

C.S.

Scientific Museum
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M.C.A. Parkinson

SUBJECT.

1934

4th July

Previous Paper.

Mr. C.A. Parkinson requests that he be permitted to take sundry plants & seeds for distribution to Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew and Edinburgh

MINUTES

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Letter from M.C.A. Parkinson 4/7/34

M. Submitted. I do not know that we wish to commission Mr Parkinson to take specimens of F.I. plants to Kew. I see no objection however to Mr Parkinson obtaining and taking plants to Kew Gardens and the Botanical Gardens, Edinburgh

MCH
by C.S.
5.7.34.

Hon. C.S.

I have spoken to Mr

Parkinson in regard to this matter and there are also previous C.S.

Subsequent Paper.

which deal with previous consignments
of the seeds of these plants sent
by this Government. In any case I
think it as well for this Government
itself to be associated with any such
service rendered by one of its officers
to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew and
Edinburgh.

2: Please list, say, ^{17.} ~~17.~~ 7. 34.

when it may be known what opportunity
there will be of communicating with Mr.
Nyles by letter in the sense suggested.

J. M. S.

5. 7. 34.

b. f. 17. VII. 34
MCH 6. VII. 34

It would appear necessary to request Mr. Nyles by telegram to obtain the plans required. He would not be able to obtain the plans while the "Lafonia" is at Fox Bay.

MCH
ag. es.
17.7.34.

For. C. S.

Yes: draft telegram

herein.

JMS

18.7.34

- ② Telegram to Mr. W. B. Nyles of 19/7/34.
- ③ Minute to Mr. C. H. Parkinson of 28/7/34.

B. f 7.8.34
MCH 24.7.34

It. Some form of Certificate is necessary to enable plans to be imported into the U.K. The dispatch ^{of 5 Nov. 1931.} (ref 3 C.S. 217/33) cannot be traced and was apparently not received here.

The attached form of Certificate was taken from a specimen of

C.S. 1001/21 attached to the
Destruction Insects and Pests Order
1921 (UK), but this order
has since been amended and
also the form of certificate.
The form required is that mentioned
in S. of S. Circular despatch of
5th Nov^r 1951 but this cannot
be traced.

2. Will yr. wish letters
regarding the plants handed to
Mr Parkinson for delivery at Kew
and Edinburgh.

3. Mr Parkinson has informed
me that it is advisable that the Please
plants should be conveyed in cold insulated
storage and I can ask the Dept. of Ag. to
to arrange to have this done
H.S. Co. 16.8.34.

MCH
ag ed
15.8.34.

Mr C.S.

I think that a form of
certificate as drafted will best meet the
case.

2. Please wish to Kew and
Edinburgh direct and file Mr Parkinson
copies of the letters.

3. Draft reply to S. of S. also
here with.
Yours
16.8.34

- ④ Letter to Managers, I & Co Ltd 17/8/34
- ⑤ Certificate of freedom from disease & pest on receipt of wired plants despatched to UK.
- ⑥ Letter to Directors of Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew & Edinburgh 17/8/34.

J.A.
18/8/34

- ⑦ Letter from Royal Botanic Gardens 19/9/34.
- ⑧ " " " " 20/9/34.
- ⑨ Letter to Royal Botanic Gardens of 8/3/35.

P.A.
8/3/35

- ⑩ Letter from Royal Botanic Gardens 7/4/35

F.A.
14/5/35

11-12. Letter from Royal Botanic Gardens of 16.5.38.
Extracted from P. 177.

H. Submitted. To Agric:
Adviser for report on the
trees and shrubs mentioned
in the letter?

MCH
ed.
20.6.38

The ~~Appointed~~ subject
of this file is seed or tuber

to New from the J.I. The
relevant part of (P) et seq. paper
to the present enquiry had better
be put up in a file dealing
with the attempts to grow trees
in the Colony from seed and
seedlings from the U.K. If
necessary a new file sh^d. be
opened to wh. sh^d. be attached
previous m/p.

Sealt with in M.S. 132/38.

ttttt 20/6/35

New file opened and
Submitted. WCH
CS
21.7.35

P.H.
23/7/38

Port Stanley,

4 - 7. 34

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,

Sir,

I have the honour to suggest that I may be commissioned by the Falkland Islands Government to take plants and seeds of *Prunella farinosa* var. *magellanicum* and *Calceolaria Fothergillii* to England on 18th August for distribution to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew and Edinburgh.

