

C.S.

HARBOUR

JETTIES

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No.

179/33.

SHI/JET/2 # 2

Harbour Master.

SUBJECT.

193 3.

28th July

DAMAGE TO PUBLIC JETTY.

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

① Minute from Hon. Director of Public Works. 28/7/33.

JH
Red ① submitted.
C. J. Proc.
21/7/33.

Hon. Col. Sec.
I agree with the
suggestions of the Hon. Director
of Public Works.
Para's 2 and 3 of his
minute approved.

"A" might stand over in
view of rearrangement of Harbour
Dept., at an early date.

Subsequent Paper.

McA
by Govt
31. 7. 33

Hon. D. P. W.

no note approval

C. J. J. J.
1/8/33.

Hon. Col. Sec.

noted.

C. Roberts.

3-8-33.

P. H.
4/8/33.

Minute from Mr. Masters 11/5/34

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Hon. Director Public Works.

In your observations please.
Could a lamp standard be put
up in the position suggested,
if so the Electrical Dept. can
be asked regarding the provision
of electric light.

MCH

by C.

14. 7. 34

Hon. Col. Secretary,

There is a lamp standard
which can be erected in position
suggested. The cost to alter standard
and erect is estimated @ £1.

Electric light on the jetty is
more suitable, and I think that Mr
Byron, some time ago, proposed doing
this by running cable underneath and
along west edge of decking.

Byron
for K. J. J.
15/5/34

O. I. C. Electrical Dept.

Please consider and state whether electric light can be provided at Public Jetty.

MCH
a.g.c.s.
16. V. 34.

Hon'ble Secy

If the supply of electric light for the Public Jetty is required as under the present system, that is when the Power House is running for supply of House lights, it would be quite a simple matter, & cable could be estimated for to reach a joint box near the Globe Hotel, but if a light is required at times when the normal system is not running, it would be necessary to estimate for cable to run back to the Power House to join in the 32 Volt battery

G. W. Butcher

Harbour Master

In your observations, I fear it will not be possible to keep a light on Jetty after 12 midnight.

MCH
a.g.c.s.
17. V. 34.

Hon C.S.

Thank you. The expense of running a cable direct from the Power House is not justified at the present time.

A light until midnight should be quite satisfactory, as, in the case of an emergency, the former system of using a hurricane lamp could be adopted.

[Signature]
for Mr. Master

18. 11. 34.

O. I. C. Electrical Dept.

Light until midnight or during the time the ordinary current is on would suffice. Can this be done please at moderate cost.

MCH
- an' et.

18. 11. 34.

Hon Cal Sec

Herewith please approximate estimate for Electric light to public jetty

1	underground cable	\$25			
2	joint box		1	10	0
3	Wembley lantern or as required		2	10	0
4	Labour		5	0	0
		\$34		0	0

[Signature]
Office in Charge C. D.
May 28th / 5/1934

O. I. C. Electrical Dept.

I fear the cost is too high. Presumably you require the amount for more pressing work?

What do you recommend.

2. Kindly date your minutes and add your designation.

MCH
 by C. L.
 30. V. 34.

Hon. Col. Sec

yes Sir I agree that the cost of material is too high for the work to be carried out this year from any of our votes. I therefore have the honour to recommend that now that the matter of the lighting of the public jetties has ~~not~~ been under discussion, that both the Government jetties and Public jetties ^{lighting} should be allowed as extra expenditure in the estimates for 1935. The Government jetties lighting would not be quite so expensive as we already have power in the P.W. garage

G. W. Patchey
 P. O. Box 100
 1/6/34

Harbour Master.

The work cannot be carried
over this year. Please
arrange with P.W.D. to
erect a lamp post to do
so
formally.

MCH
A.C.
1.6.34.

Hon. C.S.

Notes, thank you. P.W.D. has
been notified accordingly

P.A.
MCH
12.6.34.

for Harbour Master
11/11/34

Minute from Harbour Master 2/10/35 (4)

Director Public Works,

Will you kindly assess
the amount of the damage done.

MCH
C.S.
3. X. 35

Hon Col. Sec.

The estimated cost to replace
2 stringers 4" x 10" x 12 ft and 4" x 12" x 15 ft
1 deck plank 3" x 9" x 12" chaffing battens,
with necessary muntz metal, bolts etc. at
the Public Jetty damaged by M.V. "Gentoo"
on the 2nd October 1935; is £20

C. Roberts.

3-10-35.

