

C.S.

Seaborg.

1926.

No.

257/26.

SUBJECT.

1926

Temporary re-establishment of
Guard at Jason Island.

21st May.

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

Ag. Government Naturalist.

The question has arisen whether in view of certain repairs required to the 'after glow' which will necessitate her being laid up for a considerable time, it will not be necessary to re-establish the Guard at Jason Island until the repairs to the vessel have been effected.

2. Will you please furnish your observations on the matter for His Excellency's information, stating whether the necessity of taking precautions against raid on the fur seal rookery at Jason Island is of sufficient urgency

Subsequent Paper.

A warrant the Guard being re-established
immediately.

W. H. 17

D. J. C. S. E.

21 May 1926.

On C. C. S. O.

The colony is in an unfortunate position just now, without boats, and still more unfortunate in that Chilean schooners are here and being employed, one of these schooners "Emma" is not above suspicion in relation to Fur seals, and Auckland Rookeries

The Chileans being thus employed & having the whole facts made plain to them, the risks the Fur seals run is probably worse now than at any time, should not one of these boats now here be tempted to make a "clean up," they can & will carry the "glad news" to others at Punta Arenas.

The greatest danger of a raid is about December. for then the seals are breeding. soon after this they moult & the skin is not worth the trouble of collecting. From April onwards, the skins become of some value, as winter time is the less stormy season, and the coast known to be clear, a raid might be expected at any time.

In view of the increase the largest rookery - Jasons. has made under the protection now given, it would seem desirable to do something

to prevent the past good work being undone in perhaps a few hours,

I have no hesitation whatever in recommending immediate action being taken on the lines suggested, especially in view of the present position.

It is much better to offer what protection we can at once, than to complain after a raid has been made & grave damage done.

Raids are liable to be made during the night - moonlight - as well as daytime.

A. J. Bennett

21 May 1926

as per Nat

G. E.

In accordance with Your Excellency's instructions I requested Mr. A. J. Bennett, Government Naturalist, to submit his views on the question of the temporary re-establishment of the Jason Guard for such time as the 'Afterglow' is off service

2. The Guard at Jason established in 1922 was with Brown in September 1922

21 May 1926

2/12 Sect.

The question of the re-establishment of the guard at Jason Island owing to the "Afterglow" being out of Commission was mentioned to me in conversation by Hon. M. Craigie-Stalkott a couple of days ago. He expressed the opinion that in present circumstances such a precautionary measure was very necessary. This is borne out, too, by the report of the Ag. Government Naturalist.

2. I saw the Harbour Master, together with the Master of the "Afterglow", on the subject to-day.

3. There is at present no available craft to take a guard out to Jason Island but an opportunity may occur on the return of the S.S. "Fleurbaey" from South Georgia at the beginning of June.

4. I wish this guard re-established and sent out at the very first opportunity. The guard should be recruited from the personnel of the "Afterglow", who are now practically idle as their boat is unfit to go to sea.

5. These papers should now go to the Harbour Master for him to take the necessary action to hold the guard in readiness pending means of transport becoming available. He should consider the matter carefully in the light of such information as is available regarding the previous maintenance of the Jason Island guard, and furnish

his recommendations regarding equipment, rations etc.

6. I understand that the gun on Jason Island which was brought into Stanley on the withdrawal of the guard in 1921 was a 12 Rdr., and that there would be considerable difficulty in re-erecting this now. Commander Amedroz was going to consider the possibility of a 3 Rdr. gun being made available.

D.
22/4/26.

Harbour Master

Referred.

G.H. 17

Wife

23 May 1926.

Submitted

The Guards for Jason Islands are detailed & ready to proceed as soon as provisions are purchased. The gun is also ready & convenient.

W. Etheridge (in charge)

J. Watts

J. Lang.

Provisions can be got in 24 hours.

Wm. C.

H. Mackie.

To Colonial Secretary
P. Stanley.

Note. His Excellency telephoned today the itinerary of the voyage of the Flewus' to West Falklands (noted on back) and informed me that the calls at San Carlos, West Point and

Charters had been arranged between the Falkland Island Coy. and Capt Carlsen for the purpose of landing outward freight and passengers and bringing back wool and passengers. I saw Capt Carlsen at 12 noon. He stated that the cost to the Government in connection with this voyage would not exceed £80. and that if the vessel were not hindered by bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances an appreciable reduction of this charge would be made.

G.H.
 O/S
 8 June 1926.

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Your Excellency:

The attached M.P. 157/22 relates to instructions issued to the Guard in 1922 regarding observations which they were required to make. I have shown these instructions to the Acting Government Naturalist and he is of opinion that similar directions should be issued to the Guard being sent out by the "Fleurus": (4) & (5) are not observations which can be made at this season but Mr. Bennett considers they should be allowed to stand. He also considers that the Guard should

be instructed to keep watch for any signs of the existence of other rookeries in the vicinity and to make a careful note of any occasion that may occur on which sounds of fur seals are heard coming from a direction other than that of the known rookery.

2. Mr. Bennett is strongly of opinion that paragraph 3 of the minute of 21st February 1922 should be omitted on the grounds that no species of wild bird on the island is in any danger of being exterminated.

3. I submit a draft memo to the Harbour Master on the subject for approval.

4. I also submit a draft of the letter which your Excellency directed should be sent to Mr. Hansen of Carcass Island. It will be necessary that the "Fleurus" should call at Carcass for the delivery of this letter. This would only take her five miles out of her course and I understand would cause her very little loss of time and steam.

*Spl. Secy.
O/S Secy.
8 June 1926.*

O/S Secy. Thank you. This apparently crossed my minute of yesterday.

2. Draft approved

*J.D.
9. VI. 26*

718.

Letter J. Hansen dated 9th June 1926.

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Minute to Harbour Master 9th June 1926

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Minute from the Ag. Governor 9th June 1926.

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Confidential Instructions to Armed Guard

12.

Minute to Harbour Master 9th June 1926.

Letter from Capt. Carlsen of 9. June. 1926

Minute from Ag. Collector of Customs of 9 June. 1926. 13, 14-15

Harbour Master,

Will you please record on this paper
the action taken in connection with Encl 12
herein.

G.H. 13

O/S Sec

21 June 1926.

Submitted

re Encl 12.

G. Ettinger was appointed Guard in charge of Jason I^s
guard & a letter was given to him to this effect.

A copy of the "Instructions for Armed Guard" was also
given to each man & the Guard in charge was ordered
to see that they made themselves thoroughly acquainted
with them

D. M. S. C.

M. S. S. S.

21/6/26.

Letter from Capt. P. Carlsen dated 28.6.26.

16.

V.E.
Submitted.

The verbal arrangements to which
Capt Carlsen refers were simply a request
on my part that he should state in
writing his revised charge for the
services of the 'Fleuvus' in connection
with her voyage to the Jasons.

2. I understand from Mr. A. E. Bennett
that Capt Carlsen rendered every possible
assistance in connection with the landing
of the Guard and at considerable
inconvenience to himself. The crew of the

'Fleurus' after landing the gun conveyed it to the site: without their assistance the work could not have been accomplished.

3. On the return of this paper it will be referred to the Harbour Master for his report regarding the establishment of the Guard and for action necessary in connection with payment of cost of voyage of Your Excellency approves of payment of the sum charged being made.

W.H. 13
O/S Sect.
28 June 1926.

O/S Sect.

Although the charge made is within Captain Carlson's original estimate, I had hoped for a still further reduction in view of all the additional freight arranged for the trip with the Falkland Island Company. However, the Hon. J.R. Gresham to whom I have spoken, tells me that in his opinion a charge of £65 is quite reasonable. I understand that owing to the difficult conditions there the "Fleurus" was detained for 3 days at the Isaac's. We can therefore accept £65.

2. The information supplied by Mr. Bennett appears to justify the payment of the gratuity claimed for the crew, but

Harbour Master should furnish his views, as he is in a position to get full details from Captain Howall, who accompanied the Guard.

3. Will you now please refer to Harbour Master as proposed in para. 3 of your minute

4. A Special Warrant will be necessary to cover charges in connection with the re-establishment of the Jason's Guard, but it should be quite possible to cover this by savings from Head VI

[Signature]
29. VI. 26

Harbour Master:

Referred

[Signature]

Or/Secy.

