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VISIT OF DR. SIMEONS DA SILVA.

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Hon. D.C. Craige Hackett.

Please see.

I have discussed this with Mr.

Bennett who will prepare a

Report pay in at the suitable

Subsequent Paper.

Season i.e. towards the end of
the year. Dr Bennett states that
both the King and the Accaroni
penguins are rare in the Falklands.

2. Will you kindly inform
Dr Simoes da Silva in this season
and at the same time thank him
on behalf of His Excellency for the copy
of his published work and for his
compliments. ?

Yours truly
G.

28. 2. 33.

Letter to Dr Simoes da Silva of 5th
March 1933.

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Hon. Col. Sec.

Thank you. I have written to
Dr da Silva.

Dr. George Hamilton

28. 5. 33

~~b.f. 29. 9. 33.~~

~~Jan 29 3 33.~~

b.f. 30/10/33.
C.D. 2/10/33

Mr. Bennett,

will you kindly say whether you were able to do anything in the matter of Rocky Pinguin?

C.D. for
31/10/33

Hon. Col. Secy:

As soon as I am clear of present cargo I shall be pleased to mount one Rockhopper for Mr da Silva. One should be secured at Pitmy.

A. Bennett

1.11.33

b.f. 20/11/33.
C.D. 3/11/33

YJG.

Mr. Bennett has requested permission to proceed to Kidney Island in the G. L. "Penguin" as early as possible in order to obtain the Rockhopper Penguin for Dr. Simoes da Silva.

May the Harbour make the necessary arrangements with Mr. Bennett?

C. J. H.
25/11/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Yes please. Please instruct Mr. Bennett, by separate minute, to obtain also a specimen of the Gentoo Penguin. Dr. da Silva has since written and said he would like a specimen.

C. J. H.
25. 11. 33

Minute to Ag. Secy. Naturalist, of 23/11/33.

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Harbour Master

Will you please arrange with Mr. Bennett accordingly?

C. J. H.
23/11/33

Hon Col Secretary

Arrangements will be made for the S. L. "Penguin" to be at the disposal of Mr Bennett when required.

AWD
for Col Secy
(Harbour Dept)

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~~C.S.O. 23/1/33~~

Mr. Bennett has not yet been successful in obtaining a suitable specimen of a Gentoó Penguin.

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~~C.S.O. 1/2/33~~
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~~C.S.O. 1/2/34~~

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~~C.S.O. 28/2/34~~

Ag. Govc. Naturalist.
I understand that you have one specimen ready. Will you kindly bring it to this office when arrangements can be made to send it to Dr da Silva.

MCH
A. C. S.
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Hon. Col. Secy.

The mounted penguin herewith.

A. J. Kemmitt
291. Not

Hon. Director of Public Works. 3/4/34

I should be glad if a small box could be made so that the specimen can be sent to Dr. Da Silva.

The specimen is in my office and I can show the Foreman Carpenter what is required.

MCH

Hon. Col. Secretary. By C. S. V. 34.

The box will be made and the Foreman Carpenter has been asked to call at your office for instructions please.

A. J. Kemmitt
291. Not
14/5/34

B. J. MCH
22. V. 34
4. V. 34

Letter to Dr. Simons da Silva, of 24/5/34.

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Gov. Naturalist

23. 30/6/34.
MCH 24/5/34

You kindly stated that you would endeavour to get a specimen of the Gentoo. Have you been able to do so.

MCH
By C.

29. 6. 34.

Hon. Col. Secy:

I went out in the "Penguin" and secured a specimen of the Gentoo in excellent condition - rather too good. This I have now mounted +, up to now looks extremely good. I should state that the skin is still very wet + its final appearance cannot yet be surmised. The drying process is much delayed in this saturated dampness at present being experienced

Agreed to
by Secy
2/7/54

~~B. f. 26. VII. 54
MCH 3. III. 54
B. f. 16. VIII. 54
MCH 26. VII. 54
B. f. 19. IX. 54
MCH 15. 8. 54~~

Gentoo penguin (proton) and mounted by Mr. A. G. Beaman for Dr. Da Silva.

