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WHALES JAW BONES PRESENTED TO THE COLONIAL GOVERNMENT BY THE HEKTOR COMPANY

MINUTES.

Minute from the Govt. Naturalist of 29th Sept. 1922 - Exec 2 (1)

From file 16/1/22

Y.B. submitted
The Naturalist is to be thanked for the interest he takes in this. He might be authorized to proceed - any cost this year to be charged to his vote for "contingencies". The cost of section next year could be borne by the D.P.W.D.; there is no vote from which it could be paid this year even if the bones were ready.

M. Little 5/10/22
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Govt. Naturalist

A card with

Little 5/10/22

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Hon Col. Sec.

Noted please.

2. I am arranging with the P.W.D.
with reference to movement of the bones.

J. H. Hamilton.
Govt. Naturalist.

15/10/22

Ch.

Will you please render the Naturalist
any assistance possible.

It is probable that the act will be
made over the captured German for a Victory
Prize but no decision has yet been made.

H. H. H. 11/10/22

The Hon. Col. Secy.,

Noted.

2. Any assistance possible will be rendered accordingly.

W. Noye for

Colonial Engineer.

16/10/22.



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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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MINUTE PAPER.

Departmental Number.

From Government Naturalist.

Date 29th. September 1922.

To Hon. Colonial Secretary.

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whales' Jaw Bones presented to the Colonial Government by
The Hektor Company.

Reference
Numbers. }

I beg to state that I have examined the pair of bones at present on the Public Jetty and submit that they are in a condition fit for erection.

2. I would suggest that the pair immersed in the sea at the Dockyard Jetty might be brought out of the water and laid on a shallow bed of sand to dry. It should then be possible to give an opinion on them. It may be found necessary to scrub them as well.

3. It is intended, I believe, to erect the two pairs as a four-way arch. If structural stability permitted a thick bed of sand might be arranged upon which the bones might stand the bases of them could then be surrounded by concrete.

4. The sand would serve two purposes:-
a. any liquids derived from the bones and percolating to the bases would be absorbed;
b. it would assist in keeping the bases dry in wet weather
and so exercise a preservative function.

J.E. Hamilton

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Government Naturalist.