30 June 1926.

Submitted

In view of the delay caused by the weather, the good work done by the crew of "Hermes", I consider the charge of £10. is justified. With reference to para 4 of His Excellency's minute, had H.M.C.S. "Attingham" been fit, she would have done this work, & if I may charge the sum of £75 to II B Patrol boat (B) 2 it will be unnecessary to make out a Special Warrant.

[Signature]

H^r Mackie.

The Colonial Secretary
Port Stanley.

3/7/26.

San Ag. Treasurer,

As no specific provision has been made in the General Warrant for the re-establishment of the Jason Guard, a special warrant will

I think be necessary under a new subhead.
Colonial Regulations 303 & 304 seem to Govern
such expenditure as has been incurred in
this connection but you might please state
your view.

G.M.H.
O/Sect.
8 July 1926.

Hon. Sec.
I concur. A special warrant
will be necessary under a new sub-head.
M. Brian Hunter
by Treas
9.7.26

Harbour Master
It would appear that a special
warrant will be necessary.

G.M.H.
O/Sect.
10 July 1926

Officer-in-Charge.
Secretariat.

Herewith, application for S.W. for £75.

M. Brian Hunter
Harbour Master.
20/7/26.

- 17. Copy of S. W. No. 14. of 19 July 1926.
- 19. Letter from Mr. J. Hansen of June. 13. 1926.

G.M.H.
Special warrant No 14/25 submitted.

G.M.H.
O/Sect.
22 July 1926.

22. VII. 26

Harbour Master,

Hon. Ch. Treasurer.

Special warrant No 14/26 herewith
for necessary action.

G.L.H.
O/S. Sec.
26 July 1926.

Office Secretariate

S.W. No 14/26 withdrawn

H. Chen
for Treasurer
27/7/26

✓ No 26/11

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Memo from Acting Treasurer 10 Dec 1926. 20.

Harbour Master.

Ref 20 referred to you, please.

J. Muller

Gy. Col. Sec.

10. 12. 26

Minute from Harbour Master of 13. Dec. 1926. 21.

Harbour Master,

Please ascertain definitely whether any communication has been received by the "Falkland".

2. I assume that there will be no difficulty in obtaining the relief required?

3. Is it not possible that some of the present guard may prefer to continue on duty at Town in view of the fact that no relief is coming with the remainder of the crew of the "Hector"?
It will no longer be possible at present to employ them?

J. Mullins
of G. L. & Co.

13. 12. 26.

16/12/26.

Submitted

his letter has been received by Falkland.

- (2) I think reliefs would be easily forthcoming after Xmas.
- (3) I think it is probable that the Guard would prefer to stay instead of having to find work on return to the Post Falkland.

W. M. M. M.
W. M. M. M.

The Colonial Secretary
P. Stanley.

Harbour Master

to any one it will be necessary

1. to send out food supplies at an early date, please?
2. What supplies did the freight take with them on party in June, 1926?

W. M. M. M.
W. M. M. M.

16. 12. 26

Submitted

Yes, supplies should go on the occasion of Falkland's next trip to the West

- (2) The list of stores is made out for the Guard for 6 months & is ample. These can be ordered & packed in 48 hrs. The sheep last June were picked up at West P. I. & I think that would be advisable this time also.

W. M. M. M.
W. M. M. M.

C. A. Scott
P. Stanley.
17/12/26.

g^d Suggested Supplies should be sent by the next opportunity (i.e. S.S. "Callant" or S.S. "Flora") as proposed by the Harbour Master including the sheep to be obtained at West Point Island.

2. Does g^d desire the Guard to be relieved in any case or that enquiry should be made in the first instance as to whether any of them now on the duty desire to be relieved?

g^d

18.12.26.

H.C.S.

1. Harbour Master should make necessary arrangements for the rationing of the Guard.

2. If the Guard is prepared to remain on without relief, I have no objection whatsoever, but as they have been there six months now it appears to me

to be but fair to them that they should be
given the option of returning to Stanley should
they so desire. Now we are to communicate
with them, however, I am not at all clear.
Perhaps Harbour Master could make enquiries
on this point.

B.
20 Decr 1926

Harbour Master

To you accordingly please

J. Mullis
G. Col. Sec

20. 12. 26.

Submitted

Provision for a further 6 months men being sent
out in P.S. "Fleam".
A letter is being sent to the Guard in Charge re
reliefs

W. B. B. B.
H. B. B. B.
23/12/26.

To Colonial Sec^y

Harbour Master

I assume that you have conveyed
with the Master of "Fleam" to bring a reply
to your letter of enquiry?

J. Mullis
G. Col. Sec

23. 12. 26.

Inside Minute Paper.

29/12/26.

Submit

Yes, this was done.

W. M. M. M.
H. M. M.

J. M. S.

P. S. S.

W. 5. 1. 27
L. 30 12. 26

Spoke H. 31. 12. 26.

Yr. Treasurer

With reference to that portion
of the Ag for the Librarian's minute of
21. 5. 26 noted I will you please
say, if you are in a position to
advise in this matter, whether you consider
that the fund or deposit from
which can safely be removed during
the months of, say, February at March,
next?

2. Hereafter kindly have to the
Hon. Master to make discreet enquiries
in regard to this same matter.

J. Walker
By Col. Sec.

31. 12. 26.

Hon. Col. Sec.

I do not consider that there
would be any danger of a raid
on the Fur Seal rookery in
February or March as the
skins are not worth taking
during those months. On the
other hand Nova Scotian poachers
generally arrived in these
waters about the beginning
of March and formerly the Govt
granted licenses to kill fur
Seals commencing 1st April.

2. In view of this I would
not advise removal of the Javor
Guard in March but they
might be removed in February.

M. Brian Halliday
3. 1. 27

Spoke W. Hallett. In the meantime as
 the guard has returned from Elephant Town on
 their own motion it is not necessary that
 a fresh guard be posted before the end
 of February.

Spoke H. P. who decided accordingly.

JMB 3. 1. 27.

Hudsons Master.

Please note that in the interim
 it is not necessary that a fresh
 guard be sent out to Town at
 present.

2. The Head guard may receive
 full salary up to 31. 1. 27 inclusive;
 the remaining two guards who left duty
 without orders should be paid off.

with effect from 4.1.27, inclusive i.e. they
should be paid up to 3.1.27, inclusive only.

3. The stock of provisions must remain
at Slephant Tarn as landed and left.

4. Please put up a report for record
purposes of the circumstances in which the funds
returned from Tarn on this one matter.

J. Miller

Q. Col. Sec

3.1.27

Subit

W. H. H.

It has been the custom previously to pay the
Guard in Charge \$1 per month, charge pay.
Request I may be allowed to pay this sum
to the G. in C. for June 1st - Dec: 31st /26.

W. H. H.
W. H. H.

C. A. Sec
P. H. H.
W. H. H.

Minute from Harbour Master of 4/1/27.

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g. 2. And 22 omitted + information.

2. I will enquire how the supplies of cocoa, coffee at the rate of 8.9. was it by reason of extravagant use, accidental loss, or of insufficiency of original supply.

3. The fact that the funds communicated their plight to W. House does not relieve me of their responsibility towards Government. So far as I am aware no report or appeal for assistance was sent to the Western States.

4. "Government employment" is perhaps somewhat misleading; the intention was that they should be warned that on return to Madag they would be discharged from the establishment of the Port at Niamey Dept. and could not be guaranteed other Government employment.

5. Charge allowance of £1 per month

Re

49-1
H.C.

may be sent to Etheridge the Guard in Charge.

H.C.

me

5.1.27

1. Harbour Master, should also see Watts and Lang and obtain from them such Explanation as they have to offer regarding their serious conduct in quitting their post without permission. Unfortunately situated as they are we have little redress against them, but unless they can submit any satisfactory Explanation they should certainly be debarred from further employment under Government.
2. I should be glad if you would institute the inquiries contemplated in para. 2 of your minute.
3. The question of charge allowance to the Guard-in-Charge should have been raised in May last. I will consider the grant to Mr. Etheridge when the further information asked for is forthcoming. If there was undue extravagance in the use of coffee, cocoa, tea etc. the responsibility must rest with the Guard-in-Charge.
4. I should like to see the Draft kept by the Guard in accordance with the instructions conveyed to the Harbour Master, in red (D).

