

No 117

Stanley January 1. 1863
Recd. 6 Mch 63.

Ackd. " " " No 276.

Sir,

The "Fetisch" Hamburg Brigue came in yesterday from Dunkirk in ballast to take the Pauline's cargo to the Sandwich Isles & brought the Post Mail with of Letter 270

(2) It is there stated that the Colonial Office will not assist in getting a hearing before the "Privy Council, as we already possess the usual facilities for that purpose" - There is no local Law authorizing an appeal, if such ^{Law} is required - & I do not know whether there is any law in England giving a right of appeal to all Colonies - ^{of course I can do nothing here.} The course of proceed^s is for the presid^t Magistrate to send the Record & Evidence & judgment under Seal to the Privy Council Office, I believe - But ~~there~~ Mr Goodlake has left - The Members of the Executive Council are incomplete for want of a ^{Sup^y} Magistrate - It consisted of The Gov^r Mr Hamilton

I Mr Goodlake - The recent Legislature consisted
The Gen. Mr. Goodlake Mr Dean & Mr Longden -
- No doubt Mr Puck will soon try to be put on
On the Postal contract appeal the above
members sat - On Mr. Beach when that action
was tried (letter 09) were Goodlake Pucke Dean
Abbald - On the cattle killing information Mr
Goodlake & Capt. Pucke were on the Bench
3) Refers to Par 5 suggesting that loading "at
" 60/ a Ton however favorably tried in 1881
" prove remunerative" - There wd be a great
mistake to entertain - freights at 30/ & Coals
free on Board at 9/ or 10/ more must pay well
at 60/- The 8000 Tons by the Harmonica wd
no doubt be sold in 12 months or earlier
& give a profit of fully £1 a Ton, much more
single thing besides wd do - Your remark wd apply
to Passenger Ships as the labour wd then have
to be found - if they came in I shd of course
charge that in addition to the price of the coals
& shd have done so in the case of the Tynemouth
but that the arrangement in London prevented it -

As to the arrangement was Tynemouth to pay 1/50 per ton

but done charged 60/- The wharfs was paid to 100/

There is very little expense in taking a cargo
onto a Hulk, as the Coal Stow has to fill
the Baskets & stow them on the Hulk's Deck
& in getting to Men of War (as I have
before explained) the bargain always is piece
of laborer except a man or two to tally -
Besides the good store sales wd. greatly fall
off - Men of War will generally have only one
acct. & they wd go to down - in fact it
wd be the most unwise step possible to be
without fuel or stores generally & that in
full quantity -

4 - With regard to the flaying the Seal skins with
only one fur, so often repeated, my letters wd
show that on its first intimation, the plan
was corrected & a copy of the Agreement in which
it was provided agt. was sent - The Sealing Vessel
being then shipped for "Hamon" ~~was~~ had
sealed before it was known here that their
place was objectionable - By this Paragraph
it wd appear that Sealing which has been
so often pressed shd be undertaken, in so

speculative and adventure, that a loss may be sustained as likely as a profit - It is good, by the brokers estimate sent, the case with few seals skins - & to buy them at 10/6 wd be a certain loss - & yet last year some arrived here to be not so good sold at 30/- each.

If this turns out so, it will be very difficult to manage the sealers.

5 - I sent the best specification I could of the Store Buildings then first mentioning the subject of Insurance - The House, Stores, Carpenter Shop & Stables are all attached forming two sides of a square, the two latter of wood, the rest of brick & stone - detached is a small Butchers Shop & Hide House of wood - the Clerks Office, (a room of wood), is built against the House - & there is a space of 8 or 9 yards betⁿ that & the wooden Butchers Shop & Hide House - at the back of the latter is the Smithy of stone & brick - As to their contents, they vary from time to time but all the stores sent out are contained in some part or other -

all it is manifest that no vessel leaving
England early in January can come here
discharge, go to Darwin Harbour & return
to England by "early in June" - She must
first ballast here before going to Juffra
as we have not enough dead weight here

The General Cargo now undouled for
ed not come in any ship with other goods
it will be quite needed in September

If part of the wool & the Hides we
may have are sent as proposed, there
will be no other cargo ready for England
before the arrival of Stores in Sept 1854
& there will be nothing for a second in
June 1854 - If with a part of the £6000
you will have recd in Balls in the last 12
Months a small Div^d was declared in June
of the next Genl Cargo (now undouled for) were
sent immediately after, the return Cargo
from here wd go in payment of that out -

In Despatch of 8 Sep 1850 I am

that place he has since got to the River
 Plate - You will be & sundry are led into
 error by Capt Blampied - You say "Capt
 Motony & Mr Hamblin appear to keep themselves
 happily free from these bickerings & the
 Board very earnestly hopes that a new
 Gov. may & Colonel Beech may join with
them" - both Mr Hamblin & Capt Motony
 were so disliked by the Gov. (Moore) that
 & he by them, that nothing but necessity
 brought them together & both (particularly
 Capt Motony) were frequently attacked in
 official letters - It is only this day that
 Mr Bull told me he never knew any one
 so bitter agt another as the late Gov agt
 the Hamblins - However the late Gov is
 gone, & if the cause of my difficulties is
 misunderstood & unjust I cannot help it
 - I can only repeat that I have no quarrel
 of a personal kind, irrespective of the City's business.

As regards their joining with the new Gov^t it is the last thing to be desired - The Hambleton's are distant connections of Capt^r Packer, & had regard to the injury he sustains by the Company's competition with him, there is nothing they wd not do in Packer's favor to check the Company - & they do it every day in little ways, or rather frequently attempts it - R. H. says openly "I hate the Company" but I have always been on good terms with them & they to draw a distinction as far as possible - On the other hand Capt^r Motney is decidedly favorable to the Company & the other day told the new Gov^t that I was the most intimate friend he had on the Island - I mention these things to show what errors may arise by what you may hear - I trust that a new state of things will be formed in future

(P.S.) Cattle killing Penalties - could it not
 be arranged with the Government to adopt the
 inexpensive course, usual on points of
 Law arising at the Superior, viz^t to state
 a Special case for the Opinion of the Judges
 of one of the Superior Courts - I am quite
 at a loss to understand by the despatch
 270 what course of proceeding is proposed
 to be adopted.

think may not be decided
 at date of the despatch

Be good enough not to designate
 a Butcher as such; - I have been obliged to
 dismiss the Butcher for absence & drunkenness
 & have a steady man who I hope will
 answer - A man who could be a Butcher if
 coming out here, wd be very well, if capable
 of other work.

1000
 1000
 1000

8. Carpenter King's Letter is an afterthought - he has never discussed the subject to me since he left for Chile - I then showed him that the agreement was & paid him more for than he could have claimed for a passage home - it was explained at the time -

9 - The Home much would have been paid to the City for storage of the Pauline's goods (free of expense) but for the 100 taken into the Govt. Store it would have been £90

10 The "Isabella Hercules" Capt. Bremner's own Ship (late Commodore for many years of the Earl of Bute's service) said he had need no Chart of the Harbour tho' he left London - he called for water & was much pleased with the Harbour &c - He says he is sure it will be a place of general call as it becomes known - His acct. in a few days was ^{abt} £80 - It would certainly be advantageous if a Harbour Chart was inclosed to the Captain

1863.

James Lane
Stanley. 1 Jan
Capt's touchings here, with "From the Falkland Island
By Stanley" written at the top -
A. " "

(11) I have myself copied the state of the Cash
Book for 1861-2 - also the Inventory of
Stores on hand 30 June last - & the Indent
for gun Cargo - and send them with copy
Monthly acc^{ts} from Journal & Cash Book for
the same months - viz - July, Aug, Sep & Oct 62.

Wages Dept Harbor 1861-2 - Acc^{ts} "Duguay Troum
& "Harmonia" - Copy Shipmaster's Recommendation.
- Duplicate Notes on Kallee Street - Duplicate
Letter No 114 - Letters 115 & 116 & receipts
mentioned therein -

I am Sir

George Whipple Esq

Your obed^t servant

James Lane

Acc^t of Isabella Hercules' £28.2.2 enclosed.

N^o 118

Sir,

Stanley January 20th 1862
Rec^d. 16 Mch 63!
Ack^d. " " " N^o. 276.

With reference to your Dispatch of
the 8th July N^o 266 on the subject of accounts
& returns, -

I will reply to the requisitions made,
seriatim, but it is quite necessary, first,
to state, that the increasing Office demands
which almost every letter brings upon my
time & Mr Bennett's, ~~can~~ can only result
in great loss & injury to the Company's general
undertakings - I have not time to calmly
consider & judge of the various matters constantly
arising, & to overlook the people employed,
& ^{for} the attention required to the Captains &
requirements of every Ship which comes in.
Mr Bennett is necessarily occupied much
in these cases & when Men of War or ^{sea} Merchant
Vessels are in port, scarcely any Office work
can be done - in truth this was the case in

in Nov & the early part of January December
- Since then both have been occupied night
& day in framing Budget - Copy Cash Book
- Stock Inventories - Accounts &c chiefly at
home at night, whilst in the day there
is always full occupation - To do all these
things, (without ^{regularly} time to accomplish them),
with the accuracy of an Accountant, must
not be expected. - &

The requirements are,

1st "A Balance Sheet of the past year's transactions"

This has been forwarded & can be done -

2nd "Inventories of live Stock in some definite form"

"Which shall show Annihilations & increase"

- And in Letter No 269 it is stated "we certainly

"comprehend the difficulty you represent of reporting

"what you do not know", but this we never asked

"either in regard to live Stock or adventures" -

The only accounts of live Stock, which can
be furnished are those which are contained
in the returns sent in Oct - Whatever form

They are prepared in will of course be adopted
in its being sent out - but it is useless to
attempt to go into the numbers, separately,
of Calves, heifers, Bulls, Oxen &c - And any
notion of the number of Wild in Lapland is
out of the question, - & also, whether of Cattle
or unbroken Horses: - I am sorry to be quite
at issue as to your never having asked, in
the printed forms, a return of what I'd
"not know" as stated in the letter referred to.

It is only necessary to show the enclosed
printed form as ^{applicable} applicable, to Wild Cattle
& Horses in Lapland, ~~as~~ sent to W. Havers,
& always shown by him also to be impracticable,
to convince any one of this. -

3^d - "Inventories of Stores, Produce, & adventures
on hand - Vessels, Houses, Lands, freehold & Leasholds
with their estimated value." -

If "Inventories" of each item in minute detail
of Stores is really required it must be sent, but
it is difficult to see what use ~~as~~ it can be to anyone

& the aggregate value under each head, as sent in Oct^r, 18th, I sh^d think, be sufficient -

The other things required under No 3 were supplied

4 - "Shipp^d list in form supplied" - can be done

5 - "Amount of Store, Butchery, Camp, & good receipts
"adding the profit derived from each, & the
"Cost which has been expended upon each"

The amount of receipts is sent annually - but the profit derived from each cannot be separately stated ~~separately~~ - one is so mixed up with another, that the separate receipts only can (as have been) be given, & the good cost, except so far as it is apportioned in the Journal Acc^ts sent -

6th - "A general report upon the year's transaction
" & future prospects, showing the probable
" Revenue to be expected in the next year
" from Vessels Rents Stores Hides Wool Balda
" & other Acc^ts -

Any No one, with any experience of the Falklands, & the Co's undertak^g, wd venture upon in the most general terms, to refer to the future - & as to probable Revenue, it must be so uncertain as to render any estimate wholly unreliable -

7th "Copies of Journal & Cash Book" - These are sent -
for [unclear] line

The Copies of Cash Book & Journal with the annual returns, which were sent in Oct & by this opportunity, will place the Board in possession of all the information which could be obtained here, & I wd suggest that it wd be far better to put these accounts & information, as annually sent, into such form as may be desired, in London for the Shareholders.