Harbour Master

To note. Has Mr Barton
agreed to pay the cost of
repairs? or will it be
necessary to refer the matter
to him.

MCH
ed
5. 10. 35

Hon Col Sec.

Mr Barton did not agree
to pay, but the fact that he told me that
he understood it was a case of "pure
negligence" would indicate that he admits
liability. I might mention that Mr Barton
also said that he was informed that a stringer
was already broken before the mishap.
This, I submit, cannot have any bearing
on the matter, as enquiries have failed to
produce any evidence or proof that the
stringer was broken.

It will be necessary to
refer the matter to Mr Barton.

Auth
for Harbour Master
7. 10. 35

Harbour Master

Yes, but meantime the
damage should be repaired.
Will you please arrange with
P.W.D. to carry out the
repairs.

MCH
ed
8. X. 35

Hon Director Public Works

M. P. passed to you please.

for necessary action.

W. P.
for Harbor wastes
8-10-35

Hon. Col. Sec.

I submit that this work should
be charged to an advance against
Mr. Barton.

W. P.
D. P. W.
8-10-35.

Hon. Treas.

The cost could be charged
to Advances - Public Jetty, perhaps,
as you may recommend.

W. P.
8. 10. 35

Hon. Col. Sec.

I agree that the charge
should be brought to account under

"Advances - Public Jetty"

W. P.
for Col Sec.
9. 10. 35

Harbour Master

Will you please write to the Manager, Pebble Is., informing him of what is required to repair the damage to the public jetty and the cost, and ask him to pay £20.

MCH
C.S.
10. 10. 35

Spoke to Hon. Col Sec. It was decided to inform Mr Barton that the estimated cost of repairing the jetty is £20, & that in due course he will be informed as to the exact cost.

Auth
16. 10. 35

Hon Col Sec.

Mr Barton has been written to - a copy of the letter is put up.

enc. 5.

Auth
for Harbour Master

16. 10. 35

Harbour Master

Thank you. You might arrange with the P.W.D. to carry out the repairs.

MCH
C.S.
17. 10. 35

Yon C. Sec.

I am informed by the P. W. Dept
that the work is nearing completion.

W.B.
for Harbour Master

P. A. McH.
17. X. 55

17. X. 55

Minute from DHO 20/11/55

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Hon. Secs and Hbr. Master,

To note and to inform
the managers of Pebble Is. please.

McH.
- c.s.
27. XI. 55

Hon. Sec.

The Manager of Pebble Is. has
been informed of Harbour Master
21. X. 55

P. A. McH.
2. XII. 55

- Hon. Sec. had (9) + (10) are submitted.
- I suggest replying to the Manager, Messrs. Dean Bros as follows + should be glad to know of your concerns. I also consider the D.P. W. Shd. all the papers in case they wish to offer any comments.
- His was 2. The charge will be Messrs. Dean Bros. was the actual cost of the work
3. Enquiries have failed to produce any evidence that the deck plank which had to be replaced was broken before the occurrence (Acting Minute - Sheet 3)
 - 4+5. There are no circumstances which justify special consideration for a reduction of the mishap, so stated, was due entirely to negligence on the part of the Master of the vessel
 6. Each & every case is dealt with on its merits v.c. according to the evidence available.
 7. The committee fee of the Mentos has already been reduced from £7 to £3 ha
- J.H.M. 7/2/56

Hon. Treas.

I concur with proposed
reply.

Please pass papers to
D. P. who for any comments he
have to offer.

WCH
et
7. 2. 36

Hon. Col. Treas.

The charge made was the
actual cost of the work,
no charge being made for
supervision

W Roberts.
7/2/36.

Hon. Ch.
H. C. M. (11).

J. H. M.
10/2/36

Hon. Master.

Thank you

WCH
et
11. 2. 36

P.A.
12/2/36

Hon. Ch.
J. H. M.
10/2/36

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MINUTE.

28th July, 1933

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From Director Public Works,
Stanley.

DAMAGE TO PUBLIC JETTY.

