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handed Copy of <sup>and</sup> Louis V. Falkland  
 what is circumscribed,  
 written in red lines, 183<sup>3</sup> 10 Decr 1835  
 page of this letter. This  
 is being sufficient to prove  
 that Lieut Smith & Son continued my affairs  
 on the Island - London <sup>on the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1835</sup> On my arrival here in Jan<sup>r</sup> 1836  
 for the protection of the settlers I found the settlements  
 and your property in utter ruin, however by dint  
 of perseverance and with my own funds. I recovered the  
 horses from the camp and reestablished the whole  
 of your concerns. On the arrival of my son here last  
 July, I put your affairs in his hands, giving him the  
Surplus of monies for the sale of beef. There he will  
send you an account of his proceedings. I also got  
 a bill for 433 - Spanish Dollars, <sup>which I have sent to America to be accepted</sup> and a receipt for the  
seal skins taken at the North & South Poles, which fishing  
from documents which I found here was established by  
you or your agent. I have some lengthy correspondence  
 on the subject, but as I was sent here to protect the in-  
 habitants in their lawful pursuits, those inhabitants must  
 share or lose their money, should others participate in  
 those privileges. The warrants of sales of beef seal skins  
 or have been rendered by me to the Commander in  
 Chief up to the 31<sup>st</sup> of Aug<sup>r</sup> 1835.

and at the same time told him, I should  
 insist on being remunerated <sup>for</sup> trouble and  
 expense incurred. There are now 29 seal skins  
~~besides~~ <sup>(see #)</sup> ~~than~~ Procured, which were taken away by  
 The entire Sassanial Ann, and about 400 lbs of  
Salt hides, 50 or 60 head of tame Cattle & 1st wild,  
 30 working horses and 20 or 30 sheeps.



Of these 400 hides, 140 had been sumam  
 acquired previous to Lieut Smith's arrival, for  
 of the remainin 260 hides had been you Lt Stewart  
 acquired since. And according to a  
 letter recd from London in London  
 (dated 5<sup>th</sup> Nov 1852) he states that his son had  
 given up to him all the hides & skins & money Commander  
 appointed for the sale of beef for his (Lieut Smith's)  
 appointment until he was superseded (by Lieut Lowrey) and that there  
 were 300 to 400 procured cattle 300 dry and salt hides "besides some seal skins"  
 and that many had been more letters had they not been driving off long since  
 by the crew of a Bark given by a Commodore the Capt  
 of the late St. Louis, for beef supplied  
 his crew, the present Commander in Chief  
 desired me to cancel. I replied it rested  
 with you, that I would acquaint you  
 with his orders. It rests with you to  
 comply or not, as you think meet.

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You will excuse my giving one piece of advice  
 it requires several small vessels to carry on the  
 establishment properly, it will not do to freight vessels  
 they'll eat it all up. If you have not the means  
 sell your property to some English Merchant or  
 Merchants, I have written to a Mr G. J. Whitington  
 on the subject, who sent me out a prospectus of  
 an Association he was forming to colonize the  
 Island. W Smith

## See Letter from Mr Thomas Hillsby Capt  
 Brisbane's clerk date Valparaiso July 31, 1834  
 (Answer to my 13<sup>th</sup> Question)

"I am also in possession of information  
 that on Lows return from the westward  
 after I left he was only allowed his proper  
 share of the 228 Seal skins, viz: 76.  
 The remainder were deposited with Gov<sup>r</sup>  
 nor Smith"



Say 228 seal skins  
 deduct 76  
 Gov<sup>r</sup> Smith recov<sup>d</sup> 152 seal skins  
 29 new skins

Total of seal skins 181  
 on the 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 1835

Capt Thomas Hillsby had taken away my Seal skins,  
 but Genl Smith received them in consequence  
 of informations given by Mr Hillsby, who  
 had escaped from being taken away with Don Juan.

Mr. J. Smith  
Port Louis Falkland  
16<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1835.  
Lt. William Smith - Commander  
rec<sup>d</sup> for H. M. S. Rapid

M. L. Smith

Buenos Ayres

Importante carta  
a Vermet escrita por el  
primer Gobernador Inglés  
de Malvinas - por que  
reconoce todos los  
que hay en la Isla  
Oriental (Puerto Luis)  
Naciones & se comen  
de propiedad de Vermet  
que se pueda continuar  
estableciendo su negocio  
Vermet nombra al hijo  
del Gobernador Smith  
su representante comercial  
en Malvinas -