During the last few years there have been several applications for seed of these species from the Royal Parks, London, and the Royal Botanic Garden at Edinburgh, and in all probability the seed has been infertile.

If my proposal is adopted I would suggest that about thirty (30) plants of *C. Fothergillii* be obtained from Foza Bay when the S.S. "Lafonia" calls here prior to her 18th August voyage to Monte Video.

Mr T Bayles of Foza Bay has on previous occasions collected this species for the Falkland Islands Government, and I would suggest that he be asked to send plants with as much soil adhering to the roots as can be conveniently arranged, and to avoid damaging the roots in any way. *Calceolaria Fothergillii* is rather a tricky subject to transplant.

I can obtain locally a sufficient quantity
of *Prunella ferrosa* v. *magellanica*.

In regard to seed, I have hopes of collecting
a little of *P. ferrosa*, and if a little could be
obtained from the Foo Bay Calceolaria the opportunity
could then be taken of keeping them in cool storage
on the voyage.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. A. Parkinson

Gardner Government House

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				19/7/34.

To

WILES

FOX BAY

PLEASE SEND BY DAFONIA ON NEXT CALL AT FOX BAY ABOUT
 5TH AUGUST FIFTY PLANTS OF THE CALCEOLARIA POTTSII WILLIAMS
 (LADY'S SLIPPER) AND ALSO A QUANTITY OF THE SEED OF THE
 SAME IF POSSIBLE. THE PLANTS SHOULD BE SENT WITH AS
 MUCH SOIL, ATTENDING TO THE ROOTS AS CAN BE CONVENIENTLY
 ARRANGED AND CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO AVOID DAMAGING THE
 ROOTS IN ANY WAY

SECRETARY.

Time

No. 147/34.

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

MINUTE.

23rd July, 1934.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To Mr. G. A. Parkinson.

Government Gardener.

Stanley.

With reference to your letter dated the 4th July, 1934, I am to inform you that His Excellency the Acting Governor has approved the suggestion that you should take to England certain plants and seeds for distribution to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew and Edinburgh.

2. I am to add in this connection that Mr. W. B. Nyles, Fox Bay, has been requested to obtain fifty plants of the *Calceolaria rothergillii* and also a quantity of the seed of same, if possible. Mr. Nyles has been further instructed that the plants should be sent with as much soil adhering to the roots as can be conveniently arranged and that care should be taken to avoid damaging the roots in any way.

MCA

Acting Colonial Secretary.

147/34.

17th August,

34.

Sir,

I am directed by the acting Governor to inform you that Mr. C.A. Parkinson who sails for England on the 18th inst., is taking on behalf of this Government a box of wild plants of this Colony for presentation to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew and Edinburgh.

2. I am to state that it is essential that the plants should be placed in cold storage on the voyage to England, and I am to request that you will be so good as to make such arrangements as may be necessary to have this done.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

MCH

Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,
Falkland Islands Co.Ltd.,
Agents Royal Mail Lines, Ltd.,
STANLEY.

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STANDARD

CERTIFICATE.

I certify hereby that a consignment of the undermentioned wild plants, namely,

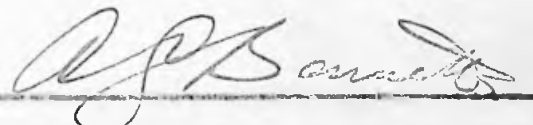
Galucolaria Pothergillii;

Primula Formosa Magellanica;

Oxalis Humeaphylla;

and *Eysyrinchium Filifolium* ;

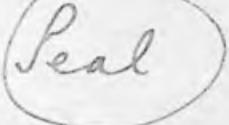
is being sent by the Government of the Falkland Islands in care of Mr. C.A. Parkinson, Gardener, Government House, Stanley, to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew and Edinburgh and that the afore-said wild plants have been taken from the open moorland in the Falkland Islands and are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, free from any disease or pest.



Acting Government Naturalist.

Counter-Signed. 

Acting Colonial Secretary.



Stanley,
Falkland Islands,
16th August, 1904.

STANDARD

147/34.

