

C.S.

PUBLIC WORKS.

(Peat.)

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No. 275/31.

Hon. D. P. W.

SUBJECT.

193 1.

31st August.

Previous Paper.

SALE OF PEAT TO HOUSEHOLDERS IN STANLEY.

## MINUTES.

1. Minute from Hon. D. P. W. of 31/8/31.

Extract from Minutes of Meeting of Executive Council  
held on the 1st September, 1931.

The Council considered a letter from the Director of Public Works on the subject of the sale of peat by Government to private householders in Stanley.

It was decided that there was no objection to the sale of peat in limited quantities as an emergency in cases where it could not be obtained from the usual sources provided that care was exercised not to violate the principle that Government does not enter into commercial enterprise nor to interfere with those ordinarily engaged in the supply of peat as a business or livelihood.

*A. J. Stewart*  
Clerk of the Executive Council.  
1st September, 1931.

*Ho. D. P. W. C. B. 2.9.31.*

*Mr. Treasurer MCH*  
*4.9.31.*

*Local Auditor*

Subsequent Paper.

*amr.*

*2.9.31*

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19. 11. 31

Letter from Mr. E. Whitney 13/8/34

Hon. Director Public Works.

Can this be arranged.  
Whitney wishes to purchase 15  
loads of peat and pay for it  
by weekly instalments.

MCH

by E.S.

15. 8. 34.

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

Transport is not available, and I  
do not recommend the sale of peat to  
private individuals at this stage. There would  
be many others applying.

Any deductions from the wages of  
E. Whitney, who only works a part of a week,  
are required for the payment of rent. He has  
not yet completed payment of July rent.

There are outside carters, e.g. V. Lunnors,  
W. Hutcherson, to whom Whitney could apply.

Mrs Whitney came to me some time  
ago regarding this, and I informed her as  
above.

To help them out I see no reason  
why E. Whitney should not be given permission  
to pick out any serviceable peat from the  
road cutting along East Bay Road, pay for  
2 weeks. This from peat left alongside the road,  
not from the peat stacks. E. Whitney, with his  
children, could bag and carry enough peat  
over a week-end to last them some time.

W. L. Lunnors



Yl. Submitted. Mr. Whiting  
Should be informed that he  
must obtain facts from private  
sources?

2. The suggestion made by  
Hon. Director P.W.H. in the last  
para. of his minute does not  
commend itself to me. I fear  
that it would result in facts  
being taken from the stacks.

MCH  
ay ch.  
16. 8. 34.

Am C.S.

Please reply that it is  
regretted that it is not possible  
to meet his wishes.

Yms

16. 8. 34.

Hon. Director P.W.H.

To see.

Hon. Sec. MCH  
ay ch.  
Seen 17/8/34 16. 8. 34



Letter to H. B. Whitney of 16/7/34.

PA  
18/7/34.

Minute from D.P.W. 27/8/35

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Director Public Works.

/ concur.

mch  
cs.

27.8.35

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted, and copy of letter to  
Mr Barnes attached please.

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C. Roberts.

28/8/35.

Minute from D.P.W. 23/9/35. (7-8)

y/l. Submitted. The D.P.W.  
to inform Estate L. Williams  
as he suggests?

mch  
cs.

24.9.35

~~that~~ 25/9

Director P. Wks.

Accordingly please.

mch  
cs.

25.9.35

C.S.O. No. 875/31

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 2

Hon. Col. Secretary  
Estate L. Williams  
informed, as enclosure (9) please.

W. L. P.  
for L. P.  
25/9/35

✓  
P.A.  
mch  
cs.  
26.9.35





MINUTE.

31st August, 1931.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From Director Public Works,

Stanley.

SALE OF PEAT.

I beg to report that during the past few months householders applied to this Department to purchase peat from the Government. The people complained that they were without firing, had peat on the Common but were unable to get it carted down, and asked whether the Government could let them have a few loads until such times as they could get their own peat carted.

