

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No.

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Governor's Office.

From

SUBJECT.

~~Secretary of State for the Colonies.~~

Governor.

MESSRS SALVESEN & COMPANY.

Claim by, for the hire of their S.S.

"HANKA".

No.

Date

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18th Sept, 1915

Colonial Secretary's Record No.

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Registered Number of last Despatch.

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Despatch to Sec. of State No. 117 of the 18th Sept. 1915.

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No. next Despatch.

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Falkland Islands Company Limited,

Stanley, September 14th, 1915.

Sir,

Some months ago Messrs Salvesen & Company sent in an account for £91.10.0 for hire of their S.S. "Hanka", and at your request I referred the same back to them asking whether they could see their way to making some reduction.

Writing on June 7th last they inform us that they had carefully noted all that we had said and had gone into the matter, but had come to the conclusion that their Manager really had not charged enough as he had not taken all risks into consideration. In order not to complicate matters they sent an account for the same figure as their Manager had rendered, and they conclude the letter as follows:-

" We must therefore to our regret ask you to be good
" enough to collect from the Government the full
" amount of our account, namely £91.10.0 and place
" the same to our credit".

We are sorry that Messrs Salvesen and Company felt unable to meet your wishes, but have no option but to communicate their reply asking for the full amount of the account.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(SGD) W.A. Harding

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary.



29 Bernard Street, Leith.

16th February, 1915.

Sir,

We have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 23rd December a.p.p and 4th January, No. 247/14 .

We enclose herewith account for the Steam Whale Fishing Vessel "Hanka" in October, 1914, amounting to £91.10.0 which please pay to the Falkland Islands Co., Ltd., to our credit. We regret the delay in rendering this account, but it has been caused by a misunderstanding on the part of the Manager at New Island.

We carefully note that the powder which was removed from our New Island Station, has been handed over to our steam whale fishing vessel "Scania" on the 4th January, and as requested we have much pleasure in cancelling our account for the value thereof, as we are always willing now as hitherto to oblige you in every possible way.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

(SGD) Chr. Salvesen & Co.

THE HONOURABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY

STANLEY, F. I.

LEITH.

The Colonial Treasurer, Colonial Government,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

DR. to Chr. Salvesen & Co.

1915.

Feb'y. 16th TO
Hire of Steam Whale Fishing Vessel "Hanka" in
October 1914 for the transport of and landing
passengers at different settlements as per
instructions of His Excellency the Governor. £91.10.0

S. & O F.

FAKELAND ISLANDS.

No. 117

Government House, Stanley.

18th September, 1915.

Sir,

Enc. 1

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a letter from Messrs Salvason and Company, dated the 16th February, 1915, enclosing an account for £91.10.0 for "hire of steam whale fishing vessel "Hanka" in October 1914 for the transport of and landing passengers at different Settlements as per instructions of His Excellency the Governor".

2. Messrs Salvason's letter was received on the 21st March and was, I understand, submitted to Governor Allardyce but was not dealt with by him before he left the Colony on the 2nd April, 1915.

3. After the departure of Governor Allardyce the account came before Mr. C.F. Condell, Administering the Government, who considered the amount charged to be very high, and he had an interview with Mr. W.A. Harding, the local agent of Messrs Salvason, with a view to the amount being reduced. Mr. Harding promised to write to Messrs Salvason and Company on the subject, and he has now received a reply from the firm declining to make any reduction in the amount charged.

I enclose for your information a copy of Mr

Harding's

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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

Harding's letter to the Colonial Secretary, of the 14th instant.

4. As I can find on record no written instructions by Governor Allardyce with regard to the hire of the "Hanka", and as the amount charged by Messrs Salvesen and Company appears to me to be unreasonable, I do not feel justified in authorizing payment of the £91.10.0 without first submitting the matter to you, and suggesting that Governor Allardyce be asked to report upon the claim.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

Douglas Young
Governor.