

1921

UTI/PWD/1#9

Public Works Dept.
Stone-breaking
No. 419/21.

C.S.

Colonial Engineer ^{6/5.}

SUBJECT.

1921

14th June

Previous Paper.

Increase in rate of wages for stone-breaking.

MINUTES.

Minutes from Colonial Engineer, dated 14th June 1921. E.H.C.

H.E. the Governor,

Submitted.

2. Owing to the nature of the stone, I fear stonebreaking in this Colony cannot be compared with similar work in other Colonies. Stone breaking in this Colony is I venture to think, best suited for prison labour,

A. C. S. 6/6/21.

H.E.S.

Rate 10/- is recommended accepted.

2. Accurate account should be kept of number of men employed, hours worked + work done: all this information will be required in connection with experiment in more efficient work being undertaken by Colonial Engineer.

3. Any time spent by the "outdoor foreman" in "supervising" stonebreaking should be included in cost of broken stone. M. 6 Nov 1921

Subsequent Paper.

Colonial Engineer,

For your information and guidance. Will you kindly return this paper to C.S.O, when you have read and noted His Excellency's instructions.

A. C. S.
A. C. S. 7/6/21.

The Hon; Col; Secretary.

His Excellency's instructions noted.
Paper returned accordingly.

P.P.B.
C. E.

Hon: Treasurer,

For your information.

7/6/21.

A. C. S.
A. C. S. 8/3/21.

Hon. Col. Sec.

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M. Prangii Kalken
8th June 1921

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

MINUTE PAPER.



Departmental Number.

From The Colonial Engineer.

Date June 4th. 1921.

To The Hon. Col. Secy.

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Reference
Numbers. }

During the past month workmen from the camp have been employed breaking stones at the rate of 8/- per cubic yard.

- (1) They state that owing to the short period of daylight and the unfavourable weather conditions they are unable to earn a living wage.
- (2) It is generally allowed that a labourer should be able to crack about one cubic yard of ordinary hard stone into 2" gauge road metal in a period of 10 hours.
- (3) I would suggest that the rate be increased to 10/- per cubic yard as this would correspond more or less with the wage of the ordinary labourer. viz. 1/- per hour.
- (4) The men do not, at present, know the best way to break the stones and, therefore, do not turn out so large a quantity as they probably will do when they have had a little more experience of the work.

R.A.B.

C. E.
14/6/21.