J.
6 Jan. 1927

J.
6.1.27

Harlow Parker.

Accordingly, please.

Mullin
G. W. Sec.

6.1.27.

8/1/27.

Submitted

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P.

I did not keep a copy of my instructions to the
Guard in Charge.

I enclose the log kept whilst Guard were on the
Islands.

I will forward a report after having seen Walter &
Lang, the latter has gone to S. Georgia for a month,
but I will see Walter for his statement.

M. Mullin.
G. W. Sec.

J. C. Sec.

Harlow Parker.

Please see para 2 of Mr. Prullery's

minute of 6.1.27 at para 2 of my minute

of 5.1.27 at report has to be circled

is kind supply of tea, cocoa, and

coffee ran out.

Mullin
G. W. Sec.

9.1.27.

13.

12/1/27.

Submitted

I find, re H.E.'s para: 2 & your para 2 of minutes, that the amount of lta sent out with the guard to Jason was 12 lbs, tinned 28 lbs, & coffee 10 lbs.

I am informed this is inadequate for 3 men, & the reason of the shortage was therefore insufficient first supply.

I have been unable to see Watts at present, but will report first opportunity.

W. Medcoe.
H. Maslin

To Lt. Secy.
P. Stanley

12/1/27

Submitted

I have just seen Watts, who, in reply to my inquiry as to why he left the Island in the manner he did, told me that it was owing to shortage of clothing etc. He did not appear to realize that men in Government employ could not do this sort of thing. He does so now.

W. Medcoe.
H. Maslin

Harlow Maslin

Is no scale of values laid down for the crew of the "Atletor" either when employed afloat or on their existence ashore, please?

W. Medcoe.
G. G. Secy.

M. P.
35/27

14/1/27.

Submitted

to.

There is a sum of money granted for the year,
& providing the crew keep within this amount
they get what they like

W. B. B. B.
N. B. B. B.

The Est. Sec^y

Deal with
on
M.P.
30/27.

g^d. I should have thought

some scale of retiring highly desirable.

2. In the first place I

might refer to the Treasurer for his

observations e.g. as to the basis on

which the provision under Head 7 "Ar. 3.

virtually" of the Estimates of the Corporation

has been computed in past years.

Although I am unable so far to trace
papers on the subject I am given to

understand that some rate of victualling allowance
at $2\frac{1}{6}$ per day has been laid down.

2nd

M.C.S.

17.1.27

1. To revert first of all to the rations supplied to the Guard —

I presume that the Harbour Master decided the amounts of tea, coffee and cocoa, and I should be glad to learn on what scale he fixed the amounts. As he is aware the Daily Standard Ration for these commodities in the Navy is:—

$\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Tea (or 1 oz. Coffee for every $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. tea)

$\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Chocolate (or 1 oz. Coffee)

I cannot trace immediately the scale laid down for the Mercantile Marine Service but this is given, I know, on the reverse of Ships' articles forms as I have seen it in connection with the "Afterglow" articles.

Dealt
with
on
M.S.
35/27

2. Harbour Master is hardly correct in his statement in the final paragraph of his minute of 14th January. I think that he will find on investigation that the provision under Head VII (b) Item 3 includes also the victualling of passengers, which in 1925, for example, accounted for quite a considerable amount.

3. Please refer me again to Harbour Master for further report on the above two points, and also for his views and recommendation as to the desirability of fixing a scale of rationing

M.C.S.
17 Jan. 1927

Harbor Master.

Accordingly, please.

Yours

G. Col. Sec

18. 1. 27.

20. 1. 27.

Submitted

Re L.E.'s M.P. 17. 1. 27, I was responsible for the ratings for the Jason Guards, & the list was based on the amount given to the previous three on the Islands.

I attach a list of the Mercantile ~~Income~~ allowances.

Re para. 2. I regret my inaccuracy as to the victualing allowance, but there have been no passengers since I have been in the Islands, & this part of the victualing did not occur to me.

Re para. 3. I think a scale of ratings for work is very desirable, but I was informed, on taking ~~over~~ this work, that this was not done here, & I merely cut down the expenses so that the sum voted should not be exceeded during the year.

The amount allowed for 1926 was £550. The crew consist of 11 persons, all of whom have been accustomed to be victualled separately; Officers & men. I consider £50 per annum would amply cover the cost of feeding passengers, as I am informed by the Master, that starch was not eaten about this time roughly £4.5^s per month per man or 2/8^d per day. I think this is adequate.

W. M. M.

H^c Master.To Col. Sec^y

Scall with
on
M.P.
35/27

y. 2. I think I fear that the Harbour
Board approaches this question from a wrong
angle. The question is not what is the
maximum amount that can be allowed the
use of the "Apphytor" but what is the
minimum amount that should be given to them.

2. Furthermore I consider that a
scale of values, if practicable, is preferable
to a virtually allowance.

3. The Harbour Board should
consider further the practicality of adopting
the Newcastle Marine Scale, or the nearest
possible equivalent locally, and should at the
same time put up a detailed statement
of the estimated cost thereof entered.

4. Please allow y^r way with me to

Dealt
with
on
M.P.
35/27.

ascertain the views of Hon. Treasurer herein.

5. This M.P. is becoming somewhat involved:

shall I open a new M.P. to deal with

the specific subject under consideration, please?

Just

21. 1. 27.

H.C.

1. Yes; it will be convenient if a new M.P. could be opened with relevant Extracts from this paper.

2. The draft paper refer as proposed to Harbour Master for further consideration, and then to Hon. Treasurer.

3. I entirely agree with you that a scale of ration is ~~unpleasant~~ preferable; other wise it is difficult to control food issues. When Mr. Gascoy was Acting Harbour Master, he found this by practical experience.

H.C.
21 Jan'y 1927.

Harbour Master

To refer to Mr. Scullery's

minutes of 6. 1. 27. para 3 - at 6

your first minute dated 12. 1. 27.

Deal with
on M.P.
35/27.

C.C.
Minute paper was H.C.
closed: 1/2 2/1

on the basis of the Mercator's Name
when will you please work out how long
the quantities of tea cocoa and coffee
supplied to the Span guard should have
lasted and report how long they did
in fact last?

W. J. Wallis
A. G. L. C.

28. 1. 27.

31/1/27.

Submitted

The Tea & Chocolate should have lasted for 128 days
& the Coffee for 52 days.

Actually these men finished their supplies in 77 days.
I do not think they were aware that they were on a
ration at the time.

W. J. Wallis
A. G. L. C.

The R. Sec.?

Johns Mark

The guard W. J. came to see
me today and maintained emphatically that
he went out to Loro for duty for from
3 1/2 to 4 months only : he states that this

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No.

was to the knowledge of Capt. Howatt
 at of the Guard-in-Charge Etheridge at present
 this as his excuse for being his part
 without orders, i.e. his promised relief being ^{so long delayed} been a.
 2. I informed you that I would have
 his statement of the case examined by you.
 Will you please proceed accordingly and
 report?

J. Muller

By W. L. L.

31. 1. 27.

8/2/27.

Submitted.

Guards Etheridge & Lang both state that onboard the "Haurus",
 before sailing for the Jason Ist, they both heard Guard Watts
 ask hi Howatt if he would be in Stanley again in time
 to cut his part & that he did not wish to stay more than
 3 months.

At the same time Etheridge & Lang said they did not wish
 to come in early, & they both say that hi Howatt then told
 Watts that he could easily be relieved after 3 or 3½ months.

W. L. L.

H. Master.

The P. O. Sec^y

H. Master.

What does Capt. Howatt say

please ?

2. Do you see any reason after
enquiring for me to re-submit this matter
to Sir Buckley in regard to the Frank
Wells? You will recollect that Sir Buckley's
order stands & prevent that Wells should
be dismissed summarily i.e. without one month's
notice or pay i.e. he is treated to be other
members of the crew of the "Hesperus" and that
in default of satisfactory explanation of his
conduct he should be deemed for further
employment under Government.

W. L. L.
G. Col. Sec.

9. 2. 27.