2. There is a reserve stock of Government peat from last season and some of it could be sold in small quantities up to say 250 loads, and I would submit for approval that this may be done.

The local charge for cutting and carting peat is 4/6d. per load. Monies to be paid into Revenue IX. Miscellaneous (I) Sale of Stores.

*G. I. Roberts.*

Director Public Works.

Port Stanley (8)  
8/13/34

875/31  
The Hon Colonial Secretary.

Sir,-

As I was unable to  
cut heat the past season, I would ask if it  
would be possible for Government to supply  
me with enough to last till I can get some  
fit for use. That is to say about 15 loads.  
The payment to be deducted from my wages  
at P.W.D. office at the rate of 1 load per week.  
Hoping this meets with your approval.

I am sir

Yours respectfully

J Eddy Whitney



275 /31.

16th August, 34.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th August, 1934, and to inform you that it is regretted that it is not possible to meet your wishes.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*mch*

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Mr. E. Whitney.  
STANLEY.



Stanley August 26 1935 <sup>41</sup> (4)

J. Barnes Jr.

the Director of  
Public Works

Sir

As I've run short  
of peat. thought so much  
sickness in the house this  
winter. would you be able  
to help me out by letting  
me have some peat. Some  
at martings Gap as it termed  
that would do me. there. I've heaps  
there with about sixty yards in  
them. and I'll cut and pickle  
the some. when the wether come  
in. Trusting you will oblige  
I remain yours faithfully  
Silvester Barnes



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MINUTE.

27th August, 1935

From Director of Public Works,

Stanley.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I submit that Mr. Barnes application be approved on condition that he cuts and rickles a like amount for the Government when the peat season begins.

*C. Roberts.*

Director of Public Works.



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Public Works Department,  
Stanley.

29th August, 1935.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 26th August, 1935, requesting the loan of peat, and to inform you that, under the special circumstances which you mention, approval is given for you to have 60 yards from "Martin's Gap" on the clear understanding that you cut and rickle a like amount for this Government during the early part of the coming peat season.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd) G. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.

Mr. Sylvester Barnes,  
Stanley.





RADIO ADDRESS  
"WILLIAMS"

CODES USED:  
BENTLEYS  
A.B.C. 5TH ED  
A.I.

# ESTATE LOUIS WILLIAMS

SUCCESSORS TO CHAS WILLIAMS

Estb'd 1863

GENERAL MERCHANTS

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ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE  
TO THE MANAGER

PORT STANLEY  
FALKLAND ISLANDS

23rd. September, 1935.

CI.

The Officer in charge,  
Public Works Department.  
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

We are running short of peat fuel - and  
this in spite of the fact that we ~~have~~ contracted  
for our usual supply of approximately 300 loads  
last season.

As we believe the Colonial Government has  
a considerable quantity of surplus peat fuel  
stocked on the bogs, we hereby apply for approximately  
20 loads to be sold to us to carry us through until  
new peat can be obtained. We would take delivery at  
the stacks and do our own carting.

Thanking you in anticipation for your courtesy  
in this connexion, we remain,

Yours faithfully,

p.p. Estate Louis Williams.



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MINUTE.

23rd September, 1935

From Director of Public Works,

Stanley.

To

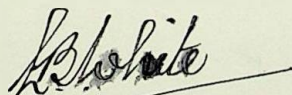
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I beg to attach a letter received from Estate L. Williams, asking to purchase 30 loads of Government peat.

2. The Government has no surplus peat, and all the peat on the bogs will be required for early supply to Government buildings.

3. Shall I reply, please, to the effect that all Government peat stacked on bogs is required for Government purposes for early supply to buildings, and it is regretted that it is not possible to sell the 30 loads asked for?



for Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department,  
Stanley.

25th September, 1935.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 23rd September, 1935, I am directed to inform you that all Government peat stacked on bogs is required for Government purposes for early supply to buildings, and it is regretted that it is not possible to sell you the 30 loads asked for.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



for Director of Public Works.

The Manager,

Estate L. Williams,

Stanley.