

Form of Inquisition.

Falkland Islands } An inquisition indented taken for Our Sovereign Lady the
 to wit. } Queen at the Court-house in Stanley on the
 day of } before A. B., Gentleman, Escheator-General of Our said
 Lady the Queen for the said Islands, touching certain property to wit [*here set forth
 the description of the property, if real estate by name, boundaries or other description*] late
 the property of C. D., of _____, who died without heirs or next kin,
 as is alleged, to which Our said Lady the Queen had become entitled by escheat, as is
 alleged by the oaths of [*here set forth the names of the six jurors empanelled*] good and
 lawful men of the said Government, who, being duly sworn and charged to make
 inquiry in premises upon their oaths, say that the said C. D. was, at the time of his
 death, seized in fee simple [*if the property is personal estate say possessed in his own
 right*] of the said [*here set forth the particulars of the real estate, if any*] and that the
 same hath therefore become the property of Our Sovereign Lady the Queen by way
 of escheat.

In witness whereof as well the said Escheator-General as the jurors aforesaid have
 hereto set their hands this _____ day of _____

(Signed) A. B., Escheator-General.

[Signatures of Jurors]

(B.)

Table of Fees.

	£	s.	d.
Escheator-General	3	0	0
Chief Constable	1	6	8
Jury	0	3	0
For each Juror			

(L.S.) (Signed) G. D'ARCY, Governor.

Passed the Legislative Council this 15th day of May, 1871.

(Signed) M. GALLWEY HURST, Acting Clerk of the Council.

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Wreck and Salvage Ordinance.

In the Year 1871.—No. 3.

Clause.

1. Part VIII of Merchant Shipping Act of 1854 to be applied to this Colony.
2. Powers of the Board of Trade under Part VIII to be vested in the Governor.
3. Wreck unclaimed within twelve months to be sold, and proceeds paid into Colonial Treasury.
4. Commencement of Ordinance.

By His Excellency Colonel GEORGE D'ARCY, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Falkland Islands and the Dependencies thereof, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, Be it enacted:—

1. THAT Part VIII of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1854, concerning wrecks, casualties, and salvage, shall be in force within the Colony so far as the same can be applied, subject to the provisions contained in the following clauses.

2. That all the powers, authorities, and duties committed by the said Part VIII to the Board of Trade shall in the Colony be vested in and exercised by the Governor.

3. That, in the event of no owner establishing a claim to wreck before the expiration of twelve calendar months after the same shall have come into the possession of the Receiver, the Receiver shall forthwith sell the same, and after payment of all expenses attending such sale, and all expenses incurred by him, and paying to the salvors such

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amount of salvage as the Governor in Council may in each case determine, shall pay the same into the Colonial Treasury for the general uses of the Colony.

4. That the Ordinance shall come into operation from the day of the passing thereof. Commencement of Ordinance.

(L.S.) (Signed) G. D'ARCY, *Governor.*

Passed the Legislative Council this 22nd day of May, 1871.

(Signed) M. GALLWEY HURST, *Acting Clerk of the Council.*

Ordinance for Regulating the Disposal of Crown Lands in the Falkland Islands.

In the Year 1871.—No. 4.

WHEREAS it is expedient to consolidate and amend the Laws and Regulations relating to the disposal of the waste lands of the Crown in the Falkland Islands and their Dependencies. Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of the said islands with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council as follows :— Preamble.

1. The Proclamations of the 31st July, 1849, of the 4th April, 1861, of the 24th June, 1867, of the 21st August, 1867, and the 37th Section of the "Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance, 1853," are hereby repealed, saving nevertheless all estates, interests, rights, and renewals created or accruing under or by virtue of such Proclamations or Ordinance respectively. Repeal of previous law.

2. This Ordinance may be cited as the "Land Ordinance, 1871." Short title.

3. In this Ordinance the word "block" shall signify 160 acres of land, the word "section" shall signify 6,000 acres of land, and the word "station" shall signify the whole extent of land comprised in one lease, and (if not inconsistent with the text or subject-matter) words of one number or one gender shall import both numbers and all genders respectively. The words "Governor," "Colonial Secretary," and "Surveyor-General," shall signify the officers who may be appointed to perform those duties. Interpretation clause.

4. Except as hereinafter mentioned the waste lands of the Crown shall be sold in fee simple and by public auction only. Crown lands to be sold by auction only.

5. It shall be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, to reserve and set apart any waste lands of the Crown for harbours, defence and internal communications, or for the sites of towns, villages, places of public worship, interment, education or recreation, or for any other public purpose whatsoever. Reserves for public purposes.

6. The size of the lots and the upset price for town, suburban and country lands respectively shall be fixed by the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, but the upset price shall not be lower than at the rate of £100 per acre for town lots, of £2 per acre for suburban lots, and 4s. per acre for country lands. Size and upset price of lots to be fixed by Governor in Council.

7. Country lands if not sold when put up at auction shall afterwards be open for selection and purchase at the upset price: Provided that the Governor may withdraw any such lands from selection and again submit them to public auction and so on from time to time till the lands be sold. Country lands may after auction be purchased at upset price unless withdrawn from sale.

8. The upset price of town, suburban, and country lands respectively may from time to time be raised or lowered by Her Majesty and her successors by any instruction addressed to the Governor under Her or their Sign-Manuel and Signet, or through one of the Principal Secretaries of State. Upset price may be raised or lowered by Her Majesty.

9. All intended sales by auction of Crown lands shall be notified by public advertisement in the usual manner not less than one month nor more than three months before the day of sale. Lands to be advertised previous to auction.

10. It shall be lawful for the Governor in his discretion to grant to settlers licences to occupy sections of the waste lands of the Crown on the following terms and conditions :—(1.) Each section shall consist of 6,000 acres as near as may be; (2.) A sum of £5 shall, at the time of application for a licence, be paid to the Colonial Secretary for the public use in respect of each section applied for; (3.) The Licenses for pastoral purposes