I beg to report that the Public jetty sustained considerable damage during Thursday night's gale, the 27th July, 1933. The Harbour Master informs me that the M.V. "Gentoo" was tied up alongside the jetty at the time, and during the high wind the ship pulled over one of the piles to which she was tied. This caused damage to the stringers and bottom landing. From enquiries made I am of the opinion that it would be difficult to attach blame to the master of the "Gentoo". I would submit that vessels of this size should not be allowed to tie up and remain alongside the landing steps for any length of time. Last night, however, may have been an exception, as the ship apparently came alongside the jetty to receive the mail whilst it was calm. The wind suddenly sprang up and it was possibly found difficult to hang on for safety.

2. The estimated cost to repair is £30.

3. I would submit that approval may be given to proceed with the repairs under XX. Public Works Recurrent, (8) Minor Works.

G. Roberts.
Director Public Works.

(1)

Stanley

9/5/34

Mr. Jones,

Dear Sir,

while sailing the 'Desire' into the Public Jetty yesterday with the wind due South, I accidentally broke the lamp-post that stood on the end.

The 'Desire' had lost steerage-way and barely touched the lamp-post. On examining it later I found it had been badly cracked before.

Yours truly
Robert Hittle.

No. _____

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

MINUTE.

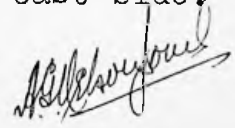
11th May 19 34

From Harbour Master,
Stanley

To Hon. Colonial Secretary,
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I beg to submit herewith a report from Mr. Robert Hirtle of an accident which occurred at the Public Jetty on the 1st instant.

2. I examined parts of the broken lamp post and found evidence of fractures of old standing and am of opinion that the slightest of impacts would have occasioned the present result. I would recommend that an electric light be installed on the west side of the Jetty where the standard would create no inconvenience to vessels discharging cargo, as discharging is invariably performed on the east side.



for Harbour Master.

179/33

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MINUTE.

2nd October, 19 35

From

HARBOUR MASTER.
THE ~~GOVERNMENT~~

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

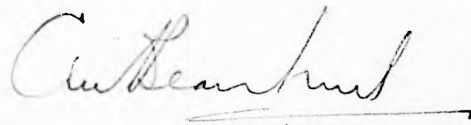
To The Hon. Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

Hon. Col. Secretary:

I beg to report that a mishap occurred this afternoon when the m.v. "Gentoo" fouled the Public Jetty, involving a certain amount of damage to the jetty. Mr. A.G. Barton, Manager for Messrs Dean Bros., of Pebble Island, owners of the "Gentoo", intimated to me that although he was not a witness of the accident he understands that it was a case of pure negligence on the part of the person controlling the vessel.

I would ask that the Public Works Department be requested to assess the amount of damage done to the jetty, with a view to effecting necessary repairs, for which Messrs Dean Bros will be required to pay.


for Harbour Master.

Harbour Department,
Stanley, Falkland Islands,
16th October, 1935.

C.S. 179/33.

Sir,

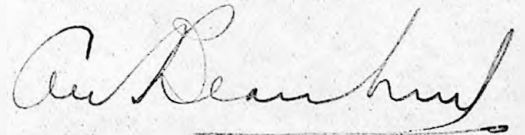
I am directed to inform you that in consequence of the mishap which occurred on the 2nd of October, 1935, when the m.v. "Gentoo" collided with the Public Jetty in Stanley, damage was sustained by the jetty, necessitating the following repairs:- replacement of two stringers, 4" x 12" x 12 ft, and 4" x 12" x 15 ft, one deck plank 3" x 9" x 12 ft, also the provision of chafing battens with necessary muntz metal bolts, &c., to an estimated cost of £20 (twenty pounds).

When the repairs, which are now in hand, have been effected I will advise you of the exact cost of same.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Harbour Master.

A.G. Barton, Esq., J.P.,

Manager,

Messrs Dean Bros.,

Pebble Islands, W.F.

26th November, 35

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer,

Stanley.

Director of Public Works,
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ADVANCES. CLAIMS. - MESSRS DEAN BROTHERS.
Repairs to Public Jetty damaged by M.V. "Gentoo".

With reference to the above, I beg to inform you that the repairs have been effected at a cost of £17. 17. 10., as follows:-

	£	s.	d.
Labour.....	11.	13.	6.
Materials.....	6.	4.	4.

£17. 17. 10.

and a claim should be made on Messrs Dean Brothers for this amount.

