

C.S.

TUSSAC.

NAT/FLO/1#2

1920.

No. 833

Mr. Aubrey Hardy.

SUBJECT.

1920

4th November.

Previous Paper.

Asks that the weight of bundle of Tussac be reduced from 28 lbs to 20 lbs.

MINUTES.

(1)

H. E.

I cannot find how or when the bundle was fixed at 28 lbs for 6d but the Chief Constable informs me that it was over twenty years ago.

W.L.B.
for C. S.
5/11/20.

(2)

C.S.O.

The first intimation of the Govt's intention in the matter of permitting the cutting of Tussac on the Islands appears in the Gazette of 5th 12th Nov. 1891.

Tenders were called for, Govt stipulating that it would be "supplied with a certain number of bundles of Tussac each worth free of charge."

In 1904 the Governor fixed the Royalty at 10⁰ on the strength of which licence forms were printed fixing the (1) Royalty @ 10⁰ (2) the weight per bundle at a minimum of 28 lbs (3) the price per bundle at 6^d.

Ex. Co. on 6.11.20.

W.L.B.
5.11.20

Subsequent Paper.

Extract from minutes of the meeting of the Ex: Co: of the
5th November, 1920.

"The Administrator placed before the Council an application made on behalf of the local tussac cutters for a reduction in the weight of the bundle of tussac they were obliged by the permits granted them by the Government to supply to purchasers at the price of 6d. The Council considered that the reduction applied for viz: from a bundle of 28 lbs to one of 20 lbs was reasonable and advised that the permits be so issued in future to give effect to this. The Administrator concurred and ordered accordingly."

Chief Constable,

To note,
Ch. C.
for C. S.
8/11/20.

Hon. Secy

(4)

noted
W.S.
8/11/20

Letter to Mr. Murray. of 8/11/20.

(5)

H.C. Will a Court Notice be necessary?

Ch. C.
for C.S.
8/11/20

(6)

C.S.O.

No! Only the necessary alteration in the permit forms.

W.S.
9.11.20

No

Name

Locality

Year

Date

8/1/17.

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No _____

Mr _____ is hereby permitted to cut

Tussock-grass on _____ during the period

1st January to 31st December 19 _____ on the following conditions:—

- (1) That the Police are notified whenever Tussock-grass is landed in Stanley.
- (2) That 10% of each cargo is delivered to the Government.
- (3) That every bundle of Tussock-grass shall weigh not less than 28lbs. and shall be sold at not more than 6d. per bundle.
- (4) That no birds or animals in the locality named above shall be molested.
- (5) That this license is subject to prior termination at any time without compensation.

Colonial Secretary.

Date _____

Stanley.
4th Nov. 1920.

The Hon.,
The Colonial Secretary.

Sir

We have the honor to suggest that the following might be submitted to His Excellency the Administrator for his consideration.

In the face of the advanced prices of food stuffs and other commodities, it is felt that an injustice is being done to our local cutter-men, by insisting upon their compliance with the regulations affecting the sale of tussac taken from Kidney Island and the islands in Port William.

The regulations require that the weight of a bundle of tussac be twenty-eight pounds - the price of the bundle being sixpence.

We feel and we may mention we speak as purchasers - that in view of the conditions already referred to the public would be receiving value for money in obtaining a bundle weighing twenty-pounds for sixpence.

We venture to suggest that His Excellency might effect such an alteration in the regulations and thus ensure the men engaged in the industry a fair remuneration for their services.

We have the honor to remain.

Yours faithfully.

(Amby Hardy)

L. J. Sumner
W. H. Farbram.

J. Sumner
G. Watson

E. Dittell.

E. J. Beintren
w. Mrs. Baird

V. L. Sumner

John Dittell

John G. Kellogg

John D. Warkup

G. Lehen

W. S. Briggs

T. Smith

Phillips

Jo. W. Wainey

W. B. Dehon

A. Petterson

M. Wilson

J. Reive.

B. Sedgwick

J. Dittell

W. Clifton

T. P. Walker.

H. H. Sedgwick

D. Briggs.

W. Boyner

Wm. Farley

Lee Summers

Grant Summers

A. L. Middle

Aubrey Hardy.

G. F. Melway

W. J. Hutchinson.

G. H. Clarke

J. M. Gold

A. Steel

M. O'Neil

353/20.

8th November,

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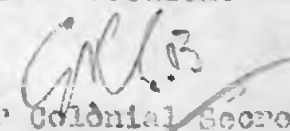
Sir,

I am directed by the Administrator to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th inst., applying on behalf of the local tussock cutters, for a reduction in the weight of the bundle which they are obliged by the conditions of their permits to supply to purchasers at the price of 6d.

In reply, I am to inform you that it has been decided to make the reduction in the weight of the bundle asked for, viz., from a bundle of 28 lbs., to one of 20 lbs., and that in future the permits granted by the Government will stipulate that the lesser weight be supplied for the price above stated instead of 28 lbs as formerly. The amended conditions will also apply to permits already issued for the present year, in respect of tussock supplied on and after to-day's date.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,


for Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Aubrey Hardy,
Stanley.