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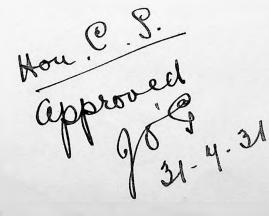
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Hamilton and Saunders, Limited

REGISTERED OFFICE, 91, FORE STREET, CRIPPLEGATE, LONDON E. C.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS "SHEEPFOLD"

ESTANCIAS: "Punta Loyola" "Pale-Aike" (argentine) "Morro Chico" "La Portada" (chile)



Magallanes,

7th January 1931.

To The Honorable,

The Colonial Secretary,

- Port Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Sir;-

We beg to bring before your notice that at a recent Meeting of our Directorate, it was decided to place our schooner " MORVEN " under the British flag. Once this change is made we propose that she will sail for the Falklands, where she will remain.

> We have the honcur to remain Your obedient servants,

P.P. HAMILTON & SAUNDERS LTD. belutamelin. 0



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From Ir, Hercer.

To Colonial Secretary.

Despatched:	27th July,	<i>19</i> 31.	Time :
Received:		19	Time :

Following press news received from Fox Bay stop Morven left Fox Bay 10 a.m. on 26th for San Carlos to investigate knock in propeller shaft. She expects to arrive Stanley about Wednesday or Thursday to be re-registered. She landed Mr. Hamilton on Passage Islands last week and expects to arrive back at Weddell in about ten days time from leaving Passage Islands.

TELEVETARY'S OF	3Ist July 19
STILL 1931	From Registrer of Shipping
THE COLON CLAND BLAND	Stanley.

REGISTRATION OF SCHOOMER "LORVEN" OWNED BY MESSRS. HALLEFON & BAUNDERS.

Hon.Col.sec,

It is necessary that this vessel should be surveyed for measurement under the provisions of the M.S.A.

2. Mr.J.McThomson, Superintendent Engineer of the F.1s. Coy,Ltd, is qualified to carry out such work and 1 beg to request that he may be appointed Surveyor for the purpose of measuring the vessel for registration purposes.

3. I understand from the F.Is.Coy that they have no objection to Lr.IcThomson carrying out this work.

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TREASURY & CUSTOMS, STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS, JULY 31st 1931.

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### Sir,

With reference to our conversation relative to the measurement of the auxiliary schooner "MORVEN" so as to enable that vessel to be transferred from Foreign to British Registry, I have now the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve your appointment as Surveyor for the purpose of measuring and ascertaining the tonnage of the vessel in question, and of completing such Survey Certificates as are required under the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act (U.K.).

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

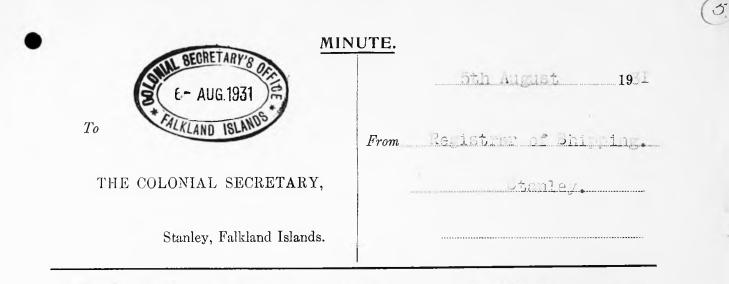
Your obedient servant.

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Registrar of Shipping.

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SUPERINTENDENT ENGINEER, THE FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY, LTD, PORT STANLEY.



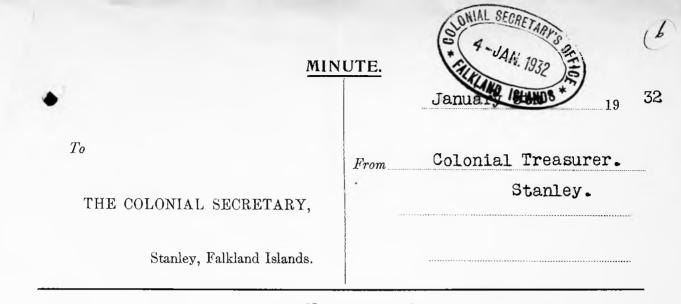
Registration of the autiliary schooner "ROWEN" belonging to

Hon. Col. ec,

L beg to inform you that the above mentioned vessel has been duly surveyed and registration completed today. It is unlikely that the Board of Trade will sanction the retention of the name "forven" as there is already a vessel with a similar name in the mercantile marine List. I have communicated with the board of Trade and Mr. ohn manilton relative to this matter and have esked Mr. Manilton to select another name which will be submitted to the Board of Trade in due course.