10/2/27.

Submitted.

Mr. Streat denies ever having made the statements attributed
to him by Guards Etheridge & ~~Lang~~ Lang.

Re para. 2. I think the decision re Wells's pay ~~and~~ &
dismissal should stand in any case & that neither he or
Lang should again be sent to the Jason ^{1st}, but at some
future date H.E. might be asked to reconsider his
decision re future employment.

W. L. L.
W. L. L.

y.g. Schttd. There does seem to have been some misunderstanding about the relief of the first Delta and although this does not excuse him for deserting his post y.g. may be prepared to rescind y.g.'s order as to subsequent re-employment in the Sol. Service. The month's wage in lieu of notice must in any case be forfeit.

1. Delta is an original member of the "Hesperus's" crew but I have been unable to obtain any reliable testimony as to his character efficiency etc.

12.2.27.

J. M. L.

H.C. 1. In the circumstances no objection ~~will~~ need be raised to Watts' re-employment under G.P.M. His ~~the~~ Summary Dismissal, however, must stand.

2. Harbour Master, should now consider and report on arrangements for the re-estabishment of the Guard at the first opportunity

J. B.
12 Feb. 1927

Harbour Master

Accordingly please.

Should be glad if you personally would be good to call in the course of passage of the Vulture's minute.

J. B.
G. W. Secy.

12. 2. 27.

14/2/27. Submitted

Noted. I will inform Walter, personally.

W. B. Secy.
G. W. Secy.

To G. W. Secy

Harbour Master

Re: you: and as regards the re-estabishment of the Town Guard, please?

J. B.

15. 2. 27.

G. W. Secy

19/2/27.

Submitted.

The Jason Guard consisting of Etheridge (in charge) Watts, & D. Sullivan are prepared for being sent when required.

I have forwarded by "Jalkland", a letter to Mr. Arthur Selton of West Point Island, informing him that boats will be required & asking for them to be ready for shipping any time after the receipt of the letter.

The Guard have been informed that they are not there for any definite period, but endeavours will be made for them to be relieved as opportunity occurs if they ask in the correct way for relief. In any case they are there, if necessary, for a period of 6 months or more.

W. M. M. M.
H. M. M. M.

To
The Ch. Secy

Spike Harbour Master J. Meierhofer has been selected to form one of the guard in the place of D. Sullivan; he is an old member of the crew of the "Hoyos".

y. s.

Submitted. The guard so constituted should be sent out to Clephant Is. by the "Fleming" at the next opportunity at the beginning of March.

2. H.M.C.S. "Hoyos" should be ready for re-commission in June or July

26th so that six months should cover the
full period for which it will be necessary
to maintain the fund. The Harbour Master
should, however, make it clear in writing to the
Head Fund that the fund is sent out for
the maximum period of 6 months, if required.

J. M. D.

21. 2. 27.

Ad. To the Harbour Master, quite satisfied that
he can raise a crew for the "afternoon"
in June or July if required without counting
upon the Jason Guard whom it may
not prove practicable to bring in in time?

J. M. D.
21 Feby. 1927

Harbour Master

Please say

J. M. D.

By W. L. D.

21. 2. 27

22/2/27. Submit

I have consulted Mr. Howatt on this subject & he considers
there will be no difficulty.

W. Howatt
Mr. Howatt

G. P.

S. L. Madh.

J. M.

22. 2. 27.

H.C. Then, Ethersedge (in charge), Watts and J. Meishofers may be selected as recommended. Harbour Master should arrange as proposed in your minute of 21st Feb'y.

J. M.
23 Feb'y 1927.

Harbour Master.

Accordingly, please.

2. As regards retaining please see

H.P. 35/27 sent to you simultaneously:

my minute of 20th Feb'y.

J. M.

G. P. L.

23. 2. 27.

1. 3. 27.

S. L. Madh.

which is retained.

J. M.

H. C. Madh.

To Mr. Secy

Harbor Master

It is hoped that it will be possible shortly to send out the frigate by R.S.S. "William Scoresby".

2. In any case please record actual date and method of conveyance & due course.

J. Miller
G. W. L.

2.3.27

4.3.27.

Submit

This will be done.

W. D. L.
W. D. L.

To Mr. S. L.

4.
12.3.27

6 5.3.27

23.

Telegram from Captain "William Scoresby" 6/3/27.

4.
21.3.27

6 9.3.27

24. 25 L. from Mr. Jason Hansen 21st Feby 1927.
 26. Copy of Special Warrant, No. 5 of 1927.
 27. " " Voucher of 15th March, 1927, for £35.

Hastings Park.

Refs 25-24 referred to you
 for consideration and report please.

2. In any case Capt Parker's
 payment of £35, ref 27, for bringing in
 the friend in December last will have to
 be met by Special Warrant under Section
 VII, c. 10, Act, against equivalent savings
 or "B. 2. "Coal".

3. You have not yet returned me
 in accordance with your undertaking - your
 minute of 2.3.27 - of the date etc. of
 the re-departure of the friend.

J. W. Miller
 G. C. Sec.

16.3.27.

18. 3. 27

Submitted

Re your para 3. The Jason Ist guard left in the "K. Sereby" on the morning of March 9th. I regret I did not inform you of this.

~~I have a special document in my hands as to the amount.~~

Re recd 24. 25.

I consider the charges reasonable for these Islands & these are the dates logged by the Guard on the dates he called at Jason.

M. M. M.
H. M. M.

To Col. Secy

Hon. Treasurer

I should be glad if

your observations in regard to W. Jason

Hansen's charge, recd 25-24.

2. Do you know of any similar payment having been previously made for such service?

M. M. M.

9. 4. 27

Hon. Col. Secy

18-3-27

I am of opinion that the charge of £15 for each visit of Mr. Hansen's Cutter to the Elephant Passon ^{is} excessive. I do not know of any similar payment having been made for a similar service.

2. The hire of a Cutter similar to the "Golden Fleece" for a trip up Berkeley Sound usually costs from £5 to £8. I do not know how long Mr. Hansen's Cutter was engaged on each trip - perhaps a day only.

M. Francis Harkett
Treas

18. 3. 27

Inside Minute Paper.

Harbour Master.

Have you any further particulars
~~to be~~ as to the exact nature of the
 service performed by Mr John Hansen, please,
 e.g. as to how many days the cutter
 "Golden Plover" was engaged in this service?

Yours truly
 G. G. G.

21. 3. 27.

22. 3. 27.

Submitted, Sir, I only have to put out by the Guards request
 on the two days listed

W. Hansen.
 W. Hansen

To Mr. Secy

G.P. Submitted. The Harbour Master should
 take steps to ascertain the exact nature
 of the services performed by Mr. John
 Hansen with particulars as to time occupied,
 distance run, attendant circumstances
 etc. as early as possible. If payment
 is claimed and to be made for

A/P

These services the rate of any rate at first

might appear exorbitant.

2. May a special warrant be prepared

under Head VII re: "Re-establishment of Town
Fund" to meet Capt. Carter's charges amounting to

£35 for the conveyance of the fund for the

plant to Stanley in October, 1926, for y. s. is

2/10/27, please?

J.M.D.

23.3.27.

H.M.S.

Harbour Master should proceed as proposed regarding Mr. Hansen's claim. I notice that Hon. Treasurer reports that he is unaware of any previous claim in similar circumstances. This makes it all the more important that we should have the fullest information as to the special reasons which may have induced this unexpected account, which I agree appears to be on an exorbitant scale.

2. S/W for £35 may be prepared.

J.M.D.
44 March, 1927

Harbour Master

Respectfully please

J.M.D.
y. H.M.C.

24.3.27.

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25. 3. 27.

Submit, which.
I attach copy of proposed letter to Mr. Hanson for approval.

W. H. Mason
H. H. Mason

To Mr. Secy

Harbor Master

Draft letter to Mr. Hanson approved.

W. H. Mason
Mr. Secy

28. 3. 27.

Submit, which.
W. H. Mason
H. H. Mason

To Mr. Secy
28. 3. 27.

Harbor Master

Please submit necessary S.O. for

£ 35 on the basis of that of £65

put up loose papers.

W. H. Mason
Mr. Secy

29. 3. 27.

