

Whaling.  
R. Irvine & Sons.  
Chs. Salvesen & Co.,  
No. 344.

1919.

C.S.

Governor.

SUBJECT.

1919.

16<sup>th</sup> April.

Previous Paper.

Whaling facilities to be allowed in  
South Georgia 1919-20 season.

MINUTES.

Letter to Magistrate, D. G., 16.4.19.

N.E.  
Returned in case required for further  
action. N.E. fuls.  
17.4.19.

not at present. N.E.

Draft Whaling Regulation herewith for  
next meeting of E. Co.

22.4.19 N.E.  
/

Executive Council

24<sup>th</sup> April, 1919.

The Governor in Council made the attached  
Whaling Regulation, repealing the Whaling (Emergency)  
Regulations, 1916.

T. Stoddard,  
Chs. S. Co.

25.4.19.

Subsequent Paper.

555/19.

N.E.

With 3 copies for M.E.'s signature. also  
draft letter to magistrate, South Georgia.

? for May Gazette.

M.E. tabs.  
25.4.19.

Regulation of<sup>d</sup> (let me have printed copies for  
Sec of state -

Draft letter approved -

Yes for May Gazette.

25.4.19 M.E.  
/ me

Registrar

To withdraw signed copy of Regulation.

M.E. tabs.  
25.4.19.

Hon. Sec.

Withdrawn accordingly.

M. B. Harkar

26.4.19. Registrar

Copy sent to printer for May Gazette

Wait

(for printed copies  
to S.M.)

N.E.

With 7 printed copies of Regulation.

THF.

17.5.19

Copies forwarded to Sec of State by  
Desp No. 65 of 24 April 1919.

27.  
19.5.19

Letter to Magistrate, P. G., with 6 copies  
of Regulation, 25.4.19.

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Letter from P. M. South Georgia, 16.6.19.

Sec. 27.  
18.9.19

Letter from P. M. South Georgia, 16.10.19.

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16th April, 1919.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to enclose to you herewith for your information and guidance a copy of the Secretary of States despatch No. 28 of the 7th February, 1919, on the subject of Whaling facilities to be allowed in the Dependencies of the Colony during the season 1919-1920.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



For Colonial Secretary.

E. E. Binnie, Esq.,  
Stipendiary Magistrate,  
SOUTH GEORGIA.

7th February, 1919.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you, for your information, the accompanying copies of letters which I have caused to be addressed to Messrs Chr. Salvesen and Company and Messrs R. Irvin and Sons relative to the whaling facilities to be allowed in the Dependencies of the Falkland Islands during the season 1919/20.

2. You will observe that I have decided that the regulations requiring the utilisation of the whole carcase of the whale and restricting the use of auxiliary vessels in the towing and buying of whales should be restored as from the beginning of season 1919-20: and I request that you will issue instructions to the Magistrate accordingly.

3. As regards facilities at the South Shetlands, I may explain that, in connection with the arrangements made early in the year 1916 for increasing the out-put of oil during the war, Messrs Salvesen and Messrs Irvin were informed that the Secretary of State would be prepared to consider favourable applications for licences in the Dependency provided that these firms did everything reasonably possible to augment the out-put of whale oil. I consider that this condition has been adequately fulfilled and that the time has now arrived for redeeming the promise then made.

4. You will learn from my despatch No.24 of the 31st January that permission has been given for the Ocean Whaling Company to utilise a third catcher in connection with their lease of South Georgia during the season 1919/20 only, in consideration of a call being made at Tristan da Cunha during that season.

I have, etc.,  
(Sgd) MILNER.

Downing Street,  
6th February, 1919

Gentlemen,

I am directed by Viscount Milner to inform you that his Lordship has had under consideration the question of the whaling facilities to be allowed in the Dependencies of the Falkland Islands during the season 1919-20.

2. The demand for oil rendered it necessary to permit an increased pursuit of the whales at South Georgia during the war: but, in view of the cessation of hostilities and the apprehensions which have been expressed as regards the diminution of the stocks at that Dependency, Lord Milner is of opinion that normal conditions should be restored as soon as and as far as possible. It is therefore proposed

- (a) that the number of licences for extra whale catchers allowed during the war should at once be reduced;
- (b) that the subletting of licences for catchers to be used in connection with the reducing plants of foreign companies should not be continued after the present season; and
- (c) that the regulations requiring the utilisation of the whale carcase of the whale and restricting the use of auxiliary vessels in the towing and buoying of such carcasses should be restored as from the beginning of the season 1919-20.

3. On the pre-war basis you would be entitled to use a total of four catchers at South Georgia, i.e. two catchers under each of your leases: and you would be eligible for a renewal of your annual licences at the South Shetlands for the floating factory "Neko" and three catchers, which have during the later years of the war been employed at South Georgia and should now revert to their former field.

In addition to the renewal of these licences at the South Shetlands, Lord Milner is now prepared to give favourable consideration to an application from you for additional facilities at South Shetlands during the season 1919-20 to the extent indicated in the letter from the Department of the 29th March 1916, if you are in a position to take advantage of them.

4. As regards South Georgia, while Lord Milner is not prepared to contemplate any permanent increase in the number of catchers which may be employed under your leases, he is willing to consider some concession for the season 1919-20 only, should you be unable to take advantage of additional facilities at the South Shetlands. It is suggested that you should be allowed, subject to the payment of the usual fees in respect of the additional vessels, to employ at South Georgia in 1919-20 a maximum of six whale catchers; this maximum to be reduced by one (but not below four) for each catcher in excess of three which you employ at the South Shetlands in that season. The number of catchers which you may employ at South Georgia will in any case be reduced to four in the season 1920-21.

5. I am to request you to inform me at your early convenience for what facilities you would propose to apply in accordance with the arrangements outlined.

6. It is presumed that it is not your intention to resume whaling operations in the territorial waters of the Falkland Islands in 1919-20.

I am, etc.,  
(Sgd) C. Grindle.

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25th April, 1919.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to forward to you herewith for your information and guidance and for the information of the Managers of the Whaling Stations at South Georgia, the attached copies of a Whaling Regulation made by the Governor in Council on the 24th instant, repealing the Whaling (Emergency) Regulations, 1916.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
For Colonial Secretary.

E. E. Binnie, Esq.,  
Stipendiary Magistrate,  
South Georgia.

**Falkland Islands.**

**W. DOUGLAS YOUNG,**  
*Governor.*

## **Whaling Regulations.**

- 1. The Whaling (Emergency) Regulations, 1916, are hereby repealed.**

**Made by the Governor in Council under the provisions of The Whale Fishery Ordinance, 1908, this 24th day of April, 1919.**

**T. N. GODDARD,**  
*Clerk, Executive Council.*

**M. P. 344/19.**



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The Magistrate's Office  
Freetown  
16 June 1919

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter no 344/19 of 16<sup>th</sup>  
April, covering a copy of the Secretary of State's  
despatch no 28 of 7<sup>th</sup> February, on the  
subject of whaling facilities to be allowed  
in the Dependencies during the season  
1919-1920.

I have the honour to be

Sir,  
Your obedient servant  
E. W. D. Binns

Magistrate

The Honble.

The Colonial Secretary  
Jamaica Islands.

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S.G. No. 132/19.

The Magistrate's Office,

South Georgia,

16th. October 1919.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 344/19 of 25th. April last, covering copies of Whaling Regulation made by the Governor in Council repealing the Whaling (emergency) Regulations 1916,

2. Copies will be distributed to the various whaling stations.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. B. Binns".

Stipendiary Magistrate.

The Hon.

The Colonial Secretary,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.