Hon. Director Pub. Works.

I saw Mr. Lees this morning and handed over to him the specimen. Will you kindly cause a suitable box to be made.

MCH
as ch.
17. 9. 54.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted, this will be done

O. Roberts.

17.9.35.

Letter to Dr. Simoens da Silva of 19. 9. 34. 10

Hon. Director Pub. Works.

Will you kindly have the
box marked: -

Scientific Specimen

Dr. Simoens da Silva.

111 Rua Visconde de Silva
Rio de Janeiro
Brazil.

and then sent to the Lampland Co.
Co. Ltd. The Hon. L. W. H. Young will
kindly arrange for its transit.

MCH

as cd.

Hon. Col. Secretary.

21. 9. 34.

this will be done please.

O. Roberts.

25/9/34

P.A.
24/9/34

Letter from Dr. Simoens da Silva of 15/1/40. 11-12.

M.

Submitted.

MCH
cd.

Will you please put up a suitable
acknowledgment ~~MCH~~ 12/3/40

Draw reply put up
MCH
18. 3. 40

Thank you

~~W.H.H.~~ 21/3/40

(13) Letter to Sr. Simoens da Silva of 20. 3. 40.

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21/3/40

14. Letter from Sr. Simoens da Silva of 5/12/41.

Govt. Naturalist.

I suppose nothing can be done about the supply of the specimens required by Sr. da Silva?

C.H.H.
30/1/42.

D.C.S.

here and at S. G.

The Emperor is 4 made extreme rarity & that it is most unlikely we could ever get a specimen. In fact I do not remember to have heard of it in foreign, and only once here, when a bird wandered to P. Abille 1? and was photographed.

King and Macaroni might both be got from S. G. The former any time in winter, the latter next spring.

As you remember S. G. produced two good specimens of King for Bickley Club Co. These skins were roughly dressed with alum and salt I think - but there is probably a minute about them some use: if so it shd. be useful.

J.H.H. S.N.

30. 1. 42

Letter to D. Simoes da Silva, Rio, of 3/2/42. 15.

Minute to G.C. S. Georgia of 3/2/42. 16.

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BRITISH EMBASSY,
BUENOS AIRES.

December 17th, 1932.

My dear Sir James,

My Brazilian Colleague in Buenos Aires has asked me to give you a letter of introduction to Dr. Simoens da Silva, the Delegate of the Brazilian Government to the XXV International Congress of Americanists which was held in La Plata last month.

Dr Simoens da Silva will be visiting the Falkland Islands on his way to the Magellan Straits and Tierra del Fuego, and I should accordingly be grateful for any assistance which you may be able to give him during his stay in the Falkland Islands,

Yours sincerely,

Ronald Macleay

Hou @. S.

*Please type letter of
reply for signature*

2-1-33

His Excellency Sir James O'Grady K.C.M.G.
Governor and Commander-in-Chief,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From H.M. Vice Consul. Bahia Blanca.

To H.E. The Governor. Stanley.

Despatched : 25th December, 182. *Time* : 1245;

Received : 25th December. 1932. *Time* :

Doctor Simens Da Silva is passenger by Laguna.

Walsh. Vice Consul.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Hon. J.M.Ellis.

To Secretariat. Stanley.

Despatched : 26th December. 1932. *Time* : 1430.

Received : 26th December. 1932. *Time* :

Please inform Dr. Simens Da Silva that His Excellency would have had much pleasure in welcoming him but sincerely regrets that he absent from Stanley at this time

Secretary

On the "Laguna" steamer. High seas. Falklands Is. - Magdalen Is.
Dec. 27th 1932.