29-30

30. 3. 27. Submitted
Copy of S.O. for approval

W. H. Mason
H. H. Mason

To Mr. Secy

Harlow Parker.

The mine of a S.W. of £35 has
already been approved - viz page 2 of this
Excellency's minute of 24. 3. 27.

2. Please submit quadruplicate copies
of S.W. for signature by this Excellency.

Yr. Obedt.
G. Col. Sec

31. 3. 27.

6. 4. 27. Submitted, quadruplicate copies
M. Medea.
H. H. Medea.

Harlow Parker

I have had the S.W. completed
at hand: will you please sign and
return the four copies?

7. 4. 27.

Yr. Obedt.
G. Col. Sec

S.W. signed by Harlow Parker

Yr. Obedt.
7/4

Inside Minute Paper.

g.g.

S.W. No. 5/27 submitted for review.

g.g.

7.4.27.

D.
7 April, 1927

Hon Treasurer

Please withdraw S.O.

and pass to Harbour Master for note.

J. J. J.
C. W. J.

8.4.27.

Hon. ag. Sec. Secy.

S.W. nos withdrawn & M.P.

passed to Harbour Master

H. C. H.
Secy.

9/4/27

11.4.27.

Sub. to Hon. Secy. H. C. H.

S. C. S.

Off. 1/2 Sect.

When does Harbour Master propose
to recall the Larna frigate? E.g. does
he want the three men now on duty
there as part of the crew that will
bring the "Higgins" back from Punta
Arenas?

JMS

29.5.27

Harbour Master.

Referred

G.H. 187
D.J. 187
30 May 1927

1. 6. 27.

Subit

I proposed taking on 3 temporary crew for the
journey home from P.A., & relieving the crew on
return of "Higgins".

It will facilitate the withdrawal considerably if
a hand cart is taken out for the gun etc.

W. M. 187
H. M. 187

J. C. 187

Submitted.

G.H. 187
D.J. 187
1st June 1927

Off. H. Sec.

Approved.

JMS

1.6.27

Harbour Master.

Cor. vidi.

W. L. 12

W. L. 12

June 1927

4.6.27.

Subit, which

W. L. 12

H. H. 12

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Harbour Master.

You have now arranged for the complete withdrawal of the Jaron Guard?

W. L. 12

for C.S.

30. 9. 27.

1. 10. 27.

Yes, the Guard comes away in "Falkland" this trip, with all gear.

W. L. 12

H. H. 12

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To C.S. Sec.

C.S. with reference to Mr. Hansen's call to-day. await letter from him re Red 28

Ref. 31/8/29.

Letter from Mr Hansen 1/8/29 30-3

Hon M. L. Craigie - Ballkett.

You have already expressed Sheet 20 (back)
your views on charge of £32.21-
made by Mr. Hansen. but I shall
be glad of your further opinion in
view of explanation given in Red 33.

M. L. Craigie
16. VIII. 29

Hon. Col. Sec.

The payment appears to have
already been sanctioned but the
Harbour Master failed to pass the
necessary voucher.

2. In the circumstances explained
by Mr. Hansen in red 33, I do not
now consider his claim of £32-2-0 to
be excessive.

M. Craigie Ballkett

Treas.

17. 8. 29.

Y.B. I think the only thing we can do is to settle this payment by Special warrant. It is a pity it is so belated. Mr. Hansen's charges are made up as shown on Red Mt.

Y.B.

A.C.S.

20. VIII. 29

Hon C.S.

Yes, I suppose we must pay it. Put clearly on the voucher and on the statement we send to S of S why this has not been paid before i.e. failure of Capt. Amending to pass vouchers. R.W.

20.29
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Special Warrant No. 23129 submitted in No. 4231929.

- 24 Letter ~~from~~ to Mr. Jason Hansen 23/8/29
- 25 " " J.L. Co. Ltd. 23/8/29

Hon Treasurer

For info.

Y.B.

A.C.S.

22. VIII. 29

Hon. Secy

Voucher withdrawn.

Noted.

H. Chen for me. 28/8/29

10 A
29/8/29

Letter from Mr. J. Hansen. 6/9/29 36.

PA. 3-XI-29
AB

257/26.

8th June,

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Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to refer to the arrangements made with you verbally at this office this morning respecting the employment of the s.s. "Fleurus" on a voyage to Elephant Jason Island for the purpose of conveying a Guard for the protection of the Fur Seal Rookery there.

2. The "Fleurus" will leave Stanley on the 9th of June with the Guard, their stores and equipment. Mr. A. G. Bennett, Acting Government Naturalist, will accompany the Guard to Elephant Jason and will return to Stanley by the "Fleurus".

3. On the return voyage the "Fleurus" will call at Hill Cove for mails and for Mr. D. Kiddle, a Government employee.

4. It is understood that arrangements have been made with you privately for calls to be made at San Carlos, West Point and Chartres, and no objection will be taken to this course.

5. The inclusive charge to be made for the use of the "Fleurus" in connection with the Government service on which she will be engaged in the course of this voyage will not exceed 280 and will be subject to such reduction as the circumstances of the voyage allow.

Captain L. Carlsen,
s.s. "Fleurus",
at Port Stanley.

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6. I am to request that you will be so good as to confirm the above arrangements.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. R. L. Brown.

for Colonial Secretary.

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ITINERARY OF "FLEURUS" ON VOYAGE TO WEST FALKLAND
FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONVEYING A GUARD TO THE FUR SEAL
ROOKERY AT JASON ISLANDS, LEAVING STANLEY ON THE 9th of
June, 1926.

Leave Stanley Wednesday night.

Proceed to San Carlos with freight and passengers.

Proceed to West Point to take up sheep.

Proceed to Jasons to land Guard.

Proceed to Chartres to take wool.

Proceed to Hill Cove to pick up mails and D. Kiddle.

Proceed to San Carlos to pick up passengers and then
return to Stanley.

WATERBURY & SONS
LIMITED

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No. 257/26.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
STANLEY,

8th June, 1926.

To The... **Harbour Master**.....

I am directed by the Governor to attach the
correspondence noted below for **your information.**

G. R. L. Brown.

for Colonial Secretary.

Date	Description
1926. 8th June.	Letter to Captain L. Carlsen, s.s. "Fleurus."

No 257/26.

is requested that, in any reference to this letter, the above Number and the date may be quoted.

MINUTE.

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8th June, 1926.

To Mr. A. G. Bennett,

Acting Government Naturalist,

Stanley.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to request that you will make arrangements to proceed to Elephant Jason Island by the "Fleurus" on the 9th inst. for the purpose of inspecting the fur seal Rookery there.



for Colonial Secretary.

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No. 257/26.

MINUTE.

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

..... 8th June, 19 26.

To... The Hon. Acting Treasurer,

..... Stanley.....

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that it His Excellency's wish that Mr. A. G. Bennett should proceed by the s.s. "Fleurus" to Elephant Jason for the purpose of carrying out an inspection of the Fur Seal Rookery there, and to request that you will be so good as to arrange accordingly. A copy of a memo which has been addressed to Mr. Bennett on the subject is attached.

W. R. ...

for Colonial Secretary.

257/26.

8)
9th June,

26.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that H.M.C.S. "AFTERGLOW" has been laid up for repairs which will take some time to effect and that, pending the resumption of the patrol service carried out by the vessel, an Armed Guard will be stationed at Elephant Jason Island for the protection of the Fur Seal Rookery there. The three men composing the personnel of the Guard will leave Stanley to-day by the "Fleurus".

2. The Guard has been provisioned for a period of six months as it is possible that an opportunity for visiting it from Stanley within that time may not occur. In the circumstances His Excellency would be glad if through your courtesy it could be arranged that your cutter should call at the island from time to time and as weather conditions are favourable. In case of accident or sickness the usual method of signalling by means of fires would be made use of by the Guard. I am to request that in the event

of/

Jason Hansen, Esq.,

CARCASS ISLAND,

WEST FALKLAND.

(1)

of a report of a serious nature having to be made you will communicate the message from Hill Cove to Fox Bay by telephone for its retransmission to Stanley.

3. I am to add that His Excellency will be very grateful for any assistance you may find it possible to render in this connection.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

No. 7/26.

