the arbitrators of the Bering Sea Fishery had made known their decision was read.

(5) Mr. Harding.

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His Excellency referred to the services rendered by Mr. Harding and ordered that the efficient way in which Mr. Harding had always discharged his duties should be entered on the minutes of the Council in which the members unanimously united.

Read and Confirmed this seventh day of September 1892.

Robert Buckle Tadmor
Governor.

Charles White
Clerk to the Council.

At a meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on 7th September 1892 at 11.30 a.m.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Chief Secretary.

" " Colonial Treasurer.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Prison Regulations.

His Excellency brought to the notice of the Council the omission of a clause in the Regulations of 25 May 1892 to provide for corporal punishment and the following was substituted for clause 4 of the Regulations

Clause 4 " Minor offences committed by prisoners in gaol shall be heard before one or more of the Visiting justices but offences of a graver nature which can be summarily dealt with shall always be heard and tried before two Visiting justices who may impose any punishment by confinement not exceeding fourteen days or by whipping not exceeding

Exceeding 25 lashes, the latter to be approved by "the governor and to be carried out in the presence of the Colonial Surgeon."

The Colonial Surgeon arrived and took his seat.

Dietary Scale.

Reference having been made to the diet allowed to prisoners, the Council was of opinion that the diet was sufficient but suggested that verbal instructions should be given to the gaoler authorising him to vary the diet by substituting occasionally 1 lb of bread and 1 lb of meat for $1\frac{1}{2}$ lb of bread and 12 oz meat.

The draft estimates for 1873 were brought forward but their consideration was deferred until 10.30 am. the next day.

At an adjourned meeting, all members present, the Estimates were considered agreed to and with some alterations in the form of printing were ordered to be prepared for introduction into the Legislative Council.

His Excellency added that when the Estimates were laid before the Legislative Council he would bring forward a scheme for consideration under which the local revenue arising from the following sources should be expended on roads, drains and general improvements in Stanley: viz,

Government Tax; Rents from Commonage; Dog Tax; Billiard license; license to sell tobacco locally; ~~license to sell by retail~~ ^{Publicans'} retail license.

His Excellency further proposed to ask the Council to set apart a sum of £500 from

from the vote for jetties for the completion of the Fitz Roy and other roads in Stanley.

The Council assented.

Read and confirmed this 22nd day of September, 1872.

Robert Campbell
Governor.

C. W. Hill
Clerk to Council.

At a meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on Thursday the 22nd September at 10-30 o'clock.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

The Honble the Colonial Surgeon.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

A claim for £4-2-3 made by Mr. C. W. Hill for incidental expenses incurred on his journey from England to the Falkland Islands was read and considered.

The Council was of opinion that the claim should be approved.

The Colonial Treasurer arrived and took his seat.

An application from Mr. Schlotsfeldt for permission to sell stamps was considered

considered. The Council recommended that the application be granted for six months but that any renewal should be dependent upon the results as shewn from the granting of the license.

A draft Ordinance entitled "The local taxation Ordinance" was laid before the Council and, as amended ordered to be printed for introduction into the Legislative Council.

The Council adjourned at 11.30 a.m.

Read and confirmed this 14th day of October

Robert Luke ^{of} Galsworthy.
Governor.

A. W. Hill.

Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on Friday the 14th day of October, 1892.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon^{ble} The Colonial Secretary.

The Hon^{ble} The Colonial Treasurer.

The Hon^{ble} The Colonial Surgeon.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read

read and confirmed.

Mr Campbell's resignation as Government Pilot.

With reference to the previous minutes of the Council His Excellency read a despatch n^o 65 of 13 August which had been received from the R^t Hon^{ble} the Secretary of State in reply to his despatch n^o 75 of 15th June.

In accordance with the instructions of the Secretary of State it was decided that the expenses incidental to the prosecution amounting to £ 1-9-0 should be refunded to Mr Campbell; but with regard to re-instating him in his post, the Colonial Treasurer, as Harbour Master, was of opinion, as it might be inferred from the Governor's despatch that pressure had been put upon Mr Campbell to tender his resignation, that action should be deferred until further facts showing that the resignation had come of itself might be laid before the Council and submitted to the Secretary of State.

The Council concurred and suggested that the Treasurer should submit in detail the circumstances as they occurred.

Renewal of land leases.

His Excellency read despatches nos 74 and 75 dated giving the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown as to the renewals of leases.

New leases were ordered to be prepared.

Fencing in of the Commonage.