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Mr. M. C. Craigie - Falkland

My Dear Friend

With your previous permission, I am sending to your Daughter, a little box with sweet fruits tablets from Brasil, I brought into my bag. In the same way, one of my published works to His Excellency, Sir James O'Grady, with my compliments, as a remembrance of my enjoyed stay in Port Stanley. Do you know as I was very interested to visit the rock region of the Penguins. Unfortunately the short stop here of the steamer do not gave me the waited opportunity. I have a private big museum in Rio de Janeiro, with three distinct sections: Science, History and Art, all made by my personal sacrifice, without aid of my Government, who, nevertheless, visit it. You can see, in the that paper, the pictures of the pieces I possess in the art section of the museum. So: I should be very glad indeed, if the Government of these Islands could be good enough to me, sending, as a gift to the "Museu Simoes da Silva" of Rio de Janeiro - Brasil, 3 "Penguins" prepared: 1, "King"; 1, "Macarrou" and 1, "Rock-hopper", as I saw in your "Stanley Museum". They will are good to instruct the Brazilian people about this rang of southern ornithology and to the propaganda's end, with views to the tourism. If it is possible, I ask you please, to send them into a wood box, with my adress, on one of the Pacific steamers, by courtesy of Mr. Miller, one of the Royal Mail's managers, in Rio de Janeiro and a good old friend of mine.

Being pardon to you for my bad english and
for this ask & With my best regards to Mrs^{and}
Miss Craigie-Abalkett and thanks to you for the
hospitality gave me here

I remain

Very truly yours

J. Pinaeus da Silva



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

January 7th, 1933.

My dear Sir Ronald,

Much to my regret I was away from my headquarters with the Colonial Secretary on tour of the outlying parts of the Colony when Dr. Simoens da Silva visited Stanley on Christmas Day.

The Colonial Treasurer, however, did all he could to welcome Dr. da Silva and to make his short stay here instructive and enjoyable.

On leaving Dr. da Silva expressed himself in very appreciative terms.

Yours sincerely,

(SR) James O'Leary

Sir Ronald Macleay, K.C.M.G.,
ETC., ETC.

Stanley, January 23rd 1933 ⁽⁶⁾

Dear Mr^r Ellis,

I attach a letter received from Dr. Lino da Silva in which you will see that he wishes the enclosed copy of his work forwarded to H. E. the Governor. Dr. da Silva asks if he can be supplied with certain specimens of Penguins. We might be able to let him have specimens of the Gentoo, Rocky and Macruroni but I fear the King Penguin cannot be obtained here - those in

y.p.

Submitted. Re Piggins

- with the exception of the
King Piggins - can be got but
the matter is not quite so
simple as it may sound!

Yours

Hon C.S.

24. 1. 33.

Please do what you can
in the matter, and send Dr Silva
our thanks for his compliments. To me
10/9 24.1.33

the Museum came from
New Zealand.

Yrs. faithfully,
M. Craigie Hartnett

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Colonial Treasury,
Port Stanley, Falkland Islands
5th March 1933.

Dear Dr. Simoens da Silva.

I thank you for your letter of the 27th December last. My daughter was delighted with the box of fruit tablets you so kindly sent and has asked me to convey her best thanks to you. With regard to the specimens of Penguins you require for your Museum, I have to say that the Government Naturalist here has been instructed to prepare a Rocky Penguin at the suitable season, that is, towards the end of the year when the plumage is in best condition for taking specimens. I am afraid it will not be possible to supply specimens of the

King and Macaroni Penguins as these birds are rare in the Falklands, but a specimen of the Gentoo Penguin might be supplied instead. Perhaps you will let me know if you would like a specimen of this species.

I am to thank you on behalf of the Governor for the copy of your published work which you sent to His Excellency, and also for your kind compliments. With kindest regards from myself and family.

Believe me, very sincerely yours,

M. Craigie Halkett

Dr. Simoens da Silva,
III Rua Visconde de Silva,
Rio de Janeiro,
Brazil.

No. 5/33.

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

MINUTE.

23rd November, 1933.

