

C.S.

POSTAL AND TELES.

MAILS.

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No.

108/33.

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Postmaster

SUBJECT.

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13th May.

SUGGESTED NUMBERING OF HOUSES IN STREETS OF
STANLEY TO FACILITATE THE SORTING OF LETTERS ETC.

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

Minute from Colonial Postmaster. 13/5/33.

*Hon. Director Public Works.**For favour of your consideration
and advice, please.**Mr. Craigie Harkness*
aq. C.S.
*15. 5. 33**Hon. Col. Sec.**I am in favour of the suggestion
that houses and other properties in
Stanley be numbered.*

Subsequent Paper.

*The estimated cost of numbering
the 280 properties is £28 by either*

either

of the following methods.

- (1) Painted Zinc plates $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3$ " which could be made locally.
- (2) The standard brass numerals as used in England, these would have to be obtained from the C.A. for the Colonies.

The advantage of the latter is, that there would be no recurrent expenditure, for repainting, as would be necessary for the Zinc plates.

C. Roberts.

18-5-33.

Hon. Director P. Works.

Thank you. How do you suggest the cost should be met. It is undesirable that the Local Rates should be increased, at any rate for the present. Do you consider cost might properly be charged to Public Works.

M. Vinji Harkota

as C.S.

19. V. 33

Hon. Col. Sec.

The cost of this work cannot be met from Public Works Votes for 1933.

I would suggest that provision be made in the 1934 estimates.

We have been years without numbers so 7 more months would not do any harm

C. Roberts.

19-5-33

Yr. Submitted. I concur with the views expressed by the Hon. Director P. Wks. Provision to cover cost might be made in the Estimates for 1934.

Mr. C. J. K. K. K.

Ag. Cd.
22.5.33

Hon. Atty. G. S.

I agree
J. J. J.

22-5-33

Colonial Postmaster,

To see.

Mr. Craigie Walker

by c.s.
23. 5. 33

J.C.B.

Noted. Thank you.

~~Mr. Walker~~

Col Postmaster

23. 4. 33

~~31/7/33~~

~~31/5/33~~

Estimates. 31/8/33
31/7/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

I spoke to Hon. Director of works about this matter today. It is now considered that the numbering of houses in Stanley for postal purposes would not be of any great advantage. We must avoid incurring unnecessary expense. The matter might be brought up again next year when it is hoped the financial position will have improved. Please pass to Hon. Director Public Works.

MCA

1. 9. 33.

~~Hon. Col. Sec.~~

No note.

a. J. J. J.
2/9/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

I agree

Robert 2. 9. 33

31/7/34
31/11/34

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~~31/7/33~~

Hon. Director Public Works.

It is now considered that houses should be numbered. Will you please prepare estimate for 1935, for brass numerals sufficient to number all houses in Stanley.

MCH
1934.
31.7.34.

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

Estimate as follows:-

Solid cast polished brass numerals, 2", for say 400 houses (Private and Government) and allowing for spares. 2 numerals to each house.

800 brass numerals @ 5/- doz.	16. 13. 4.
Packing, freight etc.	1. 6. 8.
1600 brass screws @ 2/6d. gross.	1. 7. 9.
Labour fixing etc. say.	8. 10. 0.
Contingencies.	<u>2. 2. 3.</u>
	<u>£30. 0. 0.</u>

2. It is suggested that provision be made for this under P.W. Recurrent "Minor Works" in the draft estimates for 1935.

L. B. White
for Director of Public Works.
1st August, 1934.

Hon. Director P. Works.

Thank you kindly provide for in estimates as you suggest.

MCH
1934.
2.8.34.

Hon. Secy. Secretary

" " This will be included in 1935
L. B. White 2/8/34

Y.E. Submitted. Provision will be made in the estimates for 1935, to cover cost of numbering houses in Stanley.

MCH
AGCS
9. 8. 34.

J.H. C.S.

I concur : Thank you.

J.H.C.S.

P.A.
8. 14.

② Letter from SMO, 30/6/37.

12. 8. 34.

Hon. S.P.W. Re. Red ②

I understand the numerals are in store. Please state the present position.

Red 3/6/37

Hon. Col. Sec.

75 doz Brass Numerals for marking houses were received in P.W.D. Store in May 1935 & are on ledger charge for £8-2-6.

I am not aware why this scheme was not carried out, it appears to have stagnated.

J.H.
for S.P.W.

2/7/37.

Y.E.