It is so to say that an additional Clerk here wd cause much confusion with the present one, & the Storekeeper, & Butcher, & cause other difficulties as has been experienced before - He wd, besides, be a long time in making himself acquainted with the different branches, & the peculiar treatment, & forbearance, necessary in this place - Mr Bennett is now Master of these things after 2 years, & not until now -

The means of doing all that can be done here with an Accountant, at great expense, can certainly be well be equally in possession of the Board, as of this Office -

As to 'produce on hand' ^{Part 4} The former requisites
on that head has been complied with by stating
from time to time what is the increase

Par 5 - The Cost of a voyage will be sent - In
of Seal Skins & oil (as regards the purchases &
preferable or not) are scheduled to the Sealers
Agreement of which a copy has been sent -

Par 7 - Horses, to some extent, have been killed
but it requires even more hands than Bull
killing - This wd be work, already arranged
for, after March, but which must probably be
given up if a vessel requires to be loaded
with home cargo about that time -

8 There is no market in the State that I ever
heard of for our Rams, at a remunerative price -
- The hazard of the voyage, expense &c wd be a loss
I believe compared to their Wool & fleeces as
wethers -

I am Sir,
your obed^t Servant
Gerrit Crapps Esq
James Lane

* The Number not yet sent over -

811
In regard to requisition No 5 I will
at the first leisure opportunity go fully into it
to see how far the general cost can be further
reduced - one difficulty, as to what portion of
Camp wages & expenses is to be charged agt receipts
from Reef & Mutton at Stanley -

No. 118.

1863.

James Lane

Stanley. 2 Jan

R. 6. Mch

A. " "

Stanley Janz 10 1863
Duplicate Recd 6 Mch 63

Original Ack: 6 " " No: 216.
Rec: 31 " " "

Sir,

I send this by the "Spirit" of the
Day" Capt. Waller via Valparaiso -
I enclose duplicates of Letters Nos
115. 16. 17 + 18, the originals of which
were awaiting the arrival of the "David
Ewan" to go via Monte Video -

I also enclose 2^d of Exchange of
Bills sent in Letter No 116 -

If the "David Ewan" arrives in time
to reach Monte Video by the end of the
month, you will receive Letters by that
route, perhaps, 3 or 4 weeks earlier
than by the West Coast - This & the
add^d Postage induces me to retain
them for that Mail -

ad^d. I have given
Capt Waller a draft for £115. 0:0 for goods
brought of mine for store - I am Sir
Yours very truly
James Janz

No. 119. 1863.

James Lane

Stanley: 8 Jan

R. 6 Mch

A. " "

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N^o 120

Sir

Stanley Feb 18 1863

Recd. 6 May 63.

Ack. 8. " " N^o 278.

Capt^l Smyley having informed me that the Schooner "Fulton" will leave for Monte Video tomorrow, I write on the chance of her arrival in time for the mail - by the "David Swan" on the 1st I shall do so more fully, sending my accounts & various returns -

(2) The "D^o Swan" brought your despatch N^o 277 a week ago, with the sheep dropping ^{on 12 Feb 63 -}

(3) I am sparing no pains or expense to get a return cargo ready for the "Matilda", on account of the urgency of your letters, altho' it is in many ways injurious to the Company's business -

The following cargo, may I think, be relied upon

170 Horse Hides - 800 or 900 Cattle Hides
upward of 9000 gallons of Oil - 60 Fur Seal -
- 3500 Hair Seal - 700 Ditto (Dion) - Wool -
Sheepskins - grease &c. &c.

As to an estimate of value, it must depend

upon the Markets, but I sh^d think it ought
to realize £5500 -

(4) - Be good enough not to buy the Sheep
Dress^g Materials (Hellebore &c.) ment^d in the Genl.
Indent sent, until you hear by next Mail -

I send a supplemental Indent - We are
out of ^{draft} bottled Ale, & I fear the quantity
ment^d in the Indent, dated June last, came
in the "Harmonica" -

(5) - In ment^d the value of Sea Otter & Musk
Skins, you enquired to say whether they sh^d
be salted, or dried, & if the latter whether
any thing is necessary to be used to dry or
preserve them -

(6) For want of the Bale of Wool, or a description
of its packing, I am unable to say whether
Bages Bags, or Baggies (as indent^d for) sh^d be used
- or what sh^d be used to bind it w^oth of Hoopings.

By the Mail I will write what size of Bag the
pref^r requires, if Bags are used -

I am Sir your obed^t Servant
James Lane
James Lane
George H. Cupper Esq

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No. 120.

1863.

James Lane

Stanley. 18 Feb

R. 6 May

U. 8 "

N^o 121

Stanley Feb 20 1862
Rec^d: W. May 63.
Ack^d: 8 " " N^o: 278.

Sir,

It appears that Capt^l Sneyley cannot make up a crew & my letter N^o 120 will therefore probably go in the Mail of the 1st prox^o with this -

(2) Referring to my letter N^o 271 Robson states that the address I gave (11 Mill St. Sunderland) is correct & that it is the same address as his Mother's to whom a P O order has been sent

(3) Par 5 - It may be prudent not to take the Postal case before the Privy Council on acct. of the response, tho' continued consideration of it only confirms me in the conviction that the result wd be in favor of the Coy, legally, as it ought to in any sense - The enclosed correspondence will show the Board that the Company have nothing to trust to here, but their legal right & if they have "lawful cause" to ~~take~~

Cattle the sooner it is decided the better -
- The Board may also rely upon it that
whether A-B or C is Governor or Magistrate
there has been such a rooted impression
established by the late Govt., that the City
unless checked will "monopolize" the JSD
& become a rival power to Government
that they have nothing else to look to with
confidence but those rights - I presume
from your letters that there is a mode
of appealing to the Privy Council altho
the local Ordinances do not give it -

Without the knowledge that the decision
of a Superintending Magistrate's Court may
be so appealed from, the prejudice & interest
of the local Government will always make
it useless to attempt to get redress of them
or to defend attacks by them, successfully -

4 - Par 7 - With regard to anything concerning
"a representation to be sent to the Secretary of
State of the way his Predecessor's Government
"has corrupted" me, & there wd be great delusion.

be expecting it - & in reference to the hope that
"It will require no more than trivial sacrifices
"to keep Captⁿ Mackenzie our friend" too much
confidence must not be placed in it - He
is not a strong minded man who will judge
for himself, but everything is so new to him
& so difficult to comprehend fully, that he
relies wholly on Mr Pyne & Mr Bailey for
all his information!

(5) Par 11 - Mr Pyne & the Coal Sale - It is stated
that no "contract note" wd have made any difference
- the facts were not in dispute, nor the legal
liability after the past delivery - it was simply
done by the late Gov. to annoy -

(6) Par 12 - It may be meant that it is quite
unpracticable to do any thing of this kind suddenly
without a general arrangement - & in any case
to sell 4000 Horses wd require Months - 10
Men - 50 Horses & the right season -

(7) Par 12 - The Whaleboats required shd
be on the American (not English) Model
with only 2 inches of hanging keel - 21 feet on
the keel - 5 feet 3 in: wide - & 2 feet deep -

strong, well made, & copper fastened, - if the Company is not ready for the next Vessel they had better be brought elsewhere -

8 - Par 10 - I do not see any opening in the Company's service for Mr Gordon's friend - If he thought of Sheep farming in the Falklands he wd require Capital - say -

Purchase^d Land under new regulations - 64.0.0.
(Rent £10 per an)

Cost of erecting a House & Sheep Fold^s. 150.0.0
Furniture - not much -

Aboriginal wages £65 per an: - Sheep landed in the Falklands from the Rio Negro 25/- each, includ^d cost & freight & only in the number landed alive -
- His own living & expenses

9 - Par 20 - If the Tanks & Casks which we shall send for "Malinda" with Oil are returned by the Vessel to arrive in Sept^r we shall not require a further supply as far as I can see at present -

10 - The Potatoes asked for (unless by error) were 3 or 4 CWT not "5 Tons" as stated -

- (11) I shall be glad to hear whether the called
 Puzos Skins arrived in good condition
 & what is the price they will realize -
 Those sent had all the flesh carefully taken
 off on shore here, but Sealers wd not take the
 trouble, & the question is whether wd so much
 oil, as there wd then inevitably be, they wd
 arrive in good condition ✓
- (12) I shall attend to Capt Moller's things - He
 is now Capt of the "Forte" on the St. American
 East Coast Station -
- (13) - Instead of the form of Certificate for
 Immigration Comd^{rs} had been "in my office
 for years", there has been none such - When
 the Agreement was sent on a previous occasion
 the copy was kept & I naturally supposed it wd
 be always sent as then - It ought to be always
 transmitted, as it is referred to in the Certificate
 form as produced to the Gov^t & Clerical Sec^y
 - The Certificates are now before them & at present

They object to sign as to Melles on account of his
statements taken at the time of the treatment
he experienced on the Voyage - I have suggested that
if his statements are referred to, the Captains
Answers to them shd also be added -

14 - Mr Bennett's conclusions & Notes on the
Accounts referred to in the P. of Letter No 271
are sent - They of course ought to be
sent without error as far as possible, but
frequently the pressure of good business has been
so great as to leave insufficient time to
be accurate - I have devoted much time
since the beginning of the year to the Accounts
& a more systematic mode of keeping them
up, & I hope an improvement will result -
- everything is now posted up & will be kept
so, & copied from the Journal - When prepared Mr
Bennett has heretofore sometimes sent the
Accounts & copied the rough draft afterwards
into the Journal & the errors may be traced
but as well to this, as to want of time to look
thru them a second time -

15 I am glad to hear of a Gardener
being on his way - Vegetables for Shipping
is very important & I do sadly show a loss
of more than a man's years wages in the
past season by want of labour & proper work.

I am Sir your obed^t Servant
Sturbridge

George H Cropper Esq^r

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James Lane

Granley. 20 Feb

R. 6 May

A. 8 "

No 122

Feb.
Stanley 23^d ~~Dec~~ 1863
Recd. 6. May 63.
Ack. 8 " " No. 278.

Sir,

Since I wrote you by the Janz Mail the "Victoria" has arrived, (as well as the "Jury" previously) with Seal Skins & Oil - the two producing a Value of £1463 - & the Schooners' Merd being £407 - After the usual attempts to get the Masters & Crews to other Vessels, both have sailed on fresh Cargoes - The "Enterprise" Phillips' Vessel (late Mammolota) & Fulton Captⁿ Sully's also came in with about equal Cargoes which were sold to Deane - I refused to buy about 500 Pure Seal Skins at 16/6 in the latter, or ad. have off^r the Cargoes I believe -

The Maricetta Bruer, Am^l Schooner, from hence bel^g to Captⁿ Morse & Ward has been wrecked on the East Coast of Patagonia - making the 2^d in 12 Months.