From

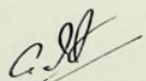
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Acting Government Naturalist,

STANLEY.

With reference to the Rockhopper Penguin which you are preparing for Dr. Simeons da Silva, I am directed by the Acting Governor to request that you will be good enough to secure and mount also one Gentoo Penguin.


for Colonial Secretary.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

STANLEY.

24th May, 1934.

Dear Dr. Simoens da Silva,

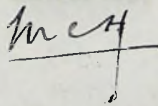
I expect you will have thought we had forgotten your request for certain specimens of Penguins. At last we have a specimen of the Rockhopper ready. This has been set up on a stand and has been securely packed against damage in transit. The box will be sent to you on the 26th May, 1934, and I hope it will reach you safely.

The Government Naturalist will now get you a specimen of the Gentoo Penguin, the skins of which are at their best during the months of winter. When completed this also will be sent to you.

I trust that the specimen now sent will suit the purpose you require it for.

With kindest regards in which also my wife and daughter join

Yours sincerely,



Dr. Simoens da Silva,
111 Rua Visconde de Silva,
Rio de Janeiro,
BRAZIL.



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Colonial Secretary's Office
STANLEY.

19th September, 1934.

Dear Dr. Simoens da Silva,

I trust that you received my letter dated the 24th May last and also the specimen of the Rockhopper Penguin which was sent to you by that mail. Not having received any acknowledgment I am wondering if the specimen reached you will you kindly let me know in due course.

By the present mail I am sending you a specimen of the Gentoo Penguin and I hope you will be pleased with it.

With kindest regards.

Believe me, very sincerely yours,

McH

Dr. Simoens da Silva,
III Rua Visconde de Silva,
Rio de Janeiro,
Brazil.

Museu Emancipada Escola "111. Rua Visconde de Sabá. Largo do Caju.
Rio de Janeiro, Brasil. January 15th. 1940

To His Excellency Sir Herbert Kenneth Stenton, K.C.M.G.

Governor and Chief Commander of Falkland Islands.

Dear Sir

In first place: My best wishes for a very happy New Year.
As you can see, by the illustrated number of "A Noite",
one of the evening newspapers of the Capital of Brazil, I
have the honour to send you, with this letter, I am the
founder and owner of the museum, ~~as per~~ referred; abran-
dly, with 60 years of existency.

I have had the pleasure to visit Falkland Islands, in
1932; being here, very well received by Mr. Graigie Shalkott
and Family, in the absence of the Governor Sir James O'Grady,
to whom I had a very good introducing letter from the British
Trade Ambassador, in Buenos Ayres (Argentina), in dependence
of a cablegram from the British Consul, in Bahia Blanca.
To give you a true proof of this allegation, I send you also
with my compliments, a copy of my book of the, very
peculiar trip over the archipel region, in South America,
where you can see in the pages: 79-83 my references of the
islands and between pages 62-65, two photos; one, of
Port Stanley, and other, of penguins on the shore.

As was promised me in that occasion, for the Govern-
ment of the Falkland Islands, to send to my museum
the "penguins" prepared of this region; I received two, one
one, the "Rock Skipper" and, the other, the "Gentoo"; about
with the others: "Emperor", "King", "Adelia", "Dove", "Macarrou" and
one "other", I don't remember the name, now.

Professor A. G. Bennett, sent me both, very well preserved
as you can see, when arrive in Rio de Janeiro, travelling

to England; where from I am arrived, last year, when I came back from Egypt, where I gave a lecture of "The Brazilian ethnography," in the Cairo University. My cousin and colleague, Ambassador Raul Rodrigues de Oliveira, left soon the "dean" position in London, because he is retired of the Diplomatic Body, for the age 65, finishing his career way, in the world.

May be you know him!

I hope to receive in Rio de Janeiro, as soon as possible your visit, to have be with me, into the Museum, already with 14 rooms, with pieces of science, art and history, of Brazil and America, Europe, Africa and Polynesia, where I have travelled.