Red ② + subsequent minutes submitted

- 1. It will be seen that the numerals are in the P.W.D. Store.
- 2. Owing to the number of residents of the same name I can understand the difficulty of the P.O. & no. 2
- 3. Col. Sec. desire the work to be completed

Red 5/7/37

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MEMO.

From

The Colonial Postmaster.

To

The Honourable the
Colonial Secretary.

13th May, 1933.

I have the honour to suggest for your consideration that houses and other property in Stanley should be numbered in streets. It would be preferable I think that the number should be placed at the gate, but if it is thought that the number so placed would be liable to defacement it could be placed on the house. In any case it would serve the purpose of a Postal address and it is in this connection I make the suggestion with a view to facilitating postal delivery.

Speedy and faultless sorting is an impossibility under present conditions. There are so many persons of the same name and initials that letters intended for one person at times go to another. Furthermore, it is not an easy matter for all persons sorting, especially persons called in as outside help, to remember the various people who stay in the same house. Some time ago I adopted the method of allotting to different houses a registered number as a postal address. This system has been helpful in some degree but it has disadvantages in so much that there are difficulties in the way of its general adoption by the public. People lose the slip intimating their number and forget what it is. I am confident that if the houses were numbered the full address would be placed on all correspondence instead of simply the address "Stanley."

The work of numbering would afford some small employment and the cost might if necessary be defrayed by an extra ld on the rates for one year only. In the matter of expense the time taken in sorting would be reduced by at least one-third and there would be a corresponding saving in the cost of outside help. I trust very much that you will give the proposal your favourable consideration and that it may be possible to follow it out at an early date.

G. H. P.
Colonial Postmaster.

No. _____

MINUTE.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted.)

29th June, 19 37.

From

To The Honourable,

Medical Officer,

Senior Medical Officer,

Stanley.

Stanley.

I have the honour to report that difficulty is being experienced in locating the dwellings of patients, so much so that I would suggest that all houses in Stanley be numbered and that such No's should be placed in a position sufficiently conspicuous to be observable at night.

If this is approved perhaps the Public Works Department could be asked to furnish a list showing the roads in which each numbered house is situated. Such an arrangement as I suggest will prevent the necessity of a guide.

J.B. Anderson
Medical Officer.

A. G. S

Submitted -

Numbering houses is a good idea theoretically, but in practice every body knows the location of his neighbour's home and we all speak approximately the same language. The few times I have had to make house-calls I had no difficulty, even at night, and I had no guide. I feel that the M.O. after six months should know his way about without a guide. After all "Pill House" is much more picturesque and distinctive than 13 7th Ave. N.W.

*rec'd
SMD
30. 6. 37*

No. 108/33.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).

MINUTE.

5th July, 19 37.

To The Honourable

From The Colonial Secretary,

The Senior Medical Officer,

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Recd 2

With reference to your minute of the 30th June, 1937, relative to the numbering of dwelling houses in Stanley, I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that as the numerals were obtained sometime ago to facilitate postal deliveries.

His Excellency desires that the work of giving each house a number should go on as soon as opportunity offers.

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

No. 108/33.

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MINUTE.

5th July, 19 37.

To The Director of Public Works,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

With reference to your minute dated the 2nd of July, 1937, relative to the numbering of houses, I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that the work of giving each house a number should go on as opportunity offers.

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ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

NUMBERING OF HOUSES IN STANLEY.

In 1937 the Government approved a scheme for numbering each house in Stanley by means of brass numerals fixed to the front gate. The numerals were imported but for various reasons the work of fixing has never been carried out. In order to facilitate the organization of billeting the work of fixing these letters will be commenced tomorrow.

While billeting is the primary reason for the numbering at this time it is pointed out that the original idea was to simplify postal deliveries and it is hoped that the General Public will co-operate to this end insert the number of their house and the street on their correspondence. The numerals having once been affixed must not be removed or defaced. There will be no number ~~xxxx~~ 13 in any street.

Hon. C.S.

Yes, the work of giving each house a number should go on as soon as opportunity offers. What about putting something in the "Penguin" stating what is contemplated. It will facilitate the work of the Post Office if residences for their correspondence addresses by giving the number of their house and street.

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- 3. Minute to Hon. S.M.O., of 5.7.37.
- 4. — — — S.P.W., of 5.7.37.

Hon S.M.O. }
Col. Postniski)

To note.

[Signature]
8.7.37
M.C. 9/7/37

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for C.S.
8/7/37

PA
9/7/37

Honourable Colonial Secretary.

I saw His Excellency this pm. & he approved attached broadcast notice which is being put out tonight.

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[Signature]

25.11.42

PA
24/3/42