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

Vide M. P. 157/22

MINUTE.

9th June, 19 26.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

To The Harbour Master,

STANLEY.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that the Guard in charge of the armed Guard at Elephant Jason will be required to keep a log or diary which will contain the following records :-

- (1) Daily weather conditions
- (2) Relative abundance of seal on the rock at different times of the day and - when the light of the moon is sufficiently strong - at night.
- (3) Extent to which seal come on Elephant Jason and at what times.
- (4) Date on which pups are first observed in the water.
- (5) Date on which the harems break up and the bulls take freely to the water.
- (6) Whether Sea Lions disturb the Fur Seal.
- (7) Relative abundance of the Fur Seal (a) on land (b) in the water, in good and bad weather.
- (8) Any signs that may be observed as indicating the existence of other rookeries in the vicinity. Under certain conditions fur seals can be heard from a considerable distance and if the sounds come from a direction other than that of the known rookery the date and time should be carefully noted.
- (9) General Notes of interest: Expenditure of Ammunition, etc.

G. L. Johnson

for Colonial Secretary.

(10)

From His Excellency the Acting Governor

to The Officer-in-Charge of the Secretariat.

The arrival of the S.S. "Haurus" from South Georgia has presented an opportunity of getting the guard out to Jason Island.

The Manager, F.I. Company has informed me that he is anxious to get some wool in from West Point and Chartres, and has offered the freight to the "Haurus".

3. Further, there is the question of getting mails in from the West Falkland. The Colonial Postmaster informs me that he has received a telegraphic enquiry from the West Falkland as to facilities for getting mails in to catch the A.M.C. homeward bound steamer, expected here in about 10 days. I am particularly anxious to help the farmers of the West Falkland over their mails, particularly as both the "Afterglow" and "Falkland" are laid up.

Mr. Francis Hallett is of opinion that in addition to the call at Chartres which is being arranged by the F.I. Coy., the "Haurus" should call at Hill Cove for mails. This call will enable Mr. Kiddle who has been stranded there for a month now to return to Stanley.

4. Our information regarding the rock-reef at Elephant Jason is by no means up-to-date and it would prove useful to get a report from the Acting Government Naturalist. Mr. Hallett is willing to go out by the "Haurus" and endeavour to glean as much information as he can, besides, during the time the boat will be there, and arrangements can be made accordingly.

5. In consultation with the Manager of the F. I. Coy. the following itinerary has been arranged for the "Fleets" :-

9th June Leave Stanley

San Carlos (with freight & passengers)

West Point (take sheep in Jason guard and load wool)

Elephant Jason (disembark Guard, gun etc.)

Chartres (load wool) & collect mails

Still Cove (Collect mails & embark Mr Kiddle)

San Carlos

Stanley.

6. I have informed Mr. Craig Stalkett of this arrangement, and he is notifying the By Colonial Postmaster. I have also let # the Harbour Master know in connection with the Jason Guard.

7. Mr. Kiddle at Still Cove should be warned to hold himself in readiness to return by "Fleets"

8. If it is possible to do so, Mr. Hansen of Jason S. should be notified of the temporary re-establishment of the Guard, and requested to afford, as he has done in the past, such assistance as he may be in a position to offer.

9. I understand from you that Captain Carlsen is at present unable to quote a definite figure for taking out the Jason Guard and collecting the mails at Still Cove, but in view of the freight offered to him by the F. I. Coy. his original estimate of £70 can probably be reduced materially.

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8. VI. 26

C O P Y.

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No. 257

MINUTE.

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

.....9th June,.....19 26.

To.....The Harbour Master,

STANLEY.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to transmit copies of instructions for the guidance of the Armed Guard to be stationed at Elephant Jason together with copies of Ordinance No. 8 of 1921.

2. One of three men selected as the personnel of the Guard should be appointed by you as Guard-in-Charge and should receive a letter from you to this effect.

G. H. Jones
for Colonial Secretary.

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File M.P. 144/22

ORDER BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR PRESCRIBING UNDER SECTION 14 OF THE SEAL FISHERY (CONSOLIDATION) ORDINANCE, 1921, THE MANNER IN WHICH THE ARMED GUARD STATIONED AT ELEPHANT JASON ISLAND SHALL PERFORM THEIR DUTIES.

1. The armed guard shall make themselves thoroughly acquainted with the provisions of the Seal Fishery (Consolidation) Ordinance, 1921, and especially with Sections 9, 14 and 16, the exact wording of which should be carefully noted.
2. Elephant Jason Island has been declared a Seal Reserve under Section 7 of the Ordinance.
3. A person commits an offence against the Ordinance who:-
 - (a) Kills, takes or hunts, or attempts to kill or take any seal in the Colony or the Colonial waters thereof, without a licence.
 - (b) Has in his possession a seal or seal skin for the lawful possession of which he cannot account satisfactorily.
 - (c) Refuses or neglects to comply with any requisition or direction lawfully made or given by, or to answer any question lawfully asked by an armed guard.
4. An armed guard has power under Section 16 of the Ordinance
 - (a) To arrest, detain and bring before a competent court any person committing, or appearing to be about to commit, an offence against the provisions of the Ordinance.
 - (b) To use force for the prevention of any such offence or for the purpose of effecting an arrest.
5. If any vessel seen in the vicinity of Elephant Jason Island, is suspected to be engaged or concerned in seal fishing, or to be about to commit an offence under the Ordinance, the Guard-in-charge shall make the signal by the international code of signals:

"Seal Reserve, Landing Prohibited".

6. If a boat is launched from the vessel the Guard-in-charge shall make the signal by the international code of signals:

"If you persist you will be fired on"

7. The Guard-in-charge shall bear in mind that a vessel engaged or suspected to be engaged in seal fishing may have a crew of foreign nationality and may not have the international code of signals, and due allowance shall be made for such a contingency.
8. If the attempt to land is continued the Guard-in-charge shall fire a warning shot. If the attempt is further persisted in the Guard-in-Charge may fire to disable the vessel or boat, but this will be done as an extreme measure only.
9. The Seal Rock is separated from Elephant Jason Island by deep water, and it is not practicable for the Armed Guard to effect the arrest of persons on the Seal Rock committing or appearing to be about to commit an offence against the Ordinance.
10. It is the duty, however, of the Armed Guard to prevent and, if necessary, to use force for the prevention of an offence against the provisions of the Ordinance.
11. Firing is never to be resorted to except for self defence or when in the opinion of the Guard-in-charge no other sufficient means are available to prevent an offence being committed against the provisions of the Ordinance and then only after full and distinct warning has been given to those concerned that the Guard is about to fire and that firing will be effectual.

12. Fire must be controlled and there must be no firing on any account, whatsoever, except on the word of command of the Guard-in-charge who, if it becomes necessary to order the Guard to fire, will exercise a humane discretion in deciding both the number of rounds and the object to be fired at.

 13. The Guard-in-charge shall not fire and shall not order the Guard to fire unless the use of firearms is plainly necessary; it is his duty to use no more force than is necessary and to discontinue its use altogether the moment he can safely do so.
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S. S. " F L E U R U S "

PORT STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

9th June, 1926.



Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.257/26 of the 6th inst. on the subject of the employment by the Colonial Government of the s.s. "Fleurus" on a voyage to Elephant Jason Island, etc.

I now beg to confirm the arrangements made verbally with the Colonial Secretary yesterday, as set forth in your letter under acknowledgement.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Lauritz Carlson

Master s.s. "Fleurus"

THE HONOURABLE

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

PORT STANLEY.

MINUTE

Mr. A. G. Bennett, Senior Customs Officer,

I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Acting Governor wishes you to proceed by the s.s. "Fleurus" to Elephant Jason for the purpose of carrying out an inspection of the Fur Seal Rookery at that place.

2. I understand that the s.s. "Fleurus" will sail at 9 p.m. this evening and you should arrange to proceed by that vessel accordingly.

(sgd) M. Craigie Halkett
Ag. Collector of Customs.

June 9th 1926.

No.

MINUTE.