Read minutes by the Colonial Secretary

Secretary of the 12th October also one by His Excellency of the 13th October.

The only tender for the work by Messrs Botwood & Sprousen was laid before the Council.

The Council recommended that the additional proviso that the Government would find the carriage of material should be inserted in the notice and the time within which offers might be made should be extended to the 21st October.

Passed and confirmed this 27th day of October 1902.

Robert Luckin. Goldsmithy.

Governor.

C. W. Hill.

Clk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held at Govt. House on Thursday the 27th day of October, 1902.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor

The Honble the Col: Secretary

The Honble the Col: Treasurer.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Imperial Institute

His Excellency informed the Council that consequent on a letter received from Field Marshal Sir Duntor, Armitage he had made arrangements with the Falkland Island Company in London, through their local manager, for the fitting up of the room

room that had been set apart for the Colony at the Institute and that a public meeting had been held yesterday at which, as reported in a letter from Mr. Rontledge which was read to the Council, resulted in the organisation of Committees for superintending the collection, i.e., of specimens for exhibition in the space allotted.

His Excellency desired his thanks to be conveyed to Mr. Rontledge and Mr. Baildon for the trouble and care they had taken in the matter.

The Council also advised that such articles as might ensure the exhibits from the Colony being a success should be purchased.

The Col. Surgeon took his seat on arrival.

Notices on Government Gazette Board.

As notices casting reflection on persons had been posted on the Gazette Board the Council recommended that in future all notices intended for publication on the Board should be submitted to the Colonial Secretary for approval before being placed thereon.

Tenders for fencing the Commonage.

The Council recommended that Messrs Botwood & Hornsen's tender for the wire fencing should be accepted and that a pattern of the gates should be submitted for tender to Messrs Botwood & Hornsen.

Band Instruments.

The Council advised that Mr. Durre's request that they be handed over to him be acceded to and that he asked what the annual upkeep of the instruments amounts to.

Renewal of land leases.

A printed form of lease as approved by the Secretary of State was laid before the Council.

With

No. Name of Station.	Name of Lessee	Acreage as per Lease Book.	Boundaries of Reserve.	Remarks.
Mullet Creek Farm	W. D. Stille	4,700	Nil.	} Special Suburban Farms.
Moody Valley Farm	C. Bruden	4,000	Nil.	
Peninsula Farm	J. Smith	1,800	Nil.	
Fanning Island.	W. G. Cameron	150	Vide No 23 Fanning's Head reserve	
Murray Branch Harbour.	Packer Bros	12,120	The whole of station as a reserve.	
Dunmore Head	"	58,200	Nil.	
East Fox Bay	"	40,800	Nil.	
West Fox Bay	Baillon & Stickney	76,290	Part Port Edgar. Line from South of Western Boundary in Lake Hammond to the head of Easternmost creek falling into Port Edgar	
Spring Point	Stickney Bros	60,493.	a line drawn from Mound Point to the head of Port Richards.	
Port Pirie Station	J. L. Waldron	87,000	On the East by a line starting from the head of the Warrah river cutting the northern Boundary of Charles Station three miles from the angle boundary of Adelaide station thence by boundary line into River Harbour.	
Charles River	Dean & Anson	100,000	All that portion lying South of the Charles River bounded by Mount Moody Station on the East and East Fox Bay Station on the West (vide plan)	
10 Port Stephens	Dean & Anson	112,160	The Reserve lying between Port Albermarle and Port Stephens & Dyke Island.	

No. & Name of Station	Name of Lessee	Acreage as per lease book.	Boundaries of Reserve.	Remarks.
Adelaide Station.	Holmsted & Blake.	11,000	Bounded north by Keppel Sound west by a line from the Eastern Entrance of Shallow Bay to junction of Boundaries of Chartres and Purvis Stations. East boundary from said junction along boundary line of Adelaide Station to River Harbour. (vide plan)	
Saunders Island.	W. D. Benney	2,000	Nil.	
Carcass & Jason Isd.	Mrs. Hanson	12,000	Nil.	
73 Mid Coral.	J. Bonner	6,000	Nil.	