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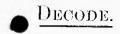
Hon.Col.Sec,

Intimation having been received from the Board of Trade to the effect that there is already a vessel bearing the name "Morven" on British Registry, that name is not available for the vessel owned by Messrs.Hamilton & Saunders.

2. Messrs.Hamilton & Saunders have selected the name "WEST FALKLAND" and the vessel will in future be known by that name. Steps are now being taken to have the new name painted on the vessel.

3. The foregoing submitted for information.

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## TELEGRAM.

From British Consul, Punta Arenas,

To Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 21st March, Received: 22nd March, Will you please authorise the purchase of schooner West Falkland O N 156,380 Port Stanley derelict 8 years by a Chilian. ? being sold piecemeal and now hulk sold. BRITCONSUL.



# TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary,

To H.B.M. Consul, Punta Arenas,

Despatched: 1st April, 19 Ц1. Time: ... Received: .... 19 ... Time: ...

Your telegram 21st March regret permission cannot be granted. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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#### H.B.M.Consulate

PUNTA ARENAS CHILE 15th April 1941

I, the undersigned, EDMARD A. FITSON, Retired Master Mariner, and at present Consular Shipping Adviser to H.M.Consul in this port; Certify that.-

The two masted auxiliary schooner "WEST FALKLAND" Port of Registry being Port Stanley in the Falkland Islands; Official Number.- 156380; Gross Tonnage 101.67; Net Registered tonnage 64.31 tons; The owners being Messrs Hamilton & Saunders. Having been abandoned and neglected without due maintenance during the last eight years, in an anchorage on Dawson Island; Was in February of this year towed to Punta Arenas, and owners agents Messrs John Dick, acting on instructions from Messrs Hamilton & Saunders, proceeded to dismantle her and dispose of those sound appurtenances such as masts and yards and equipment which had not already been plundered from her during the years she lay abandoned.

On her arrival here I boarded this ship together with Mr John Dick, and it was very apparent that she was in every respect unseaworthy, examination having disclosed that her timbers were riddled with worm borings, others showing signs of complete rot, which has been confirmed since she was hauled up on the slipway, and her engine having been condemned as beyond repair and unfit for further service; Thus rendering her to all intents and purposes a "constructive total loss"

The intention therefore was to break her up and dispose of those sound timbers remaining, but Messrs John Dick have subsequently received an offer of purchase from an interested party, for the remains of the hull as it stands, which offer they are disposed to accept on behalf of owners to save them from further loss.

Edward. U.H.

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BRITISH CONSULATE,

MAGALLANES, CHILE.

April 16th, 1941.

Sir,

#### "WEST FALKLAND".

I have the honour, with reference to your cable of April 1st, to render a Report on this schooner, by Lieut. Comdr.E.A.Ritson. R.N.R., Consular Shipping Adviser and to add that; when this ship was brought here, a start was made to break her up.

It was later that, Senor.O.Merino.P., made an offer for her, which is subject to the cancellation of her British "egistration.

Owing to her condition, the owners could not even use her as a storage hulk.

Discussing this with the Consular Shipping Adviser, I am convinced that H.M's Government would not have the slightest interest in her, as she is literally a derelict.

Under these circumstances, it is respectfully requested that her registration may be cancelled.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

6.1.Woodforde-Booth

H.B.M's Consul.

H.B.M's Colonial Secretary, Port Stanley, Falkland Islands.



### 10th May, 41.

Sir,

9/31.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th of April, 1941, and to suggest that you should refer the matter to the Board of Trade or other proper authority in the United Kingdom.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sed.) A. L. Flaures.

for Colonial Secretary.

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### TELEGRAM.

From H.M. Consul, Punta Arenas.

To Colonial Secretary.

Despatched :	27th May,	1941.	Time: 1630.
Received :	28th May,	1941.	Time : 1030.