I ask you, please, to give the letter together to Mrs. Craigie Halkett and to present to our friend Professor A. G. Bennett, my best regards.

I am going to the British Embassy, here, in Rio, to obtain permission to send this letter and papers, into the diplomatic value, to you.

With my sincere vove of happiness and proprieties and kind regards

I remain

Very truly yours

D. Pimenta da Silva. (Antonio Carlos)

C O P Y.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

20th March, 1940.

Dear Sir,

Red 12.

I thank you for your letter of the 15th of January last, and for your kind compliments. I thank you also for the literature regarding your private museum and the trip you made over the Austral region in South America.

If in the course of my travels I should find myself at Rio de Janeiro I shall be happy to avail myself of your kind invitation to visit you at your museum.

I am glad that you still retain pleasant recollections of your visit to the Falkland Islands in 1934, and that you were successful in obtaining specimens of the local fauna for your museum.

Mr. A. G. Bennett has left the Colony and is now residing in England. The letter you enclosed for Mr. Craigie-Halkett has been delivered to him.

I am, dear Sir,

Very truly yours,

(Sgd.) H. HENNIKER-HEATON

Dr. Simoens da Silva,
111 Rua Visconde de Silva,
Rio de Janeiro,
BRAZIL.

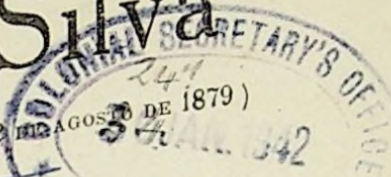
Brasil. Rio. December. 5th 1941.

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• "Museu Simoens da Silva"

(RIO DE JANEIRO — FUNDADOR E PROPRIETARIO, DR. A. C. SIMOENS DA SILVA — 2



Dear Sir Lb. Henniker Water
Governor of Falkland Islands.

My best vows of happiness and prosperity.
My last letter to you was in July. 23rd 1941,
when I came back from United States of America,
where I went to take part in the meetings of
the "VIII Scientific Pan American Congress," invited
by the American Government; being elected Vice President
of the first section (Anthropology); presiding two meet-
ings and presenting two papers, with slides, referants to the
ethnology and archaeology of northern and southern Brazil.
I am waiting for your visit to my museum, since you
promise in March. 20th last year (1940).
I have, already, 14 departments of my house, with the
collections of science, Art and History.

But.....

I have not again the 3 penguins:

Emperor, King and Macarrou!

I would be glad, if you can be good enough to me, to my Museum (with 62 years old) and to the "Brazilian student people" who visits every month the "Museu Fimoes da Silva" do Rio de Janeiro, the referred three polar birds, I ask, newly from you. I send you today, my picture to you know myself, before, give me a friend shake hand.

With my best regards and congratulations for your high position in that part of world

I remain
Very truly yours

Dr. Fimoes da Silva



5/33.

3rd February,

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Sir,

Red 14.

With reference to your letter of the 5th of December, 1941, addressed to Sir H. Henniker-Heaton, I am directed to inform you that specimens of King and Macaroni are not obtainable in the Falklands but endeavour will be made to procure the skins at South Georgia during the coming winter.

2. Some months may, however, elapse before it is possible to obtain the skins owing to difficulties of communication.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) A. I. Fleuret

for Colonial Secretary.

Dr. Simoens da Silva,
111 Rua Visconde de Silva,
Rio de Janeiro,
BRAZIL.

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MINUTE.

No. 5/33.

3rd February, 19 42.

From

To The Officer-in-Charge,

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

SOUTH GEORGIA.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I am directed to request that you will arrange to obtain skins or specimens of the King and Macaroni Penguins in South Georgia and forward them to Dr. Simoens da Silva, 111 Rua Visconde de Silva, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

2. One specimen of each variety is required for Dr. da Silva's Museum in Brazil.

(Sgd.) A. L. Fleuret

for Colonial Secretary.