and name of station.	Name of Lessee.	Acreage as per lease book.	Boundaries of Reserve.	Remarks.
1. Port Harriet.	R. E. Packe.	6,000	all that portion to eastward of the six miles radius as shown in plan.	
2. Kelp Lagoon.	"	10,000	hil.	
3. Long Island.	"	6,000	hil.	
4. Kidney Island.	"	6,000	The whole of section it being comprised within the six miles radius.	
46. Stancia	"	6,000	hil.	
49 South of h ^o 10.	J. J. Felton.	6,000	hil.	
54 South of 12	"	6,000	The whole of section to be reserved.	
Horogate Station	J. Greenshield	42,000	The reserve on plan of 12,000 acres.	
19 Phailers Creek.	A. Pitalunga.	10,000	hil.	
41 Limpet Creek	"	6,000	The whole of section to be reserved.	
23 Tanning Head.	W. K. Cameron	6,000	The whole of section as a plan reserved	
36 Middle Point	"	6,000	hil.	
42 Elephant Creek	"	6,000	hil.	
40 Cape Dolphin	"	6,000	hil.	
45 Elephant Creek	"	6,000	hil.	
39 S. San Carlos	J. Bonner	6,000	The whole of section as a reserve.	
50. 51. 52 Johnson's Harbour.	Sharpe & Smith	10,000	51. Volunteer's section as a reserve.	
43 Cape Caryfort	"	6,000	hil.	
66 Mc Bride's Head.	J. Robson	6,000	hil.	

With reference to the question of the ^{Govt} Reserves referred to in the Secy of State's despatch 275 of His Excellency said that, so far as could be traced from the records, they had not been declared under any Proclamation or by a notice in the Gazette, nor yet apparently had they been declared ^{by} Proclamation or otherwise. They had not been specified in the minutes of the Council though on 31st January 1882 Governor Moore made mention to the Executive Council that he had made reserves and that the members of Council approved the policy of making them. There appears to be only one case, His Excellency said, namely that of Darwin Harbour which was considered in Executive Council in May 1880.

In these circumstances His Excellency was of opinion that no reason is forthcoming to show why any or all of these reserves should not still be considered as such.

His Excellency then named the following parcels of land which, with the advice of the Council, he intended to submit to the Secretary of State as reserves for sale:—namely,

Section 1.	Port Harriet	Captain Pache.
54	(Govt Reserve)	J. J. Felton.
	(" ")	R. Greenshield.
	Limpet Creek	A. Pitaluga.
23	Fanning Head (Reserve)	} W. K. Cameron.
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39	South San Carlos	Bonner.
51	Volunteer Point	Sharpe & Smith
	Wang Branch	Pache Bros.
	Port Edgar (South of Boundary to head of creek falling into Fox Bay) Port Edgar	} Baildon and Stiches
	Jose Island (line from Mount Point to head of Port Richards.)	Stiches & Co.
	Purvis Station (line on East starting from Wang river meeting boundary line of Dean & Curzon)	Waldron.

Chartres Station South of River Chartres

E. Branch extending due West.

Dean Hudson.

Reserve on Mt. Edgar. Dyke Island. across

peninsular from East to West at 370.

15,000 acres.

Dean Hudson

Holmstead
Blake.

His Excellency said that in selecting these tracts he had endeavoured to treat one equally fairly with another. There are other tracts which will have to be dealt with when their leases lapse a few years hence.

The Hon^{ble} the Col. Secy said that no man would accept a lease on such a condition, that it would be useless to issue leases which had just been ordered to issue and was afraid that the time had lapsed when notice should be given under the law. He did not consider that the Secretary of State referred to other than gov^t reserves. Another difficulty would be to find a purchaser for the lands.

His Excellency said that the terms and conditions of purchase should be on the same lines as those given lately to the Falkland Islands Company and did not agree that the Secretary of State's despatch dealt only with gov^t reserves as His Lordship in the second paragraph had asked for certain information respecting these before he could advise on the matter.

The Col. Treas^r & Col Surgeon agreed with H.E. that the parcels of land proposed to be reserved met the exigencies of the case.

The Col Secy dissented stating that he would give his views in a letter separately.

The Col Secy referred to the proposal to reserve the whole of section 1 (Port Barwick).

His Excy said that he would be quite ready to modify any portions proposed to be reserved

reserved but referred to the Sec^y of State despatch which wd allow of a whole or any part of a section being reserved.

The Council adjourned till tomorrow the 28th instant.

At an adjourned meeting held on the 28th October the following questions were laid before the C^o.
 Mr. Campbell.

The Honble the Col. Treas^r read a letter dated 17th ¹⁰/₉₂ stating details of the case.

The Council was of opinion that His Excellency's despatch might have given a wrong impression to the Secretary of State and had framed his action thereon and advised that the details given in the letter should be sent home.