(2) After the Janz Mail had been despatched

I went in the "Perseverance" to Darnum & took about £700 of Stores & bringing back what Hides were there - A great object was to make the necessary arrangements to get the Wool & other things expedited by overwork, to prevent delaying the "Matilda" & to see the Stock & Stations around there - The Lambs looked well altho' for 6 weeks at least there was scarcely a day without rain - such a Winter & what is called Spring & Summer has been seldom known - The new Shepherds were going on satisfactorily & every attention given by Rudd to his duties -

(3) Rudd has secured from the Trestle in the "Caulina" fully 1000 Gall^s of Oil - it wd have been very easy to not to notice them, or not to take the trouble, with much to do, to obtain the oil, value now here, £120 - I gave the Man who first brought word of their being on shore £3 & gave Rudd 10 Lamb^s - I did the latter as a reward for his general exertions also, & because he was very desirous of having a few

on shares, which I did not see my way to - I made it a condition that he should keep these about the House & personally watch the first appearance & progress of the Scab with a view to the best remedies - ^{no separate paper found} I need a separate paper as to the remedies which ^{from} the past years experience now seems the best - These are wanted instead of the Hellebore & other things ment^d. in the general Decent - ^{The Supplemental Decent contains particulars of articles required for Sheep Dressing -} I send a supplement Decent of a few things not included in that just forwarded which, with the corrections of the latter, I hope will be in time - I also return Plans of Stanley, with a key to the it that the Owners & occupiers & other particulars.

④ Capt^l Phelpey has taken an estimated 6000 Acres of Weddell Is^l. (the true drawn Dist from about Gull Harbour & running thence Northward) upon which to put Cattle & Sheep - his Brother the Carpenter has taken the a similar portion of Sumner's Island from about Rabbit Point more South & West - Both under the Proclamⁿ of the 4th April 1861 -

⑤ On the 2^d inst^t A M S Suttley, with Adm^l.

King went on board, - she took 140 Tons of our
Coal at 60/- Tho' Dean offered at 55/- & we did
all her Store business - she took of us also some
35 to 40 Sheep, but the second day knowing Capt
Packer got the Beef from him, tho' at 30/- per lb -

(b) I secured Correspondence as to an application
to kill Wild Cattle under the Proclamation, or
rather to "capture" (nominally, but really to kill) Cattle
& kill Bulls - I succeeded in getting liberty to
kill the latter found with the same herds, but
both to capture & kill only on leased land, ~~and~~
"Capt. Packer has a licence, as I have, to kill
on Crown Land also & kill on Crown Land also."

And at Port Louis has been allowed to kill for
on Crown Land & have no doubt a licence
for them also - It wd have been very useful to
be able to kill the Wild for the men spread over
the Choiseul Sound District on the spot, at
14/- per animal, getting the Hides, sparing our
own herds, & send the expense of men having to go
into Laforcea once a week & carrying Beef round
to the Shepherd & others - Nothing can be more
unequal, but I see plainly that the Govt leans

upon the reports & advice of Mr Bailey & Mr Pyne
who are fair to copy on the old game

7) The enclosed return of the Cost & realization
of "Adventures" is satisfactory in its results -
- I send a fuller Gen Report as requested
w. substitution of that sent recently -

8) I have given great attention & time to the
Accounts with a view to simplify them &
suggest greater accuracy & system - I send
Memoranda - first "As to amalgamation" the for
"Camp Station" & "Settler farm" Accounts - &
2^d - as to "Store" & other minor accounts -
I Mem as to Produce & Adventure Acct. -
- I shall be glad to hear as to these as soon
as possible - There are also sent, ~~several~~ ^{enclosed}
of balance sheet - Monthly Accts to sets of
Jan's volume - Copy Cash Book & ^{not enclosed} ~~stuff~~ sheet
Also remittance in Bells as at foot - ~~copy~~
~~of the same~~

9) I shd be glad to know as to selling or trying
Oliv & Nutria Skins, by the first opportunity -
- What does "seasoned skins" mean? - Letter 271 -
- any particular mode of preserving?

10) - I omitted to mention that the

Fresh Oil will be used for the Sheep
to save the expense of getting it round here &
supplying other oil for dipping

11) The "Woodstock" did not sail till the 13th
- she belonged to the Owners of the Columbine
& the Captain had a letter from the Captⁿ
(I think) of the Columbine to Deane - They
took their Beef of Pucke at 3⁰/₄ per lb
altho' we were supplying Depots & the Settlers
at 3⁰ - From all I hear much the same
plan was adopted with her as with the
Columbine - Deane acts as Pucke's Agent for Beef.

12) - Phellops says he shall not continue
the Mails after this trip, but shall go
to England - It is not unlikely that he
may return with a Cargo for Gops & bring
some Sheep & Shepherds from Scotland -

13) - Mr Bull has been placed temporarily (in
the place of Mr Goodlake) on the Executive
Council & Mr Payne permanently (in the
place of Mr Longden) Mr Hamilton being
the other member - to advise the Gov^t.
on Land & Cattle questions! - Captⁿ M Stacey

was too little of a partisan to be recommended
to the Governor - It must not be made use
of, but I know that Mr Bull writes the Gov^r
complaining that after his former services
he sh^d not be made a permanent Member
& requesting H & E to enunciate it to the Secy
of State. - It is very probable however that
he will withdraw his request, if he can
obtain more influence by without doing so -

(14) Rudd & Robson have applied to have
their respective Wives' Father & Mother
& Sister sent out in the Company's next
Vessel - I promised to ask whether they
w^d be sent for £50 inst^d of £20 each -
as being relatives of steady Servants -

The Father's name is

Edward Roach

Swinesford Co - Mayo - Ireland

The Daughter is grown up - Roach is
an old Prisoner, formerly here - &
£10 advance if required may be made to them -

(15) A friend at Monte Video writes me "Mr
Goodlake has been constantly at Haver's &
it is certainly not for the comfort of the
House affairs, for they live nearly as

" miserably as ^{at} Stanley, altho from his manifold
occupations Havers must be in receipt of
double my income (the writer has been £500
& £600 a year) - In another letter - They say
" Havers is making money fast, tho I don't
" think he is making friends - He keeps his
" family in the same deplorable condition!"

(16) I send copy of the Governor's letter giving
up Seal Island -

(17) Be good enough to send this the best
channel £10 to Mr G W Nickels, Pittson,
Maine U.S. (prop. Bankers Commission) from
Capt Nickels, Master of the Tarry -

(18) McQuinn is desirous of having out here
his Wifes Sisters Children, viz^t

Peter Reley - 16 years old -

Ann Reley - 11 years

Children of Joseph & Catherine Reley of
45 Lower Stephen St. Dublin - Mr Quinn

will pay that may be thought right for
by the Directors for their passage - ^a few
pounds if needful for outfit -

19 - I intended to write more at length than
I now can do as to Sheep Dipping - A general
council was held when I was in the Camp
& the result is, judging both from the effects
seen on the Wethers this dipping by the
treatment adopted last year, & also from
what we can learn of the practice in Scotland
that it is considered best not to continue
Begg's remedies (which are very expensive)
but to smear each sheep after shearing
with Tar & oil, & use Mercurial Ointment
for the Scab - On looking at a very recent work
on sheep on my return, I found it stated thus
"Mercurial Ointment when rubbed down with
"5 or 7 parts of hard fat forms a safe & almost
"certain cure for the scab" - And "Washes 50^{gr}.
"of a solution of Arsenic, infusion of Tobacco, or
"of Hollibone, are equally objectionable - They
"are superseded by the diluted Mercurial Ointment -
- It is also recommended for the tick -

Capt. Pache had 230 Lams this last season
 agt 200 in the previous one - He good enough
 to send Bagging for Wool, not Bags, & an
 ample supply of the proper binding for the
 Bales -

(20) - I send a Copy of a letter from
 Brunner to show how advantageously,
 as pretended, the Proclamation has
 worked - I declined of course to
 buy Cattle -

The following Bills are enclosed
 at Enchil

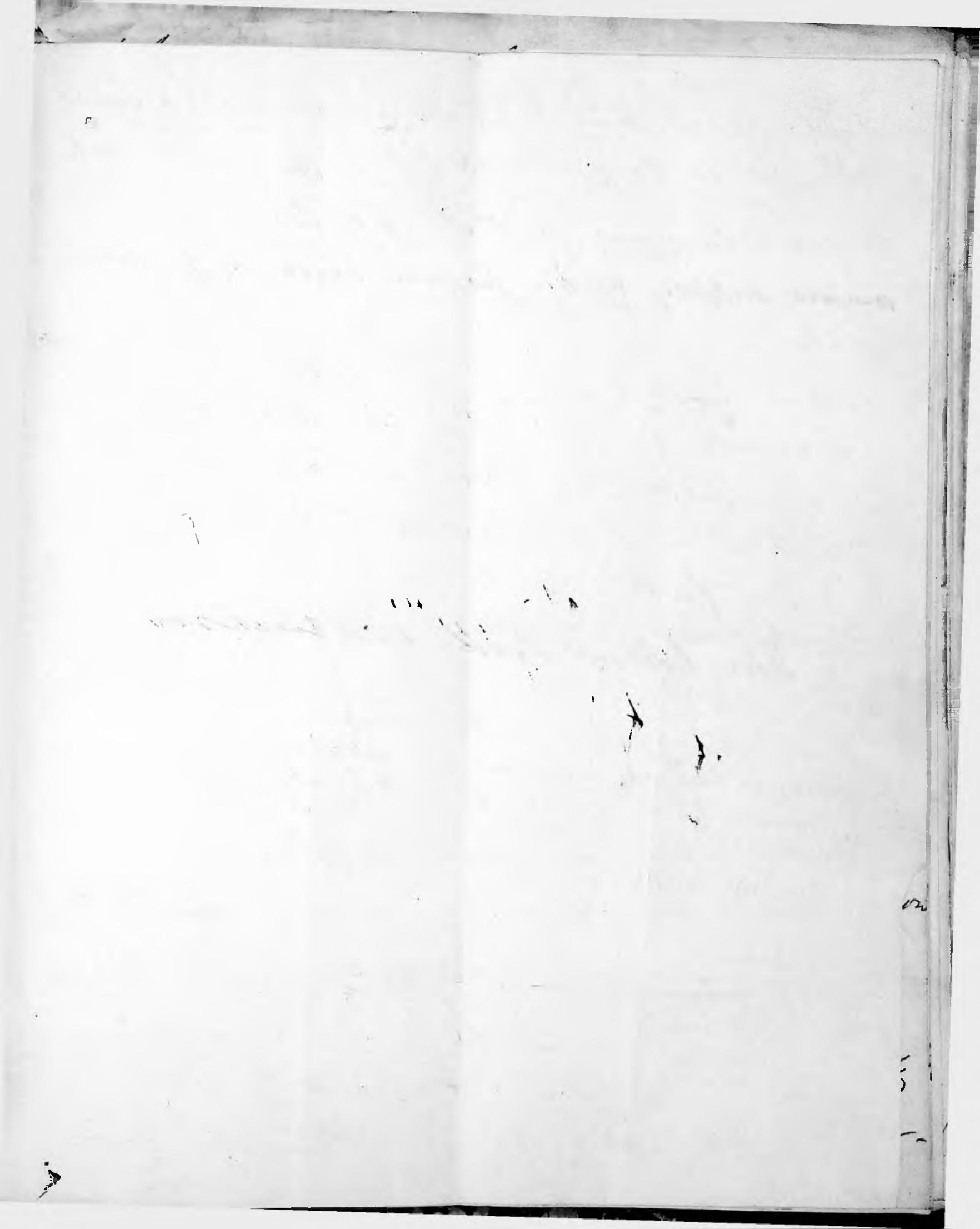
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3^d Book

Treasury - 400.0.0
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Brunner - 20.2.2

ac/c. 26.