Anxious to know your decision in the matter of the schooner "West Falkland".

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From Colonial Secretary.

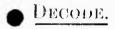
To British Consul, Punta Arenas.

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Your telegram 27th May suggest you refer matter to Board of Trade or other proper authority in the United Kingdom.

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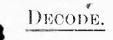
## TELEGRAM.

From H.B.M. Consul, Punta Arenas,

To Colonial Secretary.

Despatched: 29th May, 19 41. Time: 1515. Received: 30th May. 19 41. Time: 1030. Schooner West Falkland abondoned by owners total loss please cancel Registryr of Shipping.

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# TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary.

To H.B.M. Consul, Punta Arenas.

 Despatched :
 5th June,
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 Time : ...

 Received :
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Your telegram 29th May necessary action has been taken.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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SUB-COMISION DE RECONOCIMIENTO DE NAVES MARINA DE CHILE 0000000 LA SUE LA SUE

LA SUB-COMISION DE RECONCCIMIENTO DE NAVES DE MAGA-

CERTIFICA:

Haber inspeccionado la Goleta de bandera Inglesa "WESP FALKLAND" de la matricula de Port Stanley y establece lo siguiente:

19.-) El casco se encuentra inutilizado:

- a) Por tener la quilla completamente destruida debido a la broma (Worm),
- b) Por estar las cuadernas (en el punto de unión con la quilla) en las mísmas condiciones de deterioro.-
- c) Por estar podrida la pieza trancanil de la cubierta.-
- 2?.-) El motor Thornicroft de 75 H.P. tiene un cilindro roto y dos émbolos quebrados debido a la acción del tiempo (Estuvo ocho años en completo abandono). Está inutilizado y sólo tiene valor como fierro viejo.-
- 3°.-) El buque se encuentra completamente desarbolado, habiéndo sido preciso retirar los palos por estar totalmente podridos.-
- 4.-) El buque no tiene jarcias, velamen ni ningún elemento que lo habilite para navegar.-
- 59.-) Finalmente, se deja establecido que las condiciones de deterioro y vetustez del casco ( por tener más de cuarenta y cinco años de construcción) no admite reparaciones y el buque sólo debe considerarse como un elemento excluído del cual únicamente se aprovechará parte de las maderas de su casco.-

EN PUNTA ARENAS, A CUATRO DIAS DEL MES DE ABRIL DE 1941.-

5ronde" PLOS DE LA MAZA M. JUAN MORANDE M. ICIAL DE LA SUB-COMISION PERITO OFICIAL INGENIERO DE LA DE RECONCCIMIENTO DE NAVES .-SUB-COMISION DE RECONOCIMIENTO DE NATES."-SALLAS CHILL GALLANES CALLES OF BOARS ALLES 12-18-191 O.C.S 25

#### MCHANT SURVEYING SUB-COMMISSION

CHILEAN NAVY.

THE. UNDERSIGNED, MERCHANT SURVEYING SUB-COMMISSION

#### CERTIFIES:

Having inspected the British Schooner "WEST FALKLAND" of the Registry of Port Stanley and leaves on record the

following:

- 1. The hull is found to be useless:
  - a) Owing to the keel being completely destroyed by Worm,
  - b) The bottom squares (at joining point with keel) are in the same conditions of deterioration.
  - c) The deck cross-beam piece is rotten.
- 2. The 75 h.p. Thornicroft engine has a broken cilinder and two cracked plungers due to the length of time the ship has been completely abandoned - eight years. It is useless and has only scrap-iron value.
- 3. The ship is completely dismasted, it having been necessary to retire the masts as they were absolutely rotten.
- 4. The ship has no rigging, sail or any other elements necessary for navegation.
- 5. Finally, it is left on record that the conditions of deterioration and age of the hull ( having been built over forty five years ago) do not admit of any repairs and the ship can only be considered as an excluded element of which only part of the hull's timber is of any value.

In Punta Arenas, on the fourth day of April 1941.

Signed: Juan Morandé M.

OFFICIAL EXPERT MERCHANT SURVEYING SUB-COMMISSION Signed: Carlos de la Maza M. OFFICIAL ENGINEERING EXPERT MERCHANT SURVEYING SUB-COMMISSION