The Honble the Col. Sec^y considered that an action would lie against the government if the Secretary of State confirmed his instructions ^{and that the despatch did not convey any censure or reflection on the action or inefficiency of Council} His Excellency said that he would act according to his conscience and would not be afraid of doing his duty; and, taking the advice of the Council, he would submit the letter to the Secretary of State for re-consideration. The Col. Treasurer and Colonial Surgeon agreed with the views expressed by His Excellency.

Land Leases.

His Excellency suggested to the Council, with reference to the question of reserves that it is intended to declare for sale, that terms similar to those granted to

to the Falkland Islands Company under Ordinance 2 of 1870 should be allowed to purchasers of such reserves, the upset price being put at 4/- per acre.

The Council agreed with His Excellency.

The Hon^{ble} the Col: Secd however considered that the rights and interests of the present holders in regard to improvements already made on such land should be provided for.

The Col: Treasurer drew the attention to the fact that these were provided for under the Ordinance.

The Council adjourned.

Read and confirmed this 2nd day of November, 1872.

Regd Secy: Goldsmithy.
Governor.

C. J. Hill.

Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on Monday the 3rd day of October 1872.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Secretary.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Treasurer.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Surgeon.

His Excellency said that he had summonsed the Council together to reconsider the question of reserving certain parcels of land for sale.

The Council agreed that 2²/₄ Kidney Island being within the six mile radius should be reserved

reserved in accordance with the instructions received from the Secretary of State; that 1853 should be eliminated, 1823, Fanning Head, having already been reserved for sale from Mr. W. K. Cameron's sections.

It was further proposed that an alteration should be made in the reserve of part of Stickney Brothers ^{land} as described in the attached list (which was laid before the Council) so as not to interfere with their main buildings, and that at Port Purvis Station that part should be reserved which lies between a line on the East drawn from the head of the Warrah River cutting the northern boundary of Chartres Station three miles from the angle boundary of Adelaide Station thence by boundary line into River Harbours.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Secretary dissented.

The Council adjourned at 11.30 am.

Read and confirmed this 2nd day of Nov^r 1892

Roger Tuckey Goldsmithy.

Governor.

Ch. Hill

Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on 2 November 1892 at 11 am.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Secretary.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Treasurer.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Surgeon.

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The minutes of the meetings of 27th and 31st October were read, amended and confirmed.

The draft of a letter proposed to be addressed to Capt^l Packe informing him of the proposal of the Government to reserve for sale certain portions of land held by him was read and filed.

Cost. The Council was of opinion that the draft letter should not apply ~~in general~~ and would meet the cases of those sheep-farmers from whose sections reserves for sale were to Captain Packe's case as it would acknowledge that Port Harriet and Kidney Island are not suburban lands which is the question in dispute between the Government and Capt^l Packe and which would have to be referred to the Secretary of State but would meet the cases in general of other sheep farmers from whose sections reserves for sale were proposed to be taken.

His Excellency then asked the Council to consider, looking to the difficulties that surround the questions arising out of the land question and to the entirely opposite views taken by the legal advisers as to the reading of certain portions of the Secretary of State's despatches, to the interpretation of the Land Ordinances and to the opinions of the other members of the Council on the subject, whether such difficulties could not be best met by the appointment of a Commission of Enquiry, to consist say of two members unconnected with the Colony, and that a telegram should be despatched to the Secretary of State to sanction this course.

The Colonial Treasurer and Colonial Surgeon concurred with His Excellency more especially



Copy of draft submitted by the
Colonial Secretary to His Excellency
on 1 Nov^r 1892 - and, with the
omission of the words underlined,
approved by the Council as a
General draft to the sheep farmers
from whose sections reserves
for sale were proposed to be made.

Sir,
I am directed by H^e the Gov^r to inform
you that he is now prepared to grant the
renewal of the lease of N^o 1 Pattarnick in
favour of Capt R. E. Packe as requested in your
application therefor dated 5 January 1891
subject however to the reservation (should the
Secretary of State sanction the same) in the
hands of the Gov^t for the purpose of offering
for sale by public auction at the upset price
of 4/- per acre of all that portion to the
Eastward of the six miles radius as shown
on plan.

I have further to inform you that no
renewal of the lease of N^o 4 Kidney Island as
applied for by you on 26 July 1891 will be
granted as His Excellency proposes submitting
the whole of this section for the Secretary of State's
sanction as a reserve to be offered for sale by
public auction.