I am Sir your O^bd Serv^t
 George Klippm 109 James Lane



No. 122.

1863.

James Lane

Stantley. 23 Feb

R. 6 May

A. 8 "

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No 123

Received by French Mail.

22^d April /63-

Stanley March 2^d 1863

Rec^d 22 April 63.

Ack^d 8 May " N^o 248.

Sir

I intend to confine this letter to the very important question of the said regulations which has given me very great anxiety - indeed & still continues to do so - The correspondence on the subject is enclosed

(2) The result is that the Company are peremptorily required to remove all their Sheep & Houses from off the lands on Choussol Sound by the 1st May - or to submit to be p^d what the Surveyor Gen^l thinks proper for the erections which they do not remove - The correspondence contains all I can say on the subject, & the thing now is how to act, which I feel to be a very serious responsibility - I had Ridd to Stanley & he for a time quite lost heart, but the difficulty must be met in the best practicable manner.

3 - I have accepted an advance of 16,000
Acres at Salvador for 16,000 in Government Land
- The 2 Districts retained at Salvador are the
best in the G.P. either purchased for less than the
two offered to be exchanged, the compensation price
for which latter more than from their being
so near to Stanley - Since then Portugal
has I believe expended all his means - &
Capt. Pucke has removed nearly all his cattle
to Tullyroy, as his Camp. Estab^l. - But the
Gov^t. will not allow the Land inside Swan Islet
to be taken, resist^s on our taking it in
continuance of^{the} District on which is Darwin
Harbour - It is very plain to me that Capt.
Pucke finds himself hedged in at Tullyroy
& Mure Harbour, & at one of my interviews with
the Gov^t. at which Mr. Pyne was present, I said that
he gave up his single occupation District
simply because he did not want it - Mr.
Pyne said "Capt. Pucke wants more Land"
but he wants more w^h his present District

near Bear Harbour - it is easy to cross Swan
Inlet & if he could get the land on the West side
of it & keep the Co's as far as possible from Stanley
his object wd be served - this object is I feel
confident to be carried out, tho' it will not be
let on the name of Capt. Packer -

4 - As it is necessary to be sometimes taught
by an enemy I see no other way than
to adopt Capt. Packer's tactics at Bluff
Cove - After the mail has left I shall
get Reed to send in an application for a
license for 6000 acres next Swan Inlet
or next the reserve, if it is reserved, & with
this view I made the last Par of my letter
of the 20th Feb to H.E. - I shall enter into a
formal agreement with Reed (who can be trusted)
to sell him 100 Sheep on his agreeing to
allow our Hethers to remain on those 6000
acres, say during this year, & that he shall
buy the Horses at a price named, all

departed out on his MS the License to occupy &
the Co. also to ~~was~~ allow his possession at once -
It will then be seen whether any question as to
when applied ^{or be made} for a license for to occupy that
License was honestly caused, or not - in other
words whether before then & the first of May
any ~~was~~ application for the said will be
privately read & recognized in point of
priority of date - I fear it, but will
bring it to the point - If Reed's application
is successful I shall get another made to
take in the Bluff Creek House & shd then feel
easy - but unless the Land on which Houses
are erected ^{is} secure, there wd be a difficulty
bet. giving up possession, compensation to
- whomever of the Houses, or rather the Land
on which they stand, is secured, nothing
can prevent the Sheep going over the
open run to several miles distance -

(5) - It is impossible to foresee what

converse these things may take & I therefore
send information as to the tenor of the deeds &
their descriptions, in order that you may
know & assign the freehold & leased interests
under the common seal, to any person (I
think it had better not be a Director) or in
blank as suggested in the paper referred to -
- The object of this is shown by my question
& the ans^r to it in the correspondence, which
accords to this, that the prohibition
in the Proclamation as to ^{the} MS were

indeed, would apply to alienated interests
- The wording of the 13th clause of the Ord^r named
"leases", I feared might be literally adhered to -

If ~~the~~ such alienation is made & registered
here (for wh^{ch} the Deeds must be of course sent
out) it would create any difficulty in the
Company directly applying for any of the
said on themselves should which might be
open to them to secure when the Deeds arrived.

But in case the City sh^d not be in a position
(by its inability to stick & ~~even build upon the~~
either land by any chance or to stick them)
to ask for any of the Land directly, then
it wd be well to send me an authority
either three or four ~~or~~ signed by
some friends of the Board, to apply for
any of the Chancel Ground Land in their
names, a sketch of ^{not enclosed, found afterwards -} which authority I
now send - I do not see what else can
be done -

6 You will naturally think what can have
brought the Gov^t. so opposed to the interests of
the City - The secret lies in Captⁿ Puckle
& his friends in the Gov^t - He is a distant
connection, they say, of the Hamblins - he
has for many years dined there every Sunday
as one of the family & is on intimate terms
with them - The new Colonial Secy Mr
Pyne (only just & newly) has married

Mr. Hamilton & the Attorney Genl. Mr. Badley
is an ally of Mr. Pyne - Mr. Hamilton & Mr.
Pyne are members of the Executive Council
& Mr. Ball is the other (temporary) member
in the absence of a Residing Magistrate.

The two Officers with whom the Gov. is
in constant communication are Mr. Pyne
& Mr. Badley, & since the former has been
present, with me, the Gov. has said
"Can I do that Mr. Pyne?" "Have I any
power Mr. Pyne?" & such questions -

There is no doubt the Gov. is a weak Man
& I think wholly under the influence of these
two individuals - H. E. always quotes Capt. S.
Tulver as his authority on the Island - Capt. S.
corresponds with Capt. Packer, & gave him
a letter of introduction to or from the Gov. -
- The first week the Gov. was on shore & whilst
his House was being prepared, he & his nephew

denied at Capt. Pickett's
of information are as difficult to eradicate
as just suspicions -

Q. 23. 1863.
James Lane

The Grants & authorities
by the first English or French
- of the latter, with a letter, enclosed
Major Munsie to be forwarded by
first means of War or other opportunity.
K. 22. Apr.
U. 8 May

It is a great difficulty & important
but if it can be overcome, little else
need be apprehended to check the
Company's progress -

I am Sir your obedient servant
James Lane

George W. Crippen Esq

2^d March - Night - I will send to copy & send the
Gov^{rs} reply rec^d this M^o.

in Spanish all that has been done if we are to that local which is expected - in Spanish all that has been done if we are to that local which is expected - in Spanish all that has been done if we are to that local which is expected -

No 124

Received by French Mail 21st April 1863 -
Stanley March 2nd 1863
Recd. 22 April 63.
Ackd. 8 May " N. 273.

Sir,

I shall send this letter & three enclosures for expedition to Major Rivers to send by the French Mail -

(2) On Friday ^{27th Feb} the "Resolucion" Spanish Admiral Pizarro's Flag Ship - 600 men came & on Saturday ^{28th Feb} another large Spanish Frigate her consort - They had been in the Straits of Magellan & met with bad weather, lost 2 anchors &c, & put back here to coal & provision - they are taking our coals & say they will take all at 60/- - our & all other stores will be cleared out & the Grid Cargo shd be shipped as early as possible - I will add mine as to these Ships at the last moment before the mail closes - they will be here in month!

(3) ^x A Cargo of best South Water double screened coals shd be sent us down as moderate freights can be secured, as we shall be out of coals, & much harm

may arise by Steamers calling & being unable
to obtain Coals - We could stow 800 Tons -

4 - I send by the English Packet Letters & various
Despatches, 120, 2, 2 Enclosures recd. 6 May 63.
Enclosures - The Cargo for Malacca may
I think be taken as of the value of £5500

viz. about 170 Horse Hides - 800 or 900 Cattle
Hides - upwards of 9000 Gallons of Oil
60 Tons Seal - 3500 Hair Seal - 700
D^o (Leons) - Wool, Sheepskins, Grease &c

5 - Sheep Drying - I refer to Indent &
Letter No 123, ¹¹⁹ as to this, & mention it that
the Hallowe & other ingredients may not be sent -

6 - By the English Packet I send Remittance
in Bills value £766. 0. 1 -

7 - By ~~the~~ ^{this} English Packet (included in the
above sum) I send Bill of the Captⁿ of the Albatross
(Pauline & Letter of advice) for £270. 10. 1
- In the Enclosures by the English Packet will
be found Copies of Surveys which will send.

The combination here to have the Vessel
condemned - They wanted a crew, persuaded
all the Men to refuse work & to object to
the Vessel as not fit seaworthy - 2 Englishmen

deserted & forfeited their wages & I shipped 2 other
Men in their places, & had the rest put
in prison & arranged for our people to get
weigh anchor &c & get the Vessel out - They
went on board early & the repairing crew
were put on board at the moment of
sailing from the goal, & seeing it was
useless to resist, set to work at once
& the Vessel sailed for Bremen on the
20th - The repairs you will see did not
exceed £50, most of 3 times the value of
the Ship as Surgeon's price, the US Capt
Dyer certified - The owners may rest
assured that but for the Company's interference
the Vessel wd have been condemned & sold
for a mere nothing - she was not insured -

(P) I find that difficulties have been
suggested to the J^{ts} mind as to my
acting as Consul, without an equivalent,
for more than 2 years - such difficulties
being caused really by petty jealousy of
any acts (such as shipping, Capt^{ns} signing
this wd go to their Consul &c) are made to

lead to misunderstanding if possible - I think it
w^d be better if the Housekeeper Minister was
asked to accept my resignation & to com-
municate it to the Colonial Office - It w^d be
a pity for Deane to get it, & perhaps it
might be satisfactory to the Minister to know
that enclosed House Town's subjects w^d
be taken care of by Gov. & that the (C)
(109) look after their good interests -

Wright - I find that the Spanish Consul
has a letter that all his wants w^d be supplied
here, I believe, from you - The good effect
of doing this will I believe be apparent -
but their demands are enormous, as
you will see by the enclosed Contract
which I have ^{entered into} chartering Phillip's Vessel
in return (see Charter party) - I have
allowed a large margin for profit &
only fear that the goods may not be
obtainable, or as to the Bells not paying
& Phillip's Vessel will be hardly large
enough - But the Admiral is so
satisfied with our supplies & the work

I have so expressed myself to the Govt
 that I have spared no pains & exp^{ts}
 to meet the requirements - The Bills
 drawn on the Directors & sent to Mr Hoagwood
 are £3300 for the Cargo at 90 days sight

exp ^{ts} for	350. 0. 0	} If the whole Cargo is not obtainable Mr Hoagwood is instructed to return Bills
	560. 0. 0	
	650. 0. 0	
	890. 0. 0	
	300. 0. 0	
	470. 0. 0	
ad/c. 26.	<u>£ 3300 0. 0</u>	

not needed - If all is obtained you
 ought to receive by next mail after
 this month for Bills on T. Hull & Co
 for £4500 at least in respect of them

And if all is taken here which is
 agreed upon a further remittance of
 £3000 or £4000 in the same way -

I only had the first intimation of their
 waiting until we had communicated with
 Mr de la Vega, yesterday, Sunday, & yesterday

& must unfortunately Mr. Ganell is laid up
confined to his Bed

I am Sir your obed^t servant
George H. Peppercorpe James Lane

As the mail, after my other packets
were sent to the office, was delayed until
9. of tomorrow morn^g. -

James Lane
London. 2. Mch
Ch. 22. Apr
U. 8. May

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Pex Ann Nelson Capt^m Birch -

Via Valparaiso - Stanley March 8th 1863

No 125

Dupl. Rec. 5 June 63

Ack. " " " No. 279.