17th August,

34.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that at the suggestion of Mr. C. A. Parkinson, Gardener, Government House, certain wild plants of this Colony are being despatched by this Government to you, namely :-

Calceolaria Pothergillii,
Frimula Formosa Magellanica,
Oxalis Emsaphylla, and
Sisyrinchium Filifolium.

2. I am to add that the plants are being sent in care of Mr. Parkinson, who expects to arrive in England on the 13th September next and who will deliver them in person.

3. I am to express the hope that the plants will reach you in good condition and will prove of interest for experimental purposes.

4. I enclose a Certificate relative to the plants in question.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Director,
Royal Botanic Gardens,
KEW.

The Director,
Royal Botanic Gardens,
EDINBURGH.

Telephones :—
21317—Regius Keeper.
83108—Accounts Office & Laboratory.

All communications should be
addressed to :—

THE REGIUS KEEPER.



ROYAL BOTANIC GARDEN,
EDINBURGH, 4.

19th September 1934.

Ref. 147/34.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 17th August intimating that Mr C. A. Parkinson on his return to this country is conveying certain Falkland Islands plants gifted to the Royal Botanic Garden. I have to report that Mr Parkinson immediately on his arrival in this country forwarded the plants to Edinburgh. The Primula and the Calceolaria arrived in good condition. I am informed by Mr Parkinson that the Oxalis and the Sisyrinchium did not endure the journey, but the two which arrived safely were the more desirable plants and are very welcome.

I would ask you to convey to the Governor my appreciation of his kindness in making these arrangements and in instructing Mr Parkinson to look after their welfare during the voyage.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Regius Keeper.

The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands.



ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS,

KEW, SURREY.

All communications should be addressed to

THE DIRECTOR,

quoting the following number :--

2/F.I./1.

20th September, 1934.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge with best thanks receipt of your letter no.147 /34 of August 17th and of the plants of Calceolaria Fothergillii and Primula farinosa magellanica which you have so kindly sent me by the hand of Mr. C. A. Parkinson. Mr. Parkinson brought these plants to Kew and I am glad to say that they reached us in excellent condition.

The plants of Oxalis Enneaphylla and Sisyrinchium filifolium to which you refer in your letter were not received. I hope that, when some future opportunity may occur, you will be able to let us have them.

As I am writing, I shall be very glad if you can give me some information as to the progress of the seedlings of Caragana arborescens about which we have had correspondence. You will see from your files that Mr. Ellis, Colonial Secretary in 1932, wrote to me on the matter in his letters no.465/26 of May 25th and September 20th, 1932. I shall hope to hear that the plants are progressing and are proving of value.

I should also be very glad to have some further information as to the growth of the various trees and shrubs which we have sent out to you from Kew from time to time. You will remember that some years ago we sent out a consignment of trees - correspondence on the matter going back to the year 1927 and earlier. Should you have any photographs showing the growth of the

trees/

The Acting Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
STANLEY,
Falkland Islands.

See N.P. 132/38.

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trees round about Port Stanley or elsewhere
I should be very glad to see them and hear
whether the experiment has been in any way
successful.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Arthur Hill
DIRECTOR.

PS: Since writing this I learn that the
plants of Oxalis and Sisyrinchium
died on the voyage and Mr. Parkinson
threw them away lest their decay
should injure the other plants.

147/34.

8th March,

55.

Sir,

With reference to your letter, No. 2/F.I./I of the 20th of September, 1954, I am directed to inform you that shrubs of Caragana Aborescens were transplanted in November last. They grew for a short time but the leaves seemed to wither off. Although there are only 6 left they are showing signs of new buds.

2. With regard to your enquiry regarding the consignment of trees sent out, I am to say with regret that the experiment proved a failure as with but few exceptions the trees which were planted died. It would appear that this climate is unsuited to the growing of trees due in the main no doubt to the very high winds.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

MCH

Colonial Secretary.

The Director,
Royal Botanic Gardens,



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ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS,

KEW, SURREY.

5th April, 1935.

All communications should be addressed to

THE DIRECTOR,

quoting the following number :—

2/F.I./1.

Sir,

With reference to your letter 14734 of the 8th March, I very much regret to learn that the experiments in tree planting carried out in the Falkland Islands in 1927 proved to be a failure. I note that a few plants of Caragana arborescens are still alive.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

DIRECTOR.

Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
STANLEY,
Falkland Islands.