Awaiting your reply before preparing any
renewal of the lease of N^o 1 Pattarnick. Jan. 1892.

Wm. Packe Esq.



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Especially as the decision that would now be arrived at on the question, involving as it does a matter of policy, could not be re-opened for a term of 21 years and the Colony is now in a position to meet the charge.

The Colonial Secretary admitted he was at variance on certain points and dissented to the above proposal stating that he would give his reasons in writing for as he would not go so far as to recommend the appointment of a Commission.

The Council adjourned.

Read and Confirmed this 7th day of Nov-1892

Robert Cook
Governor.

Refer to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held on Wednesday the 2nd November, 1892 at 6 pm.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary.

The Honble the Colonial Treasurer.

The following question was discussed in connection with the stranding of the "Atlassah"

The question as to whether the prisoners should be left on board during the night

right.

The Council was of opinion that, looking to the definition of a 'Saol' under the ordinance there was no power to act under the circumstances.

The Council adjourned.

Read and confirmed this 7th day of November, 1892.

Robert Tuckey Esq. M. A. M. P. Esq.

Governor.

C. W. Hill
Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on the 7th day of November 1892.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.
The Honble the Colonial Secretary
The Honble. the Colonial Treasurer
The Honble. the Colonial Surgeon

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

"Stranding of the Hadassah".

A report by the Surveyors dated 5 November 1892 was read by His Excellency.

The Council was of opinion that the schooner should be sold by public auction at a reserve price fixed by Government of £100.

A draft notice containing the conditions of the sale was laid before the Council, and, after amendment, approved.

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Mail contract to the West Falkland.

In consequence of the loss of the "Hadassah" the Council was informed that the Postmaster had made arrangements with Mr. Rowell, owner of the "Result", for the ^{local} mail contract for 12 months on terms similar to those that existed prior to the "Hadassah" performing the service.

The Council concurred and advised that an agreement be drawn up accordingly.

Band Fund

Mr. Duross's letter of the 4th Nov^r 1892 showing the financial state of the fund was read.

The Council advised that the Legislative Council be asked to vote a sum not exceeding £12 per annum to be applied to musical education and to assist the school band.

Tender for repairs to chimneys at the old Govt. offices.

The Council recommended that Mr. John Steel's tender for £9-5/- be accepted.

Stamps for the Columbian Exposition.

A letter from Mr. Chute asking for a collection of stamps, &c. was laid before the Council.

The Council recommended that Mr. Chute be informed that the Falkland Islands Government have already received a similar application and is carrying out as far as lies in its power the wishes of the Postmaster General.

The Council adjourned sine die.

Read and confirmed this 10th day of November 1892.

C. W. Hill.
Clerk to Council.

Alfred Suckley.
Governor.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on Thursday the 10th November 1892 at 3 p.m.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.
The Honble the Colonial Secretary.
The Honble the Colonial Treasurer.
The Honble the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Land Leases.

Replies by Mr. Baillon representing Messrs Bonner, Sharpe & Smith, and Mr. A. Pitaluga also by Mr. Vere Pache, relative to the renewal of leases with certain reservations were read.

His Excellency was of opinion that the letter addressed on behalf of Mr. A. Pitaluga was written as a test to ascertain what action would be taken by the Government and commented on the course adopted and that as Mr. Pitaluga was his own agent considered that he should be informed that if he refused to accept the lease the land would revert to the Crown. ~~The Council concurred.~~

C.W.H.

~~The Colonial Secretary dissenting.~~ but, in the other cases, as they were only representatives or held occupation licenses, time should be allowed them to communicate with their owners.

The Council concurred, the Colonial Secretary dissenting in the action proposed with regard to Mr. Pitaluga.

His Excellency then requested the Colonial Secretary to address the applicants informing them of the decision of "The Governor
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in Council". The Colonial Secretary submitted that it was not the decision of the "Governor in Council" but the decision of the "Governor with a majority of the Council". His Excellency took exception to such a term.

Read and Confirmed this 12th day of November, 1892.

Roger Tuckey-Galman

Governor.

C. W. Hill.

Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council held at Government House on Saturday the 12th day of November, 1892.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Secretary.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Treasurer.

The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Surgeon.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Land Leases. Proposed sale of land.

M^r Greenfield's reply of 11 November stating that he would not be prepared to accept any lease for Bowgate Station if it prejudiced his right to Rincon del Moro which it is proposed to reserve was read.