Orig. Rec. 13 " "

Sir,

The Ann Nelson leaving early tomorrow AM (Monday) I write in the hope of her arrival at Valparaiso by the 1st inst. to report the arrival this morning of the "Matilda" Capt^m Jones, & the rec^d of despatch No. 272 & other letters & parcels - She has made an excellent passage & had had good weather.

(2) - Yesterday E.S. (Saturday) Rudd came in from the Camp & reported that the shearing w^d be finished in 10 days & the prep^g & baling of the wool in 21 days - Capt^m Jones had come in early this morn^g I have despatched Rudd to personally expedite those operations still more if possible - His attention to other most essential matters is urgently wanted - all systematic attempts are frustrated & as to Camp work are frustrated, & besides,

other losses & difficulties, an ^{extra} expense of at least £50 is incurred by the unfortunate purchase.

(3) The Cargo of goods shd not be delayed a day longer than necessary - We have now every reason to expect, that, besides English, French, Spanish, & Russian Men of War will from time to time call here & as our Cargos might be taken by any two Ships alone, like these Spanish Frigates now here, it will be necessary to have two Cargos of goods out per annum - The first to arrive in April & the next in Sept^r, - The latter only taking a return Cargo - The Store ~~is~~ will be almost empty in a month of Ships Stores & of most of them quite - We shall have neither Ship's Bread, R. ce, (indeed

both of these are already gone) Lard, Sugar,
Pork, Beef, & many other things? - The
goods Cargo shd therefore be ~~extremely~~ despatched
without any delay -

I have no doubt I shall
have to erect at least £3000 for loads
& Stores taken by the Spanish Frigates
from our present stocks - & besides this
a surplus beyond the amount of the
Bills drawn upon the Co^y which Mr Hoagland
may pass - I mean that if Bills for £3000
are used, you will receive that sum and
a surplus arising from profit on sales, in
addition to the £3000 above ment^d -

(4) I made another effort to obtain the
land on Chocoma Island by a letter to the
Gov^r of the 5th inst., a copy of which & of
his reply, I send - He does not reply ~~to~~
the question as to the reserved land - Thus
I asked in order to ascertain what land
Ruud shd apply for, the object being to

be able to apply for the land next to Swan
Inlet, or if that is to be reserved, next to the
reserve, to keep Capt. Pache crossing over
the Stream & creating difficulties - Whether
was the Gov. answer the question whether any
one may buy land independently of District
(or the price of 1061) attached - A great
object wd be to get secure the land on
which two Houses stand, one of the
pass over Swan Inlet, soon after its bend
westward, & the other near "Bluff Creek"
- if this cd be effected, there wd be no House
to give up & no flocks to remove, because
in an open country nothing can prevent
sheep overpassing paper boundaries -
My idea was, with this object & supporting
other means to fail, to buy simply
160 acres at each place at the price of
\$1 an acre, to include the Houses, or
rather the land on which they are built.

- Both these questions I shall renew -

I have requested Reed to keep with Mr Buckley (with whom Mr Pugh goes) & send^r to get the most advantageous allotments in reference to their running as much along the coast as possible, & not further North than can be helped - The Gov^r does not say who is the "Landholder". He reports, nor where the Land is which he wished to obtain, but I believe it is Captain Pucke & the Land that west of the Reserve on Swan Inlet, which wd give him virtually two districts whilst paying only for one.

Thus said questions over all wd go on well here, if matters are allowed to go on in their ordinary course & not forced -

It is evidently the settled Policy of the Gov^t to drive the Coy back as near Laramie & as distant from Stanley as possible & indeed to prevent if they can any more

Land, than that already leased, being
obtained - Nothing will induce any relaxation
of this novel mode of encouraging the development
of the resources of the Colony, & it must I
suppose be submitted to. - If no one applies for
the land in question until after I receive
the authorities to apply, sent by last mail,
I agreed, little harm will have been done, but
I fear ~~that~~ ^{it} ~~will~~ ^{be} too sanguine to hope for this.

(5) Looking at all circumstances I think
it wd be doubtful Policy, now, to go into
^{general} ~~labours~~ here with the Colonial Office or
Parliament, annoying as it is that such
misrepresentations as those you have
made sh^d pass unrefuted, but it is
quite plain that they may do anything.

(6) - My repeated representations as to
the mode of counting Sheep are veridically
unnoticed, by the 14th Par: of p^{er} letter 272 -
Lambs are counted when castrated in Dec^r
& Sheep can only be counted after Shearing.

- I sent a tabular Statement of the different classes of Sheep & stated that that form wd be followed - This ^{statement} was ~~done~~ made out as soon as it could be done & yet it is stated that no two returns are alike - If printed forms, embracing only such items as are sent in writing, are transmitted, they will of course save trouble here, but such minute details as those in the old printed forms wd be impossible to give -

(6) With regard to the Emigrants Certificate, I & the repeated complaint of disappointment in not receiving it signed, I have in my last Letter shown the necessity of sending the original Agreement for production to the Govt, & that no other 'form' of Certificate was before sent, than that in the original Agreement, which, being referred to in the Certificate as ~~was~~ produced, & of course

supposed to be sent in future, as it was
then -

(7) Referring to Par 23 - as to "Remedy" there
can be no doubt, I apprehend of the
advantage of Cheese making, if, as it
would be the case, the man in charge at
Port Louis, merely filled up his time
in so converting the Skim milk, after
making Butter, instead of giving it
to his Pigs - the object I have in
these matters is to make the man
necessarily employed in looking after cattle
produce what we pay his wages.

(8) I am wholly at a loss to account
for the statement in Par 24 that a Vessel
shd be here "to receive produce towards the
"close of our Summer" - was an occurrence
with that I had written - on the contrary
I write, per "Harrow" on June 14th last
"May & June are bad months for a cargo

"to arrive & to ship one - Earlier, the latter
is not be ready" &c Par 7 -

(9) - Well agreed to the return of Horses
being only of those broken, that is, in
use - I thought I had so repeatedly
explained the impossibility of telling the
number of the hold in Surinam that
it must be unnecessary to again
state it - I can only again ^{mention} state that
to count hold Cattle & Horses inside
Surinam would be ~~as~~ quite impracticable
- What can be counted of every kind
is returned -

V.D. of Advice posted 13 June 63.

I receive first of exchange of Capt. Knick
Master of the "Ann Nelson" for £ 79.6s - The
Cash advance was for money to deposit for
the Wages of men who died on board &
advances to two others shipped here

I am Sir your Obedt
Gorge A. Capps Esq. James Lane

P.S. P. Whelan's letter by came by the Port Office
Packet per Malinda addressed to the Port Master
by the 5th April, & must greatly appear

No. 125.

1863.

James Lane

Stanley. 8. Mch

R. 5 June

A. " "

No 126

Stanley March 19th 1863

Rec^d: 15 June 63.

Acc^d: " " " No: 279.

Sir,

The "Asia" came in yesterday afternoon, & I learn will take a mail on her leaving to day for Cork, from the Pacific - I enclose duplicate of my letter No. 125, sent via Valparaiso, & other enclosures, as at foot. -

(2) The cargo of the "Matilda" is discharged, except Bricks & Salt, which for expedition I must put on board the Hulks, the former on their decks, probably to remove again to land. - The Home Cargo, ^{here} is chiefly on board the "Margaret", from which the "Prinzo" has yet to take 100 Tons of Coal, after painting - I hope they will begin the coaling to-morrow, but it must delay us - It will be very close work to despatch the Matilda by the 1st April, & must greatly depend

upon whether she has a quick passage to &
from Darwin Harbour - I cannot, however,
write in detail as to the out Cargo for
"Matilda", but send a correction of
Millington's invoice, & besides, will only
mention that a large part of the Turpentine
was lost thro' old Casks being used, &
a heavy weight upon them - a Sofa
is damaged by wet, but generally ^{the Cargo} ~~it is~~
in good order - indeed in weight, so far
as yet opened. -

③ I return the Emigrants' certificates
signed - I am sorry to say they are
discontented - they say "Meat," in Scotland
means "all food" & "lodging," where they
may live without buying furniture! - all
but Wilson will go, by first opportunity,
to Darwin Harbour; they are all now
employed in getting Cargo to the Store, &
seem to think they are all used in their
occupation - Mr. Dean got drunk on
store & abused the Man's Wife ^{at} with a horse
back House he loved, & got turned out. - I

mention this, as it appears that Mann
behaved well in London, & to show how
unfavorable this place is to good conduct.

I shall have to commute Wilson's free
rations of "Meat", into a money payment,
as I have had great difficulty in breaking
this this practice in Stanley, & no one
has been allowed it for some time - In
the Camp, it provides - In future "Beef"
sh^d be inserted in agreements, instead of
"Meat", & "unfurnished" before "Lodging".
- The married man actually asked me
for "Bedding" for himself & wife -

④ - If the Shareholders wish to know
what is the profit on Sales of Stores,
it may be safely answered, 25 to 30
per Cent at least, after payment of
freight, insurance, & all charges. -

⑤ The Admirals Secy has shown me
your letter to the Spanish Naval
Commission, & says that it was upon
that, that they came in - I mention

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These to confirm the suggestion, which I
have often made, of the great advantage
of a Chart or two of the Harbour being
sent (in a letter) to the Captain of
every Man of War, & Merchant Ship,
rounding the Horn - it is far more
effective than a general distribution
in Captains rooms &c, tho' that is, also,
advisable - There is a general stir
here, & a conviction that the Colony is
taking a start - The demands of
the Spanish Frigates are enormous,
& the work overwhelming - We shall be
quite bare of stores - 300 Tons of ^{coal} ~~coal~~
are on board the "Resolucion" & about
the same quantity is to be now taken
by the "Puebla" - The American Ship
"Atlantic", 1400 Tons of coal on board, &
an American Schooner, ^("Kate Sargeant") under Sailedark
Lt Colours, are in Harbour, put back
from the Horn - Both want to discharge
into our Halks, but this it cannot be
managed, for some 10 days, on acct. of the

loading the "Malalda", & coaling. - The
former has taken a large quantity of
The Timber & Canvas at "Malalda", & has
applied for the Diving Dept to stop a
leak.