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

June 9th 19 26



From Ag. Collector of Customs
Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Hon. Col. sec,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your minute No.257/26 dated the 8th inst., stating that the Acting Governor wishes Mr.A.G.Bennett, Customs Officer, to proceed to the Elephant Jason for the purpose of inspecting the Fur Seal Rookery there. Instructions have been given to Mr.Bennett accordingly, vide attached minute.

M. Brarje Hallett
Ag. collector.
9.6.26



Port Stanley.

Falkland Islands.

28th June. 1926.

Sir.

With reference to the verbal arrangements made this morning with Mr G.R.L. Brown. I have the honour to inform you that the voyage to Jason Island made by s.s. "Fleurus" this month on behalf of the Colonial Government, works out at Seventy five pounds sterling (£75) made up as follows:-

Cost of "Fleurus" including freight on equipment of guard, stores, etc.	£65--0--0
Gratuity to crew of "Fleurus" for landing gun, and placing on site.	10--0--0
	£75--0--0

I have the honour to be.

Sir.

Your obedient Servant.

Lauritz Larsen
Master s.s. "Fleurus"

The Honourable
The Colonial Secretary.
Port Stanley.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

19 26.

No. 14

SPECIAL WARRANT.

By Governor.

Date July 19 26

TO THE HONOURABLE THE TREASURER.

Whereas it has become necessary, in the interests of the Public service, to incur certain Expenditure, not sufficiently^a provided for in the Estimates, as set forth in the subjoined Schedule,^b in anticipation^c of a vote of the Legislature^d and of the approval of the Secretary of State:—

a. to remain only in case of an excess on a vote.

b. to be struck out if complete authority has been obtained c or d if either partial authority has been obtained.

You are hereby, on my personal responsibility, authorized and required to pay from the Treasury the sum of Seventy five Pounds Shillings and Pence and to charge it to the Heads and Sub-heads of the Expenditure specified in the Schedule.

And for so doing, this, together with the proper Accounts, Certificates and Acquittances, shall be your sufficient warrant and discharge.

Schedule.

Particulars of Service.	To be charged to		£	s.	d.
	Head.	Sub-Head.			
Temporary re-establishment of Jason Guard	VI of	Patrol Boat	75	0	0
Payment for services of 4s. 6d. for conveying our Seal Guard to Elephant Jason Island					
Equivalent Savings under VI B. Item 2.					

Signature of the Officer submitting the Schedule for Warrant. (Sgd) R. Amelner Harbour Master.

Date 19th July 1926

(Special warrants are to be prepared in triplicate. One copy to be filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary, one in the Treasury, and one to be furnished to the Audit).

PORT & MARINE Department.

Date 19th July 1926.

To THE HONOURABLE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

I have the honour to apply for a Special Warrant for £ 75. 0s., 0d.

on Head VI. B. Patrol Boat. Sub-head

The present state of the Vote is as follows :-

	£
Amount provided in Estimates.....	
Special Warrant already issued No.....	
" " " " " No.....	
Actual Expenditure to date.....	
Outstanding Liabilities incurred.....	75. 0. 0
Balance remaining on vote.....	
Estimated Expenditure to 31st December.....	

Harbour Master. Head of Department.

Comments of Treasurer. }

EXPLANATIONS.

(If general authority has been given for the Expenditure the number of the Minute Paper and the Secretary of State's despatch, if any, should be quoted).

To cover charges in connection with the re-establishment of the Jason Island Guard. (M.P. 257/26)

To THE HONOURABLE TREASURER, 26th July 1926.

Special Warrant No. 14/26 attached herewith for necessary action.

Colonial Secretary.



(19)
Percuss Island
June 13th 1926

G R I Brown Esq.
Acting Colonial Secretary
Sir,

I have received your letter of June 9th asking me to attend to the Guard on the elephant gasen.

I note fires will be lighted in case of accident or sickness. When I am requested to communicate via Hell Cove.

I will endeavor to carry out His Excellency's wishes

I am

Sir

Your obedient servant
Jasen Hansen

From His Excellency the Governor

to The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

Guard at Jason Is. Sea Rocks

Consequent on our patrol boat "Atterley" being placed out of Commission owing to a condemned boiler it became necessary in June last to re-establish the Guard at Jason Island.

2. This Guard has now been there over 6 months. Has Harbour Master received any reports from or concerning the Guard? A ~~monthly~~ ~~regular~~ ~~report~~ ~~is~~ ~~required~~ ~~is~~ ~~it~~ ~~not~~ ~~?~~ Should not the question of a relief be considered?

J.
10 Dec. 1926.

Submitted

Re 20. para. 2.

No, but a letter may be received by "Fallands".
How best help to the West might take relief &
provisions for the Guards.

W. B. ...
W. B. ...

To the Colonial Secretary.
P. Stanley.



Submitted

I interviewed the Guard in Charge Etheridge, during the forenoon of 3/1/27 & received the following report from him. "The Guard were landed on the Elephant Isom on June 15th /26. Hansen arrived in his cutter to visit them for the first time on Aug^r 31st. As they had, by this time, run out of coconuts, coffee & tea, they asked for further supplies, & he promised them for the first week in October.

These supplies eventually reached the guard on the 14th Dec. A letter was sent by "Ilexus" (with further provisions for 6 months) informing the Guard they could either stay for a further period, or would be relieved shortly, also that there was no Government employment in P^r Stanley if they remained here. This was delivered by "Ilexus" & a telegram (wireless) was received by her, asking for some leave. This was replied to, that it was impossible owing to the difficulty of communication, but permanent relief would be sent shortly.

When this was received the two guard hands Watts & Lang refused to remain & embarked in "Ilexus" leaving the next stores on the Island.

This necessitated the Guard in Charge leaving also, & the three men returned to P^r Stanley.

I consider their conduct in the matter exceedingly reprehensible with the exception of G. in C. Etheridge, who could not help himself.

W. Medley.
H^r Medley.

C. H. Peck
Stanley.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Captain, R.S.S. "William Scoresby".

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched: 6th March, 1927. Time: 13.00.

Received: 6th March. 1927. Time: 10.50.

COLONIAL SECRETARY
PORTSTANLEY.

SCORESBY PROPOSES TO RETURN STANLEY THIS
EVENING AND TO SAIL TUESDAY MORNING WITH
THE JASON GUARD.

CAPTAIN.

Cocos Island
Feb 21st 1924

The Hon J. M. Ellis
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Sir,

I have the honour
to enclose my bill for attendance on the
Elephant Garden Guard.

I am

Sir

Your obedient servant
Jasen Hansen.

Picasso Island
Feb 21st 1924

Aug 31 st	Golden Fleece attendance elephant fuser	\$ 15 - -
Dec 14 th	" " " " " "	\$ 15 - -
Dec 14 th	12 lbs tea supplied to elephant Guard	\$ 2.2 -
		<u>\$ 32.2</u>

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FALKLAND ISLANDS. P No. _____

HEAD OF SERVICE _____

SUB-HEAD VII. PORT & MARINE,
B. Patrol Boat.

12. (New item). Re-establishment of Jason Gua

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT, _____ 192

15th March, 7.

Dr. to

in the sum of Captain L. Carlsen, s.s. "Fleurus" for and on behalf of the Tonsberg Whaling Company.

THIRTY-FIVE POUNDS.....

being the amount of the amount due to the Tonsberg Whaling Company in respect of the services of their s.s. "Fleurus" in connection with the conveyance of the Jason Guard from Elephant Jason Island to Stanley, December, 1926.

M.P. 257/26.

Payment authorised

Special ^{Governor} warrant No. 5/27.

Date _____ 192

I CERTIFY that the above account is correct, and has been authorised.

£ 35. 0. 0.

Ag. Col. Secretary. ^{Jud} Head of Department.

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Received from the Colonial Treasury the amount specified in the foregoing warrant; to the correctness of which I hereby certify.

Witness.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

19 27.

No. 5/27.

SPECIAL WARRANT.

Acting Governor.

Date March, 19 27.

TO THE HONOURABLE THE TREASURER.

Whereas it has become necessary, in the interests of the Public service, to incur certain Expenditure, not sufficiently provided for in the Estimates, as set forth in the subjoined Schedule, in anticipation of a vote of the Legislature and of the approval of the Secretary of State:—

a. to remain only in case of an excess on a vote.

b. to be struck out if complete authority has been obtained c or d if either partial authority has been obtained

You are hereby, on my personal responsibility, authorized and required to pay from the Treasury the sum of SIXTY-FIVE.....Pounds Shillings and Pence and to charge it to the Heads and Sub-heads of the Expenditure specified in the Schedule.