The Council agreed with His Excellency that as the portion proposed to be put up for sale included his water frontage and buildings he should

should be informed that the Government would forego any claim to this portion providing he is willing to hand over a portion equivalent to it for sale.

Replies by Messrs Cameron and Felton dated 10th & 11th November were also laid before the Council. The Council agreed that, in Mr. Cameron's case, time should be allowed to Mr. Cameron to communicate with the owner in England, and, as Mr. Felton held an Occupation licence, time should be allowed to him until the Secretary of State's decision was received.

The Council further advised that Mr. Felton be informed that his acceptance of the lease of Section 49 would in no way prejudice any right he might have to the renewal of the lease of section 54.

The Colonial Secretary's reasons for dissenting to the views held by the other members of the Executive Council in the matter of the land question was read.

Read and confirmed this 1st day of December, 1892.

Robert Balfour

Governor.

C. W. H. M.

Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council,
held at Government House on Thursday the 1st
December 1892.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.
The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Secretary.
The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Treasurer.
The Hon^{ble} the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed.

Customs House Construction of.

The Council advised that the
tender of Mess^{rs} Turner and Robins for
£110 be accepted.

Customs Amendment Ordinance 1892.

Draft of an Ordinance to
amend the Customs Ordinance 1891 was
read and ordered to be published and
introduced into the Legislative Council
at the next meeting.

Stanley Cemetery Ordinance.

The Council advised that the
bill as drafted in 1891 be withdrawn and
that the draft ordinance now laid before the
Council and read be substituted therefor
and introduced into the Legislative Council
at its next meeting.

Volunteer Ordinance.

The draft of an Ordinance
to provide for the establishment of a volunteer
force was read and as amended approved for
submission to the Right Hon^{ble} the Secretary of
State.

The Council adjourned at 12.30

Read

Read and confirmed this 20th day of
December, 1892.

Roger Tuckey Goldsmithy.

Governor

C. W. Hill.
Clerk to Council

At a Meeting of the Executive Council
held on Tuesday the 20th day of December 1892
Present:

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honble the Colonial Secretary

The Honble the Colonial Treasurer

The Honble the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

The following draft ordinances were laid
before the Council and after consideration,
amended, ordered to be printed and
published for introduction into the Legislative
Council:—namely,

The Visiting Justice's Ordinance.

The Pound Ordinance.

The Local Postal Ordinance.

Check on Revenue Receipts.

A letter received from
the Comptroller and Auditor General on the
subject, dated 17 September 1892, was read.

The Council advised that a general
receipt book should be instituted and that the
Colonial Secretary and Colonial Treasurer
should draw up a form or suggest such plan
as

as will meet the Comptroller and Auditor General's
letter.

Read and Confirmed this 27th day of
December, 1892.

Robert Jackson, Treasurer.

C. W. Hill.

Governor.

Clerk to Council.

At a Meeting of the Executive Council
held on the 27th December, 1892.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable the Colonial Treasurer.

The Honourable the Colonial Surgeon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and
confirmed.

The draft of the Local Postal Ordinance was
reconsidered and further amended.

Government Land Reserves.

His Excellency informed the Council
that he had it in contemplation to give notice to the
Manager of the Falkland Island Company of his
intention not to renew the leases of the Darwin
Harbour and Port Sussex Reserves on their expiration
in July, 1893.

Read and Confirmed this 7th day of January, 1893.

C. W. Hill.

Robert Jackson, Treasurer.

Clerk to Council.

Governor.

Aba Meeting of the Executive Council held on
Thursday the 29th day of December, 1892.

Present.

His Excellency the Governor.

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable the Colonial Treasurer.

The Honourable the Colonial Surgeon.

His Excellency brought before the Council the proposal made in Legislative Council by the Honble. J. J. Jelton that a tax should be levied on animals grazing on the commonage before the fencing round the town was erected.

His Excellency, on consideration, said that he had come to the decision that such a proposition would not be a fair one and that those even in favour of the fencing might very properly come forward and object to being so treated.

The Colonial Secretary mentioned that after the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday he had conversed with Mr. Jelton and having pointed out that in his opinion the Secretary of State would not consent to Mr. Jelton's suggestion but that it would be necessary to complete the fence before a tax could be imposed Mr. Jelton had expressed himself ready to withdraw his proposal.

Read and confirmed this 7th day of January 1893.

Robert Luckin ² Governor.

Governor.

C. W. Hill.
Clerk to the Council.