(6) I send an additional, indent for stores,
which I hope will be in time for, but
not delay, the general Cargo -

(7) Mr Bailey is got in the Camp & Radd
keeping him in view. - Both will be here
this week. - & I shall then get Radd
to make application, in his name, for
the boat across next to the reserve on
the West of Swan Inlet. - I send further
correspondence - With reference to my say,
in my last letter, that the Govt were bent
upon our getting no more land, it may
be well to mention, that I see no reason
for obtaining more, for some years, than
that along Chavesul Sound, & perhaps, the
District No. 11 at Salvador, now given up

in Exchange, & that the said money
will suffice for all -

(7) To shew the importance of being
able to supply, what are supposed to be,
such trifles as Milk & Vegetables, I
may mention, that the Admirals Stewart
told our Butcher, when he wanted & did not
have, that day, a large extra quantity of
Milk, that he had heard Capt. Packer
could supply him, & with Beef; & he should be
obliged to go to him for both - The
information was not correct as to Milk,
but that makes no difference - We
have now supplied both Ships with
green Vegetables for 20 days at 2^d / 2
per lb. - & now shall furnish new Potatoes
at 3^d per lb. - These things are especially
desired, & our retention of the Beef supply
to Shipping, has greatly been caused by
no one else had Vegetables of all sorts -
- then stores & good supplies follow -

Thus ability to supply, & do everything,
now, I hope, fully organized, is the great

course of the largely increasing & profitable business of the Company here, & I hope this is now seen by the Directors -

(8) - I am glad to see that the Cargo for "Hannover", tho' anticipated to realize very short of my estimate, will about equal it, notwithstanding the fall in the value of Hides & fur Seal Skins. -

(9) I hear that a Coal Ship can, generally, be chartered more advantageously in other than the South Wales Coal Ports - If our next Cargo of Coals ^{is} sent out at night like the Harmonians freight, Mr Dean wd not quickly send for another - It is now known that the 200 Tons of Coal which he took from the "Isabella", was at Captⁿ Morris's urgent request to compete with the Coz! - Dean offered a heavy bribe to the Chf Engineer of the "Frumphs" to take them & he agreed, but I succeeded in getting his judgment overruled by the Captⁿ by shewing they were small & saturated with Water - - Gueyley adopted the same plan with the

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Chief Engineer of the "Resolucion", as
regards her stow coals. - as it was more
difficult to show the unfitness of these, I
agreed to give the Engineer a document, Adm.
Rutter, dependent upon her taking all
we wanted to be taken. - he will now take
perhaps 50 Tons of Suezley's, to prevent
difficulties, on deck in bags. - Both Engineers
are Scotch, & care nothing about the
Ships or Coals - The great advantage
is, that we shall have got rid of the small
residues of sev. Cargos which have been
mixed tog. in the Margareth, since of
them from the time of the Great Br.
Coals, if not before - & thus have no
question, in future, as to quality, by
keeping a supply of Powell's Duffery's only.

10 - Since writing the above I have bought
the Cargo of the "Nancy", Capt. Goodwood, (Sant
Skews & Oil) - It is not discharged yet &
the quantities only roughly known, but I
expect to have to pay in Cash £700 or £800 -
This is, of course, addit. Cargo for "Matilda"

Indones

2^d Book ange

Sulley - 24.20.0.0
 Galt - 10.0.0
 Willink 12.10.0
 Sollepe - 10.0.0
 Frost - 9.10.0
 Noble - 10.0.0
 Marum 6.0.0
 Meiners 270.10.1

1st Book (2 before sent)

Burch - 79.6.1

James for
 pour des Chevaux
James Lane

George H. Cripps Esq

No. 126.

1863.

James Lane

Stanley. 19 March

R. 5 June

A. " "

Via Valparaiso - for "Fusi-Yama"

No 127

Sir,

Stanley March 27 1863
Dupl. Recd. 1 June 63
Ackd. 5 " " No. 279.
Origl. Recd. 13 " "

I write under great pressure here to send by the Papioups & Largo Steamer above named, Capt. Dundas, bound for Valparaiso & Vancouver's Id^s & back. The first thing to be done - she came in on Saturday the 21st & has taken 70 Tons of Coals - The Admiral of the Spanish flag ship & Officers have been very accommodating & I could not have managed so many calls upon the Hulk - Since the "Fusi-Yama" sailed, the "Triumph" has cleared out the Margarets old Coals & will now proceed with the residue of the Harmonics on board the "W. Shaw" - To get rid of the old Coals is a great piece of good fortune; & snatching one & only the best S.W. quality to be kept in future.

- Captⁿ Duedas says he had no
Chart or communication from the CG on
lead London, & came in, in consequence
of Captⁿ Truscott's (Sabouchere) statements -

(2) The "Stromboli" Captⁿ Henry came in
this morn^g from Apo calls at the Plate
& brings mail of St. Paul & gives letters &
duplicates by her - She is to remain a
month! - Fortunately does not want
coals - but provisions will run short -
- she lost a gun in very bad weather &
wants our carpenters to help to caulk -

(3) The Spanish Frigates wait the
arrival of the "David Swan" & seem in
no hurry - I dined last ev^g with the
Admiral & he particularly expressed himself
satisfied with every thing here & said he sh^d
write to His Gov^t for them Pacific Ships
to call here, as it was much preferable to

Mimble Video - "only" he said "you must see
"we are not disappointed in Coals & Stores"

(4) - All is out of the "Medal" & some items
in here, but it is the worst possible cargo
to be apprehensions with - please not to put
down in account in future in Tanks -
- If I can get her off for Darwin Harbour
by Sat or Sunday the 4th or 5th it will be as
much as we can do.

(5) - I send further correspondence with the
Laced upto today - it will speak
for itself - Duplicate letter 80126 received

I am Sir your obed^t servant

James Lane

George W. Propp Esq

Small Incident

Agreement between C. & R. 21 March 63.

Correspondence abt. Williams

No. 127.

1863.

James Lane

Stanley. 27 Mch

R. 1 June

A. 5 "

Per Dan Swan " Via Monte Video

N^o 120

Stanley April 11 1863

Rec^d June 63.

Ack^d 5 " " N^o 279.

Sir,

After a stay of 6 weeks the Spanish Frigate sailed yesterday for the Pacific - The goods obtained from Monte Video as per Contract resulted in a net profit of £1573 - This is quite independent of the purchases here of Fowls & Stores -

Mr Harguard writes that he had paid all the Bills on the City (£3300) before he knew that the whole amount wd not be wanted - Of the £3300, he has about £900 surplus which he says he has placed in the Bank at 9 p.c. per anⁿ - I propose to leave that sum ag^t purch^{se} purchases of Stores at Monte Video, & to give confidence as to the Company's

position & credit, as I regret to find that
it has not recovered the effect of the
mere acceptance of the Bills drawn by
Havers in 1850 & that Gent's continued
bad spirit - Mr Heward says that
without new guarantees it wd have been
"impossible" to pass the Bills -

Out of the money payments by the
Fregates I have advanced the "Shomboti"
£900 at 4 per cent disc. & have a
considerable sum in hand, but until
all accounts are settled I do not know
whether it wd be prudent to remit
further & show the Bills at foot -

2. The "Shomboti" Capt. Dering will take
a Mail to MV^o; but she is not expected
to sail before the end of the month -

3. The "Matilda" sailed yesterday for
Darwin Harbour - 2 days there will
suffice to take in the Wool &c - she will

has dispatched immediately on her return &
I hope will have an interval of 70 days
before sailing & the 25th June

(4) The amount of work & willing execution
of all the Company's people night & day &
necessarily on part of Sundays has
been very satisfactory & I have
given gratuities to several of them -

(5) - We are quite out of Coal - ^{of many stores}
ac/c. 26.

(6) - I gave Captⁿ Jones a Bill for £224.15.3
for the 2^d instalment of the Malda's freight
less £25.4.6 advances here - 90 days sight

I have also given a Draft to ^{Smith} ~~John~~ ^{ac/c. 26.}
in favour of Ellen ^{Smith} ~~John~~ for £50 at 90 days
sight to oblige one of the Engineers

(7) I send the "Fusi Janas" Account
of Malda

Replica of Secy of State to Mem^s of 1062
Correspondence as to 7 stranded whales
Copy letter to Capt Ho Valparaiso
Forms of returns to be printed & Munda
Content of correspondence as to land regulations ^{thereon}

h.
Additions to Indent -

Account of purchase of the Nancy's Cargo
Duplicate Letter N^o 127.

- 8) The "7th March" Schooner, Morse, came in a few days ago & sold her Cargo to Dean - With her came the Crew of the last Schooner "Marcella Burr" & the Man Mills - he commenced drinking on landing, had an apoplectic fit, & died on Tuesday last!
- 9) The Am^{er} Shop "Atlantic" does all her Business with the Company - The Diving Deep has been again of important use - yesterday it was used & two leaks were effectually stopped in a few hours - The payment for the use of the Deep was £25 & to the Man £15.
- 10) The Carpenter Phillips Schooner "Enterprise" returned from the Coast (sealing) on the 9th with tops of both Anchors & Chances in a Gale - she saw the "Victoria" in the

Some neighbourhood 2 days before it came on -

(11) No mail arrangements are made after this trip of the "Dart Swan"

(12) Referring to your despatch No. 275 Par 2 - I regret to be quite at issue with you as to my having ever stated "in correspondence with the Government" or otherwise, previously to the ^{July} Meeting in June 1862, that there were 14,000 Sheep - on the embassy I wrote that there were

7273	Sheep
3236	Lambs
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10,509	- Subject to deaths & killing since the previous counting -

(12a) The difficulties in giving returns was not between their being written or printed, but the improbability of their being given in the way the former printed returns required - the former now returned can be adopted & I send inclosed as to them -
- No Sheep are killed in the camp, only at Stanley -

h.
13 - David Francisco is in the "Tenny" sealing - I settled his wages & gave him his Indenture - he made no claim for a passage -

13a - You do not say whether several thousand Penguin Skins collected we find a profitable market of purchase here at 30 each?

14 - You will see by the Account of the "Hutch of the Tenny" that there is the "charge of 5 per cent Commission on goods supplied by the Comp^y", but only as usual on money paid by the Company - there was a clear misunderstanding with Capt Brown as to this & he signed the Accounts as correct - 5 per cent is charged on the total in lieu of Cash, goods being sold at Cash prices - the same plan will be found adopted in all the Sheep accounts from time to time sent you -

15 - I will try to do without another Clerk at present, the one is wanted &

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He'd be glad of me, but the fact is, I do not know where he could live or what he'd do with himself after office hours - Salary should not exceed £100 to begin -

(16) - With regard to "Emigrants of the M^c Dermott description 2 or 3 may be sent for Camp work, inst^d of regularly trained Shepherds, - the agreements being for ~~3~~ 5 years "Board & Lodging (unfurnished) only free & passage -

There are some of the Soldiers about to be discharged & I think it'd be well not to send more Emigrants, except those above referred to bound to the Company, at present - ^{When any are sent} The agreements sh^d fix the amount of passage money, & how much per month they will pay to liquidate it - You will have seen that I anticipated that you state as to the "Bounty" certificate, in answering Mr Pynes's Letter -

(17) - The Bagging for Wool need not be of better quality than that in which the Wool last sent & that now to be shipped, as contained -

N^o 129

Stanley April 14 1863

Rec^d June 63.