And for so doing, this, together with the proper Accounts, Certificates and Acquittances, shall be your sufficient warrant and discharge.

Schedule.

Table with columns: Particulars of Service, To be charged to (Head, Sub-Head), £, s., d. Row 1: To cover all known maximum liabilities outstanding in connection with the temporary re-establishment of the Jason Guard. Boat. Head VII. B. Sub-Head 1P. (new item) Re-Establishment of Jason Guard. £ 65 s. 0 d. 0

Handwritten signature and 'Corrected' stamp over the table.

To be met from equivalent savings under Head VII. B. Item 2. A.P. 257/26.

Signature of the Officer submitting the Schedule for Warrant. Acting Col. Secretary.

Date 15th March, 19 27.

(Special warrants are to be prepared in triplicate. One copy to be filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary, one in the Treasury, and one to be furnished to the Audit).

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Port Stanley
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Sir

Re your claim for £2.2' for attendances on the Jason Guard in the "Golden Plover". I should be obliged if you will supply me with the following details of the occasions.

- (1) Reason for making the journey.
- (2) Time occupied on the journey.
- (3) The distance run.
- (4) The state of the weather.
- (5) Any attendant circumstances calling for note.
- (6) Basis on which claim is made.

I remain

Yr. obedt.
Port Stanley

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To Mr Jason Hanson:
Parsons I.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

19 27.

No. 5127.

SPECIAL WARRANT.

(sgd) A. E. J. G. G. G.

Acting Governor.

Date 7th April, 1927.

TO THE HONOURABLE
THE TREASURER.

Whereas it has become necessary, in the interests of the Public service, to incur certain Expenditure, not sufficiently^a provided for in the Estimates, as set forth in the subjoined Schedule,^b in anticipation^c of a vote of the Legislature^d and of the approval of the Secretary of State:—

a. to remain only in case of an excess on a vote.
b. to be struck out if complete authority has been obtained or d if either partial authority has been obtained.

You are hereby, on my personal responsibility, authorized and required to pay from the Treasury the sum of THIRTY-FIVE Pounds
..... Shillings and Pence and to charge it to the Heads and Sub-heads of the Expenditure specified in the Schedule.

And for so doing, this, together with the proper Accounts, Certificates and Acquittances, shall be your sufficient warrant and discharge.

Schedule.

Particulars of Service.	To be charged to		£	s.	d.
	Head.	Sub-Head.			
To cover liabilities outstanding in connection with the temporary re-establishment of the Jason Guard.	VII. PORT AND MARINE. B. Patrol Boat.	12. (new item) Re-establishment of Jason Guard.	35	0	0
M.P. 257/26.					

Signature of the Officer submitting the Schedule for Warrant.

(sgd) R. V. Amedro
Harbour Master.

Date 7th April, 1927.

(Special warrants are to be prepared in triplicate. One copy to be filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary, one in the Treasury, and one to be furnished to the Audit).

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Pat - Income Department.

Date. *March 30th 1927*

To

THE HONOURABLE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

I have the honour to apply for a Special Warrant for £ *35*
on Head. *VII* Subhead. *12 (new item)*

The present state of the Vote is as follows :-

	£
Amount provided in Estimates	<i>Nil</i>
Special Warrant already issued No.	<i>165</i>
" " " " " "	
Actual Expenditure to date	<i>165</i>
Outstanding Liabilities incurred.....	<i>135</i>
Balance remaining on vote	<i>Nil</i>
Estimated Expenditure to 31st December	<i>100</i>

M. M. M. M. M.
Head of Department.

Comments of }
Treasurer. }

EXPLANATIONS.

(If general authority has been given for the Expenditure the number of the Minute Paper and the Secretary of State's despatch, if any, should be quoted).

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To

THE HONOURABLE TREASURER,

Special Warrant No. attached herewith for necessary action.

Colonial Secretary.



Paracas Island
Aug 1st 1929

G. L. R. Brown Esq
Acting Colonial Secretary
Sir

I have the honour to ask you to settle my bill for £ 32.-2.- for abundance and stores supplied to the elephant gun Guard 1926 in reply to Captain Amecroy's letter 25/3/27.

Red.
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- 1. Request from Government to visit the gun Guard
- 2. Aug 10th Attempt to visit elephant gun Guard nearly there a thick fog came down had to return self & two men
- Aug 24th Attempt elephant did not reach self & two men
- Aug 28th Attempt elephant did not reach self & two men
- Aug 31st Went to elephant very cold day self & two men. Had to give men a bottle of whiskey to revive them. Guard short of tea & tobacco I was short of tea & tobacco myself so could not supply them till I got tea & tobacco from Hill Cove.

G R L Brown Esq

Acting Colonial Secretary

Nov 15th Put cargo on board for Grand + Elephant
Islands.

Nov 24th Attempt Islands, Dec 2nd Attempt Islands
Dec 9th Attempt Islands, Dec 14th Landed stores in
Elephant Islands. Owing to the delay stopping at
the Elephant Islands, I was unable to reach the
Grand Islands to land my men to do the seasons
work.

I did not get my men landed on the Grand till
Jan 22nd the 2nd attempt since calling at the
Elephant. This date was too
late by the time they had finished on the Grand
it was too late to shear the sheep.

I explained all this to Mr. Ellis in the Town Hall
in 1927. He seemed satisfied and told me

to see Capt. Armedroy + settle with him.

I did so

But I did not find I was credited
with the amount when my accounts came.

I wrote to Capt. Armedroy about the matter in
1928 and spoke to him about it in August 1928

He said he had forgotten the matter but that
it would be paid. But it has not been.

G. L. R. Brown Esq^r
Acting Colonial Secretary

3. The distance as the crow flies is about 15 miles but the water is very bad being a mass of tide rips and reefs.
4. State of weather, Calms, gales, light head winds + fogs.

In April 1918 Mr. Wilson took the "Golden Three" for 1 day he was able to see all he wanted in the day so I charged 1 days hire £2-10-.

At that time wages were not so high as now, I was able to engage sculors and I considered the sealing was coming back to me.

When I took Mr. Hamilton to the seal rookery I charged him £10-... At the time I told him I would not have done the job for £50-... only I thought I was partly working for my self as I still considered the sealing would come back to me.

In 1923 the "Golden Three" made one trip to the Elephant Is. Gun Guard which was paid for by H.M.C.S. "Afterglow" bringing wool in from the Is. I am Sir

Your obedient servant
Gus Hansen.

257/26.

23rd August.

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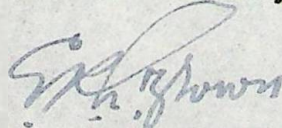
Sir, I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st August, 1929, enclosing an account for £32. 2. 0. in respect of services rendered and goods supplied to the Jason Island Guard in August and December, 1926.

I am to say that vouchers for this sum have been prepared in your favour, and arrangements made for the credit of your account with the Falkland Islands Co. Ltd., to whom a letter in this sense has been addressed.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Acting Colonial Secretary.

Jason Hansen. Esq.,
 Carcass Island.
 West Falkland.

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257/26

23rd August.

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Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that a voucher in the sum of £32. 2. 0. has today been passed to the Treasury in favour of Mr. Jason Hansen, of Carcass Islands.

2. A letter in this sense has been addressed to Mr. Hansen informing him that arrangements have been made with your Company for the collection of this amount for his credit.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

E. H. Johnson
Acting Colonial Secretary.

THE MANAGER,
THE FALKLAND ISLANDS CO. LTD.,
STANLEY.

Pearce Island
Sept 6th 1929

Gen G L R Brown
Colonel Secretary

Sir,

of Aug 23rd.
the contents.

my appreciation of the expeditious manner this
matter has been settled since receiving my letter
of Aug 1st

I have received your letter
and note with great satisfaction
Please convey to His Excellency
my appreciation of the expeditious manner this
matter has been settled since receiving my letter
of Aug 1st

I am Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Gusar Hansen.