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H. C. Sheffer.

SUBJECT.

1920

27th Jan

Previous Paper.

Supply of Fish ^{at} South American Coast -
possibility of trawling in His Waters.

MINUTES.

- ① Minute from H. C. Sheffer 27/1/30
- 2. Letter to British Vice-Consul, Bahia Blanca, 28/1/30

G. G. Submitted. I am unable to find any previous correspondence in this connection.

2. To sign and despatch letter?

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Subsequent Paper.

Letter from H.B.M. Consul, Bahia Blanca ²⁰ 9/30 (3)

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Despatch to H.B.M.'s Consul General. 9/30 (6)

Letter to H.B.M. Vice Consul. Bahia Blanca 9/30 (7)

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52/30.

28th January, 30.

Sir,

I am studying the question of the supply of fish to the South American coast and shall be grateful if you can give me your views thereon.

2. I believe I am correct in saying that this market is well supplied by local fishing vessels, and that there is not a sufficient demand to warrant the starting of fisheries in these Islands, that is to say if suitable fishing grounds were found and the weather conditions made trawling possible which is extremely doubtful.

3. I shall be obliged if you can supply me with any other information on this subject.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Acting Colonial Secretary.

The British Vice-Consul,
British Consulate,
Bahia Blanca
URUGUAY.

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BRITISH VICE-CONSULATE,

P A H I A B L A N C A

ARGENTINE, S. AMERICA.

20th. February 1930.

Sir,

I duly received your dispatch N^o 52/30 dated 28th. January last and beg to reply as follows.

So far as concerns Bahis Blanca there are numerous fishing vessels (mostly of the small sailing type, but a few with motor power), and the local market appears to be sufficiently well catered to.

I am of the opinion however that Buenos Aires might furnish a profitable market for imported fish and have forwarded copy of your dispatch to His Majesty's Consul General for attention.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.


British Vice-Consul.

The Acting Colonial Secretary
Stanley
Falkland Islands.

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BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL,

BUENOS AIRES.

26th February, 1930.

Sir,

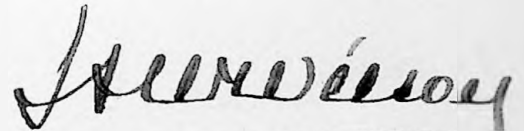
With reference to Despatch No.52/30 of the 28th January, from the Acting Colonial Secretary of the Falkland Islands to the British Vice-Consul at Bahia Blanca, and the Vice-Consul's reply dated the 20th of February, on the question of a possible outlet in the Argentine for fish, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that I have made inquiries from a Mr. Clifford Walton, the owner of a cold storage establishment here, and I enclose herewith, a copy of his letter dated the 24th instant, in which he asks a number of questions regarding the supply of fish with a view to considering whether a trade can be worked up between the Falkland Islands and Buenos Aires.

2. I shall be glad to make any further inquiries Your Excellency may desire if, after consideration of Mr. Walton's letter, it appears that any trade could be developed.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,



H. M.'s Consul-General.

His Excellency,
The Governor of the Falkland Islands,
Government House,
Stanley.

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COPY.

H. CLIFFORD WALTON.

Importación - Exportación.

Buenos Aires, February 24th, 1930.

Dear Sir,

Thanks very much for the thought that prompted your telephonic communication of this afternoon.

It is just possible that we might arrange some mutually satisfactory combination for receiving and selling the fish captured by your correspondent who, I understand, is located at Port Stanley, Falkland Islands.

As you are, doubtless, aware, apart from our large cold stores located at Lavalle and L.N. Alem we own and operate the only modern cold storage installation at the Bullrich Market which is, in turn, the concentration point for all fish and other kinds of sea food sold in Buenos Aires.

Will you, then, please ask your friends to give us some information regarding:-

1. The kinds of fish captured in the Falkland Islands by the trawlers in question.
2. What quality, in kilos, constitutes a cargo for said trawlers.
3. What would be the duration of the trip from point of capture to Buenos Aires.
4. What is the size and speed of the trawlers, what type of engines are installed and what fuel consumed.
5. If it were possible to operate the trawler in closer Argentine Waters would your friends entertain the idea.
6. What would your friends estimate as a satisfactory selling price, per kilo, for a cargo of fish.
7. Is it the idea to send a cargo of fish here and load general cargo for the return trip.
8. Do your friends want us to buy the shipment or are we to act as agents for the sale of the cargo, attend to Customs regulations in connection with the entering and clearing of the vessel.
9. If loading cargo, would we be expected to act as agents for the purchase and loading of same.
10. Does your inquiry have to do with one or more than one trawler?

Thanking you for a reply at your earliest convenience,
I am,

Yours truly,

(Signed) H.C. Walton.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

NO. 52/30.

8th May, 1930.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch of the 26th February, 1930, I have the honour to inform you that the possibility of establishing a fishing industry in the Colony is at present so remote that I fear very little purpose would be served by proceeding further in the matter in the meantime.

I am greatly obliged to you for the action *taken* to obtain the information required.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

ord *A.H.*

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S CONSUL GENERAL,
BUENOS AIRES.

52/30.

8th May.

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Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th February, 1930, and to thank you for your action in the matter of the enquiries made regarding the demand for fish in the Argentine.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Colonial Secretary.

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S VICE CONSUL,
BAHIA BLANCA,
ARGENTINE.