Ack^d " " N^o 279.

Sir,

I add a few lines at the last moment
having had a ~~short~~ conversation last Ev^g
with Capt^l Motony as to the soldiers who will
stay here & those who will go home - I find
the working men will almost all go away & it
is therefore be advisable to send out by
the first opportunity 3 working men, labourers,
not bound to the Co^y except for payment
of their passage out, - a fixed sum -
marked as follows

I am Sir your obed^t Serv^t

James Lane

George H. Clapps Esq

h.
~~No. 129.~~

1863.

James Lane

Stanley. 14 April

R. 1 June

A. 5 "

"Per Matilda" to London direct.

No 130

Stanley April 16th 1863

Rec^d. 15 June 63

Ack^d. 2 July " No. 281.

Sir,

I enclose 4 Bills of lading of the Cargo for "Matilda" (including 3 Cases + 1 B.M. addressed to Mess^{rs} Ballenas & Co. for John Penton which I offered to send free of freight) - Also statement of the apportionment of Cargo to "Adventures" + "Produce" + Cost of the former - with duplicates of Letters Nos 128 + 129.

(2) Many of the Cattle Hides will be reported damaged, being those of animals found dead in the past winter - A good many Seal Skins are also damaged + a portion of them were purchased at a reduced price accordingly -

(3) In a Box (small Card board Box) I send 3 pieces of a substance found on Davis Is^l? Harbour in quantities in the Back - no one here knows what it is; it is like the drawing Chalk -

h.
4 - I send a Bill drawn by Captⁿ Dinsmore
on Mess^{rs} Morse & Son of Bath, Maine, U.S. -
for £500. 11. 10 - also account by which you
will see I have taken 10 per cent in lieu
of Cash - Captⁿ Dinsmore wrote to Mess^{rs}
Morse by the Mail for "Dr Swan" advising
this Bill & requesting instructions to be
sent to Mess^{rs} Haring Brothers to honor it -
- A letter to them from Captⁿ Dinsmore is enclosed -
Enclosed are also.

2^d Exche. Gen^l Purson — 6012. 12. 0
Navy (Shroveton) — 500. 0. 0
S (D^r) — 400. 0. 0
Gundus (Tinsu-Jama) 103. 9. 8

5 - The "Mallda" came in yesterday
afternoon after a sail of only 7 hours
from Darroa Harbour - She sails at once
to day for England.

6 - There are on board 2 Ravens as requested
- one 3 years old - the other 6 or 7 years -
Hay & oel cake are on board for

Then -

I send a statement of the weight
of 10 whole fleeces, not selected, of each of

Cheviot Wether

Cheviot Ewe

Crop Wether

Crop Ewe fleeces.

& the average weight of each -

I am Sir your Obedt Servt

Jamies Lane

George A. Cropps Esq

April 16

I have just found that Capt. Adams has
taken a Passenger Capt. Ward for £20
- I have told him he must settle
that with you - H

the Board. Some persons, who profess to know, say that
they will pay no attention to the Governor's order and let
their case go by default, taking it for granted that their re-
moval is a certainty. Others say that they will throw the
whole thing into the courts, and trust to the ingenuity of
able lawyers to keep their places a little longer. But it is
not worth while to speculate on the probability of any of
these reports in view of the speedy decision which the Com-
missioners will be obliged to make upon the issue before
them. The following is a copy of the Governor's citation: -
"Executive Chamber, Albany, Jan. 1.
"Sir - Annexed are copies of charges of official mis-
conduct preferred against you, and I do hereby appoint
Saturday next, the 3d of January inst. at 2 o'clock in the

which the new trial paper was

COX V. BERBIDGE.

This was an action tried before Mr. Justice Willes last term at Westminster, when a verdict was found for the plaintiff for 20l., leave being reserved to move to set aside that verdict, and to enter a nonsuit on the grounds that there was no evidence of negligence on the part of the plaintiff. A rule having been obtained,

Mr. Vaughan Williams and Mr. Francis appeared to show cause against the rule, and Mr. Shaw in support of it.

The plaintiff, who sued by her next friend, was a child five years old, and on the 11th of June last was playing in front of her father's house in Rayne's terrace, Page-green.

July 15th 1863

THE TIMES, THURSDAY

Tottenham, where at the time a horse belonging to the defendant was loose grazing at the side of the road. The child coming near the horse's heels, the horse kicked and seriously injured it, and the present action was brought to recover damages against the owner of the horse. The rule raised the question of the owner's liability under these circumstances.

The COURT were of opinion that the rule must be made absolute. The facts in the case showed no cause of action. The child was lawfully in the highway, and the horse was straying. Although if the horse did damage to the soil or to the herbage, the owner might possibly be sued as a trespasser by the owner of the soil, as the horse might naturally be expected to do damage to the soil and would naturally consume the herbage, of which quantities of the horse the owner of the horse must be assumed to have knowledge, the arguments derived from this class of cases did not apply. The foundation of the action being negligence, there must be a duty, and a breach of that duty, and there was no evidence in support of the affirmative of the issue that there had been negligence in the defendant. The horse might have strayed on the highway without any negligence. If there were negligence on the part of the defendant in allowing his horse to be in the highway, it did not appear to be connected with the damage to the plaintiff, unless it were shown that the horse was of a fierce nature and liable to kick, and that this was known to the defendant. The owner of a horse had notice that a horse would be inclined to stray and to seek a good pasture, for this was natural to the horse, and if the horse strayed and trespassed wrongfully and did an act that it would be likely to do, then the owner would be liable, as he ought to have taken means to prevent it. But it was contrary to the nature of a horse to kick a child in the road, and not an act which the owner of the horse would be likely to expect the horse to do, and which it was his duty therefore to take means to prevent. The plaintiff had therefore failed to establish a cause of action, and the rule must be made absolute.—Rule absolute.

h.
No. 130.

1863.

James Lane

Stanley. 16 April

R. 15 June

A. 2 July

h.

I cannot see where such tyrannical proceedings are to stop - the correspondence shows that the Will of any Official is to be supreme in all he does. - But Bailey knows full well, that he shall get his addit. pay, & that a Stipendiary Magistrate will shortly come out, & is quite unconcerned. - But if he is allowed to remain in the Commission of the Peace, such doings may very well be expected to be very frequently repeated by his 'Merr. - The Jnr keeps to the House & Office, is afraid of the wind, & is shilly guided by Mr Payne & Mr Bailey - & the precedents for treating emplacements in Jnr Moore's time, are referred ^{to}, & closely followed. - Camp burrows will become unmanageable if old Servants are to be dragged from their necessary rest, thro' the night, at the discretion of an ignorant Carter, made a Constable for the occasion, & his doings justified in open Court! -

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Capt^l Jacke, ^{with} leaves by the "Springbok" on
 her ~~return~~ ^{home voyage}, & states that he shall not return
 - I hear that he will try & get some one to
 purchase all his land Buildings & Stock
 in England, if possible, or, at least, to
 buy a share; & that he will try & get
 an appointment in England - Mr Turpin
 will be left to manage, & perhaps, to have
 some interest in the business. - He ^(Capt^l) is laying
 out money in buildings &c, however, still, as
 tho' intending to retain the concern - Under
 Pelaluga is now catching 100 Cattle for home,
 to be delivered at Long Island, for \$1. 14. 0 per
 head, of which 14/ goes to the Government -
 - These are for killing, to allow time for ^{at}
 the young animals to grow - It is considered
 that he has about 1500 Cattle, chiefly cows,
 & about 1000 Sheep - & a good many Horses -
 - a House at Port Louis - another on Long Id^l
 - another near it (Hrance Bay) - a House
 at Port George ^{one or two} & a number of a rough kind elsewhere

6.
& his House & Buildings at Stanley - His
annual Rents payable to Jnt wd be £1000 including
the District taken at Bluff Cove, in the
name of Mr Turpin -

(4) I enclose an order on Mr. Fraser
for £50 ^{acc. 26.} who will be advised to remit
it as you may direct him by letter -
It is in lieu of £50 given to the Jnt's
Nephew Mr James Macpherson, - who
has had enough of the Falklands
& leaves for England by the "Stromboli"
taking probably the French Steamer for
Marseilles.

(5) - The "Stromboli" has taken all ^{her} Provisions
& Stores from the Camp, & paid in Cash, about
£200 +

(6) The "Vincenza", out 93 days, has not
yet arrived -

(7) You will have observed in correspondence
recently sent that a Decree to Capture
& kill Wild Cattle under the Proclamation

of 5 April 1861 has been refused to the Coy. except upon their leased lands, which is clearly ~~not~~ a restriction not contemplated by the Proclamation - see clause 3. I believe that neither Puche, Petaluga, or Bonner is so confined, but that they have a distrust of Crown Land upon which they may capture & kill - I have frequently referred in correspondence to the non observance of the Proclamation by the Jnt. in respect of their persisting in not publishing the particulars of the licences granted - if this was done & the limits for killing stated, mistakes in giving information wd not be so likely to arise & it wd be seen that all were equally dealt with - I believe it is because the latter wd appear not to have been the case that the publication is withheld - The licence to Puche Petaluga & Bonner was granted by the late Governor -

h.

(8) - I send Copy Letter addressed by me to the Governor as to a licence being granted a week ago to St. Masters, a Cousin of Capt. Packer, to occupy a Station next District 10 on the West - The Gov. in his letter of the 10th April stated that he w^d ^{not} grant a licence as to the land temporarily occupied to any one until after the 1st May - You will observe by comparing the Chart sent you in 1859 with that the Districts 17 & 18 added, that there wd be a small piece which has not been occupied but not nearly 6000 acres - The Gov has no doubt been persuaded (on looking at the Chart) by Bailey that there was land enough to the North of the occupied Districts, but the latter run up, in fact, to the Stone Run except No 11 at the North end of which is the vacant space - You will recollect that I mentioned in a Letter to the Gov that it was

announced that, ^{since} the land occupied was intended to be claimed by a particular individual. & that the summons was referred to as "Gossip" - It could not be claimed in Capt. Packer's name, & it has been in the name of his Cousin, - but of course without question for Capt. P. - it is commonly laughed at amongst the Officers - In any case the Govt. will adhere to it -

(30th Apr) Returning to Armstrong's case - It will be stated in excuse that there is no one here with legal knowledge, - that Mr. Bailey acted bona fide, - that the Govt. does not think himself competent to decide a "legal question" &c &c - all which only amounts to this, that Mr. Bailey may commit any outrage, or any other Govt. Official, & would not be interfered with - As I said before, no step is taken by a Magistrate, independently, but always on continual reference to the Govt. Office - It is surely time that Govt. shd cease to be keepers of wild Beasts ~~was~~ - the old forest law apprehensions are thus revived.

9 The "Kuecedora" came in last evening
& I recd of Dupalok No. 274 & enclosure
- she filled up with smelting coal which is
useless here, & she will go out to Valparaiso.

• I am Sir your Obedt Servt

James Lane

George H. Peppers Esq

Stanley. 28. April
R. 19 July
A. 8 Aug

James Lane

1863.