2. A copy of this minute is being forwarded to the Hon. Colonial Secretary for placing in M.P.

G. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.

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MINUTE.

26th November, 19 35

From
~~Box~~ Director of Public Works,
Stanley.

~~Revised~~ To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Repairs to Public Jetty damaged by M.V. "Gentoo".

I beg to attach a copy of minute sent to Hon. Colonial Treasurer regarding claim to be made on Messrs Dean Brothers, for placing in M.P.

G. Robert
Director of Public Works.

C.S. 179/33.

Harbour Department,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

2nd December, 1935.

Sir,


With reference to my letter of 16th October, 1935, I am directed to inform you that the repairs to the Public Jetty have now been effected at a total cost of £17. 17. 10.

I shall be glad if you will arrange for payment of this amount into the Treasury.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,


Harbour Master.

A.G. Barton Esq., J.P.,

Manager,

Messrs. Dean Bros.,

Pebble Island, W.F.

DEAN BROS.

(10)
PEBBLE ISLAND,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

1st. February 1936

The Harbour Master,
Port Stanley.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your letters of the 16th. October & 2nd. December 1935 in which you give the estimated cost of the repairs ^{to} the Public Jetty as £ 20, and the actual cost at £ 17. 17. 10.

Considering the small amount of timber and other material used on the repairs, the cost appears to me to be very high. From what I could see of the damage done I did not think it would be necessary to remove much of the deck planking in order to make the necessary repairs, and I presume that the Muntz Metal bolts could be used again, if none were actually lost.

I am also informed that the deck plank which had to be replaced was actually broken previous to the mishap.

I am not trying to evade my firm's responsibility in the matter. As a matter of fact, the mishap being due entirely to negligence on the part of the Master of the vessel, it is he who will have to pay the bill and not Dean Brothers, but I am now acting on his behalf, and I do not want to have to present him with a bill for so large an amount.

Could you possibly see your way clear to reducing it

2.

somewhat.

6 Supposing that I had not reported the mishap to Mr. Beardmore, and admitted liability for the damage, what action would your department have taken then? Supposing it had been a genuine accident occasioned, for example, by a gale of wind blowing the vessel on to the Jetty out of control, would the owners of the vessel still be responsible for the damage?

Section 7 of the Wharfage Ordinance of 1911 states that such would be the case, but has the Ordinance always been strictly carried out?

Wharfage 1936

7. I take this opportunity of asking whether the commuted charge of Seven Pounds payable in respect of the Wharfage of the M.V. "Gentoo" for the year 1936, may be held over until such time as it is certain that the vessel will be making voyages to Stanley.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

A. G. Barton

Manager.

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Harbour Department,
Stanley, Falkland Islands,
10th February, 1936.

Subject: Damage to Public Jetty, Stanley.

Reference: Your letter dated 1st February, 1936.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under reference, and to inform you that the charge made in respect of the repairs carried out on the Public Jetty was the actual cost of the work and that no charge was made for supervision.

2. I may also add that enquiries failed to produce any evidence that the stringer or deck plank which had to be replaced were broken before the mishap.

3. I regret that no reduction can be made as the accident appears to have been the result of negligence on the part of the Master of the vessel.


4. Regarding the suppositions mentioned in page 2 of your letter, each case is treated on its merits and according to the evidence available.

5. The fee in respect of the commuted wharfage for the m.v. "Gentoo" has been reduced from £7 to £3 and I should be glad to know if you are agreeable to the payment of this amount.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,


Harbour Master.

A.G. Barton, Esq., J.P.,
Manager,

Messrs Dean Bros.,
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Director of Public Works,
~~THE COLONIAL SECRETARY~~

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G. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.

DEAN BROS.

PEBBLE ISLAND,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

12th April, 1936.

The Harbour Master,
Port Stanley.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 10th. February in connection with the damage done to the Public Jetty by the m.v. "Gentoo".

I note that no reduction can be made in the charge of £17. 17. 10. I therefore enclose herewith a cheque to that value in full settlement.

With reference to Paragraph 5 of your letter, I prefer not to take advantage of the commuted Wharfage Dues for the current year, but rather to pay by the day should the vessel have occasion to use the Public Jetty.

*Advise
To 21/4/36*

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) A. G. Barton.

Manager.