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No 132 - Per "Criterion" - to Queencstown for Orders -

Stanley May 13th 63

Rec^d: 17 July 63.

Ack^d: 18 Aug " N^o: 284.

Sir,

I enclose duplicate of my letter of the 20th April, (which shd bear the number 131) sent per HMS "Stromboli"; & also copies of

- ✓ 2 letter to the Gov. stating the loss of 5 Cattle by Armstrong's arrest, & of his reply.
- 3 The Gov's reply to my letter of the 27th April, as to the licence granted to St. Ministers.
- ✓ 4 Tracing of Chart, showing the 16 volumes found on Chocoma Sound, each taken in exchange for 11 & 12 Districts at Salvador, & of the 6000 acres licenced to Rudd.
- ✓ 5 Copy of the licence granted to Rudd.
- ✓ 6 Order on the Guano Consignment Co^y for £118:10:7 to be paid out of freight payable to HMS Ship "Criterion," &
- ✓ Copy Account -

② No more than the 5 Cattle above referred

to have died. - The Govt. people think they have done a great diplomatic feat in shelving the complaint as to Agassiz & the cattle.

(3) The Govt. found himself in a difficulty as to the licence to Lt. Munster's extension to the land late in the Govt's occupation & has run the line clear of it, by carrying the licensed land up northward amongst the Stone runs - It is now plainly seen that what was anticipated was correct, viz. that Capt. Pucke was, by some means or other, to get an outlet from his District No. 16. - It is well that it is where it has been granted, instead of inside Swan Inlet, which was intended, & which, but for Rudd's application, would have been granted to Capt. Pucke's nominee. - That 6000 acres is, in fact, equal to 12,000, as, with it, goes the reserve free, & the valuable boundary of the Inlet for Sheep, also -

- The chief anxiety about Miss Laird has now passed - By the relinquished lands, we have secured 16,000 acres, in continuation of former holdings, & the 2 Houses which had been necessarily built upon them are held on sufferance - By Rudd's licence we secure, also, the House similarly built at Swan Inlet - & the only other House is that near Bluff Creek - I am hesitating what to do as to the latter - Either to apply for a licence in my own name, or some other person's, or, to let it rest until I receive the documents written to you for -

In order to carry out the Proclamation to the latter, & to assist Capt Packer, the Govt will have saved the Compt's several hundred pounds, in Rents & interest of money, since April 1861 -

④ - The diving deep has again been of the greatest service. - The "Criterion" with upwards

of 2000 Tons of Guano, came in, leaky, making
a good deal of water, which did not get to the
Principis - The Rudder was unshipped & all
made right, & a new Tiller made, all within
7 days of her ~~being~~ anchoring outside the
narrows - I have taken an order on
the freight (Guano) for six accounts, with
7 1/2 per cent, in lieu of Cash - The Charge
for the Dred is £30 & £30 for the Diver -
The "Cretaceous" calls at Cape Horn to a Port "Great Britain" -

5) The Mail (David Swan) is expected daily
from Monte Video - her dates wd be only to
the 8th March -

6) The "Vencedora" will have discharged
to day - The "Springbok" has not arrived -

7) The "Atlantic" has put back leaky,
after rounding the Horn - she has 12 or 1300
Tons of American Stone Coal, & wanted over
2 Hulks at £2 per day - In view, however,
of the Coals expected, & the probability that
the deposited Coals wd be left indefinitely

on board the Hulks, I do not let them - Copper
 Dissimine is now landing 400 Tons, at 5/6 a
 Ton, to see whether the Leaks are below the
 Copper - I fear that the Ship is generally
 strained by the Cargo having stuffed
 in the Gales she met with, & that the whole,
 except enough for Ballast, may have to
 be landed, & the Ship go home in Ballast
 - I declined ^{making} any advances for the expense of
 landing the Coals, which were consigned to
 the Panama Steam Co., & can only be
 burnt in American Ships' furnaces - Copper
 S.A. might have taken 500 Tons to Newcastle
 at £3 a Ton, but the freight is only made
 payable in New York, on the receipt for the Coals
 of the Co's Agent at Newcastle - It wd not pay
 to send a Ship here, in ballast, for the Coals,
 as they only cost 15/- free on Board in Philadelphia
 & the expenses here wd exceed, or at least equal,
 that - There are now already, 24 Wagon,
 upwards of 1000 Tons of this Coal heaped

along the Harbour shore, which have cost in
Landing & sent of Hulk &c, little short of £1000
to Amyley, in whose charge they are left, &
it is ~~not~~ supposed that they will be abandoned
by those concerned - ^{Phillips took the contract to land the £1000 in}
^{on Land of Dennis, & the latter advances the}
^{taking security on the Coals, which are not to}
^{add for 12 Months -}

8) There is, it appears, a "Dock Company"
being projected in London, for the Harbour
or rather for Port Williams, and every one
thinks I am concealing the knowledge
of it, as Mr Dean has had a copy of
the prospectus sent home, & it is said,
that some of the Coy's proprietors have
promised to take shares in the project.
- I sh^d say that the Dock sh^d be formed
at the point of the Peninsula, just
inside the Narrows, on the left or Rulering,
where there is deep water - If carried out
it w^d attract Ships from the Plate, & even Rio,
for repairs, & be of great importance to the
place - Dean has been applied to to

take shares - The project emanates from
James W Jones, who was Master of the "Oberon",
when here, & he has written to the Governor
on the subject - it is said a grant of land
has been promised, part of the Int. reserve
Navy Point, on the ~~the~~ South shore of
Port William -

I am Sir
your obed^t servant

George H Cropper Esq James Lane

P.S. It wd be well if the Post Office authorities
wd require the Coll Secy to send a mail
by every Sailing Ship direct to G^t Britain.
- Mr Pyne does as he likes - it is often
of importance to write by such opportunities
& unsafe to entrust a Letter by hand &
the revenue is not improved -

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James Lane
Stanley. 13 May

R. 17 July

A. 8 Aug

Per "Vencedora" to Valp. thence to Panama Port
N^o 133
W. S. W.

Stanley 23^d May 1863
Duplicate Rec^d. 3 Aug 63
ack^d. 8 " " N^o 284
Original Rec^d. 14 " " "

Sir,

The "David Swan" is supposed to have waited at Monte Video for the English mails to the 9th April, as she has not yet arrived - no other arrangements had been made for future mails from hence, I write via Valparaiso, per "Vencedora"

(2) Captⁿ Scott of that vessel takes about 130 Tons of the small smelling Coal, from Dean's Hulk, for sale at Monte Valparaiso at 5/6 a Ton freight, as it saves ballasting.

Captⁿ Scott is a respectable man, & if not chartered at a future time, wd be a good man to send Coals by - but not at such a freight as Dean pays - The latter has behaved as usual, & Captⁿ Scott will do all he can to prevent his knowing anything to do in future with Nicholson & Sons' Ships here -

3) The "Springbok", with Mr & Mrs George Dean & Serv., a Master for the "Allen Gardner" & a Seaman for her, & Cargo, arrived the day the "Criterion" sailed, the 15th - Dean sold 400 dozⁿ bottled Beer at once to the Publicans & a greater part of that in Casks before landing it - Two Publicans took 20 dozen of Champagne & all the cheap Cigars! I hope our cargo will arrive early in Sept^r, at latest

4) I have not rec^d a reply to the enclosed letter enquiring as to said orders - it wd be well to get an authority of passport, from the Immigration Comm^{rs} authorities what I have meant, as circumstances may arise requiring a payment for land ~~for~~ in a smaller sum than the said orders represent -

5) I am glad to say that altho' a public notice has been exhibited stating that the Chertwell reserved lands are open to the public, no one has yet

applied for any of it - The space between
the plot licensed to Rudd & the land recd
by the Compy in Exchange, is now divided into
5 Districts, supposed to represent 5000 acres each
- That on which the Bluff Creek House stands
I have now secured by a licence to McGurck
but it is not at present known whether it
is on the 2^d or 3^d plot ~~west~~^{east} of the Exchanged
Land - On going yesterday to the Genl Office
on other business, I told Mr Pyne that I
thought of taking one of the Plots, that
West of Rudd's, which includes a useful
Rincon formed by Mackinnon Creek, & I
had in fact determined on doing so, &
course for the Compy - In conversation however
he said he was sure no one would buy
of the Land, now, & ultimately agreed that
if any one applied for the Mackinnon
Creek Plot, I shd. have priority - Since
the reefs succd in Armstrong's case & from
other circumstances, Capt. Pack's land
being one of them, I believe the Official

will alter their tactics - The Gov^t I do not believe would sanction any improper doings if the facts were such as came within his own knowledge, & not conveyed in such a way as Mr Bailey & may report - & I still hope that time will meet this difficulty as regards Mr -

One good feature is, that after Mr Bull had succeeded in getting the Land Procl^{ts} of 1861 confirmed, his influence ceased - & he speaks very differently of this Gov^t in consequence - Now, Pyne & Bailey do all they can to prevent his influence with the Gov^t, which is rather wholesome than otherwise & as he is a dangerous man - it was generally thought that he wd get some one or two persons to apply for Procl^{ts} of Land on Choiseul Sound, for annuance, but he has of late (since his letter about a "Deacon Schoolmaster") been & over civil in regard to the Gov^t - A short time will show the absurdity of the Land Procl^{ts} of 1861

he was the avowed author - Besides the allowed
Evacuation of it by Mr Turpin & Lieut. Masters,
for Capt. Packer; & Reed & Mr Gannell for
the City; Mr Turpin told me yesterday
that he was going to give up the District
at Bluff Cove, taken in his name, & leased
to him! - John Bouncer is involved & cannot
make a living, - owing Mr Bull (it is said
& I believe truly) a considerable sum advanced
to carry it out his undertaking - Another
Petaluga can barely live, ^{so} as a gaucha
in the Camp, - & Dean wd not take Pebble
Island under the terms of the Proclamation.

The purchase money is only required to be
paid within 5 years, so that the Govt get
no payment, except the £5 Licence fee
& the Rent, during holding, from Mr Turpin,
or others, who give it up afterwards, & there
is no covenant to pay the rent during the
lease - I hear too that Mr Bull persuaded
the two Phillips' to get a licence for

parts of Saunders's & Woodcock's Island,
because Convicts wd. be sent here - & I ha
little doubt but that when it is known, &
now reported, that they will not be sent
that those takings will also be dropped.

The object of Mr Bull is palpable
viz. that the Govt. may believe, & report
home, that the Proclamation is working
well. - Dean reported to Paines by the
"Springbok", they do not look equal
to Capt. Packer's Co's wool - He also recd
a diving dress by her -

The weather upto this time has been
open - only 3 day & nights frost, & light
snow, at present -

James have given ^{acc. C. 26.} Capt. Scott a
draft on the Coy for £150.0.0 goods purchased
of him & money left here, for his
accommodation. - at 90 days sight. - ✓

I enclose Duplicate Letter n^o 132
& return for your best servant
George H. Crapps Esq
James Lane

May 24^d - Mr. Sque tells me that they have recd.
the Atty Gen's opinion that Mr. Goodlake was "quite
right" in inflicting the Penalties for Cattle killing - he did
not say that the opinion was, that the Ordinance authorized
it, but I inferred that that was what he meant. JK

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